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## **Jillian's News 4/24/17**

One of my favorite hobbies is horseback riding.

I ride English at Skibbereen Farms in Orchard Park, NY. One of the horses I enjoy riding is a horse named Okie. She is a chestnut horse and is a great jumper. My lessons are every Wednesday. Recently I have been working on trotting, cantering, cantering in circles, trotting and cantering over polls and learning how to figure eight the bridle. During my lesson I am working with keeping my heels down since I tend to just keep my feet normal like if I were walking.

After my lesson and I am picking out my horses hooves, Okie likes to keep her foot up for only a short period of time and then just put her hoof down and occasionally stepping on my boot! In the summer after lessons I bathe Okie with a sponge and it is a great way to cool down for me as well since Okie likes to shake!

I've have been riding at Skibbereen Farms for 3 years and I plan on many more years to come as I love the horses, other riders, and my teacher Molly.

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Okie