

NEW YORK/UPPER CONNECTICUT REGIONAL EVENTING RALLY

JUNE 27-28, 2005
KENT SCHOOL, KENT, CT

OPENING DATE: MAY 9, 2005 (NO ENTRIES ACCEPTED BEFORE)

CLOSING DATE: JUNE 11, 2005 (NO ENTRIES ACCEPTED AFTER)

(Entries must be RECEIVED by this date - NOT postmarked by.)

ORGANIZERS: Running Fox and Granby Pony Clubs

SECRETARY: Holly Cooper, 4 Ridge Road, Cortland Manor, NY 10567

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CHIEF OVERALL JUDGE: Ann Marie Gregoire

DRESSAGE JUDGE: Judy Danneman

TECHNICAL DELEGATE: Jack Leary

CHIEF HORSE MANAGEMENT JUDGE: Ann Haller

TEAM LEVELS: Beginner Novice, Novice, Training

TEAMS: Teams will be composed of 3 or 4 riders, rated C1 and up by June 11th and one non-riding horse manager. D2's and up may be horse managers. One Team Entry form and an Individual Rally Release form per team member must be supplied for each team or partial team. A horse manager and chaperone MUST be sent in with each team or partial team. NOTE: Because single riders and partial teams will be combined to form complete teams when possible, some horse managers and chaperones may not be needed. In that case, those fees will be returned.

ENTRY FEES: \$960.00 for a 5-member team including chaperone. \$200.00 per individual rider, \$100.00 per horse manager, and \$60.00 per chaperone. \$25.00 refundable stall/room deposit on a separate check per competitor, including HM's, made out to NY/UC Region. Refunds after the closing date at 50% of entry with medical excuse for horse or competitor. Another entrant from the same club with the same qualifications may substitute. Withdrawals before the closing date will be refunded minus a \$25.00 processing fee. A \$10.00 fee will added, per individual, to any incomplete entries received. Late entries will NOT be accepted.

SPECIAL NEEDS: Please make sure all special needs are noted on the entry forms. Include all learning disabilities, as well as medical - i.e.: diabetes, asthma, and allergies. Also, please note if written tests and/or dressage tests need to be read.

HORSE ENTRY FORMS: A current Negative Coggins Test and 2005 Rabies Vaccination are required for each horse, along with a veterinarians note detailing any medication that the horse is taking.

COMPETITORS MEDICAL RELEASE FORM: Each competitor must send in an **ORIGINAL** 2005 medical release form.

RALLY RULES: The rally will be run according to the USPC Rules for Eventing Rallies 2004 and the Horse Management Handbook and Rules for Competition 2002 with 2005 Eventing Annual Newsletter, 2005 HM Spring Newsletter and all applicable addenda. Each team must have these materials and be familiar with their contents.

UNAUTHORIZED ASSISTANCE: During a rally, teamwork, horse management, good horsemanship and good sportsmanship are just as important as performance. Parents are not allowed to help coach their child during a rally. Instead, Pony Clubbers work together as a team and help each other under the supervision of the Horse Management judges. Competitors are expected to be self-reliant. Assistance is available from rally officials, HM Judges and other competitors. When bodily harm is imminent, outside assistance is permissible. In cases where special needs arise; i.e., delivering lunches, coolers, medications etc., to competitors, the chaperones shall contact the Horse Management personnel to make arrangements at the neutral zone (a designated area open to parents, chaperones and competitors). If competitors are having problems with unsolicited advice and are fearful of incurring penalties, they should speak to the Chief Horse Management Judge.

DRESSAGE TESTS:

Beginner Novice: 2002 USEF Novice Eventing, Test C

Novice: 2002 USEF Novice Eventing, Test D

Training: 2002 USEF Training Eventing, Test D

ALL TESTS WILL BE RIDDEN IN THE SMALL SIZE ARENA, 40 x 20 meters

JOG-OUTS: Jog-outs will be done in boots/britches or kaki pants/paddock boots.

SCORING: As per USPC 2004 Eventing Rally Rules.

AWARDS: Ribbons for teams to 8th place overall for each division. Regional Medals for team scoring highest overall Training Level and a trophy for Beginner Novice and Novice. Ribbons for each division to 8th place for Horse Management with a trophy for each division for the team scoring highest. A conditioning award will be given for the best-conditioned horse at the rally. Attire for the Awards Ceremony is Formal or Informal.

PARADE OF TEAMS: BE SURE TO BRING CLUB BANNERS FOR THE CONCLUDING CEREMONIES. HORSE MANAGERS ARE ALSO EXPECTED TO BE SMARTLY DRESSED SO BRING YOUR BREECHES, RATCATCHERS JACKETS, BOOTS AND HELMETS.

CHAMPIONSHIPS: Any competitors wishing to try out for the USPC Eventing Championships at the Virginia Horse Park in Lexington, VA, on Aug. 3-7, 2005, must complete a Nationals Championship Intent Form. Preliminary, Training and Novice Levels will be offered at Championships. Candidates for Preliminary must be 14 years or older and rated C3 and up. Candidates for Training level must be 13 years or older and rated C2 and up, candidates for Novice level must be 12 years or older and rated C-2 and up. All ages and ratings requirements for Championships are as of January 1, 2005.

Due to the fact that the closing date for Championships entries is July 15, 2005 it is required that all paperwork is submitted before the closing date for this rally in order to be judged for qualifying. See Gold Book on the National website for information regarding Championships. Send the following forms to the RS at the address below:

***NY/UC National Championships Intent Form**

***USPC Competitive Rally Release (2 sides)**

***USEA Entry form (2 sides)**

***3 original medical release forms,**

***1 copy of current Negative Coggins Test**

*** Qualifying Affidavits (if applicable, or present them at the rally)**

Deb Welles, RS, 146-3 Boston Post Rd, Old Lyme, CT 06371

As the USPC Eventing Championships only provide for Novice level and above, please be aware of the qualifications as follows:

TRAINING - Horse/rider combination MUST have completed, without elimination in any phase, a USPC Training (or higher) Rally AND a USEF/USEA-recognized (or comparable*) horse trial at the Training level or above, within 11 months following the prior years Training Championships. At least one of these two competitions must have no cross-country jumping penalties, with the other having no more than 20 cross-country jumping penalties. Training level competitors must be a current USEA member and have a current USEA horse registration number. USEF membership is not required.

NOVICE- Horse/rider combination MUST have completed, without elimination in any phase, a USPC Novice (or higher) Rally AND a USEF/USEA-recognized (or comparable*) horse trial at the Novice level or above, within 11 months following the prior years Novice Championships. At least one of these two competitions must have no cross-country jumping penalties, with the other having no more than 20 cross-country jumping penalties. USEA membership has been waived. NO horse reg. # is required.

*COMPARABLE means an unrecognized or schooling horse trial held on the site of a recently sanctioned horse trial OR where the cross-country course has been approved by an USEF/USEA licensed Technical Delegate or Eventing judge. These exceptions require RS approval.

*Qualifying Affidavits are in the Eventing Spring Newsletter

MEALS: June 27th please bring your own breakfast. Competitor, judge and chaperone meals will be provided for the remainder of the event - June 27th lunch & dinner*, June 28th breakfast and lunch. (NOTE: If other adults are staying at Club Getaway on the June 27th, breakfast will be provided on June 28th, but not lunch.) *NOTE: Important information will be discussed at dinner followed by the written test. Attendance is mandatory!!!

FENCE JUDGES: We will need 2 adult fence judges per team for the cross-country phase on Tuesday, June 28th, from 7:45 a.m. to about 2 p.m. For the success of the competition, each team must provide the names of the fence judge volunteers by completing the appropriate form and attaching it to your completed entry packet. **THE ABSENCE OF THIS FORM WILL MAKE YOUR ENTRY INCOMPLETE!**

CHAPERONES: Must be 21 or older, have a valid driver's license and have a vehicle capable of driving a 5-member team between Club Getaway and the stables with proper seat belts. **NO** riding in the back of pickup trucks. Must read and sign chaperone duties form. Chaperones need to have copies of medical documents and medical releases for their team. Chaperones are encouraged to fill in their spare time by volunteering for other jobs at the rally. There is a lot to do! Just keep in mind your team must be able to reach you at all times.

COACHES: Teams may have a coach and teams may share a coach. No team may have more than one coach during the competition. Coaches are not required. The coach's access to the team is limited to walking the cross-country course and stadium course. **COACHES WILL NOT ACCOMPANY TEAMS ON THE OFFICIAL COURSE WALKS OR IN THE WARM-UP AREAS.** Appropriate personnel will be available to walk the courses with teams who do not have a coach and will be available in the warmup areas. Refer to 2004 Eventing Rulebook.

WEATHER EMERGENCY PLAN: All people at the rally should be aware of the Regions Weather Emergency Plan. It is available for viewing at the regional web page under forms. Weather conditions can change quickly especially at Kent and everyone should be prepared.

HOUSING: Included in the entry fee. Rally participants and chaperones will be housed June 27th at Club Getaway Sports Resort in Kent, about 15 minutes away from the rally grounds. **BED LINENS ARE NOT PROVIDED!** Please bring sleeping bags, pillows, towels and bathing suits. **ANY COMPETITOR NOT INSIDE THEIR CABINS AFTER LIGHTS OUT, 10:00pm, WILL BE ELIMINATED FROM THE RALLY. THEIR PARENTS WILL BE CALLED TO PICK THEM UP IMMEDIATELY!**

JUNE 26th ACCOMMODATIONS FOR EARLY or Layover ARRIVALS: Any competitor who wishes to arrive the night before competition or layover from the Dressage Rally may arrange to do so. Stabling cost for the extra night is \$15.00 for the stall, payable to Kent School, and housing, payable to NY/UC Region is \$31.00, which includes a breakfast on the morning of June 27th. Please fill out the early arrival/layover form and mail with separate checks for stall (made out to Kent School) and housing (made out to NY/UC) to: Holly Ely, 56 West Granby Road, Granby, CT 06035.

STABLING: Horses will be stabled at Kent School. Stalls may be permanent in the main barn area or temporary stalls in the indoor arena. Special requests for permanent stalls will require a vet's note. Two bags of shavings are included per horse. Bring your own hay and grain properly labeled and stored.

ROOM/STALL DEPOSIT: Rooms and stall areas will be inspected at the end of the competition. If a competitor's room and stall are clean and orderly with no damage, the deposit will be returned. Those who leave their rooms and/or stalls messy will forfeit their deposits.

FAMILY / SPONSOR ACCOMMODATIONS: There are a limited number of cabins at Club Getaway that can be reserved. Cost is \$60.00 a person per night. Price includes the same meals available to competitors and use of the facilities including the waterfront although the schedule will make swimming time difficult this year.

All competitors or children under the age of 18 must be accompanied by an adult and chaperone form must be completed and sent in with reservations. For reservations, complete the early/arrival form and send with appropriate check amount payable to NY/UC to: Holly Ely at the address listed above.

DRUG/ALCOHOL/TOBACCO POLICY: The use of alcohol and other substances that can affect judgment, health, and safety is emphatically forbidden for the duration of any USPC sponsored activities. All adults attending USPC functions are expected to exercise discretion and responsibility. Responsible adults must refrain from using alcohol or other substances that may adversely affect their judgment at any time that they are acting or may be called upon to act in a responsible position. Adult use of tobacco must conform to local laws and applicable safety regulations and should show concern for present health habits of Pony Clubbers.

NO DOGS IN THE STABLE AREA!!!! All dogs must be leashed at all times!!!

RALLY ASSIGNMENTS:

Co-Organizers: Running Fox/ Granby

Housing: Mystic

Stalls/Shavings: Glastonbury

Dressage: Sleeping Giant

Cross-Country: Old Chatham/ Garrison

Stadium: Mad River

Scoring: Litchfield/ RidgeRiders

Written tests: RS/VRS & Organizers

Parade of Teams: Everyone

Fence Judges Lunches & Coordination: Shetucket

DIRECTIONS:

FROM SOUTH: Rt. 7 N to the traffic light at monument in Kent (about 25 miles north of Danbury.) Left onto Rt. 341, over the bridge, take an immediate right onto Skiff Mountain Rd. Follow for 5 miles to top of the mountain. Kent Stables will be on the right.

FROM NORTH: Rt. 7S to traffic light in Kent at the monument. Take a right on Rt. 341, go over the bridge, and take an immediate right onto Skiff Mountain Rd. Follow for 5 miles to top of mountain. Kent Stables will be on the right.

FROM EAST: Rt. 8 N from Waterbury to exit 42. Left off ramp, over highway, left onto Rt. 118 into Litchfield. Take Rt. 202 W through Bantam and past Mt. Tom Pond. At bottom of hill, go right onto Rt. 341 follow into Kent, at traffic light at monument go straight over bridge, right onto Skiff Mountain Rd. Follow for 5 miles to top of mountain. Kent Stables will be on the right.

FROM WEST: Rt. 684 to Rt. 22N, to Rt. 55 (NY), left onto Rt. 7N to traffic light at monument in Kent, left onto Rt. 341 and take a right onto Skiff Mountain Rd. Follow for 5 miles to top of mountain. Kent Stables will be on the right.