

**Glastonbury Pony Club D Rally**  
**May 25, 2003**

**Earle Park, Main St. (Rte. 17) Glastonbury, CT**

**Rally Held Rain or Shine**

A Five Phase Competition for D's and Unrated Members Age 8 and Up

**Teams:** Will be of 3 or 4 riding members of mixed ratings. If any club cannot send a complete team, its individual riders will be placed on a "scrambled" team. Each team may have one C advisor and a horse manager (D level).

**Advisor:** Must be a current pony club member of C rating or above. On the day of the rally, an advisor may OFFER INSTRUCTION and keep track of time schedules of events, but must not actually do any tasks for team members. The advisor should be capable of supervising the safety of team members and be able to take appropriate action if a team member's safety is endangered at any time during the rally. Longeing of horses may be done, with the approval of the Horse Management Judge, by advisors with a C2 rating and above, as long as they are supervised.

**Remember SAFETY FIRST!**

The Horse Manager may not be substituted as a rider, but must be of appropriate age and rating for the rally.

**Written Test:** Will be given the morning of the rally. Please bring pencils. Very young members may take the test orally.

**Dressage:**

Rating	Test
Unrated and D1	2003 USDF Introductory Level, Test A <b>OR</b> 2003 Introductory Level, Test B
D2	2003 USDF Introductory Level, Test B <b>OR</b> 2003 USA Equestrian, Training Level, Test 1
D3	2003 USA Equestrian, Training Level, Test 1 <b>OR</b> 2003 USA Equestrian, Training Level, Test 2

Note: D2s and D3s on the same team must ride the same dressage test, 2003 USA Equestrian, Training Level, Test 1. We discourage riders from having the test read aloud but, if necessary, there will be a 5-point penalty in the dressage score.

**Cross-Country:** Obstacles for D2's and D3's will be a maximum of 24" and 30" respectively. D1's and unrated members will ride an "obstacle course" which will be scored as a cross-country phase. D2's and D3's will be given a generous amount of time allowance for the course based on 200 meters per minute. The official course walk will be held on Sunday, May 25, 2003 at 8:00 A.M. Earle Park will be closed to horses May 18-25, 2003 at sundown. Any competitors violating this rule will be eliminated from this competition.

**Stadium Jumping:** Rails on the ground and cavalletti at their lowest point for D1's and unrated members; D2's will have 2' heights and D3's will have 2'6" heights, the same as cross country.

**Horse Management:** Will be scored throughout the day, with the emphases on the formal turnout inspection which will take place approximately one hour before the competitor's scheduled dressage ride. Inspections begin at 8:00 A.M.

**Helmets:** Each competitor must wear an ASTM/SEI approved hard hat. Helmets will be checked at Tack and Turnout.

**Awards:** Ribbons will be awarded to the 1 - 10 place teams. In addition, there will be an individual ribbon for the D1, D2 and D3 with the highest horse management score.

**Rules:** Absolutely no dogs will be allowed at the Rally. We will be enforcing this rule with no exceptions. DC's, parents and friends are on their honor to observe the USPC rules regarding unauthorized assistance. After the horses have been unloaded from their trailers, all unauthorized persons are to remain away from the tie-up area. Spectators wishing to watch the cross country are asked to stay in the upper field near the dressage rings where they can observe several jumps. We would not want you to startle a horse or rider by being seen on the narrow woodland paths.

**Entry Fee:** The entry fee is \$50 per competitor. We are limiting the Rally to 10 teams. Entries will close on May 1, 2003 with no exceptions. Checks should be made payable to "Glastonbury Pony Club" and sent with the individual entry from which must be signed by the parent or guardian, along with a copy of the Coggins and rabies test taken within 12 months, and a Pony Club medical release form. Glastonbury Pony Club members who have already filed their medical release forms need not send another, but check with the DC to be sure.

**Stabling:** A limited number of stalls will be available in the area (about two miles from Earle Park). For costs and further information, call Ellen Barnes (860) 646-9815.

**Parking:** The rally begins at 7:45 am, the grounds will be open at 6:30 am. To allow time for proper set up, please arrive no later than 7:00 am. Please do not use the "Old Church Cemetery" drive at any time. All trailers should enter the grounds via the Glezen's driveway 1335 Main Street and park behind their barn. Please do not tie your ponies to their paddock fence. Any ponies not tied to trailers must be hand-held. The field parking is only for competitors. If you are a spectator, please park your car behind The Old Cider Mill - past the trailer entrance.

**Food:** Breakfast and lunch will be sold on the grounds. Bottled water will be available for competitors all day, free of charge.

**Bathrooms:** There will be Port-O-Lets available for use by riders and family members. Please do not use the Audubon Society's bathrooms. Riders or unsupervised siblings are not allowed in the Audubon Society building at any time.