



River Valley Pony Club

D Eventing Rally & Intro Horse Trial

WHEN: March 28, 2020
Rain Date: May 16, 2020

Optional Open Schooling
Sunday, March 29th

WHERE: Foothills
Equestrian & Nature
Center [{F.E.N.C.E}](#)
@ 3381 Hunting Country
Rd., Tryon, NC 28782

WHO: Open to U.S. Pony
Club Members & 20
non-member riders
Certification level: UR
(unrated) to D3 mounted

CLOSING DATE: Entries must be RECEIVED by Friday, March 13, 2020

Purpose: Fundraising Activity for [River Valley Pony Club](#). Proceeds will go to supporting our non profit club that provides horse management education and horse sports for all ages. This one day rally introduces D level members and the riding public to competing in Eventing in a fun, safe, and appropriate way.

Introduction to Eventing: The Cross Country portion will take place on the enclosed, grass Steeplechase track as a means of security for D level riders. The course is designed with safety in mind for young or inexperienced riders, no fast down hills, etc.

FEES: Eventing (3 Phase): \$60, **2 Phase:** \$50, **Single Phase:** \$40 (Per Individual)
Sunday Schooling Optional \$25 Must be accompanied by trainer/grounds person
Stable Manager: \$10 **C Advisor** -No fee (rally experienced D3-13 & above)

Checks made payable to: *River Valley Pony Club*, must accompany all entries with all necessary forms. Electronic payment + transaction fee available if requested on sign up form.

ENTRY: Entry form & payment must be RECEIVED BY Friday, March 13, 2020. Entries must be in hand with the Rally Secretary complete with all necessary forms, signatures, and fees by this date. Incomplete entries will be assessed a \$10.00 late fee which must be paid prior to the member competing. Only exception to "missing paperwork" (incomplete entry) will be for current negative Coggins. Neg. Coggins must be received by rally secretary prior to the start of the rally. No horse will be allowed to compete without a current negative Coggins. [Entry FORM HERE](#)

Rally Secretary: Lynn Moorshead @ 118 Kingswood Circle, Simpsonville, SC 29681

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RULES: [2020 EVENTING RULEBOOK](#), Latest USPC EVENTING Annual Newsletter, [2020 USPC HM HANDBOOK; RULES FOR RALLIES](#) and all current addenda. Abbreviated Required Equipment Check will be used: Horse First aid, Human First Aid, Individual Grooming Kits.

FOOD: Entry fee includes lunch for competitors (turkey or ham sandwich, chips, fruit, cookie, & water/drinks). Stable Managers and C Advisors will receive a free lunch. All parents and volunteers wishing to have lunch provided should include \$5 per person with the completed application.

REFUNDS: Full refund if requested prior to closing date. After March 13 (less \$15 admin fee) refunds made only with informing of cancellation before the rally begins with Vet or Doctor's note submitted. Notes must be submitted to the rally secretary no later than April 8, 2020.

LODGING/STABLING: Area lodging/RV camping can be found through [FENCE website](#) or VRBO etc. Stabling offered: Overnight (Friday or Saturday) stabling: \$25 per night. Saturday daytime stall only is \$15. Must provide own shavings. Separate stall deposit check \$25. All stalls must be stripped and swept before you leave. If you would like River Valley Pony club would be happy to strip/sweep your stall for the deposit amount. Signup at the show office upon arrival.

TEAM COMPOSITION: Teams may consist of 3 or 4 riders. Teams may be of mixed ratings, levels and/or divisions. The Organizer will put together scramble teams. Teams may be adjusted according to entries if needed in order to preserve continuity. Each team must have a C-Advisor and an adult chaperone, exception for Horse Masters (HMX). If a team does not have its own C-Advisor, the organizer will attempt to find one for them. It is highly recommended that the team have a coach. Each team may have a Stable Manager, who is a D-rated (or unrated) member that will assist and learn from the C Advisor. This is a great opportunity for a member who is not ready to bring their horse to be on a team, or for a member who wishes to further their HM skills. Volunteers/C Advisors that do not have a team or club specific role but wish to help can sign up here: [C Advisor/Volunteer Signup Form](#)

DIVISIONS:

Note: Competitors may choose one of various options: One, two, or three phases. Competitors entering a CT or Eventing divisions should do so based on their jumping certification level or the level that best fits the horse/rider combination. You are advised not to enter a level higher than your jumping rating.

Tadpole (D-1):

DRESSAGE - [2019 USDF Intro Test A](#)

STADIUM – Course of 6 – 8 obstacles that are small cross rails, logs or verticals no higher than 12”, untimed

CROSS COUNTRY – Course of 6 – 9 obstacles that are no higher than 12”. Fences will be in a large enclosed track, with no timing of the course.

Puddle Jumpers (D-2 jumping rating):

DRESSAGE – [2019 USDF Intro Test B](#)

STADIUM – Course of 8–10 obstacles 12” – 18” in height, no oxers, timed at 240 mpm

CROSS COUNTRY – Course of 8 – 11 obstacles that are no higher than 18”, timed at 240 mpm

Green as Grass (D-3 jumping rating):

DRESSAGE -[2019 USDF Intro Test C](#)

STADIUM – Course of 8 – 10 obstacles 2’ – 2’ 3” in height, may have small oxers, timed at 275 mpm

CROSS COUNTRY – Course of 9 – 12 obstacles that are no higher than 2’3”, timed at 275 mpm

STALLS AND TACK ROOMS: Teams should plan on using a *trailer for their tack room*. Ponies will be tied to trailers during this rally. Teams should plan to park one large or two small trailers in the “barn” area for this purpose. For ponies that cannot be tied, please let the manager know and a stall may be arranged for a fee. You must provide your own shavings

ATTIRE and TACK: All competitors must wear ASTM/SEI approved, properly fitted helmet with the chin harness secured while riding and for formal inspection. Polo shirts are acceptable for all competitors, jackets will not be required. Half-chaps are allowed. Medical armbands or wristbands and appropriate footwear must be worn by all pony clubbers, both competitors and volunteers. For Tack, D Exceptions, as listed in the Eventing Rulebook, will be permitted for all competitors.

REQUIRED EQUIPMENT: Equipment for one-day rally. Two teams from the same club may share a set of Required Equipment. *Abbreviated Required Equipment Check* will be used. Horse First Aid, Human First aid, and individual grooming kits. See [2020 USPC HM HANDBOOK; RULES FOR RALLIES](#)

VOLUNTEERS: Aside from a few key adults, this rally will be totally run by volunteers and active pony club members. We encourage D3 and above pony club members to volunteer at this rally as it will be a fun and wonderful learning experience for all. Please check the list on the form of volunteer positions or contact show secretary. Rally organizers will do their best to match people to their job of choice. We do still require a Chaperone for each team. Chaperones/Parents please include form to complete your child’s submitted entry. USPC Chaperone Form found here: [ChaperoneDutiesForm.pdf](#) Email this Form to show Secretary lynnmoorshead@bellsouth subject line: D Rally *Competitor’s/Team Name* Chaperone.

MOUNTS: Mounts must be serviceably sound and suitable for the capabilities of the rider and level of competition. Two members on the same team may share a mount.

*****NON-USPC MEMBERS***:** We are opening this rally to competitors who are not USPC members, with the intent of providing an introduction to USPC and eventing for prospective members. DC’s, please let the secretary know if you have any non-members competing. A non-member waiver must be signed.

SCORING: Scoring is very creative. We will use ghost scores for any team that is short riders in any phase. Even if they have 3 or 4 people on the team, since we allow Dressage only or Combined Test, they may be short on SJ or XC Scores. A median value of all competitors in SJ or XC will be used for the ghost scores.

AWARDS:

Teams: HM Only (1st – number of teams entered)

Teams: Overall (1st - number of teams entered; combination of riding & HM)

Individual by Division (1st only; combination of riding & HM)

The D rally is meant to provide a fun, safe and instructional environment for young or new riders. Parents, please allow the competitors to work as a team. Teams will have C-advisors in the barns and to help out where needed. Please keep away from the stable/horse management area and enjoy watching your child surprise you with his/her skills and independence. Let them shine! We hope that everyone that will be working with these youngsters (adults and Pony Clubbers alike) will emphasize the opportunity for learning teamwork, good sportsmanship, and kind/considerate care of their mounts while de-emphasizing the competitive aspects of the sport. Their mounts should be serviceably sound and reflect evidence of regular care.

Dressage tests may be read if needed, but a penalty of 2 points will be added to the dressage score. Readers will be available at request. Parents may not assist the competitor at any time during the rally at risk of elimination due to unauthorized assistance.

The jumping phases may be done at any gait - walk, trot or canter, although D1s are encouraged to walk or trot. Competitors begin with stadium and go directly to XC. There will be time faults only for Puddle Jumpers & Green division. Coaches are allowed and highly recommended! The C Advisor will be very busy in the stable area, so should not be doubling as the coach.

- To Join "Remind" Group Text: Send " @rvpcd " TO the # 81010.
- Coaches are highly recommended. At this level, not having a coach is an ill advised idea. Although the C Advisor cannot be coach while managing a team in the barn area, we do encourage other experienced pony clubbers to be coaches.
- We intend to keep things fun and educational. It will run like a regular rally, just a little more casual. We are serious about not letting parents in the barn/trailer area.
- The "C Advisor" for each team is a person with rally experience and at least 13 years old, (but we allow an older D3 to fill this roll). They are the teacher, mentor, everything, helping the team in the barn area - keeping them safe, teaching them about HM and how rallies work, etc.
- Use a separate entry form for each individual. [Entry Form Here](#)
- Non member form here: [non member waiver.pdf](#) Send to lynnmoorshead@bellsouth.net
- Please ensure that name on Coggins matches horse's name on entry form
- Please ensure that all those members who volunteer will be appropriate for jobs requested **Volunteer Form for individuals without a rider** [Available Here](#)

Rally Questions: RVPC DC Beth McGregor RiverValleyPonyClub@gmail.com (864)764-2109

OR Rally Secretary: Lynn Moorshead lynnmoorshead@bellsouth.net (864)901-8755

EACH ENTRY FORM MUST BE ACCOMPANIED BY THE FOLLOWING:

- ✓ Current Negative Coggins for each Pony (name on Coggins must match entry form)
- ✓ Non Member Waiver [non member waiver.pdf](#) for NON-USPC members ONLY
- ✓ Check payable to River Valley Pony Club in the proper amount for entry and all fees
- ✓ Signed Team Chaperone Form - 1 per team or individual [ChaperoneDutiesForm.pdf](#)

Saturday Very Tentative Schedule

| Time | Activity | Info |
|---------------|-------------------------------------|--------------------------------------|
| 7:30-9:15AM | Facility/Barns open/Move in | MUST be moved in by 9:15AM |
| 8:45AM | Competitor Briefing | Pavilion/Picnic area |
| 9:30AM-1:00PM | SJ Course Walk | Show Jump Ring |
| 10:00AM | XC Course Walk | May also walk SJ course at this time |
| 11:00AM | Jogs | in order of go |
| 11:45AM | Turnout Inspections, in order of go | 5 minutes each |
| 12-2:00PM | Lunch | Riders eat on their breaks |
| 12:30-2:30PM | Dressage Rides begin | |
| 1:15-1:30PM | Green Jumping | |
| 1:45-2:05PM | Puddle Jumpers Jumping | |
| 2:20-3:00PM | Tadpole Jumping | |
| 3:45PM | Turnbacks completed | |
| 3:45PM | Turnback & HM scores submitted | |
| 4:00PM | Breakdown/Packup | If given clearance |
| 4:30PM | Awards | Sooner if scores ready early |