

SVPC Newsletter

Pony Club. Where it all begins.



SVPC Members Rock Tryon

SVPC sent competitors to the USPC Championships East in multiple disciplines. Mitch was on a Capital Region show jumping team that took first place in horse management. Chloe was on an eventing team in the beginner novice division. Kevin,

Audrey and Katrina rode and Shannon stable managed the first level and up dressage team that took first overall and won a congeniality award. Reagan and Daniel were on a Tet team with former SVPC member Lauren and earned lots of ribbons. In the Quiz competition Abby, Ariana, Gretel and Jenna formed the Capital Region's Purple Minion team took 4th place. Ella was a volunteer at Championships and got to see the competition as well.

This year the USPC Championships East took place at Tryon International Equestrian Center. Members were treated to an opening ceremony in the George Morris Arena. Competitors paraded into the arena with their regions and following the parade Tryon hosted a lip sync competition. SVPC's "Ragtime Gals" placed 4th and won \$250 for SVPC. Way to go Kevin, Shannon, Audrey, Katrina and former member Marilyn. Former member Lauren assisted with choreography.

Tyron was unique in that it offered limited on-site accommodations. There are not a lot of hotels in the area. The Rowe family rented an RV that served as headquarters for the Purple Minions for the competition.

Congratulations to the SVPC members who represented Capital Region and thank you to all of the parents who volunteered at the Championships to make the competition possible. SVPC is lucky to have incredible parents and to be a part of a strong region.

Upcoming Events

September 3-4
SVPC Fall Horse Trials

September 12 Fix-a-Test with Cathy Slaterback

Saturday and Sunday September 17-18 Capital Region Tetrathlon Rally Hosted by SVPC

Sunday, September 25 Stephen Bradley Clinic at Bittersweet

Sunday, October 2 Capital Region Dressage Rally

Sunday, October 23 Annual Sponsors Meeting

Friday, December 2 Holiday Party

Council Recap

MEMBERS ARE WELCOME TO ATTEND COUNCIL MEETINGS HELD ON THE SECOND TUESDAY OF THE MONTH.

Financial Report – Sheila was unable to attend but summarized by e-mail

Lessons/Camp Update – Dressage Clinic scheduled for July 18 with NE Mary Schwentker. There is an ongoing games lesson series and an unsubsidized Chris Donovan Series. Seven members have registered for D camp (4 SVPC and 3 from Bascule). Organization of instructors is almost complete, the timetable is complete but the detailed schedule is still being finalized. Nine members have registered for ABC camp (7 full entries, 2 are individual days). July 24 SVPC Club Day – Instructors include Colleen Rutledge, Mary Schwentker, Steven Bradley, and possibly Cathy Echternact. There will also be a BBQ and Sponsors Meeting. The Rowe family will donate their charcoal grill for permanent use by the Club.

Horse Trials – Lauren said she had marked the cross country jumps. Debby reported that the field was in great shape, sponsorship was going well, the program looked good, and the volunteer pilot program was going well. Nancy reported that the relationship with the USEA rider representative was good.

Rallies – Three CRPC teams will participate in Eventing Rally with 2.5 from SVPC. Games Rally is scheduled for June 26; SVPC is sending a scramble team that hopes to qualify for Championships. No SVPC members attended the overnight Show Jumping rally but a three person SVPC team attended the MD Region Show Jumping

Rally and placed first in HM and riding. One SVPC member attended the MD Region modified Dressage Rally and placed well. Three members plan to attend the MD Region Tet Rally and CRPC Tet rally in the fall.

Championships – Registration for Quiz competitors is underway. Cheryl Clark has asked for paperwork for Eventing competitors by July 1. The Goldbook is available online.

Club Day & Sponsors Meeting July 24 – Lisa Rowe and Shelley Heron volunteered to be on the Nominating Committee but an additional person is still needed. The Club is also in need of a Treasurer. Candace reported that there is a new dual member and welcomed Abby F.

Other Business – Potomac Pony Club has organized a Jump Club and will meet July 7. Contact Marie for more information. Lisa asked if there was interest in a long lining clinic for the Fall. Leslie reported that dates for a non-qualifying eventing rally and show jumping rally are still being discussed by the CRPC Board. Leslie also reported that changes to the Club calendar reflect cancellations of the July and August Council meetings due to Horse Trials and Championships. Nancy reported that Cathy Slaterbeck has agreed to hold a date on her calendar to judge the Fall Horse Trials.

Junior Board – Members signed cards and organized shirts.

Lessons

Yvonneke Weitzel continues to organize weekly lessons for SVPC members. Contact Yvonneke at yvonnekeweitzel@gmail.com if you would like information on the ongoing lessons.

Lisa Rowe has organized a fix-a-test with dressage judge Cathy Slaterback on Monday, September 12th at Wind Brook Farm, 18235 White Ground Rd, Boyds MD. There is no charge for the fix-a-test, but our club will be collecting towards gas money for Cathy. Contact Lisa Rowe if you are interested in riding a test. Please e-mail or text Lisa Rowe for more information or to register at Ricklisa.rowe@gmail.com or (240)401-4523.

Seneca Valley Pony Club will also be hosting a club day on Sunday, September 25 at Bittersweet Field. Stephen Bradley will be offering jumping lessons, we will also be offering a flat lesson, a horse management lesson and pot luck lunch. Please visit our website to sign up for this clinic by Friday, September 16. Our instructors cater to all levels. This is also a fantastic opportunity for Certification preparations.



EASY WAY TO EARN CASH FOR SVPC

There's an easy way to make money for the club. Please send your proof of purchases for Legends, Triple Crown and Southern States horse feed to:

Sheila Jackson, 12227 Galesville Drive Gaithersburg, MD 20878

or give them to Sheila or Maggie when you see them. Each label generates \$.25 for the club!

Thanks! Sheila

Congratulations to our SVPC Members

After SVPC D Camp, Ariana and Lexie earned their D3 jumping certification and Gretel earned her D3 traditional.

Shannon and Maddison earned their HA certification this summer.

If you are planning for a fall club level certification, contact Maureen Bigelow immediately at maureenbigelow@yahoo.com.



