

Seneca Valley

Pony Express

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March 2007

2007 Calendar

March 17	C3 mounted Prep at Good Choice Farm (Kevin Bowie)
March 18	Schooling Jumper Show
March 24	D2, D3 & C1 mounted prep
March 24	Regional C2 & up unmounted prep
March 25	Schooling Jumper Show
March 28	Applications due for Summer C3/B/H/H-A ratings
March 31	Regional C2 mounted prep
March 30	Regional Meeting
April 3	Council Meeting
April 14	D2, D3 & C1 Spring Rating
April 14	Spring Sponsor's Meeting
April 21	C3 mounted Prep at Good Choice Farm (Kevin Bowie)
April 22	Regional Spring C2 rating
April 28	Regional C3 mounted prep
May 1	Council Meeting
May 3	Regional Meeting
May 13	Show Jumping/Combined Training Day
May 20	Games Rally
May 26-28	Regional Spring C3 rating
June 1	Fall C2 Applications due to Nancy Jones
June 5	Council Meeting
June 7	Regional Meeting
June 16-17	Spring Horse Trials/Eventing Rally
June 29-July 1	Show Jumping Rally

Horse Management Seminar Rescheduled to March 10th

The HM Seminar, originally scheduled for February 25th (snowed out), has been rescheduled for March 10th - same locations, times and topics.

2006 Awards Winners!

The Annual Awards Dinner was held on February 10th (after our first date was snowed out!) and proved to be a wonderful evening of great food and a chance to catch up with all our Pony Clubbers. We all owe a big thanks to Anne Corbeille for her hard work in arranging such a wonderful event for us.

The following awards were presented:

Pony Clubber of the Year	Derek Alvey
D Pony Clubber of the Year	Kayla Pavlick
Ladd Sr. Boy Award	Derek Alvey
Ladd Jr. Boy Award	Stephen Pancrazio
Archie Award	Kallan Ludder and Kayla Pavlick
DC Award	Nellie Hanagan
Hercules Award	The Price Family
Sunshine Award	Carla MacLeod
Rouse D Sportsmanship Award	Bethany Bowers
Wheeler Manners Award	Jennifer Price
Corse Helpfulness Award	Kimmy McNamee
Applejack Show Jumping Award	Daniel Herbick and Alex MacLeod
Welles Stable Management Award	Erika Gonzalez
Dressage Award	Brooke Ludder
Mr. Chips D Dressage Award	Bethany Bowers
Knowdown (Quiz) Award	Kayla Pavlick
Eventing Award	Derek Alvey
Games Award	Gabby VanTassel
Polocrosse Award	Kimmy McNamee
Strawberry Award (Pony of the Year)	Peach Fuzz (Gabby VanTassel)
Royal Courier Horse of the Year Award	Copper Dancer ("George") - Derek Alvey
Heart of Gold Award	Caleb (The Bowers Family)
New Members	Luvie Abell, Jenny Barnhard, Anna Benitez, Alanna Byrd, Dru Corbeille , Zack Davis, Kenny Freeman, Ericka Gonzalez, Austyn Gray, Karleigh Gray, Sarah Holland, Jessica Meagher, Brittney Nolder, Julia Norwind, Addison Spencer, and Sarah Tilley.

(Names noted in bold were mistakenly not included at the Awards Dinner - we apologize for the oversight!)

Sandy McNamee also unveiled a special sign that will be installed at our new practice field at Bittersweet, honoring all the hard work that Chris Price and his fellow Boy Scouts put into designing and building the field.

We hope everyone had a great time and that all of our members were inspired to work hard during the coming year.

Congratulations to our Quiz Kids!

Thanks to all our members who gave up a lovely day for riding and choose to participate in the Capital Region Quiz Rally. We fielded three full teams, plus we had members on three scramble teams. Here are the results:

Junior D, Division A: First Place - Seneca Stars with Stephen Pancrazio (Captain), Hannah Recknor, Jenny Barnhard and Bridget Bigelow..

Junior D, Division A: Second Place - Seneca Thoroughbreds with Corbin Blumberg (Captain), Kayla Pavlick, Addie Thornley, and Gabriella Catrett.

Senior D, Division B: Third Place - Shenandoah/Seneca Hot Zocks with Maggie Jackson and Meredith Kearney.

Junior C: Second Place - Howard/Seneca Double Trouble with Gabby VanTassel and Jennifer Price.

Senior C: First Place - Seneca Coggins with Kimmy McNamee (Captain), Andrew Alvey, Andrea Jones, and Emily LaFave.

Senior C: Second Place - Seneca/Howard B-52's with Derek Alvey (Captain).

We'd also like to recognize two of our members who won individual high point awards: **Jenny Barnhard - High Point D** and **Andrea Jones - High Point C**.

Finally, a special thanks to our Quiz Coordinators, Ann Adams and Karrie Recknor for working with our D members, and Kelly Nolder who organized the C preps, and to the following C pony clubbers who taught sessions at the D preps: Elizabeth Brigham, Michelle Corbeille, Jennifer Price, Arden Copeland and Elisa Willems.

EHV-1

The Virginia and Maryland official state websites for updates regarding the EHV-1 cases are: <http://www.mda.state.md.us> and <http://www.vdacs.virginia.gov/>. These sites are updated daily and provide the most accurate information and expert recommendations for dealing with this disease. VDACS is guardedly optimistic that the virus has not spread but only time will tell. While neither state is requiring the cancellation of equine events, Virginia State Veterinarian Richard Wilkes continues to urge horse owners to minimize the occasions where horses co-mingle.

As we have all worried and waited for more news over the past couple of weeks, we are reminded of the need to practice safe horsekeeping AT ALL TIMES:

Don't share equipment

Don't let your horse "play nose" with a strange horse

Don't let your horse drink from another's water bucket

Keep your immunizations up-to-date (even though there is not an effective vaccine for the neurological form of EHV-1, the rhino vaccine does provide some protection against regular EHV-1)

Check reliable sources of information (your Vet, appropriate government agencies) and don't rely on word-of-mouth or the rumor mill.

Date Change for Summer Upper Level Rating Applications
First Aid Course Offered

If you are planning on doing your C3, B, H/H-A or A rating this summer, you must have your application, fee, and all supporting materials to Nancy Jones by **March 28th**, so that they can be turned in to our Regional Supervisor, Laura Ganske, on March 30th. If you haven't yet taken the required First Aid class for the H/H-A or if your certificate has expired, there will be a class held on April 7th - you can get a temporary card at the class, which you can then fax to Mrs. Ganske to include with your application. Please contact Nancy Jones at 301-972-3806 if you have any questions; to enroll in the First Aid course, contact Sandy McNamee as soon as possible at 301-990-0857.

Spring Sponsors' Meeting

Please save the date of April 14th for the Spring Sponsors meeting, which will be held at Bittersweet Field. This meeting is an opportunity to tour the field, including our new practice area, learn more about the Club, and enjoy a (hopefully) lovely spring afternoon. We will have an educational program for the kids - watch this space for more details - and will have a lot of "pony club old-timers" available to answer questions from parents and kids. We hope to see you there.

Horse Trials News

The first meeting of the horse trials organizing committee was held last month and plans are shaping up for our Spring Trials. As most of you know, it takes an incredible effort by all our members, sponsors, parents, and friends to put on the trials and we need all of you to pitch in. The functional areas for the trials and the folks in charge of those areas are as follows:

Organizers: Pam Blumberg and Nancy Jones
Field Coordinator: Debby Price
Volunteers: Sandy McNamee, Lisa Gonzalez, Sandy Goodman
Secretary: Kathy Flynn and Nancy Jones
Dressage Stewards: Kelly Nolder and Karrie Recknor
Scoring Steward: Donna Willems and Ann Adams
Stadium Stewards: Tom Gutierrez and Carla MacLeod
XC Stewards: Pam Blumberg and Holly Payne
Hospitality: Anne Corbeille
Parking Stewards: Jeff Goodman and Joe Tilley
Safety Officer: Dave Herbick
Advertising/Sponsors: Bridgit Fried
Eventing Rally Coordinator (spring only): Lisa Gonzalez

When you are called to help get the field ready for the trials or to work at the show, please remember that the proceeds from the trials fund lessons, rallies, participation at National

Championships, and other activities throughout the year. Field work days have been scheduled as follows:

- 4/21-22
- 4/28-29
- 5/5-6
- 5/12-13
- 6/2-3
- 6/9-10
- 6/15
- 6/18 (post show clean up)

Calling all Computer Whizzes

USPC is in the process of starting a "virtual pony club" on its web site and is seeking a computer-savvy member from each Region to help on this project. If you are interested in participating, please contact our Regional Supervisor, Laura Ganske, at lauraganske@msn.com

Jump Into Spring At Wakefield Valley Pony Club's Combined Test

Date: April 22, 2007

Location: Carroll County Equestrian Center

Closing Date: April 12, 2007

Sponsored by: Westminster Union Bank and Robin Ford Builders

6 ribbons per division, food, inviting fences, low key atmosphere, fun for all ages, used tack sale

Division	Dressage test	Stadium Ht.
Elementary	USDF 2006 intro test A	12" - 18"
Baby Beg. Novice	USEA 2006 Beg. Novice test A	18" - 2'
Beg. Novice	USEA 2006 Beg. Novice test B	2'3" - 2'6"
Novice	USEA 2006 Novice test A	2'9" - 2'11"

\$ 35.00 per division

Show held rain or shine, no refunds after closing date

For more info call Jennifer @410-875-2382 or Marilyn @ 410-875-3312

Or e-mail Jennifer.tingley@juno.com or marilyn_cross@hotmail.com

USDF test available at the USDF website

USEF tests available at the USEA website under forms

Entry forms and info available at our website <http://capitalregion.ponyclub.org./wakefield>

2007 Capital Region Pony Club Games Rally

Rally Date Sunday, May 20, 2006
Location Frederick Pony Club Grounds (Moxley Field)
Closing Date: April 21 - late fees will be applied after this date
in the amount of \$10 per team
Organizer: Frederick Pony Club
Rally Secretary Kris Kepner, 11111 Kingstead Road, Damascus, Md. 20872
Kepnerfamily@comcast.net, 301-253-1573
Chief HM Judge Caroline Gaver
Judge Frank Horn
TD Jim Reed
Divisions: Advanced, Senior, Junior, Rising Stars
(If there are not enough competitors in the advanced division,
pony club members will be allowed to compete as individuals)
Costs \$40.00 per advanced and rising star teams,
\$80 per 4 person junior and senior team
\$100 per 5 person junior and senior team

****Please write check payable to SENECA VALLEY PONY CLUB****

Team, Coaching, and rules will be followed from the **2006** Games Rule Books.
Horse Management rules from the **2007** Rulebook

COGGINS, MEDICAL RELEASES, AND RALLY RELEASES MUST BE SUBMITTED WITH ENTRIES

Food: Food will be available for purchase by competitors and spectators.
(Food will be provided for officials). Drinking water will be available on the
grounds.
Stabling: Stalls available for Rising Stars [if enough available, advanced teams may
be able to have stalls, will announce after entries are received]
Stalls must be cleaned at the end of the day.
Preliminary Schedule: 6:30 AM Grounds Open
7:30 Parents out for Seniors, Juniors and Advanced teams
10:00 Rising Stars arrive
10:45 Parents out for Rising Stars

This is a preliminary schedule and another will be sent out after all teams are in for final count

Volunteers: We will need many parents to assist with lane and line judging,
horse management, written test, ring crew, scoring and
heat control for children and ponies. Please be sure to send in
your list of volunteers.

****We may need help from parents from each club to assist with field setup on Sat. May 20, time to
be determined, more information will be sent at a later date****

Games: Advanced, Senior, Junior teams will play the following:

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| 1. Bending | 6. Windsor castle |
| 2. Ring | 7. Hula Hoop |
| 3. Pony Club | 8. Three Mug |
| 4. | 9. 5 Flag |
| 5. Sock | 10. Litter |

Tie Breaker: 2 Flag

Rising Stars:

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| 1. Bending | 4. 2 Flag |
| 2. Ring | 5. Mug Shuffle |
| 3. Three Mug | 6. 5 Flag |

Directions: From D.C. area, Rt 270 North to Urbana/ Buckeystown exit (Rt. 80) Turn towards Urbana on Route 80. Cross over Rt. 355 and continue on Rt. 80 2-3 miles. Turn left on Ijamsville Road. Go approximately two miles. FPC grounds on left.

From Baltimore or Hagerstown area: Route 70 to Exit 62 (Libertytown) Take Rt. 75 North to Rt 144 West. Turn left go through New Market, continue one mile and turn left on Mussetter Rd. FPC grounds on right after railroad crossing.

<u>GAMES RALLY ENTRY FORM</u>				
Checklist for Entries:				
_____	Coggins			
_____	Medical Release			
_____	Rally Release			
_____	Entry Form			
_____	Check for appropriate amount payable to SENECA VALLEY PONY CLUB (or SVPC)			
Mail Entries to:	Nancy Jones, 18800 Lake Placid Lane, Germantown, MD 20874			
Division	_____			
<u>Competitor's Name</u>	<u>Rating</u>	<u>Weight</u>	<u>Pony size</u>	<u>Pony Name</u>
_____	_____	_____	_____	_____
Volunteer's Name:	_____			

Volunteers: Every rider needs to provide 1 volunteer. We need volunteers for Lane and Line judges, scribes for HM judges, gate keepers, ring crew, written test administrators, scorers, weights and measures, parking, and others as needed. Volunteer assignments will be sent out with final schedule. Please list volunteer name with child/participants name beside it. This helps prevent last minute assignment changes. Specific job requests will be taken into account but not all requests can be granted.

Future Planning Calendar (changes/addition in bold)

July 1	Nationals entry forms due to Laura Ganske
July 3	Council Meeting
July 5	Regional Meeting
July 9 (week)	D Camp
July 24 - 31	USPC Championships, Lexington, KY
August 2	Regional Meeting
August 7	Council Meeting
August 11	B Rating (Traditional & SJ)
August 15	H/B Rating Applications due to Nancy Jones
August 18	Fall C3 & H/H-A rating (Traditional & SJ)
September 4	Council Meeting
September 6	Regional Meeting
September 8-9	Fall Horse Trials
September 16	Non-Qualifying Eventing Rally
October 2	Council Meeting
October 4	Regional Meeting
October 7	Fall C2 Rating (note: new date)
October 21	Dressage Rally
October 28	Polocrosse Rally (note: new date)
November 1	Regional Meeting
November 3	Regional H/B Rating
November 6	Council Meeting
December 4	Council Meeting
December 6	Regional Meeting

Classifieds

For sale: **16" British made brown Symphony** A/P saddle in well-loved condition. Wide tree. Asking \$300.00/OBO. **17" older brown Kieffer** dressage saddle in well-loved condition. Wide tree. Asking \$300.00/OBO. **17.5" black Bates** A/P saddle in excellent condition. Bates saddle fitting is adjustable. Asking \$1,200.00/OBO. Contact Lisa Gonzalez@301-972-0852.

For sale: 9 year-old, 14 3 hh palomino **Chincoteague gelding** – Prince would make a versatile and fun pony club horse. He excels at polo, dressage, trails, and is learning to jump. Wonderful disposition with horses and humans alike – very willing – no vices, and beginner friendly. \$9,000.00. Contact Tracy Donatelli @ 301-801-0515

For Pete Sake THE games pony is for sale. Pete is a solid JR games pony. He is 12.3 hands (medium) with a great personality and tons of experience (he is 17 after all!). He's been to Nationals every year since 1999, at least, playing as an Adv. Pair, a SR team member, or a JR team member. He has been to Prince Phillip Cup competitions at least twice. He is also just a wonderful pony and has many years of training in him for the JR games player who wants to learn it all. He is offered at \$1000 but he will negotiate just to be able to play games again! Call Anne Fortier at 301-349-2404.

FAST GAMES PONY FOR SR OR ADVANCED PAIR FOR SALE. Tootsie is for sale but not to the faint of heart! She is fast! But, she is good. She is approx. 15 years old and also a medium (13 h). If interested, priced at \$2500, call Anne Fortier 301-349-2404.

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