

**VIRGINIA REGION PONY CLUBS
DRESSAGE RALLY**

Saturday & Sunday, April 6-7, 2024



Frying Pan Park - 2739 West Ox Rd, Herndon, VA 20171

Opening/Closing Dates: Feb 22nd / March 21st / March 25th

- **March 21** - Individual Electronic Registrations must be placed online
 - Late entry accepted if room allows with a \$50 late fee
- **March 25** -
 - Team/Scrambler Registrations must be placed online by DC/CA/Rally Coordinator
 - Forms (Coaches) and Coggins must uploaded or received by secretary
 - Payment must be received by VRPC Treasurer
- **April 2** – If riding a musical, submit music in mp3 format to lhpcdistrictcommissioner@gmail.com. Be sure to include your name when you email your music selection.

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Host Club: Loudoun Hunt Pony Club

Secretary: DeLani Mathias (703) 795-3250 lhpc.secretary@gmail.com
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Teams: 3 or 4 riders and one stable manager (D2 and up are invited to participate)

Dressage Tests: *Non-Qualifying Competitors (riding these tests do not qualify for Champs)*

Recommended Lower Level Tests

D-2: 2023 USDF Introductory Level Test B

D-3: 2023 USEF Training Level Test 1

Recommended Higher Level Tests

D-2: 2023 USDF Introductory Level Test C

D-3: 2023 USEF Training Level Test 2

Standard Championships Qualifying Competitors

USEF 2023 Training Level Tests – T2 and T3 and competitors attempting to qualify for Championships must ride a training level musical, either individual kur or a pas de deux.

USEF 2023 First Level Tests – Test 2 and 3 and competitors attempting to qualify for Championships must ride a First Level musical, either individual kur or a pas de deux.

USEF 2023 Second Level Tests – Test 2 and 3 and competitors attempting to qualify for Championships must ride a Second Level musical, either individual kur or a pas de deux.

USEF 2023 Third Level Tests – Test 2 and 3 and competitors attempting to qualify for Championships must ride a Third Level musical, either individual kur or a pas de deux.

USEF 2023 Fourth Level Tests – Test 2 and 3 and competitors attempting to qualify for Championships must ride a Fourth Level musical, either individual kur or a pas de deux.

Modified Championships Qualifying Competitors

USEF 2023 Training Level Tests – Test 1 and 2

USEF 2023 First Level Tests – Test 1 and 2.

USEF 2023 Second Level Tests – Test 1 and 2

USEF 2023 Third Level Tests – Test 1 and 2.

USEF 2023 Fourth Level Tests – Test 1 and 2

Rings: Introductory and Training Level tests are ridden in 20x40m arena. First Level & up tests, all individual musicals, pas de deux musicals, and quadrilles are ridden in 20x60m arena.

Rides:

- All Pony Club members **MUST** ride **THREE** tests. You will ride the lower test once and the higher test twice. Scores from all three tests will be included in final team placings.
- If wishing to qualify for Standard USPC Championships, the competitor **MUST** ride a musical freestyle, pas de deux, or quadrille at their chosen level; ride tests at one level at Training Level or above; and you may **NOT** ride USDF Introductory Tests.
- Pony Club members, not qualifying for Championships **MAY** also ride an individual musical freestyle and/or a pas de deux or quadrille.
- The qualifying criteria for Championships team selection are based on the competitor's three test scores, formal inspection score, turn-back score and all *individual* horse management penalties. Musical ride scores are not included in these criteria.
- Costumes are optional for all musical rides. However, riders must declare their intent to compete in costume. Leg wraps are allowed for those riding in costume with inspection at the Safety Check.
- Leg wraps are also permitted for non-costumed pas de deux and quadrille freestyles with inspection at the Safety Check.

Fees: Entry fee \$150 per rider. Includes stall Friday & Saturday night. No fee for stable managers. Out-of-Region competitor's fee is \$185 per rider and entries accepted on a space-available basis. Shavings will be available for pre-sale at \$9/bag

Payment: **Check with your club or center regarding payment policies—do they pay for your entry?** If yes, then do not pay online. Let the Club or Center handle payment. **If you are paying for yourself, please pay online with the invoice sent after registration**

Important Notes Regarding Invoices and Payments:

- Invoices and payment receipts are generated by the system and emailed to the member during the registration process.
- **Entries must be paid by March 25th or 20% late fee will be added.**

Rules: USPC Handbook and Rules for Dressage Competition 2024
USPC Dressage Newsletter 2024
USPC Horse Management Handbook and Rules for Rallies 2024
USPC Horse Management Newsletter 2024

Food/Lodging: Food **WILL NOT** be available for purchase on grounds so please be sure to make necessary arrangements. Lodging and a variety of restaurants are within a few miles of Frying Pan Park.

General:

- Friday arrivals must be designated on individual registration.** Competitors may arrive on Friday, between 4:00 pm and 7:00 pm, but no later than 7:00 pm. **Only stalls may be set up. Equipment may be unloaded, but no tack rooms may be set up on Friday.**
- Stalls **must be** stripped before departure.
- Shavings may be purchased *in advance* for \$9.00/bag; no straw bedding allowed.
- Competitors are required to wear their completed USPC Medical Form in their medical armbands or USPC approved medical bracelet for the duration of the rally.
- Barn appropriate footwear is required at all times.
- Only the team captain or appointed designee may pick up registration packets.
- Chaperones must be available on-site for the duration of the rally.
- Night check** policy will be explained at the Rally Briefing.

Volunteers:

Minimum of three volunteers including one chaperone per team entry is required. One volunteer per team must be designated as horse management. Minimum of one volunteer for scramble entries is required.

Refunds:

Follows [VRPC policy](#), as indicated on VRPC website.

Tentative Schedule

Saturday, April 6

7:30 am	Barns open; Move in; Check in (team captains only)
9:30 am	Rally opens; barns closed to non-competitors
9:45 am	Rally briefing for competitors, chaperones, volunteers, and parents
10:30 am	Horse inspection in numerical order
11:30 pm	Turnout inspections begin
12:15 pm	First ride, followed by second ride
5:30 pm	Sound check for musicals
7:30 pm	Barns close for the day

Sunday, April 7

7:00 am	Barns open
8:30 am	Safety checks begin
9:00 am	First ride
12:00 pm	Musical Rides
3:00 pm ish	Awards ceremony and end of rally