

**VIRGINIA REGION PONY CLUBS
QUALIFYING TETRATHLON RALLY
Saturday May 22nd, 2021**

Deep Run Hunt Club
1540 Manakin Road
Manakin-Sabot, VA 23103



Opening Date: April 15th
Closing Dates: Individual – May 7th / Team registration – May 12th

Important Dates: **May 7th:** Individual registrations must be placed online. Coggins required for registration
May 12th:

- Club and Center Team and/or Scrambler registrations must be placed online
- Payment must be received by VRPC Treasurer to avoid 20% late fee
- Signed Forms (Chaperone, Coach) uploaded or received by the Rally Secretary

Organizers & Contacts during the rally: DRHPC Brook Stearns (804) 516-7858
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Host Club: Deep Run Hunt Pony Club

Secretary: Michelle Arnold (540) 270-4880 michellearnold1997@gmail.com

Teams: 3 or 4 riders (D1 and up are invited to participate) and a Stable manager

Fees: Entry fee \$85 per VRPC Competitor. Out-of-region competitor's fee is \$85 per rider and is on a space-available basis. Entry fee includes stabling Friday evening and Saturday during the rally. Shavings will be available on site IF pre-purchased during registration (\$6/bag)

Entry Forms: Online <http://vrponyclub.org/> using VRPC member's email address or code OutofRegion for an out-of-region competitor. Click on Calendar, then Tetrathlon Rally – Individual Registration button. Follow directions on-screen for Individual Registration, Chaperone Form, Payment Information, etc. The Coggins will need to be uploaded when you fill out the individual registration. The signed Chaperone form and Coaching Form will be uploaded when registering your teams and scramblers.

Payment: Check with your club/center on payment policy. Online payment method is preferred !!
Riding Center members may pay independently but Club members should follow their club policy and pay ONLY IF club has directed you to do so. Otherwise forward your invoice to appropriate club contact if not.

Important Notes Regarding Invoices and Payments:

- Invoices and payment receipts are generated by the system and emailed to the member during the registration process.
- **VRPC Treasurer MUST have all *payments* by May 12th or a 20% late fee will be added.**

Rules: USPC Handbook and Rules for Tetrathlom Competition 2021
USPC Tetrathlon Newsletter 2021
USPC Horse Management-Competitor Rules 2021
USPC Horse Management Newsletter 2021

Food/Lodging: There is no food provided for this rally. Please pack a lunch, snacks and drinks!

The closest lodging is The Innsbrook/Short Pump sections of the Richmond metro area are closest to Deep Run Hunt Club. Remember to ask for weekend rates! Book Early—we often conflict with the University of Richmond graduation. Some of the hotels in that area:

General:

- This is a one day rally with horses and tack rooms in stalls.
- Competitors may arrive on Friday, between 4:00 and 7:00 pm barns will close at 8:00 pm. **Friday arrivals must be indicated on the Individual Registration online. Only stalls may be set up. Equipment may be unloaded, but no tack rooms may be set up on Friday.**
- Stalls must be stripped and swept before departure
- Shavings are not available on site please unless pre-purchased; no straw bedding allowed.
- Competitors are required to wear their Medical Armband (containing their current USPC or USEA Medical Card) or a 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
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Volunteers: Minimum of three volunteers per team entry is required.

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

Tentative Schedule TBD

Saturday, May 22nd

6:00 AM **Barns Open**
6 – 8 AM **Packet Pickup, Tack Room Setup**
8 AM **Organizer’s Briefing, all competitors and parents, Course Walk Open after meeting**
8 – 8:45AM **Check-in Pistols with Steward**
9 AM **Jog and helmet check**
10AM **Turnout Inspections start – check schedule for your individual time**
11 AM **Show Jumping Phase begins – check schedule for your individual start time**
1:00 PM **Shooting Phase Begins for Group 1**
****Each Shooting Group will start immediately after previous group. Estimate approx. 30 mins per group****
2 PM **Running Phase starts for Wave 1**
*****After your run, change into your swim suits and head to the YMCA - 1800 Dickinson Rd, Goochland, VA 23063**
4:00 PM **Pool available for Swim Warm-ups**
4:30 PM **Swim Competition Phase Begins – Check Schedule for your individual heats!**
5:30 **6:30 PM –Awards Ceremony back at Deep Run**

Divisions:		Championship Div	Modified or Non-Qualifying
8 and Under	8 yrs to 6 yrs	N/A	D-1 EV /HSE or above
10 and Under	10 yrs and under	N/A	D-1 EV /HSE or above
*Modified Pre-Novice	10 - 11 years old	N/A	D-2 EV /HSE or above
*Novice	12 - 13 years old	C-1 EV /HSE or above	D-2 EV /HSE or above
*Intermediate	14 - 15 years old	C-1 EV /HSE or above	D-2 EV /HSE or above
*Junior	16 - 17 years old	C-1 EV /HSE or above	D-2 EV /HSE or above
*Senior	18 years and older	C-1 EV /HSE or above	D-2 EV /HSE or above
*Qualifying Divisions for 2021 USPC Champs			

The regional rally will create mixed teams with Qualifying (Champion and Modified) and Non-Qualifying competitors.

	8 & under	10 under	Pre - N	Novice	Intermed	Junior	Senior
Ride	p/xrails	18 in	2' 3"	2' 6"	2' 9"	3'	3' 3"
Run (M)	500	500	500	1000	1000	2000	3000
Swim Y/M	25	50	50	100	100	200	200
Shoot	10 M,	10 M	10 M	10 M	10 M	10 M	10 M
Strings of	2 strings	2 strings	4 strings	4 strings	4 strings	4 strings	4 strings
5 shots/3	of 5 shots,	of 5 shots,	of 5 shots,	of 5 shots,	of 5 shots,	of 5 shots,	of 5 shots,
Minutes	2 hands	2 hands	2 hands,	2 hands,	1 hand	1 hand,	1 hand,
All	Sitting	Standing	standing	standing	standing	standing	standing
Divisions	supported	supported					

In the Sport Division, competitors designate their own jump heights, swim and run distances and shooting level (**this division will not be pinned**). See entry form for more details.

ANY INTERMEDIATE, JUNIOR OR SENIOR UNCOMFORTABLE WITH THE JUMP HEIGHT OF HIS OR HER DIVISION IS ENCOURAGED TO TAKE A POINT PENALTY AND JUMP AT A LOWER DIVISION HEIGHT (NO JUMP DOWN ALLOWED FROM NOVICE FOR CHAMPS)

Riding Phase:

Horse sharing: Horses may be shared, but may only be ridden three times during the Rally. Competitors are responsible for providing their own mounts or making their own arrangements to share. If entrant is sharing a horse, please indicate this on the entry form. **Please note: If a mount falls during a jumping round, the mount must be examined by the TD and a veterinarian (if available) to determine if it will be allowed to continue.** (*Tetrathlon Rule Book*)

Dress: Dress for Turnout Inspection and the riding phase must be in compliance with Pony Club standards as described in the Handbook and Rules for Tetrathlon 2021.

Horse Management Phase:

For the horse management phase, each competitor will be assigned to a team. Each team will set up a "tack room" in a stall. All ponies will have their own stall at Deep Run Hunt Club. Each member will need to strip their stall before departure.

Refer to the USPC Horse Management Handbook for required equipment for a **One-Day Rally**.

Shooting Phase:

Air pistols may be shared by a maximum of three competitors. If entrant is sharing a gun, please indicate this on the entry form. Air pistols will be provided, if requested (see entry form). Pistols will be .177 calibers (4.5 mm), and either compressed air or CO2 is acceptable. Pistols should be single shot, but multiple shot pistols may be used provided the pistol is loaded in such a manner that there will be only one pellet in the magazine at any given time.

All divisions will use the standard ISSF Approved 10-Meter Air Pistol Target shooting at a distance of 10 Meters. All strings of 5 shots are allowed 3 minutes. Reminder all competitors need a clear barrel

indicator that can be placed in the barrel of the gun to show it is empty.

Safety glasses are required for the shooting phase (shooter, loader, and firing line staff). Pre-PreNovice, 10 and Under and 8 and Under (no younger than 6) competitors are required to have a loader for the shooting

phase. Loaders are highly suggested for the other Divisions, but are not required. Please make arrangements for a loader in advance; the shooting phase is run on a very tight schedule and we cannot wait for your child to find a loader.

REMINDER: Air pistols MUST be checked in.

Running Phase:

Please wear appropriate running attire. Barn shoes are not acceptable to run in. Competitors will wear their pinnies during the run. Wearing of medical armbands will be at the discretion of the Running steward/ TD.

Swimming Phase:

Swimming will occur at the local YMCA (**1800 Dickinson Rd, Goochland, VA 23063**). Please make sure to bring pool shoes with you. Barn shoes will be NOT permitted on the deck. Competitors are not required to wear their medical armbands when you swim but you must have them with you. Appropriate swimming attire is required (NO Two Piece Suits).

Championship Eligibility:

Only Novice and above may qualify for National Championships.

This is a 2021 Qualifying Rally – please make sure to check age and certification restrictions and make appropriate accommodations if you wish to meet qualifying standards. See the rule book for complete explanation.