

Where Teamwork Begins

Mounted Games Clinic



WHEN: Sunday, August 1, 2021, 8:30AM—2:00 PM

WHERE: Great Meadow, Fleming Farm Arena, 5089 Old Tavern Road, The Plains, VA

WHAT/WHO: Instruction and practice for everyone! USPC members of any club, NON-Pony Club members, and guests welcome—all ages and abilities on your Pony Club, pleasure or lesson mount. Don't have a mount? Pre-Register and contact organizers to borrow.

REGISTER: Pre-register by Friday, July 30, to participate. \$20 clinic fee. <https://forms.gle/ZAG2v3TmLffdS3iMA>

SCHEDULE: 8:30 AM Check-in.

9:00 AM—11:00 AM Instructional Clinic & Practice in small groups with multiple clinicians.

Break for clinicians, ponies, and riders.

11:30 AM—2:00PM Open Practice for experienced riders and those interested in Games Rally. Review rules and watch/participate in mounted games “lane on lane” competition style races.

WHAT TO BRING/WEAR: Mount appropriate for rider's abilities, current coggins. Correct helmet and boots.

HELP KEEP EACH OTHER SAFE!

By participating in this Pony Club activity, participants voluntarily assume all risks related to exposure to COVID-19 and agree to follow Center for Disease Control Guidelines.

CONTACT: Phone, text, or email organizers

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ABOUT THE CLINICIANS: All experienced mounted games riders, most are Pony Club alumni with extensive USPC Championship and MGAA competition experience. Many coached, chaperoned, or rode on Pony Club International Mounted Games exchange teams.

Mounted Games Fun for All Ages & Abilities

You don't need to be on a team, bring your mount and learn to play!

The youngest riders have fun and learn to ride effectively at the same time. Riding mounted games builds confidence, balance, and riding skills by focusing on the game. Games skills and knowledge is tested at certifications, quiz rally, and mounted games competitions.

Experienced riders practice training their horse to go obediently away from the group, ride up to barrels, wait for the riders commands, ride with one hand and without stirrups, reach for ground pick ups, mount independently and efficiently, vault onto their ponies, work well in hand, and not be afraid of noise like popping balloons and music.

Mounted Games at its highest level, displays a variety of relay races performed by confident riders on well-trained ponies; however, games can be competitive and fun at all ages and riding levels. Games is exciting for participants and spectators alike.

Visit CasanovaWarrenton.PonyClub.org/calendar for Opportunities to Learn and Practice Games!

VRPC 2021 Games Rally is scheduled for Sunday, August 29, 2021 and riders who attend may qualify for Championships in 2022. This is a great opportunity to practice at the very location where the 2021 Games Rally will be held!

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