



# The Central New England Scoop



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## COMING UP .....

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| Sept 8-9 | Tetrathlon Rally Carlisle MA                                 |
| Sept 15  | CNE Council Meeting 10:00<br>Nashoba Tubing Park Westford MA |
| Sept 23  | NQ Eventing Rally Madbury NH                                 |
| Sept 30  | D Rally Groton MA  |

## NOTES FROM THE RS:

Where does the summer go??

Well, it goes to: Championships, ratings, camps, preps, and all the myriad of activities Pony Club members participate in. It seems like we were just at the Memorial Day weekend preps yesterday, but we aren't, and the summer is almost over!! Central New England Region certainly did pack it full of activities!

Since the last newsletter near the end of June we have done the following:

Held Dressage rally, what a success! Squamscott PC certainly does know how to put on a good rally, we had a record number of musical rides as well, so the PC members are really thinking about how to add some fun to their riding.

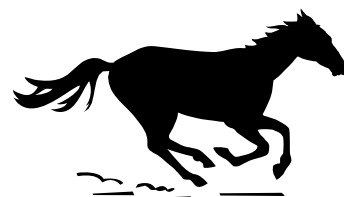
The council meeting on July 7<sup>th</sup> was not very well attended, but we did have some good discussion. For those of you who missed it, I hope you read the minutes that Wendy sent out. That meeting was followed by the meeting of all those going to Championships where we shared information, then we had team meetings, handed out shirts and pins, and wished all a good time in Kentucky. CNER sent 40 members to Kentucky and all made us proud. The important thing to keep in mind is not the results on the score sheets, although many did very well there, but what the process and lessons learned were!

At Championships we had members in all disciplines except Polocross, so we were well represented all over the place; it was often difficult to decide what to go watch! We also had several non-competing members from CNER that went to cheer on the competitors, a big thanks to those members! CNER had several judges in the barns and coaches in the warm-ups. I would also like to mention the many parents that went to KY and to thank them for all the good work they did there. They not only maintained the CNER tent, but also were great volunteers!! I saw several driving the people movers, as well as the volunteer positions they did within the disciplines. Please pass on to all parents a huge thank you! CNER was very well represented and all involved did a great job!

On the topic of testings, CNER has a new H; Stephanie LeCours went to New Jersey to take her test and did a great job! We also have 11 new C-3s: Lauren Atherton, Stephanie Britton, Audrey Cooney, Caroline Daly, Sara Eskel, Charlotte Greenbaum, Catrina Hellmer, Devon Kay, Katherine Lochiatto, Kayla Rodney, and Carly Seale. The testing season isn't over as yet; we have several going to the B and the new H-B testings this coming weekend.

We still have several rallies, Council Meetings, Annual Meetings, ratings and mounted meetings in this calendar year so there is more to go. Please don't forget that CNER is hosting the USPC Annual Meeting in January so we need to get the organizing for this activity going! It is going to take almost every member, parent, leader, friend, and companion to pull this huge endeavor together!

**Betsey**



## DC REMINDERS

Just a few quick reminders....

As you know, local clubs should be holding several ratings per year on the club level. Fall is an excellent time to hold a rating, so if any of you have members that need to rate up, think about holding a fall rating.

The National Office recently sent out a notice on the DC Digest to let DCs know the 2008 Membership Forms are now available online.

Clubs should start thinking about their Annual Meeting which needs to be held before the Regional Annual Meeting on November 17th. Please be sure to let the National Office and the RS know when your meeting is scheduled.

## USPC ANNUAL MEETING UPDATE

Your Annual Meeting Committee has been working diligently on the Annual Meeting timeline. The registration booklet has been sent to the home office, critical arrangements have been made with the hotel, menus and accommodations have been arranged and there have been meetings and numerous communications with the National Office, etc. Still, there is lots of work left to be done! In the near future, all committee chairs will be contacted and we will be holding a group meeting with the folks from the National Office. We will also update everyone at the next Council meeting.

Right now we need your help! Our biggest fundraiser for the Region will be the silent auction. At the Championship Prep, we advised all the qualifiers and their parents that in exchange for the Region paying their entry fee, we expect each qualifier to donate an item (or more, hopefully) to the silent auction. It is not too soon to start collecting auction items. If DCs can speak to their other members as well, and ask them to start collecting auction items, perhaps DCs can transport some of the items to the next council meeting to help facilitate the process. We're also hoping each club can put together a club donation for the auction. The sky's the limit! Please contact Lisa Brem if you have any questions.

We are also trying to determine how many of your members plan to attend the meeting in January, what days they plan to be there, and whether

they are willing to volunteer for a few hours while they are there. If you can get a rough idea of your Club's plans, it would really help us plan how many volunteers we will need to recruit.

Stay tuned for lots more details!!

## NEXT DC MEETING

**Our next Regional Council Meeting is scheduled for 10:00 on Saturday September 15<sup>th</sup> at the Nashoba Valley Tubing Park in Westford MA.**

**Calendar of Events for 2007**

<b>DATE/TIME</b>	<b>EVENT</b>	<b>HOST</b>	<b>LOCATION</b>
August 24-25	B Testing	WMR and CNE	UNH Durham NH
August 26	HB Testing	WMR and CNE	UNH Durham NH
September 8-9	Tetrathlon Rally	ONB	Foss Farm, Black Brook Farm Carlisle MA, Lowell YMCA
September 15 10:00 am	Regional Council Meeting	CNE	Nashoba Valley Tubing Park Westford MA
September 23	NQ Eventing Rally	Wentworth	Green Acres Farm Madbury, NH
September 30	D Rally	Groton	Groton Fairgrounds Groton MA
November 8-11	Equine Affaire		Springfield MA
Jan 22-28 2008	Annual Meeting	USPC & CNE	Boston MA