



The Central New England Scoop



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COMING UP

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| Sept 13 | NQ Eventing Rally
Green Acres Madbury NH |
| Sept 19 | Regional Council Meeting 10:00
Nashoba Tubing Park Westford MA |
| Oct 4 | D Rally
Groton Fairgrounds Groton MA |
| Nov 21 | Regional Council Meeting
Nashoba Tubing Park Westford MA |

NOTES FROM THE RS

Summer is almost over!!! Where has it gone? Now it is finally HOT and really looking like summer, but autumn is almost here. CNE has had a varied summer, sort of like the weather! We didn't have very many Upper Level members take tests this year, in fact we hosted an H-A and there was no one testing from CNER! But that is OK with me, I really respect that our members took a good look at their situations and decided not to test; I would much rather that be the case than to have had a year like last year with many not passing their testings. On the other hand, CNER was well represented at Championships and some of the teams did VERY well! The Beginner Novice Eventing team won first place overall, and had no penalties off in Horse Management and won HM as well!!! CNE's only tetrathlete also won her division. The rest of the results are on the CNE website, but overall they did very well, and we are proud of all that competed!!

I hope everyone had a fun and productive summer, I know several clubs had camps and ratings. Please remember DCs to send rating outcomes to the National Office.

As we look towards the autumn, there is a Regional Council meeting on Saturday the 19th of September, and CNE has several important topics to discuss at that meeting. Please be thinking about who the Region should be sending to the National Youth Congress at the USPC Annual Meeting in January. That application needs to be at the National Office by the first of November, so DCs please talk with your eligible candidates, C-3s and above and over 18, and tell them to get their applications in. Also we NEED to talk about a Regional fund raiser to put money back into the coffers that we spent on sending our wonderful teams to Championships; so please be thinking about that as well.

We still have several rallies to go this year, so I hope people are thinking about who is going to those rallies.

Betsey

CHAMPIONSHIPS

Central New England was please to send 32 competitors to the USPC Championships in Lexington VA this year. Once again we were able to pay the entry fees for all our competitors. And we were very well represented! Individual results are available on the Ponyclub website and team results are also listed on the CNE website.

The **Jr. D Quiz** team placed 8th out of 24 teams. Competitors included Zoe Michas, Meredith Long, Katie Helliwell, and Melissa Menard.

The **Sr. D Quiz** team placed 5th out of 18 teams. The team included Gina Koss-Stephany, Amy Tellier, Caroline Kielar, and Phoebe LaMont.

The **Jr. C Quiz** team placed 2nd out of 4 teams with Paige Belliveau competing on a scramble team.

The **Sr. C Quiz** team placed 3rd out of 3 teams with Alyson Werth participating on a scramble team.

The **Novice Eventing** team finished 1st overall out of 10 teams and 1st in Horse Management. CNE team members included Kelly Doyle, Elizabeth Clark, and Kira McElvery (SM).

The **Training Eventing** team finished 5th in Horse Management and 6th overall out of 6 teams with Carolyn Drover on a scramble team as Stable Manager.

In Developing Rider **Show Jumping**, the scramble team with Rachel Comeau and Alaska Akbar finished 4th overall (out of 15 teams) and 10th in Horse Management.

Emily Doyle represented CNE in **Tetrathlon** and finished 1st Overall in her division (out of 3).

The **Training Level Dressage** team including Lauren Atherton, Carly Seale, Hanna Salmon, Margot Popecki, and Emily Hayden-Pless (SM) finished 3rd overall (out of 12 teams) and 4th in Horse Management.

Finally, **Jr. Games** came in 6th in HM and 7th overall, and the **Sr. Games** team came in 2nd in HM and 7th overall. Junior competitors included Mollie Mello, Tori Scholtz, Chantel Sheldon, Olivia Fam and McKayla Fowler. Senior competitors included Faith Potorski, Kelsey Bjornson, Paige Koning, Brittany Taylor and Lauren Moffat.

The region is very proud to have been represented by such a great group of competitors. And thank you to all the parents for supporting and cheering on all our competitors, and for all the prep work beforehand. Also thanks to all those who helped with the CNE BBQ at Champs. Congratulations to all!

Lelo Reeves Curtis
Championship Coordinator

SUMMER 2009 UL UPDATE

On May 31st Nancy Grout came to Black Brook Farm for a mounted clinic. It was a great success with participants from D3-A level. Show Jumping, grids, and lunging were focused on. July 9-12th was the CNER UL prep at UNH with Cherie Gaebel, Deb Willson, Sue Winslade, and Laurie Chapman-Bosco, all National Examiners. There were 8 B candidates, 4 H,H/A candidates, and 4 A candidates. 50% were from out of region. The camp was very productive and focused on what the candidates needed the most. This year we were able to have 5 D and C groups truck in for

the H/As to teach. A big thanks to all the parents who trucked their children up to ride! The feedback from the H/As was fantastic, they were all very grateful to have such a great prep. The lunging opportunities were also increased and feedback was very positive. July 17th-19th there was an H/A test held at Shepley Hill Farm in Groton MA. Unfortunately, there were no candidates from CNE who participated. CNE did not host a B or A test in region this year and there are still a couple of UL candidates working on their ratings out of area.

Good luck to those who are still rating, and congratulations to everybody for all their hard work.

Allison Blood
UL Coordinator

C3 UPDATE

Well, the regional C3 program wrapped up this past weekend, August 22nd and 23rd, with a C3 traditional rating on Friday night and Saturday and a C3 dressage specialty test on Sunday at Shepley Hill Farm in Groton MA. There were 8 candidates at the first test, 5 of which were from CNE, and 4 candidates on Sunday with 1 representing CNE. We also have one more candidate testing out of region shortly.

This year the region decided to offer several one day preps rather than a multiple day camp, in order to provide maximum schedule flexibility and some cost containment. We offered a bandaging clinic, a lunging clinic, 4 mounted clinics as well as an opportunity to lunge and/or ride at a clinic hosted by the UL program and a clinic hosted by Rockingham Pony Club. 50% clinic attendance or comparable prep was required by the region. We also offered the opportunity for candidates to prep with a wide variety of National Examiners including Nancy Grout, Lori Underwood, Karen Marcotte, Suzanne Winslade, Richard Lamb and Christina Keim. Hopefully everyone appreciated the opportunities afforded.

As of today, we have 3 new traditional C3 members: Hillary Lak and Sarah Martini from Swift River, Jordan Litter from Jordan Stable Riding Center, a new C+, Katie Platt from ONB, and a new Dressage C3, Katelyn Berube from Squamscott Pony Club. Congratulations to everyone who tested for all their hard work!

Lelo Reeves Curtis
C3 Coordinator

HB WRAP UP

The Central New England HB program was quite successful this year. We started with 11 potential candidates. Over the course of 8 months, the region offered multiple preps, lectures and hands on clinics. In June we held a one day mock rally prep camp at UNH. 15 candidates attended, coming from 5 different Regions. The out of area candidates definitely helped subsidize the HB program and it was great for the kids to mingle with the other regions.

The HB test was held at UNH on July 11th. Thanks to all the D members who attended the rating as unmounted students. Their support towards the UL candidates was greatly appreciated! We had 6 CNE candidates at our regional rating and 1 candidate went to a neighboring region the following week. Happily there was a 100% passing ratio. The following members are now HBs: Katelyn Berube (Squamscott), Brooks Robinson (Pentucket), Coleman McConnon and Britt Hallet (Hybrid Riding Center), Jordan Litter (Jordan Riding Center), Elizabeth Clark (ONB) and Sarah Martini (Swift River). Congratulations to all for a great job!

Finally, would DCs please bring to the next Council meeting a list of their current C2s and any C1s that they expect might rate up in early spring and want to prep for their HB. We'd like to put together the next contact list for HB preps. Name, current rating, a parent's name and the email addresses for both member and parent would be very helpful.

Wendy Johnson
HB Coordinator

NEXT DC MEETING

Our next Regional Council Meeting is scheduled for 10:00 on Saturday September 19th at the Nashoba Valley Tubing Park, Westford MA. Please contact Wendy if you would like to bring anything to nibble on. We do not plan to serve lunch. Thanks.

