



The Central New England Scoop



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COMING UP

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| Sept 5 | NQ Eventing Rally
Green Acres Madbury NH |
| Sept 11 | Regional Council Meeting 10:00 am
Nashoba Tubing Park Westford MA |
| Sept 19 | D Rally
Groton Fairgrounds, Groton MA |
| Nov 20 | Annual Council Meeting 10:00 am
Nashoba Tubing Park Westford MA |

NOTES FROM THE RS

It certainly was a busy summer for some, and a quiet one for others. We had a great group representing CNER at Championships, and came home with many ribbons! I have heard many positive things from those that went; and I think all realize just what an educational experience it is!! Thank you all that put the effort into making this group such a success!!!

The Upper Level Program offered a great clinic, although CNER didn't have many candidates going for the actual testing's. Those that took advantage of the learning process, should have gotten a lot out of the program. This is such a good way to learn just what is involved in the testing process, as well as gaining information about one's own riding and readiness.

We have by this time almost all of the year's rallies, just D rally to go! I believe it was a fairly successful rally season, I think attendance was generally a bit better this years than last year, and that is always a good thing to see!

We have the Fall meeting coming up, and I hope these are well attended so we can discuss plans for next year, things we like that we do well, and things we can improve on. So leaders, I hope I see you all at these meetings!

Betsey

SUMMER 2010 UL REPORT

This summer has been very productive for CNE! We started off with camp at UNH July 9-11th with three National Examiners as our clinicians: Cherie Gaebel, Sali Gear, and Laurie Chapman-Bosco. This year, PC members from C1 and up were invited. We had four C2 candidates, six C3 candidates, three B candidates, and two HA/HM candidates. Four candidates were from out of region (Northeast, Western New England, and New York/Upper CT). We had several Ds and Cs join us during camp for lessons taught by the HA/HM candidates. As usual, they had a great time at their mounted lessons and participating in the unmounted section of the HB rating on Saturday afternoon.

On Friday evening we had our first potluck BBQ at UNH. The candidates at camp and the candidates participating in the HB testing, along with all their parents, friends, and the National Examiners joined in. It was a nice gathering and everyone had a great time meeting people from other clubs and regions. The camp ran very smoothly and everyone left Sunday afternoon having learned a lot and with a plan on how to improve their riding.

The camp is a great opportunity for outside instruction, whether you are prepping for a rating or not. I highly encourage PC members to come because it is a great learning experience for you and your horse no matter what rating you are. I have had great feedback and have heard that more Cs would like to come next year from in and out of region. Please pass this on to your clubs.

I appreciate everyone picking up after themselves and helping each other pack, the grounds were left very clean. We are very lucky to have UNH so close to us! It is a great facility to host a clinic like this, the stabling is great, with 4 sand rings, 1 grass ring, XC, Show Jumps, the indoor arena in case it is too hot or rainy, and use of UNH horses to lunge. If you see any of the UNH staff at other events be sure to thank them for letting PC come!

In August, we had two traditional Bs (Elizabeth LoChiatto and Katherine LoChiatto from Old North Bridge), one Dressage B (Katelyn Berube from Squamscott), and one HM (Brittany Hallet from Hybrid Riding Center) pass their ratings. Congratulations to all of them!!! All of their hard work paid off. Keep up the good work; I'm very proud of all of you! For now,

summer is winding down and kids/parents are preparing to go back to school.

Enjoy the nice riding weather!

Allison Blood
UL Coordinator

C3 UPDATE

This year the C3 Program only had a few candidates so most prep opportunities were combined with the UL program, including the UL prep camp in July where the C3 candidates were able to ride, lunge and bandage with National Examiners over several days.

We began the year with four possible C3 candidates and ended up with two testing out of region at GMHA in August. Congratulations to all the candidates for their hard work. Kelly Doyle from Groton PC is our newest C3. Great job!

Lelo Reeves Curtis
C3 Coordinator

HB UPDATE

The HB program turned out to be quite a success this year. We started with a kick off meeting in November and continued with preps on a monthly basis from December through May, wrapping up the program with a one day prep camp/mock rating at UNH in mid June.

The group attended several prep meetings for nutrition and veterinary knowledge with Karen Marcotte, took a field trip to Dover Saddlery to study tack, removed shoes with a farrier at a local barn, and studied leg conformation and teeth with Betsey Reeves, among other topics.

A one day Prep Camp was held in June with Lori Underwood and Karen Marcotte as clinicians. We held the prep as a mock rally to give the candidates a sneak preview of how the real rating would feel. We had 14 candidates attend, including several from out of region.

The HB rating was held at UNH a month later, and we had thirteen candidates test. Ten were from CNE. As of this date, seven have passed and the other three are planning to retest the one section they missed this coming weekend. I have confidence we will have a 100% passing ratio within another week. Our new HBs are: Haley Farwell, Allison Ware and Kelly Doyle from Groton PC, Caroline Daley from Rockingham, Brittany Taylor, McKenzie Fowler and Claire Siebols from Overlook. Congratulations to all for their hard work and thanks to the parents for their help and support as well. This is a rating that is highly dependent upon parent cooperation!

With the new rating track and division of horse management and riding, I expect this rating will continue to be a popular one in the region.

Wendy Johnson
HB Coordinator

CHAMPIONSHIP UPDATE

CNE has a lot to be proud of this year, not the least of which was our presence at Championships this year.

We sent two full teams and a scramble competitor for Quiz. The Junior D team- Ava Nadeau (MRPC), Jillian Nelson (Nashoba), Kyra Collins (North Gate) and Emily Koss-Stephany (AVPC) came in first place out of 23 teams and the Senior D team-Gina Koss-Stephany (AVPC), Isabelle Cloutier (Hybrid), Maddy Carey (Hybrid) and Nicole Kula Hybrid) came in first place out of 17 teams. Holly Sullivan (Pentucket) on a Jr. C scramble team came in second out of 3 teams. The Senior Games team -Lauren Moffat (Wentworth), Hannah Salmon (Wentworth), Abby Concannon (Squamscott), Michelle Silverio (Wentworth), and Samantha Baer (Wentworth) came in 4th in Horse Management and 5th Overall. The Advanced Games team Aly Werth, Adrienne Beerman, Liza Dawley, Rachel Ehlers, Caroline Kielar-(all from Hybrid Riding Center), came in 1st in Horse Management and 4th overall. We had two competitors for Show Jumping. Erica Comeau (Rockingham) was on a scramble team for Developing Horse and Rider, and finished 1st in Horse Management and 6th Overall. Darby Betjer (Rockingham) was on a scramble Modified Horse I team and finished 3rd in Horse Management and 2nd Overall. Finally, Paige Beliveau (Pentucket) finished 12th out of 25 in Intermediate Girl's Tetrathlon.

We had a great regional BBQ on the Horse Park grounds after hours one night. The food was excellent and everyone seemed to have a good time. Thanks to Lelo for organizing and to all the parents for their help as well.

NEXT DC MEETING

Our next Regional Council Meeting is scheduled for 10:00 on Saturday September 11th at the Nashoba Tubing Park. Please contact Wendy if you would like to bring anything to nibble on. We do not plan to serve lunch.

Thanks.



