



The Central New England Scoop



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COMING UP

Oct 28	Lendon Grey Clinic Maple Meadow Farm, Pepperell MA
Nov 9-12	Equine Affaire Springfield MA
Nov 18	CNE Annual Council Meeting 10:00 am Nashoba Valley Tubing Park Westford MA
Dec 2	Jr. Board Regional Thank You Dinner TBA

NOTES FROM THE RS

I hope this finds everyone getting ready for the winter, I know our equines are growing their winter coats!! I put my long john's on today and wish I had had them on for the non-qualifying eventing rally last weekend!! That went very well, in spite of the cold; at least it wasn't raining! It looked like all were having fun, and Wentworth PC did a great job of hosting it!

D rally also went well, a lot of teams there, but from all accounts everyone had a good time. The mounted rallies are over for this season, but we need to begin planning for next year! Next year's schedule of activities will be a topic at the upcoming CNER Annual Meeting

Clubs should be holding their annual meetings. I think I know when most are, and I am planning to get to some, but I have to be away when others are, so won't get to as many as I usually do.

We have the Council meeting coming up on the 18th of November. That will be held at the Nashoba Valley Tube Park again; and I am hoping all advisors are remembering to get their reports ready, I think Wendy Johnson is commenting on those as well. We also need to be thinking about what everyone wants to be doing for the USPC Annual meeting that is going to be held in Boston in January of 2008. That

may sound like a long way off, but it is just around the corner, and will be here before we know it. I hope many of you are planning to go to the annual meeting in Oregon in 2007 so you can help do a presentation to everyone about coming to Boston in 2008. We are going to need some help with that, Catherine Short is working on the wording for it, and she might like some help as well.

USPC will again be having a booth at Equine Affaire on the weekend of the 9th through 12th of November, I am sure we will be seeing many of you there, if anyone would like to help at the booth, please contact me.

Have a good autumn, and stay warm!

Betsey

TETRATHLON RALLY

ONB hosted Tetrathlon Rally the weekend of 9th September. The rally was held over two days in Carlisle, MA and not only was a huge success but was a lot of fun. The teams competing were from Old North Bridge PC, Groton PC, Jordan Stables and Jericho Forest PC consisted of a total of 18 pony clubbers. Ten of these pony clubbers were in the 10 and under division and they all did a tremendous job and are Tetrathlete's of the future. Saturday commenced at 7.30am (a very civilized start time) at Foss Farm, with the riding phase. We had three great horse Management judges, Karen Marcotte, Wendy Johnson and Peggy Dowcett who I would like to say a big thank you to.

The running phase was held in the afternoon, with the day being all wrapped up by 3pm. Sunday morning saw the swimming phase held at Lowell YMCA and was followed by the shooting phase at Black Brook Farm. I would like to pass on a big thank you to the Erickson's for, again, letting us use their beautiful facility. The rally was closed with the awards ceremony and all the kids going

home with many ribbons to adorn their bedrooms or tack rooms.

Tetrathlon is a great rally and we can only hope that the number of participants from the region grows. Any pony clubbers who were not able to qualify for Nationals at this rally will still be able to do so by competing at the Tetrathlon Rally held by White Mountain Region next year. It is important for everyone to know that the levels were changed this year and a new intermediate level was added making it a little easier to qualify.

If your club has never competed in Tetrathlon Rally and you want to know more about it and how to get your kids involved please feel free to contact me with any questions.

Tracey Young
Old North Bridge

D RALLY

Despite the rain, happy times were held by all who participated in D Rally this year. We had 14 teams including our 2 new riding centers competing. Through it all, the rally completed ahead of schedule. We had 6 teams with perfect horse management scores so the final HM placings were broken by the total score from the five Horse Management Rules questions that are on the written test. Thanks to all our many volunteers including our Upper Level members who provide assistance as C Advisors, Assistant Horse Management Judges, and coaches.

Iris Realmuto
Groton Pony Club

EVENTING RALLY

A crisp fall day was the venue last weekend for NQ Eventing Rally at Green Acres stables in Madbury, NH hosted by Wentworth Pony Club. Nine teams competed from across the region in 4 divisions - Elementary, Modified Beginner Novice, Beginner Novice and Novice. Riders really enjoyed negotiating autumn themed cross country and stadium courses. "Our competitors did an excellent job of riding safely and taking care of their mounts", said Chris Keim, TD for the event. "For some of these pony clubbers it was their first time going cross country and they did a really great job", she added.

I am very thankful for the hard work that my club put in to getting ready for the event. I think

the participants enjoyed themselves and got a real "eventing" experience".

The rally ended with several ties that were unbreakable in horse management. "The teams were very strong and made few errors. It's really great to see how much they have learned by the end of rally season - it was a fun day to end the competition year," said Lara Hubner, Chief HM.

Nancy Fantom
Wentworth Pony Club

AROUND THE REGION...

Halloween Hunter Pace- On Sunday October 29th ONB is sponsoring a Halloween Hunter Pace at Great Brook Farm in Carlisle MA "for witches, ghosts and riders of all ages". Start times from 9-2. Three divisions offered. Costumes optional but encouraged. Pre-entry by October 21. For more information please contact Pauline Tattersall at 978-369-0783 or Jill Mudge at 603-315-9867



NEXT DC MEETING

Our next Regional Council Meeting is the Annual Meeting, scheduled for 10:00 on Saturday November 18th at the Nashoba Valley Tubing Park in Westford MA. Please call Wendy to let her know what you would like to bring for breakfast/lunch. Thanks.

Calendar of Events for 2006

DATE/TIME	EVENT	HOST	LOCATION
October 28	Lendon Grey Clinic	CNE Dressage Program	Maple Meadow Farm Pepperell MA
November 9-12	Equine Affaire	Equine Affaire	Springfield MA
November 18	Annual Regional Council Meeting	CNE	Nashoba Tubing Park Westford MA
December 2	Jr Board Thank You Dinner		TBA

All dates subject to change. Please check website calendar for latest updates.