## **USC HORSES AT WORK 2024**

HUNTER/JUMPER











#### **Competition Dates:**

June 16/15 Hunter/Jumper
July 20/21 Hunter/Jumper
August 3/4 Hunter/Jumper
September 7/8 Hunter/Jumper

Featuring
The Hunter Challenge
In Memory of
Line of Credit





# A warm welcome to returning exhibitors and those joining us for the first time! We hope that you will consider us in your planning for the upcoming season!

- Competition starts at 9 and ends by 6!
- All competitions will be held in the sand rings. The grass ring will be available for warm-up. Anyone who must lunge their horse must have approval from Jill and only use the designated area. The dressage ring is NOT available on days of hunter/jumper competitions.
- ♦ Those competitors moving between rings should report to in gate to get in the early flights of the lower divisions).
- Each Hunter division includes two O/F and one U/S.
- Ribbons are awarded to 5th place. Placings will be announced at the end of the class OR the division but there will not be a formal presentation except for occasional classes. Competitors will be able to pick up their ribbons at the end of showing and the office staff will confirm your placings with you.
- Dogs are not allowed access to the venue. Many people and horses are not comfortable around dogs.
- Hunter Schooling; Available before competition starts in both rings starting at 8:15. \$5 ticket—four minutes per ticket. Coaches may take in their group at one time, maximum of four riders (with tickets) in the group.
- We will advise on FaceBook if a canteen is available. Please make every effort to keep our grounds
  free of garbage, use our containers or take home with you. Also please pick up after your horses
  as much as possible and manure can be dumped on the edge of the manure pile or in a bin if
  available.
- There will be limited or no water tap available for horses so please remember to bring potable water.
- We encourage everyone to park in their "barn pod" and to limit horse interaction between "barns".
   First one to arrive, please space yourselves to allow room for other trailers coming from your barn.
- The stable area is not available to any persons or animals attending the competition.
- Portable Toilets, and hand sanitization stations will be near the trailer lot/warmup area.

#### Entries will be accepted online at nsef.horsesport.pro

Your entry will not be processed UNLESS a signed waiver accompanies the online entry in 2023!

NOTE that the waiver is emailed to your email as in the ENS membership database NOT as on the entry

- check your junk/spam folders!

Late entries will not be accepted day of competition. THIS WILL BE STRICTLY INFORCED THIS YEAR.

#### **Entries HAVE TO BE IN BY THURSDAY BEFORE!**

In the event there are not sufficient entries in hand by end of Wednesday preceding each competition, the event may be cancelled or modified.

The Horse/Rider fee will be considered as a deposit and is non-refundable unless a veterinary or medical certificate is provided.

STABLING: There are a number of stables in the area who may be able to offer overnight accommodation. Please make your own arrangements with stable owners.



#### **Guidelines 2024**

Equestrian Nova Scotia or PTSO membership is required to participate as a competitor.

Membership to the Nova Scotia Hunter Jumper Association is encouraged, support your Hunter Jumper Association.

#### Mission:

- To provide a venue for riders and/or horses to gain experience and develop their abilities to excel in equestrian sport.
- To create a safe and enjoyable experience for horses/riders/spectators
- To provide an opportunity for horses and riders to learn to train and compete.

#### **Principles:**

Each competition will conduct its competition within the guidelines outlined below and within the realm of conventional hunter, jumper and equitation rules as those which govern licensed competitions in Canada.

Coaches and competitors, by entering the competition, agree to use prudent judgment and exhibit good sportsmanship. Any act of discourtesy or disobedience may result in being asked to leave the venue. The competition management retains the right of final decision without being liable for compensation or damage.

Our designated Risk Management Official is responsible along with the competition management to ensure that the guidelines are followed.

As a competition organizer, we endeavor to engage the services of competent knowledgeable individuals.

As a competition organizer, an **EMERGENCY RESPONSE PLAN** will be in place. We encourage competitors to be aware of bio-security measures they can practice for the health of their horse.

Our competition retains liability coverage and demands the same from each competitor on the show grounds. All entries must have the signature of the owner or authorized agent and a signature for the person responsible for the horse. Riders will not be allowed to compete without a signature from the person responsible. Junior riders (under the age of 19) must have permission to participate in the show as indicated by the signature of a parent or guardian.

<u>USC Horses At Work</u>, its Management, Organizing Committee, Officials, Volunteers or Show Staff are in no way responsible for accident, injury or damage to any rider, exhibitor, spectator, groom, attendant, trainer or other employee; or animals, nor theft, loss or damage to animals, vehicles or equipment.

Although divisions in both hunter and jumper over 0.9M (3') may be a small entry, we will offer them as schedule permits to encourage and provide a platform for riders to move up.

Competitors are responsible for knowing the Rules of the Scotia Series competitions and also for identifying which classes at our competitions meet the criteria for Scotia Series Awards

Please note on your entry form that we now request the name of your Coach if you are using their services at the competition. If you do not, please indicate that you are self coached.

We also ask that you confirm your horse is up to date on vaccines for Equine Influenza and EHV 1-4. Please consult your veterinarian if you are not sure. THIS IS NOT REQUIRED IN 2024 BUT HIGHLY RECOMMENDED. Thank you!



Safe Sport standards are in place for officials, coaches, and persons responsible for junior-aged athletes at our Scotia Series competition. These are in place to meet federal and provincial government requirements and most importantly, so that everyone has the right to feel safe and to participate in an accessible and inclusive sport environment. Please ensure that you meet the Equestrian NS Board-Approved standards prior to coming to our competition. Details and support can be found at:

equestriannovascotia.ca/Scotia-Series

QUESTIONS? PLEASE CONTACT JILL BARKER 1-902-476-9955.

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YEAR END AWARDS DAY!

WE ARE EXCITED TO INVITE ALL COMPETITORS TO A YEAR END HORSES AT WORK AWARDS CELEBRATION IN 2024!

DATE AND TIME TBA



**EQUESTRIAN NOVA SCOTIA - SCOTIA SERIES APPOVED COMPETITIONS** 







#### All competitors note:

**All** competitors must wear ASTM/SEI, or BSI/BS EN approved protective headgear, with the safety harness correctly secured at all times while mounted at the competition or anywhere on the show grounds.

The rule that doesn't allow competitors to get back on their horse after falling off in the show ring and take a fence before exiting was made with rider safety and well-being in mind as well as protection for the Show Organizers and Show Officials.

In case of a rider or horse fall, riders are to leave the ring unmounted. If there is time in the day, the rider may return at end of class, if cleared by their coach/guardian and medical attendant. They may ride the course again without a score.

Any competitor that may in the opinion of officials and/or competition management be considered riding at risk of injury to themselves or their horse will be asked to withdraw from further competition.

NOTE in the interest of horse welfare a Horse/Rider Combination may not compete in more than two divisions. The horse if ridden by another competitor is limited to <u>eight</u> classes in total for the day, which includes under saddle or equitation classes.

The welfare of the horse is paramount in our sport therefore the show committee reserves the right to ask a horse to retire, either from a class or from the competition, in the event that it appears that it would not be productive for the horse to continue. This may be due to heat, unsoundness, or apparent over facing of the horse. In this event, entry fees for unused classes will be refunded by the office.

Schooling tack and horse boots may be worn but it is up to the discretion of the judge as to whether or not the horse is dependent on the equipment.

Competitors must wear their assigned ring number at all times during the competition when with their horse.

 Proper Rider attire is to be of show ring level. Half chaps are acceptable but full chaps are not. Hunt coats and show shirts are to be worn for competition and for award of prizes in all hunter horsemanship and flat competitions. Casual attire is acceptable in jumper classes; polo shirts of conservative colors with collars may be worn tucked in.

#### **Jumper Competitors please note:**

- OMG Division—Riders return for the jump off this division only (and get to walk J/O course)
- Competitors will follow the posted course.
- Two refusals on course will result in elimination. Riders may take the first fence of the course and only once after the bell. At the discretion of the jury and management, a competitor may be allowed to continue on course in the early rounds of their day.

Each Hunter Division has two over fence classes and one under saddle.

Note the 2'3, '6" and 2'9" are on an open card for the division offered in that ring. (M) means set at medium pony distance, (L) at large pony distance, and horse distance but none are restricted to ponies—it is the distance not height of animal. Ribbons to 5th.

#### CHECK THE SCHEDULE FOR THE RING FOR ORDER OF CLASSES

#### **Roadside Hunter Divisions**

#### **Hillside Hunter Divisions**

Cross Rail Hunter	Equitation Hunt Seat Flat A B C (three classes)
18" Hunter	2'3" Hunter (M) (L)
2' Hunter	2'6" Hunter (M) (L)
2'3" Hunter (M) (L)	2'9" Hunter (L) and Horse
2'6" Hunter (M) (L)	3' Hunt er
Novice Classes (We try and schedule for early afternoon in one of rings – usually Hillside)	3'3" Hunter

THE HUNTER CHALLENGE IN MEMORY OF LINE OF CREDIT WILL RUN ON AN OPEN CARD AND WILL BE AT EACH HEIGHT IN HILLSIDE BEFORE THE U/S. DETAILS ARE LISTED ON SEPARATE PAGE.

#### **Jumper Division Hillside**

Each Division has a Red Ribbon class and two open classes. Ribbons to 5<sup>th</sup>.

#### METRIC CONVERSION CHART

10" = 25.4cm; 10 cm = 4" 2'3" - 0.70m 4'9" - 1.45m 2'6" - 0.75m 5'0" - 1.50m 2'9" - 0.85m 5'3" - 1.60m 3'0" - 0.90m 5'6" - 1.70m 3'3" - 1.00m 5'9" - 1.75m 3'6" - 1.10m 6'0" - 1.80m 3'9" - 1.15m 6'3" - 1.90m 4'0" - 1.20m 6'6" - 2.00m 4'3" - 1.30m 6'9" - 2.10m 4'6" - 1.40m 7'0" - 2.20m

Note: When printing, select the pages you need and set your printer to non-color. This will save

paper and ink usage.



Since 10cm equals 4 inches, it should be noted that exact equivalents are not possible.

#### **RIDE SAFE AND HAVE A GREAT DAY!**



#### **DIRECTIONS:**

FROM HALIFAX, TAKE EXIT 5(MARTOCK), TURN RIGHT ONTO ROUTE 14 TOWARDS BROOKLYN, APPROX 4KM), IMMEDIATE TURN RIGHT ON TO WENTWORTH ROAD, FIRST ROAD ON LEFT - OLD CEMETERY ROAD - YOU WILL SEE THE SHOW SITE ON YOUR RIGHT!

### Line of Credit Memorial Hunter Challenge

Line of Credit, known as Valiant around the barn, was a much-loved draft cross purchased by Jill as a 2-year-old. He frequented competition throughout the Maritimes and Quebec and excelled in rideability and handiness. He was loaned to the Bengal Lancers Musical Ride on numerous occasions, competed at the Royal Winter Fair and won dozens of championships in his life.

Not without his quirks, Valiant was the definition of a good teacher, great horse and beloved friend. This class is sponsored by the West family with the aim of fostering rider development, sportsmanship and above all, good Horsemanship.





The Memorial Hunter Challenge is being graciously presented by Madeline West in remembrance of her partner "Valiant".

The class combines a hunter classic and a handy hunter in a one round format of 8-12 hunter- style fences. There will be high fence options, handy options, possible combinations and use of natural obstacles and banks (weather permitting).

Scored as a hunter round with additional scores for high options, handiness, difficulty of track and turnout. Formal turnout is required. Class open to all horse/rider combinations from Hillside ring. Riders must compete in one or more challenge class to be eligible for the Fall finale.

Offered at each of the Hunter Competitions, an open card with the class offered at each division height in the Hillside Ring. The class will be the final over fences at each height but is a stand-alone event and not included in division placings.

Placings will be awarded at day end to 6<sup>th</sup> place. The final event will be in September with overall standings for the season. Prize money for year end standings will be awarded with First Place \$250, Second Place \$150 and Third Place \$100. There is a championship cooler and trophy.

Entry Fee per competition is \$17.25 (HST included)





# 2024 Scotia Series Provincial Championships



October 10-14, 2024

Hants County
Exhibition Grounds

