

LIHSSRD

2016-2017 Show Series



Fall 2016 Show Date:

Sunday, November 13th 2016 *at the Thomas School of Horsemanship, Melville NY*

HorseAbility - LIHSSRD
at SUNY Old Westbury
PO Box 410-1
Old Westbury, NY 11568



HorseAbility

"Because Riding is for Everyone"

HorseAbility is a 501(c)3 non-profit organization. Our mission is to offer a wide range of horse-related programs to children and adults with Special Needs to promote the physical, psychological, emotional, social, and spiritual well being of all of our participants. Operating with an equine herd of 15 and supported by a volunteer force of more than 350 we serve over 350 clients a year. HorseAbility is Long Island's only full-year "Premier" Accredited Center as recognized by the Professional Association of Therapeutic Horsemanship International (PATH).



Visit us on the web or contact our office to learn more about our program and the many ways you can get involved with HorseAbility!



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Programs offered at HorseAbility

HorseAbility offers year round Equine centered programs for individuals with special needs including:

Therapeutic Riding

As a sport, hobby, recreation or respite the program offers therapeutic value and rewards.

Hippotherapy

A physical, occupational, or speech therapy session with a licensed professional where the horse is utilized as the tool for treatment.

Equine Facilitated Therapy

A short-term experiential approach that can be utilized in conjunction with other modalities of counseling or psychotherapy. Conducted by a team which includes a Licensed Mental Health Professional, an Equine Specialist and one or more horses.

Equine Facilitated Therapy is offered to:

- Groups
- Individuals
- **Horses for Heroes Program** for Veterans

Summer Day Camp

A one-week summer day camp for children and young adults with special needs. Daily activities include horseback riding, swimming, sports, arts and crafts and other special activities.

Long Island Horse Show Series for Riders with Disabilities (LIHSSRD)

The first of its kind for riders with special needs. LIHSSRD classes are held at USEF rated competitions throughout Long Island. Riders compete for points at each show. The top 10 riders in each division qualify for the LIHSSRD Championship Finals, held at The Hampton Classic Horse Show.

Volunteer Opportunities

Volunteers are the backbone of our program! We depend on volunteers to help carry out the daily functions of our program.

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Wishing all of the LIHSSRD Riders the Best of Luck for the 2016-2017 Show Season!

Competition Rules

1. Competing riders will be required to submit a yearly **Rider Information Sheet and Membership Form with Fee** (included in prize list). **Entry forms** must be completed for each show with payment **one week prior** to the date of the show. Post entry fee is \$15 per class and LIHSSRD management reserves the right not to accept entries after the due date. **Fees are \$35 per class and should be made payable to HorseAbility. There is a \$15 dollar office fee and a \$12 show fee for each show.** Entries must be filled in completely and include horse, owner, and trainer USEF numbers, and all pertinent signatures. **Incomplete entries will be returned and post entry fees will be applied.**
2. Points will be awarded as follows: 1st place: 7, 2nd place: 5, 3rd place: 4, 4th place: 3, 5th place: 2, 6th place: 1. Tie breaking will be determined at judge's discretion. If a class has 3 riders or less a weighted point system will be used: 1st place: 5, 2nd place: 3, 3rd place: 2. All riders placing 7th place on will receive ½ point. All riders will receive an additional ½ point per class for participation. The top 10 riders in each division that participate in a minimum of two LIHSSRD shows over the season will qualify for the LIHSSRD Final Championship that will be held at the Hampton Classic Horse Show.
3. LIHSSRD follows the rules and regulations as set forth by the United States Equestrian Federation (USEF) (https://www.usef.org/_IFrames/RuleBook/2014.aspx).
4. Adaptive equipment may be used if necessary. Must be indicated on information sheet. Safety of all equipment may be checked by the safety delegate or management prior to entering the schooling arena and/or each class. Safety stirrups are recommended for all saddles. Horses may use grass reins, or martingales for safety purposes.
5. Proper English riding attire is required for all classes. All exceptions to dress must be documented on the rider's information sheet. All mounted riders must wear an approved ASTM/SEI helmet. Safety vests may be worn under hunt coats. Voice commands and crops are permitted.
6. Armbands are permitted to identify riders who are unable to sit the trot (brown), unable to post (blue), unable to perform 2 point position (green), non-verbal/limited communicative abilities (white), hearing impaired (yellow) or sight impaired (red). Riders must indicate the need for an arm band on the LIHSSRD rider information sheet. **Riders are responsible to bring their own arm bands.**
7. Riders may be asked to move to a higher or lower division or class at the discretion of LIHSSRD management. If a rider is to be considered for movement, the trainer and rider will be notified. **Criteria for evaluation for division status may include:**
 - * **Recommendation by LIHSSRD Committee Member**
 - * **Training at a level that meets the requirements of the change of division.**
 - * **Placing at Champion or Reserve at over 75% of shows attended.**
8. Riders or spectators speaking negatively about other competitors, judges, or show staff may be asked to leave the premises, and may be banned from future LIHSSRD shows.
9. Please refer to USEF's rules and regulations regarding drug use in equines at rated competitions. Horses should be free from lameness and in good health. If a horse does not appear fit to compete in any way, they may be excused from the ring by the judge, steward, or show management. Inhumane treatment or abuse of horses will not be tolerated.
10. Riders may not receive coaching from a trainer, leader, sidewalker, spotter or spectators during competition. Trainers, spotters, leaders and sidewalkers may **repeat** directions as needed but may not coach/train or give any other input during competition unless the rider's action endangers themselves or other riders. Spotters must be at a minimum of 5 feet away from the rider during competition at the walk and trot.
11. Spotters may stand at the horses head when horses are lined up in the middle or waiting for further instruction from the judge. Riders may not receive coaching from outside of the ring.

Classes

Riders will be judged on their performance during each class. Judging criteria consists of rider balance, seat, use of aids, horsemanship, control of horse, ring etiquette, safety, sportsmanlike conduct, suitability of the horse/rider match and the position of the rider. Judges may ask for posting trot, sitting trot, and two point position and all USEF beginner tests including asking horsemanship questions to the riders (Suggested reference is United States Pony Club: Basics for Beginners D Manual). Riders unable to perform any task asked of them due to physical limitations may describe the action to the judge. Riders must have a documented disability, and **submit an information sheet with proof of eligibility with their first entry of the season.** Riders who have competed in recognized divisions are ineligible. The top 10 riders in each division will be invited to compete in the finals at the Hampton Classic Horse Show. Class fee is \$35 per class. **All LIHSSRD entries with payment must be received by the HorseAbility office 1 week prior to the show. Send entries to: HorseAbility- LIHSSRD, PO Box 410-1, Old Westbury, NY 11568.** Incomplete entries will not be processed. A late fee of \$15 per class will apply to late entries.

EQUITATION, *with Aides*

Open to adult and junior riders who require the assistance of a leader or leader and sidewalker. Riders must have a leader holding onto the horse, or a leader & sidewalker(s) in this division. Rider will choose one of 3 tests for class # 3. Test is to be performed at the walk and will be weighted.

- 1) Walk
- 2) Walk/Trot
- 3) Walk/Trot/Test (choice of figure 8, pole course, or horsemanship test)

EQUITATION, *Spotter/Independent*

Open to adult and junior riders who ride independently or who request the use of a spotter. Spotters are to remain at a minimum distance of 5-10 feet from the rider, and may stand at horses head while lined up. Diagonals may be counted at the discretion of the judge. Riders will trot individually. Riders will choose one of 3 tests for class # 6. Test may be performed at the walk or the trot and will be weighted.

- 4) Walk
- 5) Walk/Trot
- 6) Walk/Trot/Test (choice of figure 8, pole course, or horsemanship test)

EQUITATION, *Independent*

Open to adult and junior riders who ride independently. Riders may have an assistant in the center of ring if they need directions repeated or signed. Diagonals and leads may be counted at the discretion of the judge. Riders are to group trot. Riders will choose one of 4 tests for class #8. Test must be performed at the trot and will be weighted. Riders may enter 3 classes and may not enter both classes 9 and 10. Class 9 and 10 will be combined if there are less than 3 entries in either class. If classes are combined, riders entered in class 10 will not group canter.

- 7) Walk/Trot
- 8) Walk/Trot/Test (choice of figure 8, pole course, horsemanship test, or crossrail jump)
- 9) Walk/Trot/Canter- (Size of group is at the discretion of the judge and show management).
 - A) Individual
 - B) Group
- 10) Walk Only

Horsemanship Test

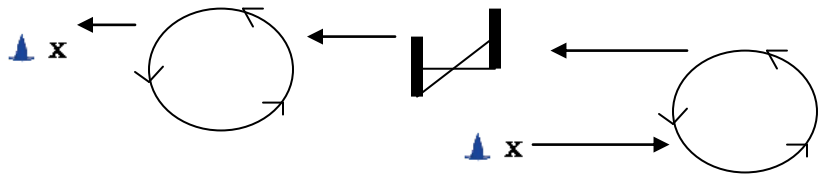


Riders will halt between two cones and answer horsemanship question(s) chosen by the judge. Questions may include but are not limited to the following:

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| Equine confirmation | Equine behavior |
| Stable management | Grooming |
| Tack/equipment | Gaits of the horse |
| Show attire for horse & rider | Safety |
| Breeds/colors/markings | Equine health |
| Horse show etiquette | |

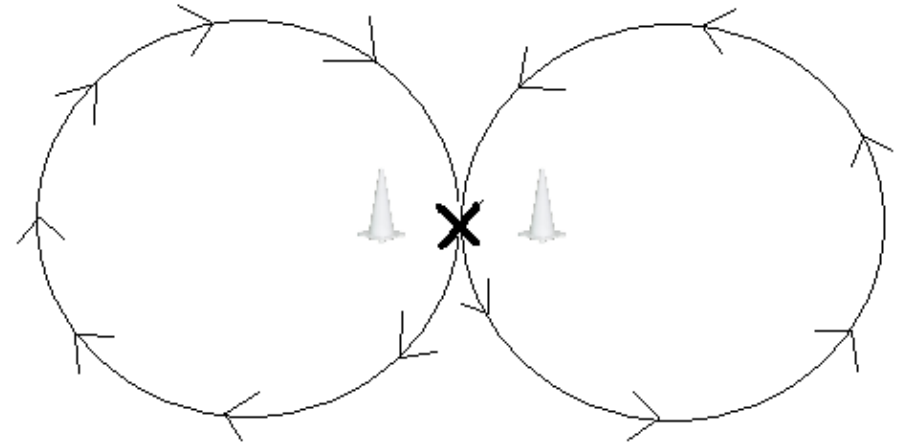
Suggested reference is United States Pony Club: Basics for Beginners D Manual. Riders will be judged on entrance to cones and straightness and quality of halt, response to horsemanship questions and their departure from the test area.

Crossrail Jump (Independent Division Only*)



Riders will enter the test and halt at the first cone. Riders will then execute a walk to trot opening circle, trot over crossrail jump, complete a closing trot to walk circle and halt at second cone. **Please note that the crossrail jump may not be available at the finals at the Hampton Classic Horse Show.*

Figure 8 Test



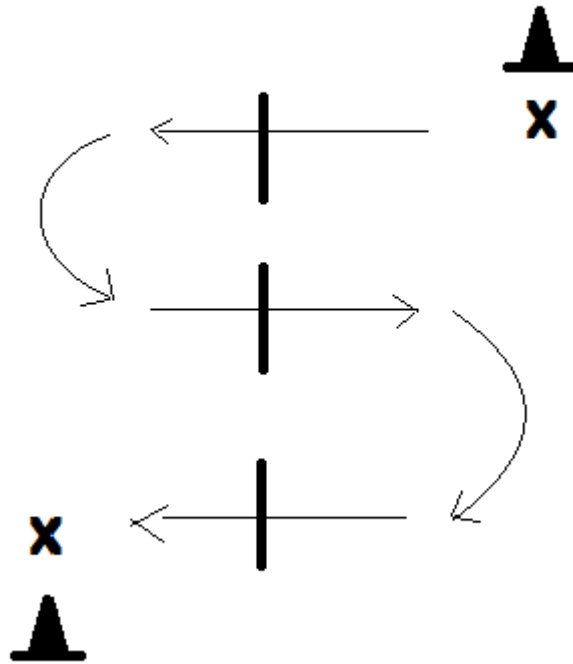
Riders will enter and halt between two cones facing the judge. Riders will then execute a circle in each direction demonstrating a change of bend between the cones to complete an “8” pattern. At the completion of the pattern, riders will halt between the cones and then return to the line. In addition to judging criteria for their division, riders will be also be judged on how they enter and exit the test, the quality of the figure 8, the straightness and quality of halt, walk/trot transitions, roundness and symmetry of the circles, use and effectiveness of the aids, and horse and rider balance.

Horse Show Etiquette Reminders

We would like to remind all competitors, trainers, volunteers and spectators of proper horse show etiquette. Please keep the following in mind at all horse shows:

- Respect yourself and others. Be a good sport. This applies to trainers and parents too!
- Follow all competition rules and all requests from show management. Failure to follow rules and requests of show management can result in a USEF fine and individual may be banned from participation in future LIHSSRD shows.
- As a general rule, please do not use flash photography.
- Trainers are not to stand in the middle of the ring during competition unless there is a need for directions to be repeated or signed in the independent division and this is indicated on the rider's information sheet. In all other cases if the rider needs a trainer present during competition the trainer should act as a spotter or sidewalker. When trainers are present in the middle of the ring they should be mindful of the location of the judge and try to maintain a distance from the judge so as not to interfere with the judging.
- Keep a safe distance between your horse and other horses/people
- Spectators/volunteers/trainers should be aware of where the judge is and maintain a distance from this area during competition.
- Judges decisions are final. If you are in disagreement with a decision please speak to show management or the show steward. No one is to address the judge directly.
- Speaking negatively to/about other riders, trainers, horses, show management or staff is not acceptable. There is a written rule about this and violation of this rule can result in individuals being banned from participation in future LIHSSRD shows.
- No one should be coaching from the sidelines, calling into the ring, or be acting in a way that could be considered distracting to other riders in the ring. Once the riders begin being judged all spectators should remain quiet and no coaching is allowed from trainers, volunteers or spectators. Directions may be repeated by an appointed person if indicated on the riders information sheet.
- Applaud at the end of tests, classes and divisions.
- Keep the in gate clear at all times.
- Have fun and be safe!

Pole Course Test



Riders will enter the test and halt at the first cone. Riders will then negotiate three cavaletti poles demonstrating a transition to and from two point jumping position over each pole. After the 3rd pole riders will halt at the cone and then return to the line. In addition to judging criteria for their division riders will be judged on how they enter and exit the test, quality of halt and walk/trot transitions, transition to and from two point position, quality of two point position, horse and rider balance, use and effectiveness of the aids, navigation of the poles, straightness, and centered approach to the poles.

Thank you for your cooperation!

Sincerely,

Your LIHSSRD COMMITTEE MEMBERS

Congratulations to the LIHSSRD Finals Champions



We are pleased to have the following individuals serving on the 2016-2017 LIHSSRD Committee:

Judy Galterio
Carole Gerrity
Connie Lacy Rock
***Katie McGowan**
Jamie Thomas-Martin
***Lisa Zimmerman**

**LIHSSRD Founder*

For more information about LIHSSRD, upcoming show dates, point standings, and rules:

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