



NORTHWESTERN

RIDING & DRIVING CLUB

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2022

Gymkhana

NWRDC invites everyone who comes to the gymkhanas whether it is to participate in them or to watch them to join the club. Monthly meetings are held on the second Tuesday of every month at 7:00pm location TBD.

Northwestern Riding & Driving Club

2731 Main Street Fairfax, VT

Rte 104 (Across from Adam's Store)

CLUB OFFICERS: President-Stacy Bennett, Vice President-Heather Reynolds,
Secretary- Mandy King, Treasurer- Susan Sullivan

DIRECTORS: James Sullivan, Christina Carnes, Shirley Langlois, Herbie Durham

Gymkhana Committee: Stacy Bennett, Dan Bennett, Jenna Bennett, Darcie Patterson,
Shane Smith, and Bradon Mitchel

You may **pre-register** for any or all of the event days then **pay on the day** of the scheduled event. The entry form placed in this booklet is to enter all the events for the season. Individual entry forms will be available at the booth on the event day.

Register by sending entries to: NWRDC Gymkhana

Open Horse Show Dates: 6/5, 6/26, 7/17, 8/14, 9/11

Pee Wee Gymkhana Dates: 6/4, 6/19, 7/30, 8/20, 9/17

If it is raining or threatening to rain on the morning of a gymkhana and you are wondering if we are still holding the event feel free to call: You can also check our Facebook page updates will be posted there.

Basic Guidelines for Emergencies

1.) Notify a Committee Member immediately.

2.) A Committee Member is responsible for calling 911(if necessary); this will help avoid more than one call to 911. Further assistance from anyone with medical experience will be requested, if necessary.

3.) First Aid supplies are available at each booth.

4.) Ensure the safety of both the horse and/or the person involved.

Horse: DO **NOT** chase a horse - once the horse calms, and then attempt to approach it.

Rider: Assess the person's injuries (avoid movement especially if the injury is to the head, neck or back).

Keep the person as calm & comfortable as possible. (Ex. Blankets, shade, water, etc.) Keep number of persons around the injured party to a minimum.

We may start the day with the National Anthem and/or a parade of flags carried by the participants. The American, State and Club flags will lead the parade followed by anyone else who wishes to ride. Please be saddled up and ready to ride by **fifteen (15) minutes prior to start time!** **Pre-register early pay the day of event!**

Entry Fees: Members - \$30.00 Non-members - \$40.00

Plus \$5.00 per rider Maintenance Fee

Novice/Green Horse–WALK-TROT ONLY (Novice Rider or Green Horse) **(No Leadline)**

Youth- Walk, trot, **CONTROLLED CANTER**

Youth Open – Canter and/or gallop

Intermediate Adult- Walk, Trot **CONTROLLED CANTER!**

Open Adult – Canter and/or gallop

Divisions must have three (3) competitors or they will be combined. Exception is Novice.

Gymkhana Rules and Regulations

1. **Helmets** are required for anyone under the age of **18 when mounted and also for anyone riding in a youth division regardless of age and** are recommended for every rider.
 2. **Current Coggins and Rabies are required.**
 3. **Year end points** - You must be a **member, in good standing**, before October 1, to qualify for year end points. Year end points are awarded to a single horse/rider team who attend four (4) or more events.
 4. **You will be disqualified** for breaking the pattern, the timing light before the pattern is completed, starting and/ or ending your run outside of the chute. Your horse must be at a trot or walk before entering or exiting the chute!
 5. **Any** obstacle knocked over equals a disqualification.
 6. **Riders** ride at their own risk and are responsible for all damages done by their horse(s).
 7. **All** riders are expected to be on deck when they are called. Riders are to be at the gate by the **third call or they will be disqualified.**
 8. **Time Limit** – There is a **two (2) minute** time limit per game. Please leave the arena if you are timed out.
 9. **It** is the responsibility of the rider to make sure the ring is ready, and the ring crew is clear of the arena and the chute.
 8. **Once** you are in the arena and start your run there will be no reruns for competitor defective equipment.
- CHECK YOUR TACK!**
10. There is no cantering outside arenas. When warming up in the lower arena stay off the grass!
 11. **NWRDC prohibits alcoholic beverages in any form for competitors, spectators or committee members on club grounds during the events.**
 12. **Final** decision is up to the gymkhana committee. If you have a disagreement it must be discussed before the next game.
 13. **No** refunds due to weather conditions. We cannot control the weather. If we call the day it is for the horse and riders safety. Three games is considered a full day of events.
 14. Please clean up around where you park, pick up or spread out manure and hay. **Thank you!**
 15. Saddle with stirrups and bridle with reins required to compete.
 16. **Any** rider/horse team competing in the Novice/Green Horse-Walk/Trot Division **CANNOT** canter/lope at any other timed or judged event.
 17. Any concerns regarding rider/horse safety please bring it to a gymkhana committee member's attention.
 18. **Dogs must be on a 6' to 8' leash and secured always. This is for the safety of all horses and humans! You are responsible for any damages done by your dog!**
 19. Patterns or games are subject to change based on arena condition to be determined by the gymkhana committee.
 20. Please leave your personal issues on Route 104. If you are disrupting the days event you will be asked to leave the grounds with no refund and no points for the day!

If you do not adhere to the rules and regulations you could be disqualified from all the events for the day. Rules are subjected to the gymkhana committee's discretion.

Please review the Northwestern Riding & Driving Club ground rules. The rules are posted on the bathrooms, booths and in the gymkhana booklets.

Northwestern Riding & Driving Club - 2022 Gymkhana Entry Form

June 11

- 1.) AZ Keyhole
- 2.) Tail Spin
- 3.) Barrels
- 4.) Stake Race
- 5.) Streaking Poles
- 6.) Speed Barrel

June 25

- 1.) Spur Race
- 2.) Hourglass
- 3.) Barrels
- 4.) AZ Keyhole
- 5.) Speed Barrels
- 6.) Figure 8 Open Ended

July 30

- 1.) Big M
- 2.) Butterfly
- 3.) Barrels
- 4.) Big O
- 5.) Pole Bending
- 6.) Speed Ball

August 20

- 1.) AZ Keyhole
- 2.) BiRangle
- 3.) Barrels
- 4.) Turn & Burn
- 5.) Stake Race
- 6.) Streaking Poles

September 18

- 1.) Cupid's Arrow
- 2.) Streaking Poles
- 3.) Barrels
- 4.) AZ Keyhole
- 5.) Big T
- 6.) Gated Stake

Please remember if you are coming to the event from out of state, Vermont State requires you have a current Health Certificate!

Divisions: Novice/Green Horse (Walk/Trot ONLY) Youth, Youth Open, Intermediate Adult, and Open Adult, (NO LEADLINE)

Entry Fees: Members \$30.00 Plus \$5.00 Maintenance Fee

Non-Members \$40.00 Plus \$5.00 Maintenance Fee

Please Fill Out Completely and Print Clearly

Division: _____ Negative Coggins Okay (____) Checked upon arrival!

Riders Name: _____ Horses Name: _____

Mailing Address: _____

Telephone #: _____ Email: _____

Emergency Contact: _____ Phone # _____

All entries are accepted with the understanding that NWRDC will not be held responsible for any loss, damage or injury to any horse exhibited or any article of any kind. All horses shall be under the control and direction of the gymkhana committee but solely at the risk of the rider, who shall be responsible for any loss, damage or injury to any person, animal or property occasioned by them, their agent or employees or by any animal owned or exhibited by them shall identify the NWRDC committee against any and all loss, damage and liability thereof. The submission of any entry form to the gymkhana shall constitute and acceptance by each person signing same of the revisions herein set forth.

Riders Signature: _____

Signature of Parent or Guardian (if under 18) _____

Please make sure you read the Gymkhana rules and the NWRDC ground rules!