VIRGINIA REGION PONY CLUBS
QUALIFYING TETRATHLON RALLY
Saturday March 14

Great Meadow Foundation
5089 Old Tavern Rd
The Plains, VA 20198

Opening Date: Individual - February 21 / Team & Scrambler Registration - March 2
Closing Dates: Individual – March 1 / Team & Scrambler Registration – March 8

Important Dates:
March 1: Individual registrations must be placed online. Coggins required for registration
Late entries accepted if room allows - 20% late fee applied

March 8:

- Club and Center Team and/or Scrambler registrations must be placed online
- Payment must be received by VRPC Treasurer to avoid late fee
- Signed Forms (Coach) uploaded or received by the Rally Secretary

Host Club: Middleburg-Orange County Pony Club

Secretary: Lisa Woods lisawoods65@gmail.com

Organizers & Contacts during the rally:
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Venue Information: **There is no water for your horses on the grounds. Please bring enough water for you and your horse.**

Teams: 3 or 4 riders. D1 and above, age 6 and older. No Stable Managers.

Divisions: The regional rally will be composed of mixed division teams with Qualifying (Standard and Modified) and Non-Qualifying competitors. Click HERE for USPC Championship eligibility information.

		Championship Div.	**Modified or Non-Qualifying Div.**
8 and Under	8 yrs to 6 yrs	N/A	D-1 EV /HSE or above
10 and Under	10 yrs and under	N/A	D-1 EV /HSE or above
*Modified Pre-Novice	10 - 11 years old	N/A	D-2 EV /HSE or above
*Novice	12 - 13 years old	C-1 EV /HSE or above	D-2 EV /HSE or above

*Intermediate 14 - 15 years old C-1 EV /HSE or above D-2 EV /HSE or above
*Junior 16 - 17 years old C-1 EV /HSE or above D-2 EV /HSE or above
*Senior 18 years and older C-1 EV /HSE or above D-2 EV /HSE or above
*Qualifying Divisions for 2024 USPC Champs

	8 & Under	10 & Under	Pre-Novice	Novice	Intermediate	Junior	Senior
Ride	p/xrails	18"	2'3"	2'6"	2'9"	3'	3"3"
Run(M)	500	500	500	1000	2000	3000	3000
Swim	25	50	50	100	100	200	200
Shoot Strings of 5 shots / 3 minutes All Divisions	10 M, 2 strings of 5 shots, 2 handed or 1 handed/Tstand or firm support may be used	10 M, 2 strings of 5 shots, 2 handed or 1 handed/Tstand or firm support may be used	10 M, 4 strings of 5 shots, 2 hands Standing	10 M, 4 strings of 5 shots, 2 hands Standing	10 M, 4 strings of 5 shots, 1 hand Standing	10 M, 4 strings of 5 shots, 1 hand Standing	10 M, 4 strings of 5 shots, 1 hand Standing

ANY INTERMEDIATE, JUNIOR OR SENIOR UNCOMFORTABLE WITH THE JUMP HEIGHT OF HIS OR HER DIVISION IS ENCOURAGED TO TAKE A POINT PENALTY AND JUMP AT A LOWER DIVISION HEIGHT.

Fees: Entry fee $65 per VRPC Competitor. Out-of-region competitor's fee is $85 per rider and is on a space-available basis. This is a one day trailer rally

Entry Forms: Online http://vrponyclub.org/ using VRPC member's email address or code OutofRegion for an out-of-region competitor. Click on Calendar, then Tetrathlon Rally – Individual Registration button. Follow directions on-screen for Individual Registration, Chaperone Form, Payment Information, etc. The Coggins will need to be uploaded when you fill out the individual registration. The signed Chaperone form and Coaching Form will be uploaded when registering your teams and scramblers.

General:

- This is a one day trailer rally
- Teams will designate one trailer as their team trailer and will park in the "Team parking area."
- Teams may bring pop up tents for tack room and/or team sitting area.
- For USPC Tetrathlon, there is no stable manager
- Competitors are required to wear their Medical Armband (containing their current USPC or USEA Medical Card) or aMedical Bracelet for the duration of the rally.
- Barn appropriate footwear is required at all times
- Only the team captain or appointed designee may pick up registration packets.
- Chaperones must be available on-site for the duration of the rally
- Competitors must have transportation to and from the Warrenton Aquatic and Recreation facility

Payment: **Check with your club/center on payment policy. Online payment method is preferred** !! Riding Center members may pay independently but Club members should follow their club policy and pay ONLY IF club has directed you to do so. Otherwise forward your invoice to appropriate club contact if not.

Important Notes Regarding Invoices and Payments:

- Invoices and payment receipts are generated by the system and emailed to the member during the registration process.
- **VRPC Treasurer MUST** have all ***payments*** **by March 1 or a late fee will be added**.

Rules: USPC Handbook and Rules for Tetrathlon Competition 2026
USPC Tetrathlon Newsletter 2026
USPC Horse Management-Competitor Rules 2026
USPC Horse Management Newsletter 2026

Volunteers: Minimum of three volunteers per team entry is required. One volunteer will serve as a Chaperone, in addition to their other volunteer responsibilities.
One volunteer per team must be designated as Horse Management.
Minimum of one volunteer per scramble entry is required for this Rally

Food/Lodging: Concessions will be available on-site.

The closest lodging is in Warrenton. The Hampton Inn and Holiday Inn are about 10 minutes from the venue

Refunds: Follows VRPC policy, as indicated on VRPC website.

****TENTATIVE SCHEDULE****

Saturday, March 14

8:00am Grounds Open
9am Rally Opens (trailer area clears all but competitors and HM)
It's a one day so skipping jogs
10:00- 1:00pm Riding and Shooting phases will be organized to run concurrently
1:00-1:45 Running Phase
2:00pm depart to Warf
3:00pm Swimming Phase
4:00pm Awards

Additional Information (not inclusive so please read the Rulebook)

Riding Phase:

Horse sharing: Horses may be shared, but may only be ridden two times during the Rally. Competitors are responsible for providing their own mounts or making their own arrangements to share. If entrant is sharing a horse, please indicate this on the entry form. **Please note: If a mount falls**

during a jumping round, the mount must be examined by the TD and a veterinarian (if available) to determine if it will be allowed to continue. *(Tetrathlon Rule Book)*

Attire:

Dress for Turnout Inspection and the riding phase must be in compliance with Pony Club standards as described in the Handbook and Rules for Tetrathlon 2026.

Horse Management Phase:

Each team will set up a "tack room" in a stall. Each team will set up a "tack room" in a trailer or canopy area. Refer to the USPC Horse Management Handbook for required equipment for a **One-Day Rally**.

Shooting Phase:

Air pistols may be shared by a maximum of three competitors. If entrant is sharing a gun, please indicate this on the entry form. Air pistols will be provided, if requested (see entry form). Pistols will be .177 calibers (4.5 mm), and either compressed air or CO2 is acceptable. Pistols should be single shot, but multiple shot pistols may be used provided the pistol is loaded in such a manner that there will be only one pellet in the magazine at any given time.

All divisions will use the standard ISSF Approved 10-Meter Air Pistol Target shooting at a distance of 10 Meters. All strings of 5 shots are allowed 3 minutes. Reminder all competitors need a clear barrel indicator that can be placed in the barrel of the gun to show it is empty.

Safety glasses are required for the shooting phase (shooter, loader, and firing line staff).

10 and Under and 8 and Under (no younger than 6) competitors are required to have a loader for the shooting phase. Loaders are highly suggested for the other Divisions, but are not required. Please make arrangements for a loader in advance; the shooting phase is run on a very tight schedule and we cannot wait for your child to find a loader.

REMINDER: Air pistols MUST be checked in.

Running Phase:

Please wear appropriate running attire. Barn shoes are not acceptable to run in. Competitors will wear their pinnies and medical armband/bracelet during the run..

Swimming Phase:

Swimming will occur at the local indoor pool - **The WARF - 800 Waterloo Rd, Warrenton, VA 20186**. Please make sure to bring pool shoes with you. Barn shoes are NOT permitted on the deck. Competitors are not required to wear their medical armbands when you swim but you must have them with you. Appropriate swimming attire is required (NO Two Piece Suits).