



## Derby Cross ~ June 8th 2025

### \$80 / division (\$50 cross rails)

<b>Location:</b>	Meadowvale Farm, 1247 Corkery Road, Carp, ON
<b>Closing date:</b>	Midnight Saturday 1 week before the show (May 31, 2025)
<b>Entries:</b>	Entry forms are online and posted on the Meadowvale Farm Website
<b>Awards:</b>	Ribbons will be awarded by class to 6 <sup>th</sup> place. Division awards for champion and reserve.
<b>Attire:</b>	Cross country attire including a certified helmet and cross country vest is required.

This competition includes both stadium and cross country phases of a horse trial. The goal is to support the needs of developing riders and horses by introducing the skills required to participate in horse trials in a safe schooling competition environment.

#### Each division includes 3 courses:

- 1) **The warm up round:** A stadium course in the sand ring consisting of approximately 7-8 jumps
- 2) **Short track:** which includes the stadium course with some cross country jumps in the field and finishing back in the sand ring and,
- 3) **Long track:** Includes the stadium course and includes immediately progressing to the cross country course.

#### Classes and Divisions:

**1 Cross Rails Division**      **Class A** - Warm up round      **Class B** - Stadium course – Judged  
*\* Cross rails division only includes 2 classes because no cross country is included\* Class B will be judged on correct equitation and riding skills not just time. May be ridden at trot or canter. \**

- 2      **0.45 m (18") Division**
- 3      **0.60m (2'0") Division ~ Pre-Novice**
- 4      **0.70m (2'3") Division ~ Novice**
- 5      **0.75m (2'6") Division ~ Pre-Entry**
- 6      **0.85m (2'9") Division ~ Entry**
- 7      **0.90m (3'0") Division ~ Pre-training**



## **Upper Canada Derby at Meadowvale Farm**

### **Match the Clock classes:**

Match the clock or optimum time classes are designed to help developing riders learn the skill of riding a course at the posted speed, rather than with the fastest time. Faults are accumulated by knocking rails, refusals, or exceeding the optimum time. Competitors with equal faults will be placed according to how close their time is to the optimum time. The optimum time is calculated based on the posted speed.

### **Warm Up Rounds:**

Warm up rounds will take place in the sand ring comprising of show jumps. This round will not be judged however all participants will be given a completion ribbon at the end of their round. The purpose of the warm up round is to provide an opportunity for horses and riders to become familiar with the ring and the obstacles prior to entering the short and long track classes.

### **Short Track:**

The Short Track Class will comprise of approximately 25% of the efforts over natural obstacles. This class will begin and end in the sand ring however it will exit onto the cross-country grass field for some obstacles and finish back in the sand ring.

### **Long Track:**

In the Long Track Class approximately 50% of the efforts will be over natural obstacles and natural terrain including possible water, ditches and hills as appropriate for the level. This class will begin in the sand ring and will finish out on the grass cross-country field.

### **Divisions:**

Champion and Reserve Champion ribbons will be awarded at the completion of each division.

Champion and reserve will be based on the long and short track placings and placing in the long track will be weighted heavier than the short track in the event of a tie.



### **Scoring:**

Scoring is similar to the stadium and cross-country components of a horse trials. Faults are accumulated for errors and the competitor with the fewest faults and the closest to the optimum time is the winner.

Stadium Jumps:	Rail	4 faults
	First Stadium disobedience/refusal	4 faults
	Second Stadium disobedience/refusal	8 faults
Cross country obstacles:	First refusal	5 faults
	Second refusal	10 faults
	3rd refusal	Elimination

*\*Competitors may be permitted to continue at the discretion of the show officials \**

Exceeding optimum time	0.4 faults per second
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Under the speed fault time	1 fault per second
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*\*Speed fault time is 15 second under the optimum time\**

*\*\*\* Note the speed is included on course maps but not the optimum time and Speed fault time because the goal is to ride at the correct pace \*\*\**

Additional information may be posted on the Meadowvale Farm website at  
[www.meadowvalefarm.ca](http://www.meadowvalefarm.ca)