

Maryland Steeplechasing Association

**Advanced Open Steeplechasing Clinic For Amateur Riders
Green Spring Valley Hounds
13920 Mantua Mill Road, Reisterstown, Maryland 21136
March 10, 2019
10:00 a.m.**

Hosts: Green Spring Valley Hounds

Location: Green Spring Valley Hounds Home Country

Clinicians: Willie McCarthy and Darren Nagle

Overview:

This Steeplechase Racing Clinic for Amateur Riders is a mounted and un-mounted clinic organized to provide participants with education in the sport of steeplechase race riding.

Goals:

- (1) Educate participants with an interest in competing as a steeplechase jockey in the skills and tactics necessary to succeed;
- (2) Provide participants without an interest in competing with an appreciation of the skills and tactics in use on the racecourse; and
- (3) Provide all with an actual opportunity to gallop in company, and to jump fences at speed in company.

Components:

Session 1 (Mounted): Practicing the Skills and Tactics

- (1) Leg up, tying knot, riding short, goggles down
[Open field]
- (2) Practicing the start
- (3) Galloping and turning a beacon [need a beacon]
- (4) Galloping in company
[Schooling]
- (5) Approaching the fence
- (6) Schooling side by side
- (7) Schooling in a group

Session 2 (Unmounted): Tack Bag And Tacking Up

Skills:

- (1) Know your equipment – tack and tack bag
- (2) Tacking up

This will also be a qualifier for the Maryland Junior Field Master Chases if you have not previously qualified.

Registration: marylandsteeplechaseassociation.com

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