

**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, Darren Nagle, and Bethany Baumgardner

**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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