

**Maryland Steeplechase Association**  
**Young Rider Steeplechase Clinic**  
**Harford Hill Farm**  
**2501 Poccock Road, Fallston, Maryland 21047**  
**March 13, 2022**  
**12:00 p.m.**

**Host:** Alex and Sue Glasscock

**Location:** Harford Hill Farm

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**Clinicians:** Alicia Murphy, Billy Santoro, Todd Wyatt, Blair Wyatt, Mark Beecher, Sean McDermott, Ross Geraghty, and Graham Watters (2021 National Steeplechase Association champion jockey)

**Overview:**

This Steeplechase Racing Clinic for young riders is a mounted clinic open to all levels. We will teach junior riders the basic riding skills necessary to be successful on the junior racing circuit. We will help more seasoned riders fine-tune their skills and expand their knowledge about steeplechase racing. In addition to riding, we will talk about tack, entering a race, and preparing for race day. Riders must be proficient at the walk, trot, and canter. Jumping is not required, but will be offered.

**Goals:**

- (1) Introduce the sport to new participants and to teach juniors with an interest in racing the skills and tactics necessary to succeed; more seasoned junior jockeys are encouraged to attend as well - all levels will benefit from our experienced clinicians.
- (2) Teach riders how to use their knowledge from the show ring or hunt field and translate it to the race course.
- (3) Educate participants with an interest in competing as a steeplechase jockey the skills and tactics necessary to succeed and provide participants without an interest in competing with an appreciation of the skills and tactics in use on the racecourse.
- (4) Provide all with an actual opportunity to canter/gallop in company, and to jump fences in a group. Jumping is optional.
- (5) All will become comfortable with "race conditions," how to enter a race, the paddock protocol, required tack and equipment necessary for race day, etc.

**Components:**

**(Mounted): Practicing the Skills and Tactics**

- (1) Leg up, tying knot, goggles down
- (2) Practicing the start
- (3) Canter/gallop a turn
- (4) Canter/gallop in company and staying behind a designated leader
- (5) Approaching the fence
- (6) Schooling side by side
- (7) Schooling/jumping in a group behind a designated leader

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

**Registration:** marylandsteeplechaseassociation.com **Info:** Alicia Murphy, 410-456-9124