



MOUNTED PREP CLINIC

It is the goal of the region to assist all members to achieve their individual goals. It is our experience that upper level ratings are a **huge commitment** on the part of the candidate and it can be an expensive endeavor. In 2008 in order to better meet the needs of our candidates a mounted evaluation and series of preps are being offered as well as a Regional Camp. Candidates are required to attend either 2 mounted preps or a mounted prep and the Upper Level Camp. To help candidates with the costs a reduction in prep fees is being offered. The fee for the first prep that candidates attend will be \$110.00 plus stabling if applicable. Each progressive prep, after the first, will be offered at a reduced price of \$75.00 plus stabling if applicable. Camp will be an opportunity for intensive preparation for the C3, B & A ratings as well as a time for candidates to get to know one another. Those choosing to attend Camp after attending a prep will have a reduced camp price of \$300.00. While you are not required to attend all 3 preps and camp you certainly **should** consider taking advantage of the excellent educational opportunities available to you.

START TIME: 8:30 AM (You may arrive on Friday evening however, you must make prior arrangements with the organizer)

DATE: May 17th & 18th, 2008

LOCATION: The Back Forte Ranch, 45521 212th Avenue S.E., Enumclaw 98022
<http://thebackforteranch.com/>

COST: \$110.00 (first prep) or \$75.00 (second prep) *Make checks payable to USPC NW Region*

OUTDOOR PIPE STALLS: Included however you will need to provide bedding.

HAUL IN: Included if you will **not** need a stall.

ACCOMMODATIONS: Dry Camping on grounds.

FOOD: Snacks & drinks will be available all day, **Meals will not be provided.**

ITEMS TO BRING: Horse, tack including bandaging materials and longeing equipment, feed, stable equipment.

PLEASE NOTE: We are fortunate to have the use of The Back Forte Ranch for this clinic. Please remember that we are guests and act accordingly. Please make sure that you clean up after yourselves and your horses.

Parents and chaperones please come prepared to help set up, take down, put away jumps and help with clean up.

National Examiners/Instructors will work with candidates over a two day period, concentrating on the specific needs, to meet standard, for each. Bandaging, Longeing switch rides and work without stirrups on the flat and over grids will all also occur. There will be no X-country. At the end of the prep the examiners/instructors will give a **clear** evaluation as to the candidate's ability to meet the standard in the time remaining before the testing. Candidates will receive written suggestions for continued progress towards their rating. A second prep or the Upper Level Camp will provide additional educational opportunities for those candidates choosing to continue to prepare for ratings in 2008. It is not fair to examiners, qualified candidates and testing coordinators at a rating to have those who are not ready take the test. **Failing is not a good learning tool!**

The additional mounted prep being offered is on June 7th & 8th at Polestar Farms in Lake Stevens. Camp will be held June 23rd thru June 27th at Rainbow Meadow Farm. There are separate registration forms for each prep and for camp.

INFORMAL INSPECTION: Tack, mount, & rider should be neat and clean.

(Immaculate, i.e. containing no flaw or error, spotlessly clean, will be saved for the rating, where things that were overlooked at lower levels *will not* be overlooked. **NO** dandruff, dust, dirty docks, or sheaths. **NO** dirt jockeys, loose stitching, dirty bits, rusty buckles, or sticky leather. **NO** dirt on, in or around boots. *At this point in your Pony Club career there is no excuse for a poor inspection. "To be forewarned, is to be forearmed".*)

***Please feel free to contact me should you have any further questions
Thank you and we look forward to seeing all of you!***

Jennifer Sweet

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Nearby Hotels

Park Center 360-825-4490

Kings Value Inn 360-825-1626

Mtn View Inn 360-829-1100

MOUNTED PREP REGISTRATION FORM

NAME: _____

PHONE: _____

ADDRESS: _____

EMAIL: _____

PONY CLUB: _____

CURRENT RATING LEVEL: _____

PLEASE INDICATE DATE, LOCATION AND SPECIALTY (IF APPLICABLE) OF RATINGS YOU ARE PLANNING ON TAKING IN 2008:

CHAPERONE (required): _____

EXTRA HORSE(S): _____

I WOULD LIKE TO ARRIVE ON FRIDAY: YES ___ NO ___

CAMPING: YES ___ NO ___

ENCLOSE:

- REGISTRATION (May 12th Deadline)
- MEDICAL RELEASE FORM
- CODE OF CONDUCT
- CHECK FOR \$110.00 or \$75.00 (Includes stall and haul in fees) PAYABLE TO USPC NW REGION

MAIL BY May 12th, 2008 TO:

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