



Winter Tournament Horse Show
CHANGE OF DATE DUE TO INCLEMENT WEATHER:
Saturday, February 27, 2010
Latta Park Plantation, Charlotte, NC
Start time: 11 am

Overview:

Get ready for an old-timey picnic atmosphere. This show is held at the Latta Park Plantation in Charlotte, NC, and to get there, you must pass Civil War-era stone fencing. It's gorgeous!

The outdoor show is one of the oldest in the state. It can be chilly, but there's always a great atmosphere and it's a wonderful opportunity to get the Show Season off to a great start. The weather is looking a little iffy but for we are ready to go if it looks good. We will call you and email if there are any cancellations. Please check your email the morning of, just to make sure.

This is a low-key, no frills show that is an exceptional training ground for horse showing. It's fun, and it's exciting. And you simply must come prepared to hoot and holler and support your favorite riders! Don't forget: this is an outside event. Please bring your warmest coat, gloves, hat, scarf and anything else to keep you warm! And your mud boots! And do a rain/snow GO AWAY dance!

Special Note to all on this show:

CLS will field many riders at this tournament. So preshow preparation (making sure all clothing fits, and that you have everything packed that you will need) and being on time according to the schedule below, is critical so that we can make sure your rider is well turned out and ready to ride!

Winter Tournament Schedule:

8:20 am **CALLING ALL VOLUNTEERS** (You know who you are!!!), PLEASE BE AT THE SHOW READY TO DO SOME **MAJOR HAIR!!!**

8:30 am **All riders showing before the break** arrive at the tournament and look for the CLS setup. We're easy to spot! Parker and the CLS Hair Moms will start "doing" hair at this time. *HINT: If it's cold, you'll find us in the girl's bathroom!*

- 9:30 am** All riders showing after the break must arrive by 9:30 for hair, and preparations!
- 11:00 am** Show Starts
- 2:00 pm** We never know when the show will end. But typically, tournaments are over by between 2 and 3 pm.

Notes from Parker:

Each rider, except those showing on lead, will show twice. On lead riders show one time. (If this changes, and I have some hope that it will, I'll let you know!) We are trying to get this changed, so please be sure to look at the schedule when we send it out. We also will make our on lead riders aware of this if there is an additional class.

Please, take a look at the Class Schedule that will be emailed to you midweek. If your rider is not set to ride until after the break, then you may arrive at the show at 9:30 am, but no later unless you and Parker have discussed this!

Things to Bring/Pack:

- Directions to the Show
- Comfortable lawn chairs. They do have bleachers at Latta Park, but they are not comfortable!
- Picnic blanket and blankets for warmth – just in case it turns cold!
- Print out a copy of the show schedule that Parker emailed, and bring it with you to the show.
- Tailgate snacks
- Saddle, cleaned very well! – if you have your own. MMX cleaner can be purchased at the CLS Tack Shop.
- Jodhpur pants, navy or black, with length and fit checked by instructor ahead of time. White turtle neck. Blue or black fleece vest.
- Jodhpur boots, black – polished well
- Boot covers/heavy duty plastic shower caps to cover the boots.
- Tie downs that go underneath jodhpur boots and hook to pants
- Back number pins or magnets
- Helmet
- Black riding gloves
- Back Number (Parker will give to you when you arrive at the show)
- Well-stocked caboodle (See below)
- Video and/or still camera
- Make sure your child gets plenty of rest the night before the show and eats a good breakfast.

Caboodle Supplies for Girls

(Do not panic if you are missing any of the items below. Parker always keeps extras! Gloves, number magnets, hair bows etc are available in the CLS Tack Shop.)

- Stiff, sticky Aquanet hairspray, the cheap aerosol kind works best

- Hair nets of matching hair color
- Bobby pins and hair pins
- Brush and comb
- A tiny bow for hair when fixed in a bun
- Coated rubber bands
- Light-colored eye shadows and a pink blush.
- Light-colored lipstick
- Mascara
- Finishing Powder
- Vaseline
- Riding gloves
- Back Number Magnets
- Black Electrical Tape
- Hair Bun Bow
- Scissors

What to Do When you Arrive at the Show

- Locate the show ring and the CLS staff. We will be near the show ring or near the CLS truck and trailer (or hiding in the heated girl's bathroom doing hair!)
- Pick up your child's back number from Parker.
- Get in line to have your child's bun/hair fixed (We go in the order the riders are showing)
- Put on light makeup
- Let a CLS staffer or volunteer give your child's show outfit a good once over, and get our help trimming and putting on your child's back number.
- Let a CLS staffer or volunteer tape your child's gloves and boots.
- **Have your child at the in and out gate at the show ring TWO classes before your child is set to show. (This is easy if you listen to the announcer who will say during each class which number is in the ring.)**
- Find out where the other CLS parents and riders are sitting and join them. It's very important to watch the horse show before your child rides so that they will have a mental image of what happens during a horse show.
- Please, please remember that our young riders will take their cues from us. If we are calm, they will be too.
- **Please also remember to reiterate our philosophy of showing to your young rider: Competing in this horse show is a huge accomplishment in itself. Being a show rider is an honor. If we get very, very lucky and win a ribbon, we will feel doubly-blessed. But to be in that ring, competing on a grand horse safely and having fun – that is our goal. Remember our show ring motto: "It's not about the winning. It's about the doing."**
- Enjoy your child's ride and celebrate it! Today is a very special day in your child's young life!

Payment of Fees:

Payment of the CLS Show Fee is \$275, and is due **by Wednesday, February 25**. This fee is comprehensive, including transportation, grooming and training fees, coaching fees, stall fees, tack usage, show grooming and preparation of horses, as well as entry, office and ASAC fees. *If you would like us to charge your credit card on file, please send us an email with permission to do so.*

Sportsmanship Pledge:

Please read this with your child ahead of time, and go over this again on the day of the horse show. Every CLS rider is bound by this pledge.

**I pledge to ride my best when I enter the show ring. I pledge to work as a team with my horse, and to be a faithful and supportive member of the
Cash Lovell Stables Academy Team.**

I pledge to prepare thoroughly, and to ride to the best of my abilities. I pledge to honor my horse, to respect my competitors, to respect the judge and his or her decisions, and to respect my instructors.

I pledge to be thankful to my parents and family for allowing me to participate in a sport I love. I pledge to learn from all of my rides. Regardless of the ribbons, I know that I am a winner already because of my enormous accomplishments in getting her, and because of my instructor's pride in me.

Our Show Ring Motto:

Showing isn't about the winning. It's about the doing.

Food and Seating:

There will be a limited concession stand. But this show is perfect for tail-gaiting. So please pack goodies for all. And if time permits after the academy show, let's have a good, old-fashioned picnic together!

Directions to the Latta Park Plantation:

Take I-40 West to I-77 South in Statesville (toward Charlotte).

Travel South on I-77 approximately 26 miles to Exit 25 (Hwy 73 Concord-Huntersville).

Turn right, traveling west onto Highway 73. Travel 3 miles to Beatties Ford Road. There is a light, and sharp right turn at a filling station.

Turn left onto Beatties Ford. Go 5 miles. You will pass an elementary school and a high school. Watch for an old stonewall on both sides of the road.

Turn right onto Sample Road. This brings you into Latta Park.

Once you enter the park, travel about ½ mile and follow the signs to the Equestrian Area. You will turn right into the show grounds.

**Don't forget your still and video cameras
(and charge your batteries too!)**

If you have any questions or problems during your trip,
please contact us on our cell phones: Parker – 971-9388 Kathryn – 502-645-6455 Jeanine: 336-972-4889