



Rally Team Selection

(for Dressage, Eventing, Show Jumping, Quiz)

Some Rally Facts...

- Rally teams are made up of 3 or 4 riding members and a Stable Manager (when needed).
- When there are more than 4 or less than 3 riders who have signed up for a rally then some members have to “scramble”.
- To scramble is to be placed with members from another club(s) by the club organizing the rally in order to make a team.
- A “short team” is a team that only has 3 riding members and perhaps a Stable Manager.
- D1’s usually compete individually with a horse handler either at their own D1 rallies or are invited to participate at D2/3 rallies.
- D rallies require a Stable Manager for each team.

As per the Handbook:

A. Rallies

1. The *DC & Jt DC* in consultation with the *Rally Coordinator* and the *Mounted Instruction Coordinator* will decide on team make-up for all regional rallies. National rally teams are chosen by the Regional Supervisor. It is the intention of Bath Pony Club to send a minimum of two teams to any given regional rally. Additional club members may be sent as scramble team members if a team is available. Team composition will be constructed with the intent of being educationally beneficial and socially cohesive.
2. Rally Team Selection will be based on the following criteria:
 - i. attendance at meetings, activities and events.
 - ii. participation in fundraising programs.
 - iii. instruction being received by member and level of readiness
 - iv. suitability and readiness of mount

If the members who have signed up for the rally are close to being equal in the above criteria, and there are more than 4 riding members, scramblers must be sent. Volunteers to scramble will be asked for first. If no one volunteers to scramble then name(s) will be pulled from a hat to determine who will go to the rally as a scambler. Those scramblers and any who volunteered will not have their name put in the hat for the next occasion so that a rotation of sorts occurs. Exceptions to the names in the hat may be those who are new to the rally experience. If only 1 or 2 riders enter a rally they will be scrambled with other clubs at the rally organizer's discretion.

A full team of 4 riders has a competitive advantage over a short team of 3 riders because a 4-rider team is allowed to drop the score of its lowest scoring round. If we have 6 riders signed up for a rally, we will choose to send a 4-rider team and 2 scramblers, rather than 2 short teams.

Payment of the rally entry fee must be made to Shore Riders by the due date indicated from our DC or Rally Coordinator. If your payment is not received by the due date, no competitor entry form will be sent in for you. No payment – no entry.

Rally fees are generally not refundable. (this is not our decision, the refund policy is set by the club organizing the rally)

Captains are usually picked on a rotating basis so everyone has the opportunity to be a Captain.