

*Our Hunter Derby Program has been created to bring show hunters to the new level, to increase spectator interest, and to bring tradition and basic riding principles back to the sport of showing horses.*

*Courses will offer a wide variety of jumps include but not limited to; Stone Wall, Roll Top, Gates, Walls and Natural Type Fences.*

**Derby will be run using a two-round format:**  
*(Formal Attire Optional)*

### **Round One**

The Classic Hunter Style Round will be judged and numerically scored on quality, movement, jumping style, manners, and way of going. Pace and brilliance are to be rewarded. In addition to this score, the judge will be awarding an Option Bonus Score consisting of one (1) additional point for every higher height option fence jumped. These two scores must be announced separately and then added together to determine each rider/horse's score for this round from the judge. The scores will be added together to determine the total score of each ride/horse for this round.

### **Round Two**

The handy Hunter Round shall be judged and numerically scored on quality, movement, jumping style, manners and way of going. Pace and brilliance are to be rewarded. In addition to this score, the judge will be awarding an Option Bonus Score consisting of one (1) additional point for every higher height fence jumped and will be awarding a Handy Bonus Score consisting of between (0) and ten (10) bonus points to each rider/horse combination for handiness of round. These three scores must be announced separately and then added together to determine each rider/horse's score for this round. The Scores will be added together to determine the total score of each rider/horse for this round.

#### **Rules and Regulations**

- ✓ All Classes to be held in accordance with current USEF Rules.
  - ✓ Dogs must be on a leash at all times.
  - ✓ Management reserves the right to cancel, combined or split classes as they see warrant.
  - ✓ All riders must wear approved headgear when mounted.
- Horse and rider combination may not enter more than 1 section.

**ENTRY FEE \$160**

**\$110 for Short/Long Stirrup**

**\$1000 in Prize Money will be awarded.**

Short/Long Stirrup Hunter Derby

Child/Adult Hunter Derby 2'

Open Hunter Derby 2'6"-2'9"

Open Hunter Derby 3'-3'3"

Ribbons to 8<sup>th</sup> place and trophies will be awarded to each section.

Management reserves the right to combine and split divisions

**Saturday April 4th**

8:00am **Ring Open for Hacking Only**

9:00am **Course Walk**

**Start**

**Derby Warm-Up before each height**

Entry Fee \$40 per round

**Short/Long Stirrup Hunter Derby**

Open to novice type riders, trotting in corners not penalized.  
Ribbons to 8<sup>th</sup> place and trophies only.

**\$250 Child/Adult Hunter Derby 2'**

Open to any amateur/junior riders, must have 8 entries to award full prize money.

**\$250 Open Hunter Derby 2'6"-2'9"**

Open to all horses and riders, must have 8 entries to award full prize money.

**\$500 Open Hunter Derby 3'-3'3"**

Open to all horses and riders, must have 8 entries to award prize money.

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## \$1000 Hunter Derby Classic

**SATURDAY April 4th, 2026**

**Judge**

TBA

**Manager**

Tricia Dencker

**Course Designer**

TBA

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High Point Child, Adult and Trainer Award  
Best Turnout Award

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