

## HCEX Hunter/Jumper Competition Dates: September 20-21, 2024

### Welcome Competitors!

We are happy to welcome you to North America's Oldest Agricultural Fair, the Hants County Exhibition. Our goal is to offer all the fun of an agricultural exhibition while providing a quality affordable indoor horse show.

The Scotia Series Show will be held on the second weekend of HCEX. Our rules will follow Equestrian Canada and Scotia Series Competition Guidelines. Again this year we will offer Championship and Feature Class prize money, ribbons, prizes, and a beautiful show ring.

#### **For Your Information:**

As we are a Scotia Series show we are using the **HorseSport.Pro** program for entries. Please see the link to our show on the ENS website: <https://nsef.horsesport.pro> **Entries to be received by: September 6, 2024 (entries received after this will be considered late entries and late fees will apply)**

Website: [www.hantscountyex.com](http://www.hantscountyex.com) or check out our Facebook page

**Committee:** Barb Creelman, Lisa Hines, Alison Kelland-Wells, Barb Rockwell

**Show Secretary:** Barb Rockwell, Three Mile Plans, N.S.

**Hunter and Jumper Judge:** Susan Legge, Halifax, N.S.

**Course Designer/ Manager:** Jill Barker, Sweet's Corner, NS

**Jumper Judge/Timer:** Weldon Conrad, Lawrencetown, N.S.

**In gate / Ring Crew Manager:** Tanya Singer, Newport, N.S.

**Show Ring Manager:** Colin Chambers, Falmouth, N.S.

**Safety Manager:** Barb Creelman, Windsor, N.S.

**Announcer:** Paul Wheaton, St. Croix, N.S.

**PLEASE NOTE: THIS IS AN EXHIBITION,** NOT a horse show and every attempt must be made to run on time with the schedule and be spectator friendly. HCEX spectators should not be subjected to empty ring time with nothing to watch. If class numbers are high, the arena will be front loaded. Next entry will enter the show ring from the chute before the previous entry leaves. All horses/ponies must be in the holding area before class begins and **BE IN CHUTE and on standby WHEN NUMBER IS CALLED.** Horses and ponies must be in bridles (not halters) for presentation. **Failure to comply could result in elimination.**

### Feature Classes and Top Prizes:

**Farmyard Hunter Stake:** This class is open to entries from the 2'3" Division and up (including Combined Pony Hunter Division). Heights will be adjusted 2'3", 2'6" and 2'9". **No related distances.** *Costumes reflecting farm life would be appreciated and are encouraged; however, helmets and appropriate riding boots must be worn. Classes will start with 2'3" height and work up. A Top Costume Award will be presented.*

**FARMYARD STAKE PRIZE MONEY: 1st - \$50, 2nd - \$40, 3rd - \$30, 4th - 25, 5th - \$20**

**Hunter Champion:** This prize will be awarded to the top placing horse/pony and rider combination from any one division and the Farmyard Stake. Should there be a tie; the division under saddle placing will be the tie breaker. **Championship prize money or gift card - \$50, Reserve \$25**

**Mary Henry Pony Hunter Champion:** Awarded to the top pony hunter and rider.

**Leanne Myles Hunter Turnout award:** This prize will be awarded to the judge's pick for best turned out horse/pony and rider.

**Hants County Jumper Challenge:** Jumper competitors that enter a minimum of two classes are invited at no fee to pick a team of 3 riders. Course will be set at two heights 0.75m and 0.9m. At least one rider must be from the 0.9 division or above. In the event of a tie the accumulated times will be the deciding factor. Teams are required to choose their names based on Hants County Communities. Example: Brooklyn, Falmouth, Ardoise, Sweet's Corner, Chester Road and Ellershouse, etc. Named teams (rider & horse/pony) should be presented with your entry. **Please fill out an additional form with entry when you register at the office.** Ribbons and prize money to be awarded. **FREE WITH JUMPER ENTRY. PRIZE MONEY (x 3): 1st - \$50, 2nd - \$40, 3rd - \$30, 4th - \$25,**

**Hooves, Paws, & Boots Relay:** Teams will be created with one horse/rider combination, one dog/handler combination from the Glooscap Hot Dogs Club, and one runner (could be the rider or an extra person). We will match the dogs and rider for this event randomly. The course will be set at a maximum of 0.75m. This class will be **limited to the first 10 jumper entries.** The rider/horse combination starts off by jumping the 0.75m course. The runner then proceeds to dog course. The dog and handler complete their obstacle course. The runner runs back to finish line and the timer will stop when they pass the finish line. May the fastest relay win!  
**FREE WITH JUMPER ENTRY. PRIZE MONEY (x 2 – rider, runner): 1st - \$50, 2nd - \$40, 3rd - \$30, 4th - \$25**

**Clarence Farm Services Jumper Champion:** This prize will be awarded to the top placing horse/pony and rider combination from their welcome, speed and mini prix classes, as well as the Jumper Challenge. Should there be a tie; the Mini Prix placing will be the tie breaker. **Championship prize money or gift card- \$50, Reserve \$25**

**Sportsmanship Award:** This prize will be awarded to the exhibitor seen as exhibiting the best qualities of good sportsmanship throughout the competition. The decision will be made by the jump jury, in consultation with office and in-gate staff.

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**MEMBERSHIP:** ENS/ PTSO membership is required to participate as a competitor. The Scotia Series fee of \$3.00 is mandatory for all competitors.

**HEADGEAR:** Approved protective headgear must be worn. While riding anywhere on the show grounds harnesses must be secured, properly fitted and fastened.

**COMPETITION NUMBERS:** A reminder that competition numbers must be worn and visible at all times in schooling and exercise areas as well as in the competition ring.

**ENTRIES:** Entries must be received by August 30, 2024. Entries are not complete and accepted without payment. It is preferred that you enter through the HorsePro Program through Equestrian Nova Scotia; however scanned entries may be emailed and e-transfers sent to [hantscountyex@eastlink.ca](mailto:hantscountyex@eastlink.ca). Credit card payments are accepted over the phone at 902-798-0000.

**Class numbers may be limited due to time constraints Please enter early to ensure acceptance. Unreadable, incomplete or photo (jpg) entries will not be accepted.**

**STALL FEES:** STABLING IS LIMITED – PLEASE ENTER EARLY! Box Stall \$40.00 for any part of a 24-hour period. *All stalls require a contact number posted on the stall in case of any emergency.* Please bring your own bedding. You may be asked to record daily temperatures so please come prepared to do so. **Stalls must be stripped and manure placed in the manure pit when your classes finish. This will be monitored and strictly enforced. Failure to do so may result in a \$25.00 charge or forfeiture of prize money.**

**DISCLAIMER:** The Hants County Exhibition Horse Show, it's Management, Organizing Committee, Officials or Show Staff, Volunteers are in no way responsible for accidents, injury or damage to any rider, exhibitor, spectator, groom, attendant, trainer or other employee; or animals, nor theft, loss or damage to animals, vehicles or equipment.

*The Horse Show Management reserves the right to refuse, accept conditionally or cancel any entries; disqualify any riders or exhibitors, prohibit exhibiting of entries; cancel award prizes, without claim for damages; to change any course; to cancel or combine any unfilled classes or to reschedule classes after due notice to exhibitors.*

*The Show Management reserves the right to cancel or combine any given class that does not fill to their satisfaction. Any class or division that does not have at least 4 entries one week after entry closing date may be cancelled or combined. Notice will be posted on Facebook.*

**REFUNDS:** Cancellation by WRITTEN NOTICE signed by the Exhibitor must be received by the Horse Show Secretary. **Before Closing Date:** Before the closing date a full refund will be given minus the Admin fee. **After Closing Date but before the start of the Show:** Stall fees will not be refunded and the stall shall revert to the Exhibition for reassignment, without any compensation. NO STALL shall be assigned to any other party by anyone other than the Stall Manager. The Show Secretary must receive a WRITTEN CERTIFICATE OF HORSE, PONY OR RIDER DISABILITY FROM A VET OR DOCTOR AT THE TIME OF CANCELLATION. The entry fees will be refunded minus stall fees and admin fee. **Cancellations for any other reason are not entitled to a refund.**

**ADDING CLASSES:** Competitors may add classes during the show if schedule permits for an **extra fee of \$10 per class.** **Post entry information must be given to the Show Secretary prior to the start of that height. ABSOLUTELY NO POST ENTRIES WILL BE TAKEN IN THE CHUTE!**

**WARMUP ROUNDS:** Schooling rounds on **Thursday September 19 from 3 pm until 8 pm** will be available for purchase on a first come first served basis with payment included with entry. **Fee of \$25.00 for 10 minutes.** One ticket per horse or pony. Our schedule does NOT allow for warm-up rounds on show days. Barns are encouraged to book as a group.

**AWARD PRESENTATIONS:** Competitors must remain in the ring until ribbons have been presented and are required to be in show ring attire, with horses in bridles for presentations. Failure to appear for presentations could result in forfeiture of prize money and championship award. Championship and Reserve Awards, if given will be presented following the last class in the division.

**SHOW OFFICE HOURS:** Typically the horse show office will be opened one hour before the start of the competition and remain open for 30 minutes following the last class.

**Arrivals and Departures:**

**Hunters, Novice Riders and Bean Sprouts** can arrive after 12 noon on Thursday and may leave following the last class in their Division. \*An earlier arrival is possible if needed, please contact office to confirm.

**Bean Sprouts** may haul in for classes.

**JUMPER DIVISION:** Horses may arrive after 12 noon on Thursday and may leave by noon on Sunday. \*An earlier arrival is possible if needed, please contact office to confirm.

**CAMPER PARKING:** First come, first serve. Sites will not be pre-booked. Fee per night is \$55 (with electricity), \$45 without. Serviced sites are limited. A camping site includes parking for ONE vehicle only. To purchase a site, EACH person staying on that site must purchase a Weekend Camping Pass (Adults \$30, Children 5-13 \$15) or have an Exhibitor Pass good for that weekend. Passes can be purchased in advance or when parking camper. Campers are to enter at Tregothic Gate and can arrive Thursday September 19.

**HORSE TRAILER PARKING:** Livestock trailer parking will be offsite in a well marked designated parking area. Exhibitors will be allowed access to the barns to drop off hay etc prior top 10:00 am.

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**Hunter Classes:** UNLESS NOTED ALL CLASSES ARE SCOTIA SERIES RATED

**HUNTER ENTRY FEES:** Division \$50.00 Single Class \$20.00 Stakes \$30.00

**CHAMPIONSHIP prize money or gift card:** Division Champion - \$50, Reserve \$25

**FARMYARD STAKE PRIZE MONEY:** 1st - \$50, 2nd - \$40, 3rd - \$30, 4th - 25, 5th - \$20

**(18" May Cross Enter in Low Novice Hunter Division only)**

1. 18" Cross RAIL HUNTER #1
2. 18" Cross RAIL HUNTER #2
3. 18" Cross RAIL HUNTER U/S

**2' LOW NOVICE HUNTER**

4. 2' HUNTER #1
5. 2' HUNTER #2
6. 2' HUNTER U/S

**2'3" NOVICE HUNTER**

7. 2'3" HUNTER #1
8. 2'3" HUNTER#2
9. 2'3" HUNTER U/S

**2'6" /2'9" MODIFIED HUNTER** (2'6" will run first)

10. 2'6"/2'9" HUNTER #1
11. 2'6"/2'9" HUNTER#2
12. 2'6"/ 2'9" HUNTER U/S

**Combined Pony Hunters – run as an open card at varying heights (large ponies will run first) (not Scotia Series)**

13. PONY HUNTER #1
14. PONY HUNTER #2
15. PONY HUNTER U/S
16. **FARMYARD STAKE** (2'3", 2'6", 2'9") (not Scotia Series)

**Jumper Classes:** UNLESS NOTED ALL CLASSES ARE SCOTIA SERIES RATED

**ENTRY FEE:** \$50 per division, \$30.00 per class **Championship Prizes:** Champion - \$50.00, Reserve - \$25.00

Immediate Jump off in all classes except Jumper Challenge

**0.75M**

17. 0.75M WELCOME
18. 0.75M SPEED
19. 0.75M MINI PRIX

**0.85M**

20. 0.85M WELCOME
21. 0.85M SPEED
22. 0.85m MINI PRIX

**0.9M**

23. 0.9M WELCOME
24. 0.9M SPEED
25. 0.9M MINI PRIX

**1.0M**

26. 1.0M WELCOME
27. 1.0M SPEED
28. 1.0M MINI PRIX

**29. HANTS COUNTY JUMPER CHALLENGE** (not Scotia Series) (Please attach team info with your entry)

No Entry Fee PRIZE MONEY (x 3): 1st - \$50, 2nd - \$40, 3rd - \$30, 4th - \$25,

**30. HOOVES, PAWS & BOOTS RELAY** (not Scotia Series)

No Entry Fee: (x 2 rider, runner): 1st - \$50, 2nd - \$40, 3rd - \$30, 4th - \$25

## **Bean Sprouts (Malcom Hamilton Awards):**

**ENTRY FEE: \$10 PER CLASS & \$15 ADMINISTRATION FEE PER ENTRY**

### **RIBBONS ONLY**

Equitation: turnout 25%, hands and seat 75%

Pleasure: turnout 25%, manners 75%

LEAD LINE - Open to a pony or horse, English or Western, ridden by a child 8 years of age and under as of January 1st, 2024 and led by an adult. Required gaits include walk, trot or jog.

WALK TROT/JOG - For inexperienced riders ages of 10 and under as of January 1st, 2024. English or Western tack permitted. Ribbons only.

WALK, TROT/JOG, CANTER/LOPE For riders ages of 10 and under as of January 1st, 2024. English or Western tack permitted. Ribbons only.

31a. LEAD LINE (EQUITATION) (not Scotia Series)

31b. LEAD LINE (PLEASURE) (not Scotia Series)

32a. WALK TROT/JOG (EQUITATION)

32b. WALK TROT/JOG (PLEASURE)

33a. WALK, TROT/JOG, CANTER/LOPE (EQUITATION) (not Scotia Series)

33b. WALK, TROT/JOG, CANTER/LOPE (PLEASURE) (not Scotia Series)