

**The 52nd
Running of the

Delaware Valley
Point-to-Point
Association Races**

Condition Book

2019

The Foxhall Farm Cup Team Chase
Sunday, March 24, 2019

**Cheshire Foxhounds Point-to-Point
Races** Sunday, March 31, 2019

**Brandywine Hills Point-to-Point
Races** Sunday, April 7 2019

Fair Hill Point-to-Point Races
Sunday, April 21, 2019

**DELAWARE VALLEY POINT-TO-POINT
ASSOCIATION COMMITTEE – 2019**

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GENERAL CONDITIONS AND RULES

- 1 All courses should be flagged on Sunday prior to the meeting and no later than the Wednesday before.
- 2 Horses/ponies must be checked in at the paddock no later than one hour prior to the post time listed on the overnight sheet of the first race in which they are entered or they will be scratched. This will be strictly enforced.
- 3 The Race Committees reserve the right to split, combine, change the order and times of races, add, or cancel any race. If races are combined, they will run at the higher weight of the combined races. In any division there will be no points awarded if there are less than two entries. Also, the combined races will run at the scheduled time of the latter of the combined races.
NOTE: Changes in race meets made in sufficient time to be entered in the overnights will be so entered. It is nevertheless the responsibility of all owners and trainers to make themselves aware of all changes in race meets made at any time. Any questions should be directed to the Central Office.
- 4 Current Coggins tests are required and must be available on race day.
- 5 No race conditions shall be changed without the approval of the stewards of the meeting.
- 6 Riders must wear either regular hunting attire or racing silks, unless noted otherwise. **Protective vests, over-girths, and NSA-approved helmets with chinstraps are MANDATORY in ALL races**, and light boots and tack are permitted.
- 7 All horses and riders are to be acceptable to the Race Committees, the Stewards, and the Delaware Valley Point-to-Point Association. Individual meetings reserve the right to refuse any entry.
- 8 Riders need not request permission from the Stewards to dismount following the race.
- 9 All ponies and riders must be approved by the Race Committee before race day.
For 2019 and going forward, the DVA will join the MSA and all ponies will be measured prior to running in a DVA or MSA pony race. A certificate will be issued and that will be good for the remainder of the pony's racing career.

10. The Delaware Valley Point-to-Point Association, Race Committees, all officials, and the owners of the properties on which the races are held assume no responsibility for injury or loss incurred by either participants or spectators, and entries are accepted only under the conditions that the participants release them from any and all liability.
11. All owners, trainers, riders and spectators expressly agree to hold harmless the Delaware Valley Point-to-Point Association, each respective Committee, all officials, and all landowners for any injuries, accidents and mishaps that might occur prior, during, or following the races.
12. Worker's Compensation or personal health insurance will be required of all riders. PROOF OF HEALTH OR WORKER'S COMPENSATION INSURANCE will be required before being allowed to ride. All riders must sign liability releases before starting in any race (if not signed at time of entry, the release must be signed at time of weighing out).
13. Stewards: Three stewards (the official DVA steward included) are to be present at each race meet. The official DVA steward will be the presiding steward at individual meets.
14. In any situation where the Delaware Valley Point-to-Point Association rules do not cover, the National Steeplechase Association rules may be used as a guideline by the stewards.
15. The Race Committee will endeavor to announce by 7:00 AM on the morning of the race meet cancellation of the meet if weather conditions warrant. If there is no cancellation at that time but weather conditions deteriorate, the Race Committee or the Stewards may in their discretion nevertheless cancel any or all races at any time. Check the website at www.dvapt.com or call the DVA office at 610-202-1771 for information on cancellations.
16. To be eligible for Championship, all horses are to have run in two race meets.
17. Any rider who falls will not be allowed to ride until he or she is examined and cleared by the official physician who will advise the presiding DVA Steward. The presiding DVA Steward is responsible for granting, or denying, permission to ride after a rider has fallen.
18. In the event that a Foxhunter Race is carded and does not fill, the Foxhunter entries will be allowed to go in other races at those weights without losing their eligibility for Foxhunters Races.
19. Any errors, omissions or changes in the Condition Book will be made available on the web site at www.dvapt.com and on the overnights.
20. The Race Committee may in its discretion split races if there are eight (8) or more runners, but shall not split a race with less than eight (8) runners.

RACE CONDITIONS

Delaware Valley Point-to-Point Association Races

Distances for the Heavyweight, Open, Novice, Owner-Rider Foxhunter's Races are about three (3) miles over timber; and, unless indicated otherwise, all DVA race conditions will be as follows:

1. **LADIES RACE:** Open to all horses and lady riders with a minimum weight of 150 lbs.
2. **HEAVYWEIGHT RACE:** Open to riders with horses that are non winners of sanctioned races over timber (prior to 01/01/19 with a minimum weight of 180 lbs. with a 10 lb. allowance to riders who have never won a race under rules. Exception: Horses that have won sanctioned races over timber may run in this race with the owner (of record) as the rider.
3. **OPEN RACE:** Open to all horses and riders with a minimum weight of 165 lbs.
4. **NOVICE RACE:** Open to horses that have never won over timber prior to 01/01/19 Open to all riders, minimum weight 165 lbs. Three (3) pounds will be added to the rider's weight for each race won in this year's series.
5. **FOXHUNTER'S TIMBER RACE:** For genuine foxhunting horses, four years old and up to be ridden by riders 14 years of age and older and acceptable to the committee who have never won a race other than a foxhunter's, old-fashioned, heavyweight race, or junior race. Weight: – **165** lbs. In the event of a question over eligibility, the Race Committee, DVA, and Stewards reserve the right to refuse an entry.

No points toward Overall Winner.

6. **PONY RACES:** Catch weights, three entries to fill.
All ponies and riders must be acceptable to the Committee. Races will be run under NAPA rules. No whips. No blinkers.
SMALL PONIES—About one-half mile on the flat. Open to ponies 12.2 hands and under. Children under 13 years as of 01/01/19.
MEDIUM PONIES—About one-half mile on the flat. Open to ponies over 12.2 to 13.2 hands. Children under 16 years as of 01/01/19.
LARGE PONIES—About three quarters of a mile on the flat. Open to ponies over 13.2 to 14.2 hands. Children under 16 years as of 01/01/19.

7. OTHER RACES

See conditions of each race meeting for any other races.

FIELD MASTER'S CHASE - Junior Division - To be ridden by junior riders who have not reached their 16th birthday as of January 1, 2019 and are not licensed to ride under rules. All horses 5 years or older. Catch weights. Entries are to follow the Field Master over a flagged course not to exceed 2 miles. After the last fence, the Field Master will release the field to race for the finish; however, if the Field Master is unable to continue, the field should continue at a sensible pace. The use of a whip is strictly forbidden.

A Junior, except where noted, is a rider who has not reached his/her 16th birthday as of the 1st of the current year. Junior Races are restricted to riders who are not licensed to ride under rules. Once a 16 year old rides under rules, they are ineligible for the junior division.

HIGH SCORE AWARDS

Points will be awarded as follows:

- 5 points for first place
- 3 points for second place
- 2 points for third place
- 1 point for fourth place
- In addition, one-half point will be awarded each time a horse starts in a Delaware Valley Point-to-Point Association race.

Points will be awarded toward Overall Winner in the following divisions:

- Open Race
- Heavyweight Race
- Novice Race

If two or more races at any one meeting are combined, points will be awarded to each horse in the same manner as if the race was run separately. Exception: When there are less than two entries in any division, points will be awarded toward Overall winner only and will be based on order of finish.

Trophies and prizes will be awarded to the following division winners:

- Small Pony
- Medium Pony
- Large Pony
- Novice Race
- Ladies Race
- Open Race
- Foxhunters' Race
- Heavyweight Race
- Overall High Score Horse

In addition to the above trophies, the following will be presented:

Leading Rider Award -The **Down First** trophy will be awarded to the leading rider. Points to be awarded to riders in the same manner as shown above.

Leading Trainer Award -A leading trainer award of \$1,000 will be given to the leading trainer. Points to be awarded in the same manner as high score awards.

The Betty Baldwin Meister Perpetual Award – Awarded to the leading lady rider. Points to be awarded in the same manner as high score awards.

The Robert McG. Tindle Perpetual Award – Awarded to the person who has contributed the most to the Delaware Valley Point-to-Point Association through their spirit, support, and sportsmanship. Recipient to be decided by an independent panel. Award donated by Nancy “Wooz” Swayne.

THE FOXHALL FARM CUP TEAM CHASE

Sunday, March 24, 2019

1:00PM Post Time

247 Lamborntown Road

West Grove, PA 19390

CONDITIONS

1. Catch weight. Approximately four miles over a flagged course. NO SCHOOLING PERMITTED.
2. Open to teams of three horses and riders that have fairly hunted the current season with an organized pack of foxhounds. In addition, school-sponsored teams will be permitted to compete in the Full Cry event. To be ridden by regular followers of that hunt or students at that school in hunting or cub hunting attire. Racing tack is permitted; protective vests, approved helmets, overgirths are recommended. Any team that fails to negotiate the flagged course will be disqualified and must leave the course immediately.
3. Teams will start separately at three minute intervals and will race against the clock. Teams enter either the Foxhall fast time event to compete for the Foxhall Farm Trophy or the Full Cry averaged time event. The Full Cry Trophies will be awarded separately to the Junior and Senior teams coming closest to having the average of all times over the course, including the fast team times. All three members of each team must finish, having jumped all flagged fences, and the time will be counted when the team's third horse and rider cross the finish line. The fast time teams will be assigned start times prior to those of the averaged time competitors.
4. The Foxhall Farm and the Full Cry Perpetual Trophies will be held for one year by the respective winning teams. All horses/ponies officially completing the fast-time course will be awarded 1/2 point towards DVA and Governor's Cup year-end awards. Each of the 3 riders of the fast-time winning team will earn one point toward relevant rider awards. This race is to encourage everyone to have fun riding cross country as well as to introduce young horses and riders to pt-to-pt races. All Junior riders completing the course will be recognized.
5. Each team shall designate a Team Leader. The Team Leader will be responsible for (1) making the team entry through the Central Entry Office (including a mandatory and binding Declaration as to which hunt or school that Team represents); (2) paying the team's entry fee; (3) making sure all team members appear with proof of medical coverage to sign the insurance release; (4) picking up and distributing pinnies to Team members, and (5) returning pinnies. The Team Leader will be the contact person for the Team.
6. Visit www.dvapt.com for the course map.
7. Entries will be received by the Central Entry Office. Entries must include the name of the hunt or school represented and intended pace: Foxhall Farm Trophy (Fast) or Full Cry Trophy (Average, Junior or Senior). All entries must be acceptable to the Committee and the Committee has the right to refuse any entry.

RACE ENTRIES

Central Entry (540) 439 - 3820 between 7am to 12pm

NO POST ENTRIES

Entries close at noon Monday, March 18, 2019

Scratches by noon Wednesday, March 20, 2019

Entry Fee: \$150 per team to start. The Course will be flagged and available for walking by Saturday, March 16, 2019.

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**THE SEVENTY-THIRD RUNNING OF
MR. STEWART'S CHESHIRE
FOXHOUNDS POINT-TO-POINT
MEETING
Sunday, March 31, 2019**

To be held at The Plantation Field
Route 82 West of Unionville, Pennsylvania

RACE 1 – SMALL PONY RACE – Trophy to the winner. Paddock time: 11:00 AM, post time 11:30 AM.

RACE 2 – MEDIUM PONY RACE – Trophy to the winner. Paddock time: 11:00 AM, post time follows Small Pony Race.

RACE 3 – LARGE PONY RACE – Trophy to the winner. Paddock time: 11:00 AM, post time follows Medium Pony Race.

RACE 4 – SIDE SADDLE RACE - The Mrs. E. Miles Valentine Memorial. - 1/2 mile on the flat. Paddock time: 12:00 noon, post time 12:30pm.

RACE 5 – NOVICE RACE. -THE MILES VALENTINE MEMORIAL. Paddock time: 1:00PM, Post time:1:30pm

RACE 6 - AMATEUR APPRENTICE RIDER TIMBER - Riders must have reached their 15th birthday by Jan 1,2019. Horses must have completed 3 timber races. Riders 19yrs and above 160 lbs. Riders 18yrs or below :145lbs. Approximately 3miles

RACE 7 – OPEN RACE -THE JOSEPH WALKER III MEMORIAL CHESHIRE BOWL. An inter-hunt competition to be run annually which must be won three times by the same hunt for permanent possession. Include name of hunt represented on entry form. Paddock time 1:30 PM, post time: 2:00 PM.

RACE 8 – FLAT RACE – THE JILL FANNING MEMORIAL – Approximately 1-1/8 miles over fair hunting country. Weight: 155 lbs. Riders 18 years and under 145 lbs. Paddock time: 3:00 PM, post time: 3:30

Notes

1. Absolutely no schooling permitted.
2. For information regarding races, please contact

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THE SEVENTY-SEVENTH RUNNING OF THE BRANDYWINE HILLS POINT-TO-POINT RACES

Sunday, April 7, 2019
MYRICK CONSERVATION CENTER

Brandywine Red Clay Alliance (BRC)
Northbrook, Pennsylvania (Route 842 East of Unionville, near Northbrook Orchard)

RACE 1 – JUNIOR FIELDMASTER RACE - Trophy to the winner. Post Time 12:00 NOON.
RACE 2 – SMALL PONY RACE - Trophy to the winner. Time 12:30Pm.
RACE 3 – MEDIUM PONY RACE – Trophy to the winner. Post time 12:45Pm.
RACE 4 - LARGE PONY RACE - Trophy to the winner. Post time 1:00pm.
RACE 5 – LEAD LINE PONY RACE - Trophy to the winner. Post time: 1:15pm.

For ponies ridden by juniors who have not reached their 7th birthday as of the 1st of the year. All ponies must have a lead line attached to their bridle and must be accompanied by an adult. About 50 yds. Walk or trot; entries breaking from trot must go behind the last entry in the field before continuing or may be DQed. Riders must wear ASTM approved helmets. Overgirths and protective vests are highly encouraged. Racing silks encouraged, proper riding attire accepted.

RACE 6 - LADIES RACE -The Betty Baldwin Meister Memorial. Post time 1:45pm

RACE 7 - HEAVYWEIGHT RACE - THE JOSEPH T. MURTAGH MEMORIAL. Post time: 2:15 PM.

RACE 8 - NOVICE RACE -THE HENRY LATROBE ROOSEVELT MEMORIAL TROPHY.
Post time: 2:45 PM.

RACE 9 - OPEN RACE -THE HENRY C. BALDWIN CHALLENGE TROPHY. Post time 3:15 PM.

RACE 10 - OWNER-RIDER FOXHUNTER'S RACE. Post time: 3:45 PM

Notes

- 1 Absolutely no schooling permitted.
- 2 For information regarding races, please contact
Carl J. Meister, Jr. – 610-793-1219, e-mail: bunm1@verizon.net
- 3 If you would like to receive subscription information, please contact:
Brandywine Red Clay Alliance
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Telephone: 610-793-1090 – Fax: 610-793-2813
- 4 An award will be given to the **Best Turned Out Pony** in each Pony Division.

Fair Hill Point-to-Point Races

300 Tawes Drive, Elkton, MD 21921

First Race - Small Pony Flat Race Paddock Time 10:00. Post time 10:15

Open to ponies 12.2 hands and under. Children under 13 years of age as of January 1, 2019. Trophy and prize to the winner. About 1/4 mile on the flat.

Second Race - Medium Pony Flat Race Paddock Time 10:00.

Open to ponies 12.2 to 13.2 hands. Children under 16 years of age as of January 1, 2019. Trophy and prize to the winner. About 1/2 mile on the flat. This race will be run immediately following the Small Pony Flat.

Third Race - Large Pony Flat Race Paddock Time 10:00

Open to ponies over 13.2 to 14.2 hands. Junior riders under 16 years of age as of January 1, 2019. Trophy and prize to the winner. About 3/4 mile on the flat. This race will be run immediately following the Medium Pony Flat.

Fourth Race - Junior Field Masters Chase Paddock Time 10:45

To be ridden by junior riders who have not reached their 16th birthday as of January 1, 2019 and are not licensed to ride under rules. All horses and ponies 5 years old or older. Catch weights. Entries are to follow the Field Master over a flagged course not to exceed two miles. After the last fence, the Field Master will release the field to race to the finish; however, in the event Field Master is unable to continue, the field shall continue at a sensible pace. The use of a whip is forbidden. Trophy and prize to the winner.

Division I - Ponies

[A] Small Ponies [B] Medium Ponies [C] Large Ponies

Division II - Horses

[A] Thoroughbred Horses [B] Non-Thoroughbred Horses

Divisions may be combined at the discretion of the Race Committee should entries warrant.

Fifth Race - Leadline Pony

Paddock Time 11:30

Sixth Race - Future Champions Invitational Hurdle

Paddock Time 11:45. Post Time 12.

For older steeplechase horses that have safely and satisfactorily competed in NSA-sanctioned hurdle races. To be ridden by junior riders who have not reached their 16th birthday as of January 1, 2019, and are not licensed to ride under rules. Horses and riders must be acceptable to the Race Committee, and must have completed a schooling approval process. The field size will be limited to six horses, and will follow an NSA-licensed jockey setting a sensible pace. The field will be allowed to race to the finish over the final three fences. The course will consist of nine (9) modified hurdles, and will be run at a distance of a mile and one-half. Catch weights. This race is an exhibition and the results will not count in points for Maryland Steeplechase Association or Delaware Valley Point-to-Point Association standings.

Seventh Race - The Mill of Belair Turf Prep Paddock Time 12:10. Post Time 12:30

Open to three-year-olds and up. Three-year-olds 140lbs, Older 145lbs. Maidens allowed 5lbs. Fillies and mares allowed 5lbs. Minimum weight 130lbs. Preference to horses stabled at the Fair Hill Training Center. Horses and riders acceptable to the committee. This race will be drawn with 10 starters and four also-eligibles. Trainers with multiple entries should declare, at time of entry, their preferred entry. Trophy and prize to the winner. Seven furlongs from the chute

Eighth Race - Maiden Training Flat

Paddock Time 12:40. Post Time 1:00

About 1 1/4 miles on the flat. For three-years-olds and up. Three-year-olds 145lbs; older 155 lbs. This race will be drawn with 10 starters and four also-eligibles. Trainers or owners with multiple entries should declare, at entry time, their preferred entry.

Ninth Race - Amateur Rider Flat

Paddock Time 1:10 Post Time 1:30

For three-years-old and up. Three-year-olds 155lbs; older 165. Maidens allowed 10lbs. To be ridden by amateur riders acceptable to the committee. This race will be drawn with 10 starters and four also-eligibles. Trainers or owners with multiple entries should declare, at entry time, their preferred entry. About two miles.

Tenth Race - Ladies Timber Race

Paddock Time 1:40. Post Time 2:00

For five-year-olds and up. To be ridden by lady riders acceptable to the committee. Minimum weight 150lbs. About three miles.

Eleventh Race - Roy Rector Memorial Paddock Time 2:10 Post Time 2:30

Heavyweight Timber. For five-year-olds and up that have never won over timber prior to January 1, 2019. Open to all riders acceptable to the committee. Minimum weight 180lbs. Riders who have never won a timber race allowed 10lbs. About three miles

Twelfth Race - Novice Timber Paddock Time 2:40 Post time 3:00

For five-year-olds and up which have not won over timber prior to January 1, 2019. Open to all riders acceptable to the committee. Minimum weight 165lbs. About three miles.

Thirteenth Race - Open Timber Paddock Time 3:10 Post Time 3:30

For five year-olds and up. Open to all riders acceptable to the committee. Minimum weight 165lbs. About three miles

Fourteenth Race - Foxhunter Timber Paddock Time 3:40 Post time 4:00

For Genuine Foxhunting Horses five-year-olds and up. To be ridden by riders who have never won a race other than a Foxhunter's Timber, Old-Fashioned, Heavyweight, or Junior Race. Horses and riders acceptable to the committee. Minimum weight 165lbs.

All entries close 11a.m. Monday April 15, 2019. Scratch time is 11 a.m. Wednesday April 17, 2019.

Entry fees: Junior and Pony Races -\$30. Leadline-\$20. Flat races-\$100. Timber races-\$50

Unless otherwise stipulated, there will be a \$25 scratch fee if not scratched by 11am Wednesday, April 17, 2019.

Central Entry Office (540) 439-3820

Absolutely no schooling permitted on the race course.

All trainers must be at least 18 years of age.

INFORMATION

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