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Pony Club to Have a Big Presence at the Land Rover Kentucky Three-Day Event

April 27, 2022 (Lexington, KY) — The United States Pony Club, Inc (USPC) will have a large presence at the Land Rover Kentucky Three-Day Event, which kicks off on Thursday, April 28, and runs through Sunday, May 1, at the Kentucky Horse Park in Lexington, Ky. Pony Club serves as a sponsor of the event and also offers several exclusive opportunities for members during the “Best Weekend All Year.” Don’t forget to visit booth 303 on The Hill behind the Rolex Stadium and meet USPC staff and volunteers, learn more about the organization, and purchase from an assortment of items and apparel at Shop Pony Club. And if you are a USPC member or alumni, don’t forget to let us know!

One of the opportunities sponsored by Pony Club during the Land Rover Kentucky Three-Day Event is the Pony Club Meet and Greet, which includes a barn tour with several Pony Club alumni, including Woods Baughman, who is competing for the first time in the 5*, and Alex Ambelang and Courtney Carson, who will be using their Pony Club knowledge while managing all five of Doug Payne’s mounts for the weekend. The Meet and Greet is tentatively scheduled for Friday afternoon for current Pony Club members ages 12-20 and certified D-3 HM or above. Only 10 members are chosen, and those wishing to enter the drawing for this opportunity must stop by the USPC booth on The Hill to put their name in for a chance of a lifetime! Names will be drawn at 5 pm on Thursday, and the lucky winners will be notified Thursday night of when and where to meet on Friday, April 29.

Another USPC-sponsored activity during the weekend is an exclusive sneak peek at the 2022 four-star stadium course on Sunday morning with course designer Steve Stephens. Scheduled for 8 am at the Rolex Stadium, any USPC participating member is encouraged to walk the path of champions. We are unable to accept late arrivals however, so please be on time, and visit the Pony Club booth for more information and finalized times.

In addition, National Youth Board member Ruth Rosendaal of Louisville, Ky., a member of Ariatti Equestrian Center, was selected as the Ann Haller USPC media intern in the Land Rover Kentucky Media Center.

Keeneland Pony Club and Bluegrass Pony Club will be well-represented during the opening ceremony for the $225,000 Kentucky Invitational CSI3* on Saturday evening at 5:30 pm in the Rolex Stadium, and six USPC riders will carry flags for Sunday’s opening ceremony and presentation of officials and
flags before the official CCI4* Jumping test kicks off in the Rolex Stadium. All flag riders will be outfitted courtesy of Kerrits, the official apparel sponsor of USPC.

Pony Club connections can be found in every aspect of the event—from competitors, stewards, volunteers, coaches, spectators, and demonstration riders, all who show that Pony Club really is where it all begins. The following competitors at the Land Rover Kentucky Three-Day Event have been or are currently members of USPC:

**CCI5***
- Doug Payne
- Alexandra Knowles
- Lauren Nicholson
- Jessica Phoenix
- Hannah Sue Burnett
- Elisabeth Halliday-Sharp
- Hawley Bennett-Awad
- Phillip Dutton
- Booli Selmayr
- Woods Baughman
- Alexandra MacLeod
- Ariel Grald
- Ashlynn Meuchel
- Colleen Rutledge
- Zoe Crawford
- Hallie Coon
- Boyd Martin
- Bobby Meyerhoff
- Megan O’Donoghue
- Lexi Scovil
- Sydney Elliott
- Marc Grandia
- Bruce “Buck” Davidson, Jr.

**CCI4***
- Phillip Dutton
- Doug Payne
- Ellen Doughty-Hume
- Alexandra Baugh
- Sophie Click
- Meaghan Marinovich-Burdick
- Ryleigh Leavitt
- Bobby Meyerhoff
- Missy Miller
- Heather Gillette
- Jessica Phoenix
- Sara Kozumplik
- Bruce “Buck” Davidson, Jr.
About The United States Pony Clubs, Inc. — The United States Pony Clubs, Inc. (USPC or Pony Club) is a 501(c)(3) nonprofit educational organization that builds the foundation of teamwork and sportsmanship through riding, mounted sports, care of horses and ponies, while developing and enhancing leadership, confidence, responsibility, and a sense of community in its youth and adult members. USPC is proud to offer instruction and competitive opportunities in more than 10 different disciplines through hundreds of clubs and centers across the United States. USPC’s educational standards continue to be instrumental in curriculum development for schools, universities, equestrian professionals, and organizations across the United States. Many of the nation’s top equestrians, including Olympic team members, as well as successful business professionals and leaders in a variety of fields, have roots in Pony Club. For more information, visit www.ponyclub.org.