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2019 USPC Championships Set to Begin

July 22, 2019 (Lexington, KY) - The United States Pony Clubs, Inc. is heading to Tryon International Equestrian Center (TIEC), July 25th – 28th for the 2019 USPC Championships East.

Each year, USPC holds National Championships in Dressage, Western Dressage, Eventing, Mounted Games, Polocrosse, Quiz, Show Jumping and Tetrathlon. All members competing at Championships qualify through participation in Regional Rallies, where teams of members are selected. Teams are scored not only on their success in the ring or on the field, but also on their Horse Management skills and knowledge.

The event kicks off Thursday evening with Opening Ceremonies, followed by Battle of the Barns Lip Sync Contest and Competitors' Party in the Tryon Arena. Pony Club Sponsor, Star Stable (www.starstable.com) will provide entertainment with singer/songwriter Amanda Örtenhag, and Matilda Opalpie, who will emcee the Battle of the Barns Lip Sync Contest.

The TIEC Saturday Night Lights event boasts fun for all! Face-painting, special performers, a Venetian carousel and live music are just a small list of what is in store. In addition, nationally certified Pony Club competitors will be exhibiting their talents in the Member Showcase in the Tryon Arena. Come watch USPC's finest demonstrate their expertise in Dressage, Mounted Games, Polocrosse, Eventing, Show Jumping and Tetrathlon. The Member Showcase is also proud to feature "Are You Smarter Than a Quiz Competitor" Trivia and recognition of all team Stable Managers.

"Pony Club is excited to welcome competitors and spectators to the 2019 USPC Championships East at the Tryon International Equestrian Center. We look forward to participants joining us for not only competition but also all of our exciting events" said Teresa Woods, Executive Director of United States Pony Clubs, Inc.

Pony Club would like to thank the generous sponsors who provide support for this event. Sponsors include Gore Trailers, Flair Equine Nasal Strips, Middle Tennessee Pony Club Fund,

Shapley's Grooming Products, Triple Crown Nutrition, Star Stable Entertainment
SELECTiON.COM and The Horse.

The cornerstone of the Pony Club foundation are education, safety, sportsmanship, stewardship and fun. Championships bring together hundreds of members, volunteers and families as there are activities for all to see and do during the event. The team environment provides a unique experience that creates life-long bonds and for many is the pinnacle of achievement during their Pony Club career.

To learn more about the 2019 USPC Championships East, please visit the [Pony Club website](#) or download the USPC event app today.

About Pony Club - The United States Pony Clubs, Inc. (Pony Club) was founded in 1954 as a nonprofit national youth organization to teach riding and horsemanship through a formal educational program. There are approximately 9,000 Pony Club members in over 600 clubs and riding centers throughout the country. Many of the nation's top equestrians, including several of our Olympic team members, business professionals, government leaders and career military officers, have roots in Pony Club. Members range in age as Pony Club now offers educational opportunities to a growing number of adults.
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