

# Pony Club

Where it all begins

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### Many Land Rover Kentucky Three-Day Event Riders Have Pony Club Connection



**April 20, 2018 (Lexington, KY)** — Pony Club shares a long history with the eventing community; most of America’s top level eventers have a Pony Club background. The Land Rover Kentucky Three-Day Event is the only four-star eventing competition held in North America, competitors will be focused to bring home solid performances as they look forward to the FEI World Equestrian Games™ in September.

Pony Club connections can be found in every aspect of the Event from competitors, stewards, volunteers, coaches, spectators, and demonstration riders emphasizing that Pony Club really is where it all begins. Below is a list of 2018 Land Rover Kentucky Three-Day Event competitors who are Pony Club alumni and share a connection with the largest equine youth organization in the world.

<b>RIDER</b>	<b>COUNTRY</b>	<b>CERTIFICATION and PONY CLUB</b>
Andrea Baxter	USA	A, Black Oaks Pony Club
Hawley Bennett-Awad	CAN	Grove and Langley Pony Club (Canadian Pony Club)
Tim Bourke	IRL	A, Clew Bay Pony Club (Irish Pony Club)
Bruce “Buck” Davidson, Jr.	USA	UR, Mr. Stewart's Cheshire Foxhounds Pony Club
Ellen Doughty-Hume	USA	A, Trinity Hills II Pony Club
Phillip Dutton	USA	A, Nyngan Pony Club, New South Wales (Pony Club Australia)
Savannah Fulton	USA	D-2, Full Moon Farm Pony Club Riding Center
Lillian Heard	USA	B, Seneca Valley Pony Club
Ashley Johnson	USA	A, Amwell Valley Hounds Pony Club
Alexandra Knowles	USA	A, Sierra Gold Pony Club
Marilyn Little	USA	Fredrick Pony Club
Elinor MacPhail O’Neal	USA	C-2, Hunter Run Pony Club
Boyd Martin	USA	Forest Hills Pony Club, New South Wales (Pony Club Australia)
Jennifer McFall	USA	C-3, Sierra Gold Pony Club
Joe Meyer	NZL	Wainuioru Pony Club (The New Zealand Pony Club)

Colleen Rutledge	USA	A, Frederick Pony Club
Kim Severson	USA	B, Diamondback Pony Club
Erin Sylvester	USA	C-2, North River Pony Club
Lynn Symansky	USA	A, Difficult Run Pony Club

New to this year's event, the Kentucky Invitational CSI3\* competition will held on Friday and Saturday in the Rolex Stadium. Several riders competing for top honors will be US Olympian Kent Farrington, who got his start with the St. James Pony Club earning a C-3 certification. Other CSI competitors with Pony Club roots include Marilyn Little (Fredrick Pony Club) and Charlie Jayne (Wayne-Du Page Hunt Pony Club).

**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. Youth members range in age from as young as 4 through age 25. Pony Club also offers educational opportunities to a growing number of adults through Horsemasters membership. [www.ponyclub.org](http://www.ponyclub.org).