

OVCTA Winter Indoor Jumping Clinic with Melanie McCartney

Sunday, Feb 21st, 2010
Closing Date: 2/18/2010



Firefly Farm Indoor Arena
100 Johns Road, Glenmoore, PA

The focus of the clinic is on Green Riders and Green Horses but we welcome anyone who wants to participate. Here's a little bit about the clinician:
Melanie McCartney offers real solutions for all levels of horses & riders. She is VERY good at pinpointing where you need to make improvements - i.e. funky hand position, errant leg, getting centered over your horse, etc. She's brought along green horses from day one of backing until they become experienced horses. She's excellent at showing them what the appropriate response is and giving them the opportunity to do it. She can also help green riders through simple and clear instruction. Melanie has a well-rounded background in Eventing, Dressage, Show Hunters, Driving, Fox Hunting, Endurance, Sidesaddle and has been a 4-H leader in Horsemanship for about 25 years. She has extensive experience in teaching people and training horses. Little know fact about her: Melanie excelled in her local Pony Club in her youth and missed her 'A' rating by only 1 point.

This clinic will be great for:

- beginner riders or horses
- getting back to jumping after a long winter
- improving your technique before moving up a level in the spring

Groups will be 3-4 riders at similar levels for about 1 hour, 15 minutes.

Levels offered will be:

- Super Green Horse or Rider – 18"-2 foot max
- Greenie Horse or Rider - 2'0 – 2'3" max
- Less Green Horse or Rider – 2'6-3 foot max

Cost: \$55 per rider for OVCTA members/ \$65 for non-OVCTA members
Auditing will be FREE!!! Checks payable to 'OVCTA'

FMI Please contact Bobbi Soos 610-207-2915 or Email to: Soosr99@aol.com

Attire: Riders should come prepared to jump with ASTM/SEI approved helmet with chinstrap, boots with breeches or jods, half chaps OK. Other attire should be clean, neat & workmanlike. Tack & equipment for your horse should be as appropriate for jumping. Safety vests are encouraged but not required.

Warm-up and Check-In:

Please be unloaded and warmed up at the walk, trot and canter before your group starts. There is an outdoor arena with very good footing where you can warm-up. You can enter the indoor ring a few minutes prior to your ride. Upon arriving at the farm and if you haven't yet signed a farm release, please make sure to do so. They will be located on a table in the heated lounge inside the barn. Bobbi Soos will be checking riders in before each group begins.

Times will be emailed to riders on or before Friday, 2/19/2010.

Directions & Parking:

There is plenty of room to park at the farm and there is a circle that goes around the back of the barn. Please pull up between the outdoor and the indoor and leave the barn on your **left** as you circle the indoor. You can park behind the barn and/or on the right side of the driveway heading back down the driveway. Just leave room for others.

Don't use Fairview Road from Rt.100. The bridge is out on Fairview. Also, John's Rd, the road coming into the farm, is rather narrow. I would also suggest you plan to arrive at least 1/2 hour or more before your ride. These "tips" may help a little with trailers passing as well as being warmed up and ready to go. Please make sure to pick up any manure your horse happens to leave on Firefly's driveway or near your trailer.

From Route 100...

Go 401 West..

Then turn right onto Fairview Rd.

Turn Left onto Wynn Hollow Rd.

Turn Right onto Johns Rd.

Go Left into the farm driveway... there's a sign that says 'Firefly Farm'.

Follow driveway up to the top and then go to the right following the drive way around the indoor.

When leaving...in order to avoid trailers having to pass on Wynn Hollow...if you turn right onto Wynn Hollow from Johns Rd...turn left once at Templin Rd (Journeys End is on your left) and then will be back to Route 401.