

Walnut Trace Games Competition

Walnut Trace Farm
Nashville, Tn.
November 12-13, 2011

We are looking forward to seeing you for the Walnut Trace Games Competition sponsored by the United States Mounted Games Association. Open, Under 17, and Norman Patrick divisions will be offered. Riders may enter as a team or as individuals to join a scramble team. We encourage individual riders without a team to use the yahoo group to find or form a team with which to ride. For updates on the competition, or to form your own team, use the USMGA@yahoogroups.com. Email neuhauser1042@aol.com if you need help accessing the group. For general questions about stabling, directions, etc., please contact Grace Johnson at gjohnson@walnuttracefarm.com or 615-347-8431.

Entry Fees for USMGA/CMGA members**

60.00 per division-fees must be postmarked by **Nov. 8., 2011.**

80.00 per division-fees postmarked **after Nov. 8, 2011.**

For Non-Members:

20.00 additional fee for non-members.

You may sign up to be a USMGA member at a pro-rated amount. **Membership fees for the remainder of 2011 are \$15.00 for individuals and \$25.00 for families. Spectators for all competitions are welcome free of charge.

Divisions

Norman Patrick: This division is open for games riders of any age.

Under 17: This division is open to riders under the age of 17 as of January 1, 2011.

Open: This division is open to any games rider that is age 14 or older and confident with games at speed.

Venue Information

Arena: Warm up will be in the dressage arena at Walnut Trace Farm. Games competition will take place in the large arena.

Stabling/Bedding:

Option 1: Limited Stabling at Walnut Trace Farm: Stall charge is 25.00 per night. Two bags of bedding are included. Additional bags can be purchased for 6.00 per bag. Stalls do not have to be stripped.

Option 2: Limited paddock/pasture overnighting is available for two or more ponies that are compatible. Charge is 15.00 per night per pony.

Option 3: Stabling at Percy Warner Park. Located approximately eight minutes from Walnut Trace Farm. Stall charge is \$15.00 per night. No shavings are included but bags can be pre-ordered and delivered for \$7.00 per bag. Requires a \$40.00 separate deposit check made out to Walnut Trace Farm. Stalls must be cleaned out thoroughly and inspected before departure. The Park Service is very strict about this. Consider bringing a wet/dry vac and broom to sweep stall out after cleaning. Stall deposit check will be forfeited if stall is not cleaned and inspected.

CONTACT GRACE JOHNSON FOR STABLING AVAILABILITY AT gjohnson@walnuttracefarm.com or 615-347-8431.

Directions:

Directions to Walnut Trace Farm can be found at www.walnuttracefarm.com or on Google maps. Directions/map/hotel listing information sheet is also attached.

Accommodations:

Accommodations can be found on the directions/map/hotel sheet which is located on the Walnut Trace Farm website. Mention USMGA and the Hampton Inn will offer a discount. The Microtel Inn and Suites is also located nearby.

General Notes

Games to be played: Any game listed in the USMGA rulebook may be played.

Equipment Setup Volunteers: TEAMS MUST PROVIDE VOLUNTEERS TO SET EQUIPMENT FOR THEIR OWN TEAM!
Volunteers must be at least 14 years old.

Referees: EACH TEAM MUST PROVIDE ONE ASSISTANT REFEREE FOR THE HEAT AFTER THEIRS. Your team volunteer must check in for refereeing with the scorekeeper.

Riding in Multiple Divisions: Riders may ride in more than one division, but must have a different mount for each division and a volunteer to set equipment and referee for both divisions.

Tack/Bit/Jewelry Check: Riders will be subject to a tack, bit, and jewelry check prior to each session. If you have questions or concerns, email Liz Englert at pgreili@bellsouth.net before arriving for the competition.

Required Documents: Please mail a copy of current negative coggins with your entry or present it upon arrival at Walnut Trace.

Dogs/children : All dogs must be leashed and under the control of their owner at all times. No dogs or children under 14 will be allowed in the arena of play.

New Refund Policy: Full refunds will be given up until the entry closing date. The entry closing date for this event is **November 8, 2011**. Refund requests made after the closing date will be given minus \$20.00 per entry.

Registration

Make checks payable to USMGA with the exception of a stall deposit of \$40.00 if you are stabling at Percy Warner Park. The stall deposit check should be made out to Walnut Trace Farm.

- Be sure to include entry fee, stabling fees (if applicable) and membership fee (if applicable). Forms can be found on the USMGA or Walnut Trace Farm websites.
- USMGA rider entry form (unless you have one already on file with Pat Neuhauser for 2011) .
- USMGA release of liability form for Walnut Trace Farm.
- USMGA Medical Release for Minors under 18(unless you already have one on file with Pat Neuhauser for 2011).
- Membership form if you are joining USMGA.
- **Walnut Trace Games Competition Form (see below).**

Send entries to:
Grace Johnson
Walnut Trace Farm
8388 Collins Road
Nashville, Tn. 37221

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Games Date: November 12-13, 2011

Rider Name: _____

Pony Name: _____

Circle Division: Norman Patrick Under 17 Open

Team Name: _____

Team Description/colors: _____

Circle Scramble if you need to be placed on a team: Scramble

Email:

Phone: ()

**2011 Clinic/Competition/Practice
Walnut Trace Farm Release**

RIDER/VOLUNTEER

Please return this form with your entry.

The undersigned acknowledges the inherent risk involved in riding and working around horses, which risks include bodily injury from using, riding or being in close proximity to horses among other risks, and further that both horse and rider can be injured in normal use or in competition and schooling. In consideration for the privilege of riding and working around horses at **Walnut Trace Farm** the undersigned does hereby agree to hold harmless and indemnify **Walnut Trace Farm, US Mounted Games Association**, its officers, sponsors and members and further release them from any liability or responsibility for accident, damage, injury or illness to Undersigned or any horse owned by me or to any family member or spectator accompanying the Undersigned on the premises of **Walnut Trace Farm**.

I fully understand that riding and the playing of mounted games are very dangerous activities. I fully understand that riding is a very dangerous activity with many inherent risks including (i) The propensity of an equine to behave in dangerous ways which may result in injury to the rider, trainer, groom or handler, (ii) The inability to predict an equine's reaction to sound, movements, objects, persons or animals. I wish to participate in these activities knowing they are dangerous. I accept and assume all the risks of injury (including death) to myself or my property.

In exchange for being permitted to participate in these activities for myself, my heirs, guardian, and legal representatives, I release and agree not to make or bring any claim of any kind against Walnut Trace Farm, US Mounted Games Association, or its masters, officers, directors, members, employees, or guests or any landowners, landholders or the persons making property available for the activity (including death), to me or any damage to my property whether from anyone's negligence or not, or any other cause, arising out of my participation in these dangerous horseback riding or related activities; and I also agree if anyone makes any claims because of any injury to me (including death), or for any damage to my property, I will keep all those released by this agreement free of any damages or costs because of those claims. My signature hereby indicates my agreement.

Print Rider/ Volunteer Name: _____

Rider / Volunteer Signature: _____ Date: _____

Parent Signature: _____

(if rider/volunteer is under 18 years of age)