

**Brazos Association of Classical Horsemanship (BACH)
Susan Harris Centered Riding Clinic
March 18-20, 2011**

**RIDER APPLICATION FORM
OPENING ENTRY DATE: November 15, 2010
ENTRY DEADLINE: January 15, 2010 (postmark)**

Rider Information (Please print or type)

Rider Name _____ BACH Member (yes/no) _____

Address _____ City/State/ZIP _____

Phone _____ Email _____

Current Regular Instructor _____

Other Instructors/Clinicians _____

Rider Status: Junior/Young Rider Adult Amateur Professional

Horse Information

Horse's Name _____ Breed _____

Age _____ Height _____ Color _____ Circle One: Mare Gelding Stallion

Owner's Name _____ Trainer's Name (if applicable) _____

Riding Disciplines

All riders are applying to ride on both Saturday and Sunday. Riders will be grouped according to discipline. Please indicate your primary and secondary disciplines:

Primary Discipline _____

Level in that Discipline _____

Secondary Disciplines _____

Fees

_____ \$200 for 2 rides. Rate for BACH members, Pony Club members, and Austin Dressage Unlimited Members

_____ \$250 for 2 rides. Rate for all other individuals.

The Selection Process

The selection of riders will be made by a committee. Although some priority may be given to BACH members, the committee will select both BACH and non-BACH riders. The committee is not looking for perfect horses. Ideally, each selected horse/rider pair will have training issues that are encountered by the average auditor. However, as an auditor-based clinic, the clinician is primarily focused on the training of each horse, and the exercises that will be introduced are intended to correct horse issues (not rider issues). Each rider should have a good basic seat with reasonably independent seat and hands, so that she/he can make corrections and perform the exercises as directed by the clinician. Riders must be proficient in the skills at the level at which they will be demonstrating, and they must be comfortable riding in front of a large audience.

To demonstrate this proficiency, each entry must be accompanied by:

- (1) Show record from your discipline (dressage test scores; placings and points for eventers, hunter/jumpers, Western pleasure, reining, etc.; Pony Club ratings)

AND

- (2) a short (5-10 minute) video of the horse/rider pair, demonstrating walk, trot & canter;

OR

- (3) a short statement from an instructor who has worked with you and your horse.

Instructor's Statement (optional): Please attach a statement from your instructor that briefly describes your riding abilities, frequency of instruction and confirmed level with this horse.

Waiver of Liability and Acceptance of Financial Responsibility

A waiver of liability will be sent upon acceptance. By signing this form, you agree to fulfill all financial commitments related to this clinic. Regardless of any agreements between rider and the horse's owner, the rider as the clinic participant is ultimately responsible for paying BACH for the clinic fee and any related expenses for stabling.

Rider's Signature _____ Date _____

Horse's Owner's Signature _____ Date _____

Other Preferences

- Each selected rider will receive one guest pass for an auditing the clinic. Please indicate the name of your designated guest (for a name tag) _____
- If not selected, are you willing to serve as an alternate? (yes/no) _____
If so, what is the latest date that you can be notified and still participate?

Additional Information

Please fill out and mail entry form, including signed liability release, copy of current Coggins, and any supporting information. All of these items must be postmarked no later than the closing deadline, January 15th, in order for applicant to be eligible for selection for a riding session.

Mail application materials to:

Ashley Wesp
6825 Weber
Bryan, Texas 77808
awwesp@hotmail.com

If you have any questions about the application process, please contact Ashley Wesp (awwesp@hotmail.com).

INFORMATION FOR RIDERS

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The committee will select three riders for five different groups. The nature of the groups will depend on the entries that we receive. We anticipate having at least one dressage group; one hunter/jumper group; and one Western group. All applicants will be notified of the committee's decision by February 5th. All riders who are accepted into the program will have to pre-pay for the clinic and submit waiver of liability form and negative Coggins to the Clinic Organizers by February 20th, 2011 in order to confirm their spot.

Rider Fees

\$200 for BACH members, ADU members, and Pony Club members

\$250 for all other individuals.

Guest Pass for Riders

Each demo rider and/or clinic rider will receive ONE free guest pass to audit the clinic.

Additional guests must pay the full auditing fee.

Cancellation Policy

Riders who cancel before March 1st will receive a full refund. Riders who cancel less than three weeks prior to the clinic will receive a full refund if an alternate on the wait list is available to fill the slot. If an alternate rider cannot fill the slot, no refund will be provided.

Important Dates

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| Opening Entry Date: | November 15, 2010 |
| Closing Entry Date: | January 15, 2011 |
| Decisions Announced: | February 5, 2011 |
| Deadline for Paying Rider Fees | February 20, 2011 |
| Rider Cancellation Deadline for Full Refund | February 28, 2011 |

Stabling Fees

Riders have the option of stabling their horse at the Brazos County Expo Center or trailering in for the day. There is no grounds fee for those who choose to trailer in. The Expo Center has 10x10 stalls and 10x20 stalls. The stall rental rates for this clinic are listed below:

- 10 x 10 horse stall \$50 for duration of clinic
- 10 x 20 horse stall \$90 for duration of clinic
- 10 x 10 tack stall \$30 for duration of clinic

Stall rental rates include a large bag of shavings (12 cubic feet) for a 10x10 stall, and two bags for a 10x20 stall. This should be sufficient for the weekend. Additional bags of shavings will be available for an additional charge (\$7/bag). Outside shavings are not permitted.

Move-In and Move-Out

Riders may bring their horses to the Expo Center on Friday afternoon and evening. All horses must arrive before 11:00 pm. Please note that the indoor arena is NOT available for use on Friday. However, you may ride in the outdoor arena on Friday until it is dark, and you can school your horse in the indoor arena on Saturday morning after 6:00 am. There will be an overnight security guard at the facility on both Friday and Saturday nights from 11:00 pm to 6:00 am.

RV/Trailer Hookup

RV hookup spaces are available for those who would like to spend the night at the Brazos Expo Center. The rental fee is \$20 per day per RV.