



# Games Rally - So Cal Region



Hosted by: **Rainbow of the Foothills Pony Club**

The 2020 Games Rally will be held on Saturday, March 21, 2020 at Heartland Ranch in Lakeside CA. The competition will be held in accordance with the 2020 Games Rally Rulebook. Current rulebooks may be viewed at <https://www.ponyclub.org/ContentDocs/Activities/Rulebooks/2020%20Games%20Rulebook.pdf>

On March 21st arrival on grounds will begin at 6am. The volunteer and chaperone meeting will be held at 7am. Competitor briefing will be held at 7:30am. Competition will begin at 8am. Awards will follow approximately 1 hour after the final turnback.

Tackrooms will be set up in trailers. Tackroom setup may begin as soon as competitors arrive on grounds as early as 6am. Adults may help younger competitors with heavier items prior to Rally Open (Competitor Briefing at 7:30am). Once the rally has begun, no outside assistance is permitted in the barn area. Horse Management staff will be available to assist if necessary. Horse Management judging and required equipment checks will begin immediately following Competitor Briefing.

The event coordinator for the games rally is Ashley Ridge. Email your games rally questions to Ashley @ [foxtailfarm92065@gmail.com](mailto:foxtailfarm92065@gmail.com). Scan and email entry forms to the organizing secretary Nancy Palm @ [thepalms@cox.net](mailto:thepalms@cox.net) or mail to 1910 Fernbrook Ct., El Cajon CA, 92019.

Closing Date: March 10, 2020

Facility Address: Heartland Ranch Equestrian Center at 12139 Moreno Avenue, Lakeside CA 92040

## TEAM COMPOSITION

The division and team compositions are as follows (Rulebook):

Teams are composed of 4 - 5 riding members. A horse (any height is okay) may be shared between two riders on a team. A team of four riders will need a minimum of two horses.

Coaches are allowed, but not required.

Divisions are based on skill level of games played. All riders on the same team must be competing in the same division.

- I. Walk-Trot (no intentional canter allowed). Riders may be on a leadline if necessary to maintain a safe environment. Leader may not intervene with games played or coach the competitor while in play. Mounting and dismounting assistance is permitted.
- II. Intermediate - Riders are able to perform games independently without assistance including mounting, dismounting. Riders may perform games at any gait (walk, trot, canter, and/or gallop)
- III. Open - Recommended for riders with prior games experience. Riders play games proficiently at high speed and may include the vault as a method of mounting and dismounting.

## FEES

The registration fee for the 2020 Games Rally is \$35 per single rider. \$140 for a team of 4, \$175 for a team of 5. Entries must be postmarked prior to March 10, 2020 to avoid late fees. Mail payment to Nancy Palm at 1910 Fernbrook Court, El Cajon, CA 92019 or Venmo @RainbowPonyClub.

## LATE ENTRIES

Entries postmarked or submitted after March 10, 2020 will be subject to a \$20 late fee/participant and are subject to space availability. Submit completed and signed Entry and Heartland Liability Release Forms.

## VOLUNTEERS

Each team must provide two volunteers. Volunteers must be able to stay for the duration of the rally.

## FOOD

Please bring food/snacks/drinks that you will require for the day. Rainbow of the Foothills Pony Club will be hosting a snack bar with food and drinks for purchase on site that day. If you require any specific food requirements, it is recommended that you bring what you will need that day.

## COMPOSITE TEAMS

We highly encourage pony clubbers to contact local club DC and form composite teams. There are many opportunities for riders who may not own their own horse to participate in this mounted rally. Please contact the rally secretary if you would like assistance.

## COMPETITOR ATTIRE

Neat, clean, professional attire is required. Medical armbands, pony club pin, and safe footwear are required at all times. Competitors will be issued numbered pinnies at the opening briefing which they are expected to wear throughout the day.

### Barn Attire

- Long pants, mid-length or longer shorts

- Material of pants is Khaki, chino or denim. (no leggings, short shorts)

- no rips or tears

- A shirt with sleeves (no tank tops or mid drifts)

- Safe footwear (as defined in Article 15.4)

### Horse Inspection/Jogouts

- ASTM/SEI approved helmet that meets the USPC helmet policy requirements

- Appropriate safe footwear

- Long pants (Khaki or riding breeches), mid length or longer Khaki shorts

- Collared shirt, tucked in

- If pants have belt loops, a belt must be worn

- Blue jeans are not acceptable at Horse Inspections

### Competition Attire/Turnout Inspections

- Approved helmet that meets USPC helmet policy requirements

- Hat Band/Cover - each team will be issued a white elastic band or helmet cover that will be worn by the last rider of each race. The band/cover will be interchangeable.

- Hair - is to be secured away from face. Hair nets are recommended.

- Shirt - any colored/team shirt with no more than two colors, collar, long or short sleeves is allowed.

- Shirts must be tucked in.

- Pinnies - team pinnies will be issued and must be worn at all times

Pants - Breeches, jodhpurs (with garters and/or pant clips), riding pants or riding tights of any color are allowed.

Footwear - conventional type riding footwear with a heel is required. Tall boots (dress or field) or jodhpur/paddock boots, black or brown in color, with or without half chaps are allowed. Tall socks worn over breeches with paddock boots are allowed.

Not Allowed - spurs, full chaps, crops

#### MOUNTED GAMES TO BE PLAYED

The following are a list of games that could be played that day. The rules for each of these games are found in the 2020 Games Rulebook. The number of games played that day will be dependent upon entries. Please familiarize your teams and their mounts with these games prior to March 21.

- Bending Poles
- Ball and Racket Race
- Ball and Cone Race
- Golf Ball and Spoon Race
- Hula Hoop Race
- 5 - Flag Race
- 5 Mug Relay
- Housewife Scurry
- Mug Shuffle
- Stepping Stone Dash
- Sword Race

Please ensure that all bits, saddlery and equipment is in accordance with Article 36 in the 2020 Games Rally Rulebook

TENTATIVE SCHEDULE - Updated Schedule will be provided prior to rally date

6am - Grounds open. Teams arrive, begin tackroom setups

7am - Chaperone and Volunteer Briefing

7:30am - Competitor Briefing. Pinnies issued. Rally Open

8:15am - Horse Inspections/ Jogouts

10am - First Formal Inspection

11:30am - First games begin

2:30pm - Games finish

3:30pm - Last Turnback inspection

4:30pm - Awards - Rally Close

Documents to be submitted: [Entry Form](#), [Chaperone Form](#), and [Liability Release for Heartland Ranch](#)