

**Back Bay Farm Horse Show  
Public is welcome!**



**June 3, 2018**

Judge: Laurie Fairhurst  
Steward: Cindy Dougherty

**August 16, 2018**

Judge: Kristen Chance  
Steward: Paulajeane O'Neill

**MHC AND NEHC "C" RATED**

**We are excited to offer the Downeast Medal Classes!**

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Directions From Boston:

Take 93 North to exit 37A, route 95 North. Take exit 17 onto Grapevine Road. Turn right onto Essex Street.

Take a slight left turn onto Sagamore Street. Turn right onto Sagamore Street. This turns into Candlewood and the farm is on your right.

## RULES & REGULATIONS

1. Judges decisions are final.
2. The Committee reserves the right to cancel, combine, or divide the classes when deemed necessary to facilitate the smooth running of the show.
3. Hunter courses will consist of post and rails, walls, pickets and brush.
4. A trophy, championship and reserve ribbons will be awarded in all divisions. Champion and reserve will be awarded to two of the four horses which have acquired the most points in the over fence classes in their divisions. In addition to these points, only those horses shall receive full points for ribbons won in the under saddle classes. Points to be awarded through the first six places: 10-6-4-2-1-1/2.
5. A trophy and ribbons will be awarded in all classes unless otherwise stated.
6. Every class offered herein which is covered by the Rules & Specifications of the current State Rule Book will be conducted and judged in accordance therewith.
7. All classes will be judged on performance and soundness unless otherwise stated.
9. Entry Fee: \$25.00 per regular class. \$30.00 for all medal classes.
10. Entries close the Wednesday before the show. Post Entries accepted the day of the show for \$10.00 fee
11. Dogs must be leashed at all times.
12. ASTM/SEI certified helmets are required for **ALL RIDERS**. Chinstraps must be buckled while riding.

**Under Massachusetts law, an equine professional is not liable for an injury to, or the death of, a participant in equine activities resulting from the inherent risks of equine activities, pursuant to section 2D of chapter 128 of the General Laws. In addition, I release Back Bay Farm and its owners, from any and all liability actions, causes of action claims and demands of every kind and nature whatsoever which may arise in connection with or resulting from participation in this horse show**

## Class List

Warm ups – 6:30-7:45

Show starts promptly at 8 AM

1. Leadline Suitability
  2. Leadline Equitation
  3. Low Hunter through class 31
  4. Amateur Adult Hunters
  5. Amateur Adult Hunters
  6. Amateur Adult Handy Hunter
  7. Amateur Adult Hunters Under Saddle
  8. Downeast Amateur Adult Medal
  9. MHC Amateur Adult Medal
  10. NEHC Adult Medal
  11. Children's Hunters
  12. Children's Hunters
  13. Children's Handy Hunter
  14. Children's Hunters Under Saddle
  15. Downeast Junior Medal
  16. MHC Junior Medal
  17. NEHC Junior Medal
  18. Modified Adult Hunters
  19. Modified Adult Hunters
  20. Modified Adult Hunters Under Saddle
  21. Modified Adult Equitation
  22. Modified Adult Equitation on the Flat
  23. Downeast Modified Adult Medal
- WARM UP after completion of Class 23**
24. Pre-Children's Hunters
  25. Pre-Children's Hunters
  26. Pre-Children's Hunters Under Saddle
  27. Children's Equitation
  28. Children's Equitation on the Flat
  29. Downeast Modified Junior Medal
  30. Downeast Mini Medal
  31. MHC Mini Medal
  32. Walk Trot Eq
  33. Walk Trot Pleasure
  34. Downeast Walk Trot Poles Medal
  35. Pet Type Hunter Pony
  36. Pet Type Hunter Pony Championship
- Cross Rail Warm Up ONLY if time allows**
37. Short Stirrup Eq on the Flat
  38. Short Stirrup Hunter U/S
  39. Short Stirrup Hunter
  40. Short Stirrup Eq
  41. Downeast Short Stirrup Equitation Medal
  42. NEHC Pleasure
  43. Long Stirrup Eq on the Flat
  44. Long Stirrup Hunter U/S
  45. Long Stirrup Hunter
  46. Long Stirrup Eq
  47. Downeast Short Stirrup Equitation Medal

## **Class Descriptions**

### **Leadline Suitability and Equitation (MHC C Rated)**

Open to riders 6 years of age and younger. To show collectively at the walk and individually at the trot. To be judged with emphasis on equitation; also suitability and manners of mount to be considered. Leader on foot must be over 14 years of age. Riders may only compete in this class. Classes 1 and 2.

### **Low Hunter (Unrated)**

Open to horses and ponies. No restrictions on age or status of rider. Fence height relative to classes. Class 3. Open through the MHC Mini Medal.

### **Amateur Adult Hunter (MHC and NEHC Rated C)**

Open to Amateur Adult Riders who are no longer eligible to compete as Junior Exhibitors. Horses may be shown by a different rider in any other division or class at the same show. To be judged on performance, soundness, manners, way of going, size of rider to mount, and suitability as an Adult Amateur Hunter. Horses and ponies may be jogged for soundness at Judge's discretion. To show at a walk, trot and canter. Fences not to exceed 3' with spreads not to exceed Fence height. Ponies may be ridden by adults, suitability to count. Classes 4, 5, 6, 7.

### **Downeast Amateur Adult Medal**

Open to amateur riders 18 years of age or older, competing on horses or ponies. Contestants shall be required to perform over a minimum of six fences with at least one change of direction. Fence heights shall be 2'6"-2'9". 25% of contestants, at least 2 riders, shall be called back for individual testing. Testing optional. (USEF Tests 1-19). Class 8.

### **MHC Adult Hunter Seat Medal**

All Riders must present a valid membership number before entering this class. Open to adult members of MHC. Course requires 8 Fences 2'6" to 2'9" with at least one change of direction. Once qualified, rider is no longer eligible for this class. One or more individual tests of the top 4 competitors may be requested at the judge's discretion (USAE tests 1-17). To fill a class, at least 4 competitors must complete the course. Class 9

### **NEHC Adult Medal**

All contestants are required to perform over at least 8 fences not to exceed 3'0". One or more individual tests (USAEQ Tests 1- 17) of the top four competitors maybe requested at the judge's discretion. To fill a class at least four competitors must complete the course. Class 10.

### **Children's Hunter Horse (MHC and NEHC Rated C)**

Open to Junior Riders. Junior riders 15 to 17 years of age, must be eligible for Intermediate Equitation over Fences as of December 1st of the current show year. Fences 3" - spreads not to exceed fence height. Same Horse/Pony-Rider combination may not show in any other rated division except Equitation at the show. Horses may be shown by another Rider in any other division. To show at a walk, trot and canter. Classes 11, 12, 13, 14.

### **Short Stirrup Hunter (MHC and NEHC Rated C)**

Open to Riders 12 years of age or under. To show over a course of 4 to 8 fences at a height of 18". Under Saddle class will show at a walk, trot and canter. Rider may not show in any class requiring fences higher than 18". Only 8 horses or ponies to canter at once. Classes 38 and 39.

### **Short Stirrup Equitation (MHC and NEHC C Rated)**

Open to Riders 12 years of age or under. To show over a course of 4 to 8 fences at a height of 18". Flat class will show at a walk, trot and canter. Rider may not show in any class requiring fences higher than 18". Only 8 horses or ponies to canter at once. Classes 37 and 40.

### **Downeast Short Stirrup Equitation Medal**

Open to riders 12 years of age and under, competing on horses or ponies. All ages (Short and Long Stirrup) compete together at the qualifying shows, but age groups will be divided at the finals. Riders must not never have shown over fences that exceed 18". Riders shall be required to perform a minimum of six fences with at least one change of direction. Fence height will be 18". 25% of contestants, at least 2, may be called back for individual testing. Testing optional, verbal recommended. USEF tests 1-8. Class 41.

### **NEHC Pleasure (NEHC Rated C)**

Open to members and non-members, open to horses usually used for pleasure purposes with no limitations as to status of rider, or place of residence. To be shown at a walk, trot, and canter. Will be required to back. Shall be judged on manners, performance, and quality in that order. Loose rein on command of judge only, but without loss of contact. Class 42.

### **Long Stirrup Hunter (Unrated)**

Open to riders 13 years of age or older. Same class specifications as Short Stirrup Hunter. Classes 44 and 45.

### **Long Stirrup Equitation (Unrated)**

Open to riders 13 years of age or older. Same class specifications as Short Stirrup Equitation. Classes 43 and 46.

### **Downeast Long Stirrup Equitation Medal**

Open to riders 13 years of age and older, competing on horses or ponies. All ages (Short and Long Stirrup) compete together at the qualifying shows, but age groups will be divided at the finals. Riders must not never have shown over fences that exceed 18". Riders shall be required to perform a minimum of six fences with at least one change of direction. Fence height will be 18". 25% of contestants, at least 2, may be called back for individual testing. Testing optional, verbal recommended. USEF tests 1-8. Class 47.

**Children's Equitation (MHC Rated C)**

Open to Junior riders who are eligible for Limit equitation over fences as of December of the current show year. Horses and ponies. Fence height 2' with no combinations. At the same show, the same horse/rider or pony/riders may not cross enter into the Children's Equitation classes, or any equitation class where the fences exceed 2'3". Classes 27 and 28.

**Downeast Modified Junior Medal**

Open to riders 17 years of age and under, competing on horses or ponies. Contestants shall be required to perform over a minimum of six fences with at least one change of direction. Fence heights will be 2'3". 25% of the contestants, a minimum of 2 riders, may be called back for individual testing. Testing optional. Class 29.

**Downeast Mini Medal**

Open to riders 17 years of age and under, competing on horses or ponies. Fence heights shall be 2' for small & medium ponies and 2'6" for large ponies & horses. Contestants shall be required to perform over a minimum of six fences with at least one change of direction. Fence heights will be 2'3". 25% of the contestants, a minimum of 2 riders, may be called back for individual testing. Testing optional. Class 30.

**MHC Mini Medal**

All Riders must present a valid membership number before entering this class. Open to Riders who have not reached their 15th birthday and who have not competed in classes in which the entry is required to jump higher than 3'. 6 to 8 Fences not to exceed 2'6" for medium and large ponies and horses and 2' for small ponies. One or more individual test of the top 4 contestants may be requested at the judge's discretion (USAE test 1-8). 10 points are required to be required to qualify for this class. (10,6,4, and 2). Any qualifying Rider is not eligible to enter at future shows. A Mini Medal Rider who competes in the MHC Jr. Medal is no longer eligible to compete in the Mini Medal Division. To fill a class, at least 4 competitors must complete the course. Class 31.

**Walk Trot (MHC and NEHC Rated C)**

Open to Horses and Ponies. Open to Riders 10 years of age and under who have not shown in any class that requires a canter. Rider must show in regular class in order to compete in the championship class. Classes 32 and 33.

**Downeast Walk Trot Poles Medal**

Open to riders 10 years of age and under. Must not have shown over fences or cantered at any horse show. Contestants shall be required to show at a trot over a minimum of four rails (poles) on the ground. Class 34.

**Pet Type Hunter Pony (MHC and NEHC Rated C)**

Open to riders under 14 years of age. To be judged on manners, performance, and suitability at the walk, trot, and canter both ways of the ring. Classes 35 and 36.

**Downeast Junior Medal**

Open to riders 17 years of age and under, competing on horses or ponies. Riders shall be required to perform over a minimum of six fences with at least one change of direction. Fence heights shall be 2'9". 25% of the contestants, a minimum of 2 riders, may be called back for individual testing. Testing optional. (USEF tests 1-19). Class 15.

**MHC Junior Hunt Seat Medal**

All Riders must present a valid membership number before entering this class. Open to junior members who have not reached their 18th birthday. Course requires 8 Fences not to exceed 3'. One or more individual test of the top 4 contestants may be requested at the judge's discretion (USAE test 1-19). Any qualifying Rider is not eligible to enter at future shows. 10 points are needed to qualify for Finals. To fill a class, at least 4 competitors must complete the course. Class 16.

**NEHC Junior Medal**

Open to Junior members of the New England Horsemen's Council who have not reached their 18th birthday. All contestants are required to perform over at least eight fences not exceed 3'3". One or more individual tests of the top four contestants may be requested at the judge's discretion. (USEF Tests 1 – 19). To fill a class, at least four competitors must complete the course. One win required for the finals. Class 17.

**Modified Adult Hunter (MHC and NEHC Rated C)**

Open to Horses and Ponies ridden by Amateur Adult Riders eligible for the Modified Adult Equitation. Fences 2'3" to 2'6". Riders may not cross enter into Amateur Adult Hunter Division. Classes 18, 19, 20.

**Modified Adult Equitation (MHC and NEHC Rated C)**

Open to Amateur Adult Riders who, as of December 1<sup>st</sup> of the current show year have not won six blue ribbons at a RECOGNIZED show in Adult Equitation Classes, including Adult Medal Classes, but excluding Modified Adult Classes. For Amateurs who have won six blue ribbons, they are eligible for show years. Fences not to exceed 2'6". Riders in this class cannot show in any other recognized classes at the same show where the fences exceed 2'6". Classes 21 and 22.

**Downeast Modified Adult Medal**

Open to riders 18 years of age or older, competing on horses or ponies. Riders shall be required to perform over a minimum of six fences with at least change of direction. Fence heights shall be 2'3". 25% of contestants, at least 2 riders, shall be called back for individual testing. Testing optional. (USEF Tests 1-8). Class 23

**Pre-Children's Hunter (MHC and NEHC Rated C)**

Open to Junior riders who are eligible for Limit equitation over fences as of December of the current show year. Horses or ponies. Fence height 2' with no combinations. At the same show, the same horse/rider or Pony/rider may not cross enter in Children's Hunter Horse or Pony, or any class or where the fences exceed 2'3". Classes 24, 25, 26.