

# May 2021 RS Update

Hi Everyone,

I do not have a lot of new information in this month's update. National's focus has shifted to Championships and Festival. Check out the USPC eNews - for more information about educational opportunities available at Festival.

**There are a lot of deadlines coming up for MidCal's activities: make sure you don't miss them.** Take a look at the calendar on the MidCal website.

- **Summer Camps** are coming up: they are a fun way to learn and meet people from around the MidCal Region! Please check out the information in the Camp packets and join us.
- The Spring **C1/C2 Certification** test is in Gilroy at the end of June and that information is also up on the website.
- **Dressage people** check out the information about an Inaugural Virtual International Dressage Show. Deadline for applications is June 1.

Looking forward to a safe and fun summer,

Kathie Schulz

Regional Supervisor,

Middle California Region, USPC

## Announcements from USPC

**USPC eNEWS** - [April 20, 2021](#)

- [May 4, 2021](#)

Lots of information leading up to USPC Championship and Festival plus other interesting information.

***Just announced*** - Inaugural Virtual International Dressage Show  
June 1 Application Deadline

The USPC is excited to share a brand new opportunity with our members. The Pony Club International Alliance, including Pony Clubs from Australia, Canada, Hong Kong, New Zealand, South Africa, the United Kingdom, and the United States, are excited to offer the first-ever Virtual International Dressage Show.

With five different class options, Training Level, First Level, Second Level, Pas De Deux, and Prix Caprilli, USPC will send a team of four members for each class. USPC members are encouraged to review the competition parameters and video requirements. Applications to participate will be open through June 1. Information and registration link at <https://smr.to/p73621>. (This info is also saved on the MidCal calendar for June 1.)

## **Important Information for MidCal Leaders:**

### **DCs and Treasurers:**

#### **USPC Championships and Festival**

Registration is now open for both Championships and Festival's educational opportunities. Check out the USPC eNews for more information on opportunities available at Festival. The Champs/Festival guidebook is available on the USPC website.

Members who participated in the Virtual Quiz Rally should have received their notice of Qualification. If you want to participate at championships you will need to respond to that email and pay the fee. The Region will reimburse you 100% of the fee. If you haven't already sent me a [notice of intent](#) to participate at Champs please do. The notice confirms who will be going, which helps facilitate networking and other arrangements. (I understand there is to be another virtual quiz rally, but have no other information yet.)

The TET Rally will be the last regional opportunity to qualify for 2021 Championships.

### **National Deadlines for Treasurers**

- **Before May 15th** - 990 must be filed (likely for all of you that will be the e-postcard) - An excellent time to do this is after uploading your year-end reports.

## **Financial Help from MidCal**

### **The Middle California Region's Essay Scholarship Award** **The application deadline June 1st!**

The Essay Scholarship Award is to help offset the additional costs MidCal members incur related to attending mounted Regional activities. Four awards are now available for July - December. **Each Scholarship is \$175.** Information and application form is available on the Middle California Region Website. The link is also below.

For information and application, click on the link below:

[The Middle California Region's Essay Scholarship Fund](#)

## **Club Activities Open to all MidCal Clubs and Centers**

### **Virtual HM**

Portola Valley Pony Club offers a virtual HM lesson every month that is open to all Region members. Meetings are usually held on the third Saturday of the month at 6:30 pm. Use the Region's Zoom link to join in the fun! Contact [Sarah Currie](#) for more information. Thank you, PVPC!!

### **D Level Certifications**

Portola Valley Pony Club is offering D level certification testing June 6 at the Horse Park at Woodside. Region members welcome, especially for D-3 Eventing. The registration deadline is May 15. Contact Linda Rosen (PVPC D-Level Rating Coordinator) at [Linda\\_Rosen@pacbell.net](mailto:Linda_Rosen@pacbell.net).

## **Regional Events**

### **Where to find more information and Registration for Regional Events**

The website is where information about Region Clinics and Rallies and Club/Center Events open to all MidCal Members is found. Note: Due to mother nature and other factors beyond our control, changes may need to be made to any event.

- The Region's Web Site is <https://middlecalifornia.ponyclub.org/>.
- The Website Calendar is <https://middlecalifornia.ponyclub.org/calendar/>.
- The Regional Planning, all of 2021 Calendar Document, is [https://docs.google.com/document/d/1MtofL-NSNVoa\\_bJ9vXbKAVZd2OuhR-aMTDIQLtTynU/edit?usp=sharing](https://docs.google.com/document/d/1MtofL-NSNVoa_bJ9vXbKAVZd2OuhR-aMTDIQLtTynU/edit?usp=sharing).

## **\*\*\*Upcoming Regional Events\*\*\***

### **MidCal TET Rally**

June 4 - 6, at Marina Equestrian Center, Marina

**Registration closes on May 16.**

**No late entries will be accepted.**

[The Rally Packet is available on the Middle California Region Website.](#)

## **C Camp at a New Location**

June 16 - 19 at Sport Equine, Clovis

**Registration closes May 19**

[C Camp Information and Registration is available on the Middle California Region Website.](#)

This is our first time at this location. MidCal's C Camp has the reputation of being a fun laid back learning opportunity. We plan to keep this atmosphere despite having to make some changes. Our instructors this year are Valery Owens and Kate Little, both are well respected knowledgeable instructors. As in previous years three mounted tracks are available, Dressage, Jumping or a combination of both. In addition there will be pool time, unstructured social time and other activities. C level HM standards are expected but there are no inspections. The meals are catered so you don't need to worry about food preparation. Covid precautions and safeguards will be adhered to. Non-USPC members riding at the right level are welcome if there is space - a great opportunity to recruit your friends into Pony Club! Seniors and Juniors welcome. Contact Lisa VanBuhler with questions, [lisavanbuhler@yahoo.com](mailto:lisavanbuhler@yahoo.com)

## **Spring Regional C1/C2 Certification**

June 27, at South Bay Horse Ranch, Gilroy

**Registration closes on June 9**

[Registration is be available on the Middle California Region Website](#)

Note: Covid precautions and safeguards will be adhered to.

## **D Camp**

Friday, July 9, 2021, and Sunday, July 11, 2021, Marina Equestrian Center, Marina Ca.

**Registration will close on June 20.**

[D Camp Information and Registration is available on the Middle California Region Website](#)

This camp introduces D Level members to rallying and basic Pony Club Horse Management practices. This year's D Camp will continue the Day Camp format used last year and will be held in either Santa Cruz Co or Monterey Co. the exact location is still to be determined.

## **Eventing Rally**

August 12 -15 at Woodside Summer Event.

This Rally will go toward meeting requirements for the 2022 Champs West

Information will be available in June  
Note: Covid precautions and safeguards will be adhered to.

## **Middle California Region Website and Social Media:**

**We welcome any club center events open to all of MidCal's members.** Please send information about your events for inclusion in our public calendar. For example, the events can be anything, mounted or unmounted clinics, virtual HM lessons, and fundraisers.

The public calendar is at <https://middlecalifornia.ponyclub.org/calendar/>.

**The Webmaster will update the website each Friday.** Please send complete information (when what, where, who, cost, contact information) to Michelle Cale at [mSCALE86@gmail.com](mailto:mSCALE86@gmail.com).

**Events can also be advertised publicly through the MidCal Facebook page. Please indicate whether you would like this for your event too!**

### **Social Media**

MidCal has accounts on Facebook and Instagram. We would love to make these accounts representative of all clubs and centers, all activities, and our membership's whole demographic. Please send photos, videos, and news to Michelle at [mSCALE86@gmail.com](mailto:mSCALE86@gmail.com) (with photo credit). *Mounted images must include helmets and appropriate footwear.*

## **MidCal Zoom Account**

**The Middle California Region now has a Zoom Account.**

MidCal has a full Zoom account which is available to Clubs and Centers to use for virtual HM meetings. Only one meeting may happen at any time, so access to the account needs to be scheduled.

The manager of the Zoom account is Eben Habers, the Region's HMO. Please [contact Eben](#) with your proposed date, time and meeting duration. Eben will schedule your event or, if that time slot is already taken, he will provide you with some alternatives.

This information is also on the website at under Forms - DC/CA resources at the Bottom of the page.

## **Diversity and Inclusion Working Group**

...is taking a break during the Summer months. The USPC Board of Governors is in the process of establishing a Board committee to propose policy and practices around Diversity, Inclusion, Equity, and Access. We are waiting to hear what help they need from those of us in the Regions.

Interest, Questions, or Comments, contact Michelle Cale at [mscale86@gmail.com](mailto:mscale86@gmail.com).

## **2021 Middle California Regional Calendar**

(conditions permitting)

### **May**

8/9 - *SJ Rally* - MidCal/Camino Real Paso Robles Horse Park - CANCELLED  
15 Virtual HM: Horse Sports

### **June**

5/6 - *Tet Rally* - Santa Cruz Co. PC, Marina Equestrian Center, Marina Ca  
6 - *D Certification* - hosted by PVPC, Woodside Horse Park. Open to Region members.  
16-19 - *C Camp*, Sport Equine, Fresno  
19 D-HM Virtual Lesson: Conformation and Soundness  
27- *C1/C2 Certification*- South Bay Horse Ranch, Gilroy

### **July**

10/11 - *D Camp*, TBD organized by SCCPC  
19 – 26, USPC Championships & Festival, Lexington, Kentucky

### **August**

12 -15 - Pony Club Recognition at Woodside Summer Event. *Clinic & Eventing Rally*

### **September**

5 - *D1/D2 Standards & Certification Clinic* - TBD

### **October**

16 *C1/C2 Cert.* the Horse Park at Woodside

### **November**

14 - *Regional Annual Meeting*