

Texas Rider Development Program with RALPH HILL

Program Mission: To provide a comprehensive and continuous education program for event riders in the Texas area, that aids riders in achieving both training and competitive goals under the consistent eye of a proven upper level rider and coach.

Dates & Venues

Clinic 1: October 8-9, 2011

Willow Draw Farm, Weatherford, TX

Clinic 2: November 5-6, 2011

MeadowCreek Park, Kosse, TX

(riders must bring their own shavings to this clinic)

Clinic 3: February 11-12, 2012

Pine Hill, Belleville, TX

Show Coaching:

MeadowCreek Park Spring USEA Horse Trial

March 9-11 2012, Kosse, TX

Entire clinic series cost: \$1200 per horse

Riders are welcome to enter multiple horses in the program, however a separate application is required for each horse.

Cost includes clinic lessons and lectures, Friday and Saturday night stabling and all facility fees for clinics in addition to warm-up coaching, course walks and one-on-one performance evaluations at the March MeadowCreek Park horse show. It does NOT include meals, rider housing, RV hookup fees, grounds fees for riding on Friday, or show entry and show stabling fees.

Organizing Team: Leslie Locke (952-451-7407, lalocke@neo.tamu.edu) & Sarah Denham (713-204-3342, sfdenham@gmail.com). Feel free to contact either of us with questions/concerns.

Payments: Riders may pay the entire \$1,200 in full or in 3 installments. If paying in full, completed applications must include a check for \$1,200 for each horse being ridden in the program. If paying in installments, three checks for \$400.00 each **MUST** be included for applications to be considered complete. The first check will be deposited upon acceptance into the program. The second and third checks should be dated 10/10/2011 and 1/15/2012, and will be held until these dates for deposit. Make checks payable to either Leslie Locke or Sarah Denham.

Format: Horses and riders should arrive at facilities on Friday evening. Saturday lessons will be gymnastics/stadium jumping and Sunday will be cross country schooling. Participants will be assigned jump crew duties during other lessons throughout the day.

Application Process: Applicants are applying for all 4 training sessions in the program series. Priority will be given to riders who have already participated in the Texas Ralph clinics, with riders who attended both clinics having priority over those who attended one. Applicants will have to answer questions related to riding/personal goals, competitive history and competitive goals. If the number of applicants exceeds available entry spots, the organizing team and Ralph Hill will review and rank applications. Selection emphasis will be on expression of genuine desire to fully benefit from the comprehensive nature of this program. **We are accepting applications NOW.** Please make every effort to send your applications by September 1, 2011.

Coggins: Current Negative Coggins required for all horses and must be submitted with application.

Send complete applications (TRDP application form, 1 check for \$1,200 or 3 checks for \$400 each, current negative coggins) to:

Leslie Locke
7503 Dilly Shaw Tap Road
Bryan, TX 77808

Refunds will be considered on a case by case basis, but **ONLY** if your spot can be filled from the waitlist.

In the unfortunate event that fewer than 16 riders are accepted for the entire series, individual clinic spots will be available at a cost of \$375 per horse. A first come first serve waitlist will be created for riders who are interested in individual clinic spots.

