

Mid Atlantic Games Series Competition 6

October 7-8, 2023

Equine Center at Grange Park
Centre Hall, PA

Closing Date: September 29 2023



Early Bird Date: 9/22/23

Join us for the sixth competition of the 19th annual MGAA Mid-Atlantic Games Series. The divisions are Open, Intermediate, Over 25, Novice, Leadline and Green Pony. Team entries are preferred. Individuals will be put in contact with short teams or other individuals looking for teams. Individual entry does not guarantee placement on a team. Entries will be accepted on a first-come, first-served basis. **A team or individual completed entry consists of payment and all required paperwork in the organizer's hands.** (Any paperwork or fees submitted at the competition subject to \$20 fee. Not applicable to International Riders) **ONLINE ENTRIES USING COGNITO FORM LINK PREFERRED**

<https://www.cognitofirms.com/MGAA1/MidAtlantic6>

All riders are invited to compete in the Mid Atlantic Series. *The Organizers reserve the right to close entries before the closing date if the facility capacity is reached early.*

A team's competition slot is not guaranteed until all team members' forms are complete and in the organizers hands.

High point trophy to be awarded to top teams at end of Mid Atlantic Series based on each team's best placings from five of the six competitions.

Divisions: * Divisions may be modified as entries warrant. FORMAT – Traditional Teams

All divisions will play two sessions on Saturday, and a Final Sunday.

- ❖ **Over 25:** MGAA GR15.1.5 (2023 rulebook addendum) 8 teams accepted.
- ❖ **Intermediate:** MGAA GR 15.1.3 (2023 rulebook addendum) 8 teams accepted.
- ❖ **Open :** MGAA GR 15.1.4 (2023 rulebook addendum) 8 teams accepted.
- ❖ **Novice:** MGAA GR 15.1.2 (2023 rulebook addendum) 6 teams accepted – PLEASE NOTE – The Novice Division sessions will run for 45 minutes regardless of the number of games played up to the number slated for the session.
- ❖ **Leadline:** MGAA GR 15.1.1 (2023 rulebook addendum) 2 teams or pairs accepted – PLEASE NOTE - 45 minute time limit
- ❖ **Green Pony:** - please see attachment regarding green pony

ENTRY FEES:

| Entry Fees | Early Bird Discount (must include payment) postmarked by 9/22/2023 | Postmarked by closing Date 9/29/2023 | \$20 Late Fee postmarked after closing date |
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| MGAA member | \$75.00 (\$35 for Leadline) | \$85.00 (\$35 for Leadline) | \$105 (\$55 for leadline) |

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| Non-Member | \$85.00 (\$45 for Leadline) | \$90.00 (\$45 for Leadline) | \$115.00 (\$65 for Leadline) |
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ALL RIDERS ARE REQUIRED TO WORK AS RING CREW OR ASST. REFEREES. TIMES WILL BE ASSIGNED. PLEASE PLAN TO BE AT THE VENUE UNTIL YOUR ASSIGNMENT IS COMPLETED, ESPECIALLY FOR THE FINALS. If you are unable to complete your assignment, it is up to you to find a replacement and notify the organizers of that substitution. Arena crew must also setup the first race for the next division before leaving. Teams are required to provide at least FOUR volunteers to assist with their assigned session. Teams not providing at least FOUR volunteers per session will have a 5 point penalty deducted from that session's totals.

Tentative Schedule

Schedule subject to change as circumstances warrant.

| SATURDAY | | SUNDAY | |
|----------|-------------------|---------|--------------|
| 7:30 AM | Check in | 9:00 AM | Finals Begin |
| 8:00 AM | AM Sessions Begin | | |
| 12:30 PM | Lunch Break | | |
| 1:00 PM | PM Sessions Begin | | |

Games to be played will be selected from the 2023 IMGA Rulebook and 2023 MGAA addendum using IMGA Guidelines. Tie Breaker Race – Flag Fliers

This competition will be run under the 2023 IMGA Rulebook plus the 2023 MGAA addendum, available for download on the MGAA website at www.mountedgames.org.

Tie Breaker Race will be used to determine placement in finals heats if necessary. Tie Breaker Race will be used to determine outcome of each Final if necessary. Please be aware of 2023 MGAA Regulations regarding Open Riders on Scored Intermediate and O25 Teams - GR 15.1.3 and GR 15.1.5 effective 3/21/22

Starting Lane Assignments for each session will be based on the previous session's finish. The first session's lane assignment will be based on the order of finish at MA1.

General Information

Payment: PAYPAL (PREFERRED) or check. Paypal payments (**sending to a friend NOT paying for a service; please note rider and division**) directly to summersizzler2015@yahoo.com. Checks written to SUMMER SIZZLER. Returned checks will be subject to any bank fee charged the organizers, plus an additional \$25.

Refunds: Full refunds will be given for withdrawn entries prior to the closing date. After the closing date, a \$25 handling fee will be charged. All stall and camping fees will be refunded.

Arena: We will play in a fenced arena with washed limestone footing. The size is 300' x 300'. Please do not use any other arena including the indoor attached to the barn without being specifically directed to do so, and please do not use any arena on Friday October 6, as we will not have paid for their use on that day.

Weather Plans: The competition will be held regardless of weather. If for some reason the competition is cancelled, competitors will be notified.

Stabling: Stall Charge \$60. Arriving Thursday, an additional \$30. Stalls do not need to be stripped at close of competition. Portable paddocks are not allowed for any reason. No staples, tape, nails or screws on wood, doors or any place else throughout the facility may be left. Trash and manure, from walkways, show areas, and bleachers, must be cleaned up and placed in their proper receptacles.

Trailer Parking: Horse trailers not being used for camping must be parked in a non-camping area.

Health Certificate: 30 day CVI is required for out of state ponies 6 month CVI for in state ponies and must be able to be produced upon request. Facility staff may be spot checking.

Food: Food will be provided by Crusty Brothers Food Trailer

Dogs: Dogs must be leashed at all times. Dogs in distress left in car/trailer will be removed at owner's expense.

Vet: On call vet service provided by Centre Equine Practice – 814-234-7415. Owners are responsible for all vet fees.

Farrrier : On call farrrier is Randy Rider 814-574-3196

Accommodations:

Camping on site:

All camping is \$50 per day and includes water, electric and one use of the Dump Station per day. **Dry camping is NOT allowed.** Showers in bathhouse are COIN OPERATED - \$2 (8 quarters for 4 minutes) BRING QUARTERS, NO CHANGE MACHINE.

NOTE - If you are camping, please sign the sheet headed "Camping Rules" provide the requested info and return with your entry. These are the Grange Park's rules.

Hotels nearby:

Super 8 State College 1663 S Atherton St, State College, PA 16801 Phone:(814) 237-8005

Ramada Inn State College 1450 S Atherton St, State College, PA 16801 Phone:(814) 238-3001

Best Western State College 115 Premiere Dr, State College, PA 16801 Phone:(814) 234-8393

Directions to Grange Park:

Address – 169 Homan Lane, Centre Hall, PA

To get custom directions, check Google Maps to generate directions from your home to the Grange Fairgrounds, 169 Homan Lane in Centre Hall, PA. ENTER THROUGH GATE 4 FROM ROUTE 144.

If you have questions, please contact:

Anita Vassallo 301-788-5541 av19651@gmail.com



**Welcome to Centre County Grange Fair Equine Facility
2023 Camping rules and required camping information
Please provide requested information, sign and return with your entry**

1. **Do not park horse trailers, cars or trucks not being used for camping in the camping area.**
2. **If you are camping at all, you must pay the \$50 per day camping fee.**
3. **NO sleeping/camping in the barns. (at the request of the Grange Park)**
4. **It is illegal to dump grey water or black water during your stay. Code enforcement will be checking and can fine you up to \$250 for illegal dumping**
5. **There is a dump station located on the grounds. Go to the intersection near the maintenance building and go straight. It will be immediately on your right. You get one free dump per day.**
6. **RV pumping is available during your stay. You can sign up in the Park office with the Park manager and will be given a pump card for your window. Pumping is \$30.00**
7. **All dogs must be on a leash at all times.**
8. **No one under 16 years of age may operate a golf cart or another motorized vehicle while on the grounds. Golf carts, ATV's, scooters etc. may not be used outside of the equine area.**

I have read these rules and agree to abide by these policies. I understand that violation of these rules may result in a \$25 fine and/or a request to leave the camping area.

Print Name: _____

Signature: _____ **Date:** _____

Information below is required by the Grange Park if Camping

Trailer/RV Owner's Name

Trailer/RV Owner's License # and State of Issuance

Trailer/RV Owner's Phone Number

Trailer/RV License Plate #

Trailer/RV Make and Model

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ENTRY

Early Bird Date: September 22, 2023
 Closing Date September 29, 2023



All information is required – fill in all blanks – use n/a if necessary. Both ENTRY AND RELEASE must be completed with all membership information, fees and signatures. **PLEASE PRINT INFORMATION PLAINLY**

Event: Mid-Atlantic 6 Event Date: October 7-8, 2023

Rider Name: _____ Birth date: _____

Address: _____

City: _____ State: _____ Zip: _____

Phone #: _____ Email Address: _____

Pony Name: _____ Current MGAA Member? _____

| Team Name & Team Members: | | Fees |
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| 1. Division: | | \$ |
| 2. Stalls | # of Stalls: _____ Weekend fee - \$60 Arriving Thursday and stabling all day Friday - \$90 | \$ |
| 3. Camping | # of campsites : _____ @ \$50 per night per site Check nights that hookups/tent sites are needed. THURS___/FRI ___ / SAT ___ / SUNDAY: _____ | \$ |
| | Total Fees | \$ |

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RELEASE

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Please return this form with your entry.

The Undersigned acknowledges the inherent risk involved in riding and working around horses, which risks include bodily injury from using, riding or being in close proximity to horses among other risks, and further that both horse and rider can be injured in normal use or in competition and schooling.

In Consideration for the privilege of riding and working around horses at 2023 Mid Atlantic 6 the Undersigned does hereby agree to hold harmless and indemnify MGAA (Mounted Games Across America), its board, officers, organizers, and all other MGAA Parties, Grange Fairgrounds, its officers, sponsors and members, and further release them from any liability or responsibility for accident, damage, injury or illness to the Undersigned or any horse owned by me or to any family member or spectator accompanying the Undersigned on the premises of the Grange Fairgrounds.

I fully understand that horseback riding and the playing of Mounted Games is a very dangerous activity with many inherent risks including (i) The propensity of an equine to behave in dangerous ways which may result in injury to the rider, trainer, groom or handler, (ii) The inability to predict an equine's reaction to sound, movements, objects, persons or animals. I wish to participate in these activities knowing they are dangerous. I accept and assume all the risks of injury (including death) to me or my property.

In exchange for being permitted to participate in these activities for myself, my heirs, guardian(s), and legal representatives, I release and agree not to make or bring any claim of any kind against MGAA (Mounted Games Across America), its board, officers, organizers, and all other MGAA Parties, Grange Fairgrounds, or its masters, officers, directors, members, employees, or guests or any landowners, landholders or the persons making property available for the 2023 Mid Atlantic 6, for injury (including death), to me or any damage to my property whether from anyone's negligence or not, or any other cause, arising out of my participation in these dangerous horseback riding or related activities; and I also agree if anyone makes any claims because of any injury to me (including death), or for any damage to my property, I will keep all those released by this agreement free of any damages or costs because of those claims. My signature hereby indicates my agreement.

The undersigned competitor agrees to abide by Mounted Games Across America (MGAA) rules, applicable International Mounted Games Association (IMGA) rules and their associated Codes of Conduct, along with the rules of any affiliated association of MGAA.

Rider Signature **REQUIRED**: _____

Date: _____

Parent Signature: _____

Date: _____

(In addition to rider signature if rider is under 21 years of age)

Completed Entry Packet or Cognito Entry must contain:

- _____ Mid Atlantic 6 Entry
- _____ Mid Atlantic 6 Competition Release - **signed by rider** and parent if under 21.
- _____ Current negative Pony Coggins (issued after 10/8/2022) uploaded to Coggins file (**do not mail**)
- _____ MGAA Medical Release (Required, if rider is a minor, available on Mounted Games Across America website: <http://www.mountedgames.org>)
- _____ Camping Rules signed (if camping)
- _____ Entry Fees

Complete Cognito Entry form (preferred) or Mail entry packet to the address below by the Closing Date of September 29, 2023 <https://www.cognitofirms.com/MGAA1/MidAtlantic6>

Anita Vassallo, 19651 Roxbury Rd, Boonsboro, MD 21713

Cell: 301-788-5541 email: av19651@gmail.com

GREEN PONY AT MID ATLANTIC 6

MGAA GR17.1.6 Green Pony: This Division is for the training of ponies that are new to Mounted Games competition: i.e., green to games. Riders in this Division must be capable, experienced Riders at the Intermediate, Open or Over 25 level. This is an unscored Division.

The MA 6 Organizers are aware that there is an interest in having green ponies compete at the MAs.

Due to tight scheduling, we cannot host a separate green division,

However, we will take riders/teams on a first come, first served basis to run along with the Novice, Intermediate and/or O25 division IF THERE IS ROOM.

So the availability of room for green riders/teams depends on the number of Novice, Intermediate and/or O25 team entries.

First come means all paperwork and fees in the organizers hands.

The green teams will play HC, and the entry fee will be \$25 per pony, no early bird discount or late fee.

Please fill out a separate entry form for your green pony, and if you are paying by check, to make refunds easier if the green teams do not go due to full Novice, Intermediate or O25 divisions, **please pay for this division separately.**

If you have any questions, please contact me.

Anita 301-788-5541