

# MGAA International Rider Application

## Wales 2015

MGAA is proud to offer the exciting opportunity for members to travel and compete in the Welsh Championships August 22/23, 2015. The proposed trip is for an under 17 team and will be for roughly 10 days, leaving approximately August 18th and returning August 28th.

Applicants should return this application with a \$100 deposit to the MGAA International Committee. Applications must be received by May 8th. Late applications will not be accepted. The MGAA Board of Governors will review each application and be selecting the team. If you are selected for a team your deposit will be put toward your trip. If you are not selected your deposit will be returned in full.

Each rider selected for the team will be required to deposit \$1200 into the team account via MGAA. This will cover pony, travel, team food, accommodations, and all other team expenses. Each rider will also need to pay for their flight, plus 1/5<sup>th</sup> of both the manager and chaperone's flights. Any funds left in the account upon return will be distributed back to the riders.

Although parents and supporters are welcome to travel and spectate, they will not be touring or traveling with the team and must make their own arrangements. The team will be traveling and billeting together with a team manager/trainer and a chaperone.

### **Applicant requirements:**

- Be a member in good standing for two years or longer
- Be confident and comfortable riding a variety of ponies.
- Be comfortable vaulting onto different size ponies.
- Be an experienced and skilled games player that has been actively participating in MGAA.
- Have strong horse management knowledge and experience. Taking exceptional care of all ponies is a primary necessity.
- Be mature and independent.
- Be financially responsible and prepared to fund their portion of the trip including flight, team expenses, and spending money.
- Be an outstanding representative of MGAA.
- Be able to work as a team with different riders and accept coaching.
- Applicants will need a current passport.
- Applicants need to be 16 years of age or younger as of January 1, 2015

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Applicant Name: \_\_\_\_\_

DOB: \_\_\_\_\_ Age as of January 1, 2015 \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

Phone Number: \_\_\_\_\_ Email: \_\_\_\_\_

Have you been an MGAA member in good standing for two years or longer? \_\_\_\_\_

Please list a guardian and their phone & email address: \_\_\_\_\_

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**MGAA would like this to be the ideal experience for you, and would like to try and match riders up with their favorite travel companions as much as possible. Unfortunately this may not be possible in every situation. Who are your preferred teammates?**

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**While meeting new people, and getting to know other MGAA members is an amazing opportunity, we recognize that some riders may not be comfortable traveling without their preferred companions for support. Are you still interested in taking part if your preferred team is not possible?**

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**Please answer the following questions:**

1. Please list the MGAA competitions, both large and small, that you have ridden in since January 2013.
  
  
  
  
  
  
  
  
  
  
2. How have you given back to MGAA? Please list offices you have held or run for, committees you have sat on, clinics you have given, expos where you have volunteered to help promote MGAA, and competitions you have helped to run.

3. Please list competitions where you have volunteered as a judge, organizer or other official.
  
4. Please describe the care you feel is appropriate for a games pony that would be under your care while traveling.
  
5. Please list two references from a non family member who can attest to your suitability to form part of a traveling team.
  
6. Please describe any international games experience you have had in the past.
  
7. What makes you an exceptional candidate?
  
8. In reviewing the application requirements, which requirement concerns you the most and why?

Applicant signature: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_

Parent or guardian Signature: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_

***Applications should be mailed with a \$100 deposit made payable to MGAA to:  
Krista Wilson Muldoon  
7192 Trissels Rd  
Broadway, VA 22815***

*Applications must be received by May 8<sup>th</sup>. Applicants can be turned in to Krista in person at Mid-Atlantic #1.*

Please contact Krista with any questions at [krista4902@gmail.com](mailto:krista4902@gmail.com) 540-226-4902