



MGAA Virginia Horse Festival

INTRO to Mounted Games Clinic

March 24, 2018

About Mounted Games: *Mounted games is a team sport, with riders and ponies working together to complete relay style races, with head to head competition. A competition will consist of a number of different races run in succession. Teams race, from the drop of a flag, in a lane, through an obstacle, often passing off a flag or baton to symbolize the next riders turn, to complete the race. Each team is awarded points for the order of finish in each race. At the end of the session the points for all races are added up to determine final placement. Riders may be required to pick things up off the top of barrels, drop things into buckets, lean, reach, or hold the reins in one hand. Cheering, high fives and friendship is encouraged!*

The Clinic

This clinic will follow the MGAA rider demo at the Virginia Horse Festival on Saturday March 24, 2018. No mounted games background is necessary. Riders able to navigate their horses unassisted of any age, children and adults, are welcome to take part.

Clinic participants will learn the basic layout and design of mounted games as well as basic skills needed to take part in the sport. During the clinic riders will learn to play several games that will be performed during the demo. Unmounted clinicians will be available to give one on one assistance throughout the session.

Generally most upper level competitors, as will be seen in the demo, usually compete on medium and large ponies, in English saddles. But clinic participants are invited on any type of horse or pony, with any type of riding background, and in any style tack they are most comfortable in. All riders should be mounted though. Horses on lead would not be appropriate for this event.

This is a fun clinic. You can take it as something fun to challenge your self and your horse with the one time, maybe its something you take home and mix into your training routine to mix things up, or maybe its something you decide to jump into with both feet.

Clinic Participation Form

Name: _____ Age: _____ DOB: _____

Email: _____ Phone: _____

Address: _____

Horse: _____ Riding Background: _____

Clinic Fee: \$20

payable via paypal to MGAAinfo@mountedgames.org

Email: this form to: Matt Brown at becks535i@gmail.com

Riders are accepted on a first come first serve basis. So please be sure to sign up early.

RIDER RELEASE

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 the MGAA Clinic at the Virginia Horse festival, the undersigned does hereby agree to hold harmless and indemnify the Mounted Games Across America organization, MGAA organizers, riders, members and clinicians, Virginia Horse Festival, Meadow Event Park, its officers, sponsors, agents, employees and members and further release them from any liability or responsibility for accident, damage, injury or illness to Undersigned or any horse owned by me or to any family member or spectator accompanying the Undersigned on the premises of the Meadow Event Park.

I fully understand that riding and the playing of mounted games are very dangerous activities. I fully understand that riding 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, and legal representatives, I release and agree not to make or bring any claim of any kind against the Mounted Games Across America organization, MGAA organizers, riders, members and clinicians, Virginia Horse Festival, Meadow Event Park, its officers, directors, members, employees, or guests or any landowners, landholders or the persons making property available for the MGAA Clinic, 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 MGAA rules and Code of Conduct (GR 17.1), along with rules of any affiliated association of MGAA.

_____ Date _____ Date _____
Original Signature of rider and Original Signature of Parent(s) or Legal Guardian (if rider is under 18yo)