



# Virtual Equine Symposium and Convention hos

## 2021 Virtual Equine Symposium and Convention

Saturday, Jan 23

12:00 PM - 05:00 PM

### USPC Research Project Fair

Show Us What You Know

Building the Basics - D Level

Exhibiting Excellence - National Certifications

Increasing Independence - C Level

Do you wonder why horses behave a certain way? Curious about how different approaches to horse care affect your horse's health or performance? Questions about why certain horse management practices are preferred over others? Interested in developing a strategy to learn more about your horse? If you answered "YES!" to any of these questions, then the Pony Club Research Project Fair is for YOU! Complete your entry using this form and the deadline for submitting your entry is January 15, 2021. Judging will be on Saturday, January 23, time TBD. Winners will be announced during the Meeting of the Corporation ...

Wednesday, Jan 27

### Greetings and Salutations

Building the Basics - D Level

Connecting Communities - Leadership

Exhibiting Excellence - National Certifications

Increasing Independence - C Level

Minding the Money - Treasurers

Welcome to a new era of Pony Club. More accessible than ever, the USPC Equine Symposium and Convention is now virtual. Join us for this welcome session to hear about the platform, sessions, and how to make your experience the best possible!

Wednesday, Jan 27

07:00 PM - 08:00 PM

### Pony Paddock Welcome

Building the Basics - D Level

Lisa Reader

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## Ask the Chief - Preparing For Rally

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**Clare Burkhart**

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## Where Are We Now? Discussion for Local and Region Leaders

Regional Administration

Connecting Communities - Leadership

**Lorelei Coplen**

Vice President of Regional Administration, United States Pony Clubs

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## Lessons from Leaders - Roundtable Discussions

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Thursday, Jan 28

06:30 PM - 09:30 PM

## National Youth Congress

Exhibiting Excellence - National Certifications

**Devyn Hinkle**

**McKenzie Kielman**

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## Ask the National Examiner - How to Best Prepare for National Certifications

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**Asia Thayer**

**Erin Boddaert**

Join Erin Boddaert and Asia Thayer, USPC National Examiners for a relaxed Q & A session. Questions about the online application process? Get your answers here. Need clarification about the retest process? Erin and Asia can't wait to help.

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## Pony Paddock - Engaging Online

Building the Basics - D Level

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**Lisa Reader**

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08:00 PM - 10:00 PM

## Meeting of the Corporation

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### Ben Duke

President, United States Pony Clubs

### Teresa Woods

Executive Director, United States Pony Clubs

Annually USPC celebrates and honors USPC members, leaders, and the organization during the Equine Symposium and Convention. This year's celebration includes updates from Ben Duke, USPC President, Teresa Woods, USPC Executive Director, recognition of this year's USPC Founders, winners of the Research Project Fair, and much much more.

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09:30 AM - 10:30 AM

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CHMJ, Eastern PA HMO

Join Clare Burkhart and chief horse management judges (CHMJ), for a relaxed Q & A session about training Assistant Horse Management Judges. Questions about what to look for when checking the Required Equipment List? Get your answers here. What to look for in feed and cleaning equipment? Clare and friends can't wait to help.

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## What Do Rallies Look Like During COVID?

Guidance for Now and the Future

Connecting Communities - Leadership

**Erin Woodall**

Activities & Events Director, United States Pony Clubs

**Sue Beth Bunn**

Vice-President of Activities, United States Pony Clubs

The foundation of USPC begins at the local and regional level but the thought of putting together a rally during a pandemic can be overwhelming. Sue Beth and Erin will share the options and resources available.

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## Ask the Accountant - Finding the Answers

Minding the Money - Treasurers

Pony Club Chats - Off the Cuff Q & A

### Karen Clark

Finance and Administration Director, United States Pony Clubs

Join Karen Clark the USPC Finance Director, for a relaxed Q & A session. Follow-up questions to her on-demand sessions? Here's the place to get them answered.

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## National Youth Summit

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### McKenzie Kielman

All youth members across the country are invited to the third annual NATIONAL YOUTH SUMMIT! Join members of the National Youth Congress, National Youth Board and others for this live interactive session to connect and network. Let's discuss what we love, how we can get better and why we continue to be #PonyClubProud!

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## Pony Paddock - The Final Countdown

Building the Basics - D Level

### Lisa Reader

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## Instruction Success Stories, What's New, and Answers to Common Certification Questions

Connecting Communities - Leadership

### Connie Jehlik

Instruction Director, United States Pony Clubs

Pony Club education has continued even though we are in a pandemic. Leaders across the country have been creative and resourceful. What is new for instruction at all levels to help membership and leaders plus all the new educational documents and videos available to help reach those certification goals. Nancy Grout, Vice President of Instruction and Connie will answer questions at the end of the presentation.

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## Bits and Bytes

Finding That One Thing on the USPC Website

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### Alyssa Sands

Systems Administrator, United States Pony Clubs

Got questions about website navigation? Looking to find that one thing on the USPC website? Lost in rulebooks section? Join Alyssa in an interactive, Q & A-style presentation of general navigation on the Pony Club website. From updating your personal information to finding a certification study guide, and everything in between, this live session will be mostly participant-driven. Come join the fun, bring your questions, and learn some new tricks for finding all the things on the website!

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## Farewell and Goodnight

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