

TRYON INTERNATIONAL EQUESTRIAN CENTER
2017 FIELD HUNTER CHAMPIONSHIPS
AND FESTIVAL OF THE HUNT

November 17-18, 2017

OUTLINE

- I. Qualified riders and horses will compete on Friday, November 17 in the semi-finals on the Derby field at TIEC. Courses will be set for Amateurs and Professionals with Under Saddle rounds for Hill – toppers.
- II. Courses to include natural rails and standards, as well as cross-country obstacles, including the ditch, bank, and tasks such as opening/closing a gate.
- III. 12 finalists will be chosen per division to compete in finals on Saturday, November 18.
- IV. Saturday show will begin with a parade of hounds around the Derby field.
- V. Appointments class to follow the hounds presentation.
- VI. Amateur division to run first on mock hunt following Field Master and Huntsman – top eight chosen for individual round
- VII. Professional division to run second on second mock hunt (different course) following Field Master and Huntsman – top eight chosen for individual round
- VIII. Under saddle top 12 to follow Hill-top field master on a course with finals and ribbons awarded for top 8.
- IX. Amateur and Professional divisions will have individual rounds to determine final placings for both (First through Eighth).
- X. First through Third placings to received purse award, as well as prizes, with donation made to First placing winners' hunt clubs, as well as a donation to the MFHA Foundation (501c3).
- XI. Celebrity judges: Lucinda Green (British Olympian and European Eventing champion), and Tony Leahy – President of MFHA.

- XII. The Masters of Foxhounds Association of North America is promoting regional field hunter trials throughout North America.
- XIII. Placings First through Third in divisions of Amateur, Professional and Hill-topper in all North American Field Hunter Trials will be qualified to attend the 2017 TIEC championships.
- XIV. Given number of scheduled hunter trials (including one for Carolina Foothills – September 23-24), championship competitor numbers may need to be limited (60-75).
- XV. Marketing: MFHA will promote through their website and on-line “Covertside” magazine. TIEC website and newsletters.
- XVI. Entry form posted online and is available on Tryon Hounds and Green Creek Hounds websites, as well as Organizer’s: CRF Equestrian – NC. (This website will be up and running by Aug. 20)
- XVII. Accommodations and Stabling to be handled by TIEC.
- XVIII. Entries to be managed by Organizer.
- XIX. Entertainment – Thursday evening welcome reception.
- XX. Friday evening – competitors on their own.
- XXI. Saturday – Festival of the Hunt celebration party – Legends Club