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Festival
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Horse

An International 3-Day Event Celebrating Kids
Provisional Schedule

Wednesday, April 18th

10:30 Competitor Briefing
3:00 Horse Inspection
6:00 Competitors' Softball and Pizza Party

Thursday, April 19th

8:00-5:00 CCI**/* Dressage Competition
Dressage, often likened to figure skating on horseback is the first phase of the 3-Day event competition. It is a beautiful and graceful skill test where subtle communication between horse and rider is integral.

Friday, April 20th

8:00-5:00 CCI**/* Dressage Competition
5:30 Ocala Runners' Club People Chase 3-Mile Obstacle Race
6:00 Post Run Party
This is a 3-mile obstacle run organized by the ORC with proceeds benefiting the Florida Horse Park and Kids Central, Inc. Runners will run a 3-mile course very similar to the cross country course that horses and riders jump in the cross country portion of the 3-Day Event. It will be an afternoon of great fun, everyone is encouraged to participate. ORC is promoting the event to the runners in the southeast. This is the first year this event will be run and we plan for 300 participants.



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Saturday- April 21st

8:00-4:00

CCI**/*Cross Country Competition

Cross country is the second phase of the international 3-Day Event. Horse and Rider gallop over a course of approximately 3 miles and jump huge obstacles, speed down steep banks, over dunes and through water. Many believe it is the most exciting phase of the 3-Day competition and requires tremendous athletic ability and courage from both horse and rider.

11:00-3:00

Kids Central Field of Dreams

Enjoy a kids activities area that will have numerous games and activities for children. \$10/child

10:30-3:30

Tailgating at the Polo Field

Bring your friends and your best tailgating food and drinks to watch a day of polo. \$250/space includes an exclusive field side parking space for you and your friends to enjoy the day.

11:00-11:45

First Polo Match (3 chukkers)

12:00-12:30

Kids Polo Exhibition

12:45-2:45

Main Polo Event (6 chukkers)

11:30-1:30

“Day at the Park” to benefit Kids Central and the Florida

Horse Park will be a lovely event, catered by Woodlea Garden; the entire event will be themed in pink and mint green. There will be a silent auction, special polo drinks, hat contests, etc...\$150/ticket \$1500/table

6:00

Competitor and Volunteer Party

All day

Jack Russell Races (tentative), Vendor Village-food & shopping



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Sunday- April 23rd

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| 8:00 | CCI**/* 3 rd Horse Inspection Competitors jog with their horses down the jog strip. Vets evaluate the horses to make sure that they move onto the show jumping phase in good health. |
| 10:00 | CCI**/* Fashion Police Award Presented by Dr. Stacie Kent Dr. Stacie Kent awards the competitor who dresses the most outrageously for the horse inspection. |
| 10:30-4:00 | CCI**/* Show Jumping Show Jumping is the final phase of the three day event and will take place in the Ocala Breeders' Sales Arena |
| 11:30 | Multi-Breed Demonstration This will take place in the Live Oak Arena and will feature the Sheriff's Mounted Division as well as many horse breeds. |
| 11:30-1:00 | Lunch for Horse Park Sponsors in the Equine Medical Center Tent sponsored by Martin Collins Surfaces and Footing |
| All day | Vendor Village-food & shopping Presentation of awards by Sponsors |



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