

# HUNTER EQUITATION BOOT CAMP

@ **University of  
CONNECTICUT, Storrs**

**Clinic** For 6-12th graders who  
want to ride in college, and parents

**April 18 and/or 19, 2026**  
**Two unique clinics— you**  
**can do one or both!**



UCONN is one of the ORIGINAL IHSA college  
equestrian teams, and 1972 National Champions!

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**Clinician: Jim Arrigon**, USEF Hunter and Equitation judge, ETS Founder and Director. Beckett Run Riding LLC, North Carolina; He coached at **41 National Team Championships** (28 IHSA, 10 IEA, and 3 NCAA), is credited with more than **30 National Champion blue ribbons and 19 IHSA Regional Champion Teams** with Murray State University, Miami University of Ohio, Ohio State, and Liberty University. His Beckett Run team was **2009 IEA National Champs**, the first "barn" team to beat the prep schools. He is the only person to coach **National Champion teams in NCAA, IHSA, and IEA**, and was also team captain of two-time IHSA National Champion team in college. More recently, coached Liberty University to Regional Champion Team and **Holiday Tournament Champion team in 2017**, and Ohio University to 4<sup>th</sup> Place at 2019 Tournament Series. His Miami University team was **Top 6 at IHSA Nationals 11 times in a 15 year stretch**, won **3 Tournament of Champions and Series Champion**, and won **NCAA National Invitational Championship twice**. **IHSA's National Secretary for 25 years**, honored with **IHSA Lifetime Achievement Award** in 2005, and actively judges IHSA and IEA horse shows, including **Regionals and Zones**, as well as regular hunter shows, including having **judged the 2023 National Snaffle Bit Association World Championship, and the 2025 TIP Thoroughbred Nationals**. BS, MS, University of Kentucky. His son was a Team Captain for Miami and coached National Champs of his own at University of Lynchburg and St. Andrews University, and daughter was a Team Captain for Vanderbilt University. His wife was a longtime IEA Director and former Mayor of Gibson, North Carolina, and runs a show management company. Among other shows, she manages the collegiate Tournament of Champions.



**Clinician: Avery Sutton, UCONN Head Coach**, is the Owner and Head Trainer at her Grey Jumper Enterprise, LLC, and began this season as UCONN Equestrian Coach. She grew up in the Hartford area, successfully competing in Hunters, Jumpers, and Equitation, including an 11<sup>th</sup> Place finish in the 2016 National Marshall & Sterling Finals. She has trained and ridden with some of the biggest names in the business, including Kevin Babbington, Don Stewart, Patti Harnois, and Mike Rosser. Avery Graduated University of Vermont in 2023 with a BS in Animal Science and minor in Zoology. While at UVM, she coached the IEA team for The Livery Horse Farm. Avery's teaching philosophy centers on education, empathy, and excellence.



**TWO DIFFERENT CLINICS** for riders 6th-12th grade, each day with a riding clinic and a classroom seminar. Do one or do both! Different seminars each day!

**Saturday: College Selection and Recruiting Clinic** (see more details below) **Cost: \$295**

Ride with top college coaches, be evaluated, get a report card, learn about college selection, recruiting, and scholarships. File a recruiting BIO, get help with college consulting from someone who knows all the programs.

**Sunday: Hunter Equitation Clinic** (see more details below) **Cost: \$225** Ride and learn the keys to good equitation from coaches who have produced collegiate National Champions, PLUS "Judge's Perspective" seminar with USEF judge who judges a lot of college and IEA shows.

Cost Covers: riding lessons, daily seminars, and parents are encouraged to attend all parts of the clinic.

**Clinic enrollment is limited—don't miss out!**

Riders will be divided into lesson groups by Jumping level —  
Riders should be at least IEA Novice level or crossrails.

Contact Jim Arrigon at  
**BeckettRunRiding@gmail.com**  
or 513/839-5607  
to reserve your spot and pay entry fees



**Come by yourself or...**  
**BRING YOUR WHOLE BARN or IEA TEAM !**  
Don't miss out... will FILL up eventually!  
Held at the...  
UCONN Equestrian Center on Horsebarn Hill.



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## TWO DIFFERENT CLINICS IN TWO DAYS —DO ONE OR DO BOTH !

### Saturday, 4/18/26 - College Selection and Recruiting Day

Entry Fee: \$295

8:30 AM—Group A Riding Clinic  
10:00 AM—UCONN Campus Tour  
for Group B and C riders and Parents  
10:00 AM—Group B Riding Clinic

#### 12:00 PM RECRUITING SEMINAR for riders and parents in the Equestrian Center classroom

- Admissions presentation
- College riding associations explained
- Strategies for narrowing your college choices.
- Equestrian as a college interest, as either a major, minor or extracurricular.
- Campus visit strategies
- How to get recruited for college riding.
- Scholarships, and what can you realistically expect from riding scholarship programs?

2:30 PM—UCONN Campus Tour for Group A riders and Parents  
3:00 PM Group C Riding Clinic



For experience levels IEA Novice and higher—to be divided into groups by skill level.

Questions: Contact [jmarrigon@gmail.com](mailto:jmarrigon@gmail.com)

### Sunday, 4/19/26 - Hunter Equitation Boot Camp Day

Entry Fee: \$225

8:30 AM Group A Clinic  
10:00 AM Group B Clinic  
10:00 AM—UCONN Campus Tour  
for Group B and C riders and Parents

#### 12:00 PM “Judge’s Perspective” Seminar For Riders, Coaches, and Parents, by USEF judge who does a LOT of IEA and IHSA In the Equestrian Center Lounge.

- Hunter Equitation Highlites from Judges Perspective
- How does the judge evaluate and place riders?
- How does scoring work?
- Judge’s Pet Peeves

Also... Short Discussion of Recruiting for College Riding

2:00 PM —UCONN Campus Tour for Group A riders and Parents

2:30 PM Group C Clinic

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#### 2022 IHSA NATIONAL CHAMPION TEAM, EMORY & HENRY UNIVERSITY, Virginia

Will Award a \$5000 Riding Program Scholarship to the “Most Outstanding Rider”

At this clinic, as they do for all our events all year. long!



#### The “SCAD TOP RIDER”

At this clinic will earn an invitation to the **2026 ETS MEDAL CHAMPIONSHIP** in January 2027 ,at Tournament of Champions Winter Classic, hosted by the **2024 IHSA NATIONAL CHAMPION SCAD EQUESTRIAN TEAM**

At their beautiful facility in Hardeeville, South Carolina.





## ETS BOOT CAMP—UNIVERSITY OF CONNECTICUT ENTRY PACKET

*This form requires the parental signature of ANY AND ALL students listed. Siblings may be listed on the same form; otherwise, each student should have a separate form.*

ARE YOU SIGNING UP FOR SATURDAY, SUNDAY, OR BOTH? \_\_\_\_\_

IEA TEAM /coach, and/ or BARN NAME / trainers name \_\_\_\_\_

Your Hometown? \_\_\_\_\_

Rider Name

Graduation Year

IEA Division or  
horse show jumping height / division

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### Placement Questions:

1. Have you ever competed at ANY show at 3'3" or higher? \_\_\_\_\_
2. Have you placed in the Top Ten at IEA Nationals in Open Fences or Hi-Point? \_\_\_\_\_
3. Have you ever competed in a USEF show? (do you have USEF show record?) \_\_\_\_\_

RE: only USEF shows:

3. Have you won more than 5 blue ribbons over jumps 3' or higher? \_\_\_\_\_
4. Have you won more than 5 blue ribbons over jumps 3'6" or higher? \_\_\_\_\_
5. Have you won more than 10 blue ribbons in equitation on the flat? \_\_\_\_\_

Parent Name: \_\_\_\_\_

and email address: \_\_\_\_\_

### Liability Release Agreement

All entries understand that under Connecticut Equine Activity Liability Act, Title 52. Civil Actions. Chapter 925, and section 2D of chapter 128 of the General Laws of North Carolina, **an equine professional is not liable for an injury to, or the death of, a participant in equine activities resulting from the inherent risks of equine activities.** A horse owner or sponsor of an equine event may not be held responsible for injuries sustained as a result of equestrian activities. All entries on this list understand that based on their entry in this event they are accepting the risks inherent with equestrian sports of this type.

The participation of my rider in the Equestrian Talent Search constitutes an agreement and affirmation that the institution making it, and each of its riders, coaches, and trainers and all concerned agrees to hold Beckett Run Riding LLC., its officers and employees, University of Connecticut, and their employees, and all other persons, stables, or other entities providing facilities, horses, or equipment for the event harmless for any claim, action, or suit, for injury, property damage, or death sustained during participation in the show or affiliated activities, by the institution or its riders, coach, trainers, or visitors. Participants will operate under the equine liability limitation laws of the states of Connecticut and North Carolina.

Model release: Signature on this form serves as legal permission for ETS to use any photos for promotional use. Entry fee is not refundable. If you have to cancel, you will be offered a one-time transfer to use the entry fee at another clinic.



**WARNING:** Under North Carolina and Connecticut law, an equine activity sponsor or equine professional is not liable for an injury to or the death of a participant in equine activities resulting from the inherent risks of equine activities, which such risks include: (a) the propensity of an equine to behave in ways that may result in injury, death, or loss to persons on or around the equine; (b) The unpredictability of an equine's reaction to sounds, sudden movement, unfamiliar objects, persons, or other animals; (c) Hazards, including, but not limited to, surface or subsurface conditions; (d) A collision with another equine, another animal, a person, or an object; (e) The potential of an equine activity participant to act in a negligent manner that may contribute to injury, death, or loss to the person of the participant or to other persons, including, but not limited to, failing to maintain control over an equine or failing to act within the ability of the participant.

**The following sections apply to ALL riders in ALL States:**

Any participant shall be liable for injury, loss or damage resulting from violations of the duties set forth above. Further, a participant involved in an accident shall not depart from the area or facility where the equestrian activity took place without leaving personal identification, including name and address, without notifying the proper authorities, and without obtaining assistance when that person knows or reasonably should know that any other person involved in the accident is in need of medical or other assistance.

By signing this Waiver the undersigned persons specifically represent that he/she; a) is the actual, proper and authorized persons to sign this form; b) understand and acknowledges that he/she is fully responsible for all damages, injuries, death or claims arising from the inherent risks of horseback riding, horse related riding competitions, being around horses in general and acknowledges that he/she waives any and all claims arising from the inherent risks of the activity and/or the ordinary negligence of the show; c) agree to indemnify (stand in the shoes of), pay and hold harmless the horse show production group from all awards, judgments, costs expenses and attorney fees associated with or arising from any claims or litigation that may arise from or are related to the rider's participation in any events or activity; and d) unconditionally promise not to sue or maintain any legal action against, or attempt to make any recovery from, the horse show production group in any civil litigation, mediation, arbitration or alternative dispute resolution proceedings.

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*Signature of PARENT*

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*PARENT cell phone*

E-mail your entry to : [BeckettRunRiding@gmail.com](mailto:BeckettRunRiding@gmail.com)

Entry fee check may be payable to and mailed to Beckett Run Riding, Box 105, Gibson, NC 28343; Or Venmo to “@Gwen-Arrigon” (digits: 5719 if they ask); OR Zelle to [jimarrigon@gmail.com](mailto:jimarrigon@gmail.com) or 513/839-5607, Credit card can be accepted with 5% service fee. Email card #, expiration date, and billing zip code, then TEXT three-digit security code separately, to 513/839-5607.

**ENTRIES WILL CLOSE UNEXPECTEDLY WHEN FULL - DON'T MISS OUT!**

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*You never know... Jim and CJ with Olympic Gold Medalist David O'Connor, who stopped by the ETS clinic one time to sign autographs and talk with young riders.*

