

Western Clinic with Debby Melvin

Dates: Saturday May 28, 2022

Clinic Fee: \$40 Per Group Session

About Debby Melvin:

Debby is a lifelong horsewoman. She started riding as a 4 year old when her parents bought her first pony. She spent her days riding her pony with the cows in the pasture of her family's dairy farm. This evolved into 10 years of showing 4H. Debby showed primarily in Showmanship, Trail, Barrel Racing, and Pole Bending. After 4H, Debby started work as a machinist once she graduated, which is probably the reason she is so picky about straight lines and round circles! Her 2 daughters followed in her footsteps and started showing 4H, on opposite ends of the spectrum of course. One was strictly Western and the other was strictly English (she now is an Eventer). With Debby having a Western background, she learned as much as she could about the English disciplines right along with her daughter to help both her daughters succeed.

Debby is a multi-carded judge and has been for 22 years (CRHSA, OHSA, 4-H) with experience judging just about everything. From Open shows to lower level Dressage, Debby is a qualified and knowledgeable judge. Debby is a teacher at heart wanting everyone in her show pen to know they were judged on their merits and breed specifications. When she steps into the show pen, she doesn't have a personal preference. She judges according to the rules and breed standards. She also feels that it is her job to let every exhibitor know that she looked at their entry and make them feel good about themselves. She wants everyone in her show pen to leave the ring knowing that they had a chance. With the cost of showing and how much everyone loves their horses, she feels this is important.

Debby lives in Ohio with her 5 horses in the same area as she grew up in. She spends most of her time travelling judging shows and her daughter's shows as an Eventer. Debby enjoys giving private lessons at her farm between her busy judging schedule. Her primary horse love is the American Quarter Horse but prides herself knowing all breeds.

Group Sessions:

Session 1: Halter – How the class works and what judges look for when placing

Session 2: Showmanship – How the class works, what the judge looks for when placing, proper attire, and how to work the pattern

Session 3a: All types of Western Riding -- rail classes (Pleasure, Horsemanship, Ranch)

Session 3b: All types of English Riding – rail classes (Equitation, Hunter under Saddle, Road Hack)

Session 4: Trail, Ranch, and all Pattern classes

Session 5: Gaming classes

Each session will have a scheduled Q&A session at the end for riders and auditors alike to ask questions about the session.

Registration form: *Please use a separate form per horse.*

Name: _____ Email: _____

Address: _____ City _____ State _____ Zip _____

Phone: _____ Horse Name: _____

Circle the session(s) you would like to ride in: Session 1 Session 2

Session 3a Session 3b Session 4 Session 5

Demo Rider

Number of Sessions: Each @ \$40 _____

Day Stall: \$15/EHSC Members \$25/Non-Members _____

Stable with: _____

Total Enclosed: _____ Preferred ride time (approx.) _____

Please make checks payable to Erie Hunt and Club and mail form and payment by May 14th to:

Tina Gross
246 Edge Park Drive
Lake City PA 16423

Questions: Call or text Tina at 814-566-2126
Ride times will posted on Facebook by: May 25th