



## *Foothills Field Hunter Trials*

*December 14, 2024*

*at*

*The Green Creek Hounds kennel course  
including the Carolina Performance Series*

### *PROGRAMS:*

*Junior classes beginning at 9:00 AM*

*Strictly Foxhunters to follow, then Hilltoppers followed by Field Hunters*

*Prizes: all classes ribbons First through Sixth*

*: Perpetual trophy (inscription) for high point Field Hunter with \$500 prize*

*: Perpetual trophy (inscription) for high point Hilltopper with \$500 prize*

*: special prize for Junior with high points*

*: prizes First through Third all adult classes*

*Closing date: December 7, 2024*

### *Tailgate options:*

*Patron: \$225 for front row parking - lunch for two (limited availability)*

*Sponsor: \$175 for premium parking - second row and lunch for two. (limited)*

*Judge: Jeanne Smith*

### *FORMAL ATTIRE*

### *BRAIDING OPTIONAL*

*All entries should be made online. Entries after closing date will be double entry fees.*

*Negative Coggins and releases must accompany entry, available online*

*([greencreekhounds.com](http://greencreekhounds.com))*

*Entry fees: Adult - \$35/class Junior - \$25/class*

*All entries include lunch - courtesy of Green Creek Hounds. Donations accepted*

*JUNIOR CLASSES:*

*Hilltopper Junior: riders follow a field master at walk, trot and slow canter. May walk over a log. Judged on suitability.*

*Junior Field Hunter: riders follow a field master at walk, trot, canter, over fences, reverse field and hold hard. Judged on suitability for first flight Junior.*

*(Junior Field Hunter and Hilltoppers may show at the same time, following a Field Master).*

*Junior Future Fox Hunter: shown in a group at walk, trot, halt. May be asked to reverse field.*

*Junior Under Saddle: (all competitors): shown at walk, trot, canter. Riders may be asked to back up. Judged on suitability as a field hunter.*

*Champion Junior Hunter: First and Second places will follow a field master and judges will pick horse or pony most suitable for hounds and hunting. (No entry fee)*

*Best turned out Junior Award: open to all Juniors showing at least one class.*

**ADULT CLASSES:**

*Strictly Fox Hunters: must be member of recognized or registered hunt and who regularly rides to hounds. Class for riders who DO NOT horse show or compete in Eventing or other equestrian disciplines. Riders in fields (O/F group and Hilltopper group) follow field masters; shown at walk, trot, canter and over a short course of fences (field hunters only) at judges discretion.*

**THIS CLASS PART OF CHALLENGE FOR POINTS AND SEASON END CASH AWARD FOR your HUNT CLUB.**

*Hilltopper (amateurs) - Carolina Performance Hilltopper class*

*Horses/riders must be regularly hunting in the Hilltoppers field. Will follow a field master at walk, trot, and canter. A small log to be stepped over may be included. Reverse of field, hold hard, other tasks at judges discretion.*

*Hilltoppers Hack: Group shown at walk, trot, canter. May be asked to hold hard, and back.*

*Hilltopper Handy Hunter: pairs of riders to be asked to change position as they navigate a course per judge; may have dismount/remount, navigating a small log. Horses must show being able to lead as well as follow.*

*Champion Hilltopper: course per judge discretion. Champion awarded to horse/rider with high points from Hilltoppers classes in total plus suitability for Hilltopping (No entry fee)*

*Best turned out Hilltopper: (must have competed in at least one class)*

**HILLTOPPER HORSES AND FIELD HUNTER HORSES MAY NOT BE CROSS ENTERED.**

**FIELD HUNTER COURSES:**

*Pairs Hack: riders (pro and amateur) shown at walk, trot, canter. May be asked to back up and hold hard.*

*Ladies Hunter Over Fences (amateur): may be ridden in pairs. Course over fences.*

*Gentlemans Hunter Over Fences (amateur): may be combined with ladies depending on entries.*

*Hunt pairs over fences: course will have several fences taken abreast. Must be Experienced or schooled together to enter this class.*

*Handy Field Hunter: course of fences with handy tests; trotting a fence, mount/dismount, lead over a fence, backing up. Emphasis on manners and promptness.*

*Hunt teams: groups of 3 riders over course of fences and change of direction judged on manners, spacing, pace and appearance and safety.*

*Hunters over Fences: pros/amateurs - Carolina Performance Field Hunter class*

*Fences up to 3 ft., may include other fox hunting tasks. Judges discretion.*

*Fox Hunter Hack: (group) judged on way of going, appearance, manners, judges discretion.*

*Champion Field Hunter: Based on placings in all field hunter classes and final round will follow a field master over a course, judges discretion. (No entry fee)*

*Best turned out Field Hunter: (competing in at least one class)*