



ISLAND HUNT PONY CAMP SUMMER 2011 MONDAY 5TH JULY - FRIDAY 9TH JULY

Camp starts each day at **9.30**, but you need to be there earlier to feed your pony, muck him out and get him groomed and ready to ride.

Camp finishes each day at **4.30pm** but arrange to be collected by 5pm to give you a chance to feed/ water and settle your pony for the night.

There is a break in the middle of the day from approx 1pm-2pm for lunch. You will be provided with a drink and light snack mid morning.

Cost of camp is 130 euro including stabling. A refundable deposit of 10 euro will be requested from each member. This deposit will be refunded on the last day if your stable has been mucked out satisfactorily.

List of items to bring to camp

Your horse / pony



- The tack your pony uses together with numnah / saddle pad.
- Head collar and lead rope.
- Grooming kit to include brushes, curry comb, mane comb, plaiting bands, hoof pick, sponges. Cloths to use as stable rubbers.
- Tack cleaning kit to include saddle soap, cloths and sponges.
- Feed bucket, large water bucket (one that isn't easily knocked over), bucket for washing.
- Fly repellent
- Feed and hay for pony.

Please make sure that all ponies are well shod, (if appropriate), are wormed and have their vaccinations up to date. (see information on vaccinations on website).



Yoursel

- Crash helmets specified on IPC tack sheet. Hats / Skull caps to PAS 015 or BS EN 1384 are allowed. Chin strap must be fastened at all times when mounted.
- Back protector level 3 or above essential for mounted activity.
- Jodpurs (cream or white) for tests and competition. Coloured jodpurs may be worn during the week.
- Jacket, shirt, tie and badge for tests and competitions. Under 12s may wear sweatshirt with shirt and tie for test day.
- While it is not necessary to wear the club sweatshirt / cross country shirt each day, members are reminded that hoodies and suntops are not permitted whilst riding. Please make an effort to be neat and tidy.
- Boots with heel must be worn.
- Gloves for dressage.
- Change of clothes / raingear in case of bad weather.

This list is meant as a guideline only.

Code of conduct for children at camp

1. To ensure your safety at camp please follow your instructors directions and any other designated helpers present.
2. Remember we are very lucky to have such great facilities for camp so please don't leave any rubbish around or wander into places that are off limits.
3. Strictly no smoking at camp. Anyone found smoking will be asked to leave camp without further notice.
4. Please be aware that we have a lot of new members this year who may not know anybody. Try to make an effort to include them in

- your group at break time.
5. Bullying of any kind will not be tolerated.

Parent/guardian guidelines

1. Please make sure your children arrive on time each day and are picked up no later than 5pm.
2. Parents are requested not to interfere in lessons in any way. If a parent has a complaint / concern it should be addressed directly to the DC or appointed committee member and will be dealt with promptly.
3. Parents are encouraged to allow their children to look after their own ponies and stables during camp (with the exception of smaller children). This is to encourage independence and self-motivation in the children. The instructors in each group will be available to help any child who is having difficulty with a particular task.
4. Keep children who are not riding under close supervision at all times for their safety and the safety of others.
5. There will be a notice board located in the club house which will be updated each day. Please check this daily.

HELP NEEDED EACH DAY

The Island Hunt Branch is run completely by volunteers. As you will appreciate we are unable to run a large event such as a pony camp without the help of parents. We would therefore ask each family to help out for a half day during camp if at all possible. **Please text and let us know what day and time you are available to help. We will post the timetable of jobs for the week and the allocated helper on the notice board in the club house. MANY THANKS**

Tests during camp

C test will take place after camp on Monday 12th July.

This year the Irish Pony Club have changed recommended ages for

taking tests to compulsory minimum age in the year of the test

D test minimum age is 8 years

D+ minimum age is 10 years

C test minimum age is 12 years

C+ minimum is 14 years

B test is 16 years

H test is 17 years

Older members who have not previously completed any pony club tests (ie over 12 years) may sit D, D+ and C test in the same year - if on the advice of the instructor they are deemed ready to do so.

For full information on pony club tests see Irish Pony Club website - tests pages.