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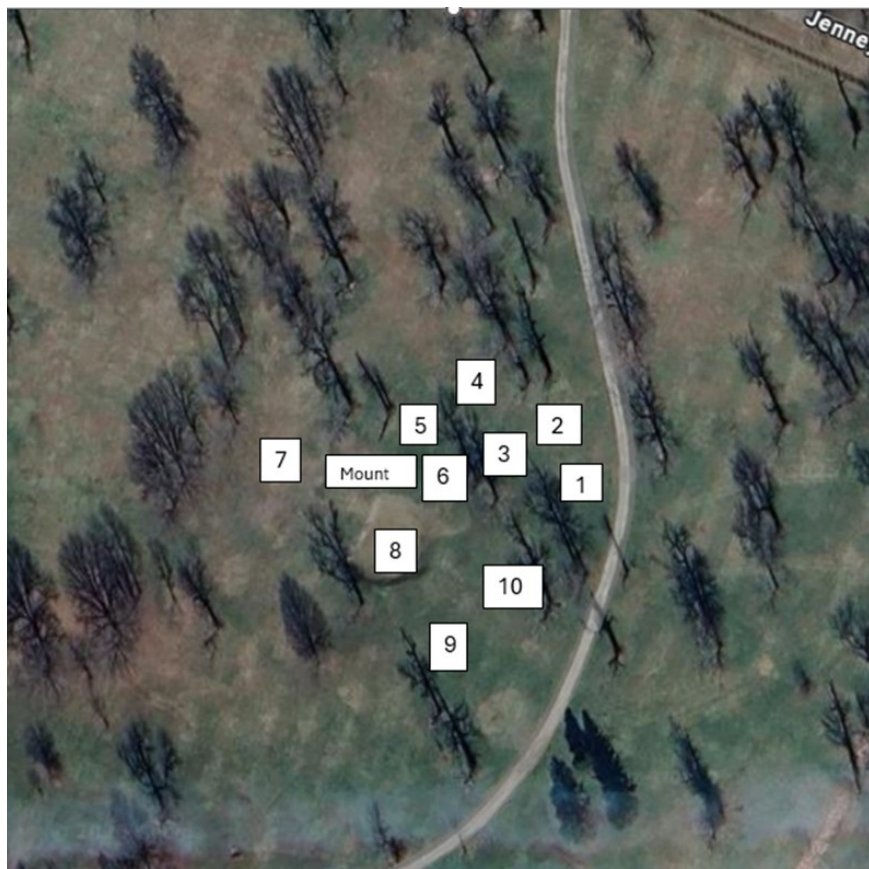
OCT. 8-11 | THE KENTUCKY HORSE PARK

Competitive Trail

Preliminary Competition

Kentucky-Themed Course Design by Chris Peplitsch

Maximum Course Time: 10 Minutes | Tie breakers (in order): #1, #8, #9



Obstacle #1 – Sidepass *Post It Notes*

Time starts once you pass the start marker. Sidepass the entire length of the ground pole. Start on the right side of the ground pole with the front feet straddled over the ground pole.

Obstacle #2 – Teeter Bridge *Fort Knox*

Ride horse over first caveletti, over teeter bridge, and over last caveletti.

Obstacle #3 – Rope Gate *KFC*

Open gate, pass through, and close gate using one hand and without dropping the rope.

Obstacle #4 – Trot with Flag *Corvette*

Pickup flag and trot a circle to the left around the obstacle.

Obstacle #5 – Pick Up, Drop Off *University of Kentucky*

Pickup cornhole bag from basket, ride to basketball hoop, stopping at “free throw line.” Pitch cornhole bag through hoop.

Midway Point (No obstacle score) – *Dismount and mount for individual and team riders. Dismount your horse at the first marker. Walk your horse to the second marker to mount. First team rider will hand off horse to the next team rider at the second marker. Team members will not assist each other with the dismount or the mount. All riders can use the mounting block or mount from the ground. The clock will continue and although there is no obstacle score here, the midway point is considered in impression scores.*

Obstacle #6 – Drag Item *Kentucky Coal Miners*

Pickup rope and pull coal car to the end of the tracks. Set rope on hook near exit.

Obstacle #7 – Canter *Kentucky Derby*

Enter and exit at the same place. Lope/canter to the left around the outside of the quarter poles. Departure to a lope/canter should be immediate and on the correct lead.

Obstacle #8 – Water Crossing *Lake Cumberland*

Enter the water at the designated entrance. Cross through the water exiting through the markers.

Obstacle #9 – Backing *Bourbon*

Back through the ground poles.

Obstacle #10 – Keyhole *Muhammad Ali*

Obstacle #1 – Post-it Notes may not have been created in Kentucky, but they have been made in Cynthiana, about 30 miles northeast of Lexington, for the past 40 years.

Obstacle #2 – Fort Knox was home to the U.S. Army Armor Center and School and was used by both the Army and the Marine Corps to train crews on American tanks for about 60 years. Adjacent to the Army post is the United States Bullion Depository which houses over half the total gold held by the federal government.

Obstacle #3 – In 1930 Harland Sanders—the Colonel—began serving his secret recipe fried chicken in Corbin, KY. The KFC bucket was introduced 27 years later. Today, there are over 30,000 KFC restaurants in 150 countries.

Obstacle #4 – Bowling Green Assembly automotive plant located in Bowling Green, Kentucky is a specialized plant that has assembled the Chevrolet Corvette sports car since its opening in 1981. This General Motors plant employs about 1,100 people and has produced over 1.1 million Corvettes.

Obstacle #5 – The University of Kentucky was founded in 1865. Today it has sixteen colleges and a graduate school and is a top 20 public research institution. The UK Wildcats have numerous national championships in many men's and women's sports but most notably, men's basketball.

Obstacle #6 – The first commercial coal mines in Muhlenberg County, Kentucky opened in 1820. Over 8 billion tons of coal have been extracted from Kentucky coal mines. Coal fired power plants have kept Kentucky's electric rates lower than national averages helping attract industries and manufacturing that have high energy demands providing jobs for thousands of people throughout the Commonwealth.

Obstacle #7 – The Run for the Roses has been taking place on the first Saturday in May since 1875 at the iconic twin spires racecourse, Churchill Downs, in Louisville, KY. It is by all accounts one of the most famous and prestigious thoroughbred races in the world. Triple Crown Champion, Secretariat still holds the fastest time for the 1-1/4 mile race set in 1973 at 1:59:4, reinforcing that the KY Derby is the most exciting 2-minutes in sports.

Obstacle #8 – Lake Cumberland's shoreline is 1,255 miles covering 65,530 acres. The Cumberland Lake is a reservoir that began construction of the dam in 1939. The lake and dam were built to control flooding and to produce hydroelectric power. The lake has also become a major source of tourism for the five counties that border it in Southern Kentucky. Over one million people and 1,500 houseboats float on Lake Cumberland annually.

Obstacle #9 – All bourbon is whisky, but not all whiskey is bourbon. All bourbon produced in the U.S. must be made from at least 51% corn, whereas whiskey can be made from any grain. Bourbon must also be stored in new charred oak barrels while it ages. 95% of U.S. bourbon is made in Kentucky. The population of Kentucky is about 4.3 million persons, while there are just under three barrels per person aging in KY bourbon warehouses at any given time. The official drink of the KY Derby, the Mint Julep, is made with bourbon.

Obstacle #10 – Muhammad Ali, born in Louisville, KY was a heavyweight boxing champion. In addition to some of the most unforgettable title boxing matches, he was known as an activist, a spoken word artist, philanthropist, and author.