

**RIO GRANDE REGION | Leadership Zoom Call | February 13-2024**



## RGR Communication

## New RGR Website

- Remember to check the New Rio Grande Website | [www.RGRTX.com](http://www.RGRTX.com)
- All updates will be posted on this site. It is being updated daily.
- Upcoming events and registration links are posted on this site.
  - This includes tbd events that we are still trying to finalize.
- Helpful links have been added for all aspects of competing, volunteering and education. Hopefully, this will make it easier for our members and sponsors to find the information easier.
- All correspondence sent out to region members is archived on the RGR website.

**RGR Facebook**

- Vice RS, Stephanie Hanover, will be posting updates to the RGR Facebook page on occasion. However, members should use the RGR website to view the latest information from the region

## Pending New RGR Communication Sources

- Communication Apps Requested by RGR members (last meeting) to help leadership remember when zoom calls are | Suggestions from last time:  
Band & Group Me
  - Update: RGR Band was created by Tina. Hoping RGR Secretary can facilitate it.
- Text Reminders Communication was Requested by RGR members ( last meeting) to help remember when zoom calls are
  - Update: Tina texted everyone the zoom link before the meeting today. Hoping RGR Secretary can facilitate.

## USPC Festival

- RGR Committee Chairman | Amy Etheridge
- RGR hosted 2x Informative Zoom Calls in February.
  - We will add another one in March and in April

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## 2024 RGR Quiz Rally Update

- This event was a huge Success! Catie, Kim, Alamo Pony club & all the parent volunteers did an amazing job with this event
- Update from Catie:
  - Profitable : \$1614.47
  - Got Parents Trained

- Quiz Rally
    - 11 Teams
    - 25 Qualifier | Everyone Qualified
  - Hm Seminar
    - 44 participants
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### **RGR Treasurer Update | Amy Uniss**

Checking Balance \$ 20,837.70 | Savings Balance \$ 1,154.50

Previously Recommendation of maintaining 15k in the bank for operating expenses.

### **RGR Board & Treasurer Goals for 2024:**

- Improve Financial Analysis of RGR P&L's
- Improve Financial Transparency & Accountability
- Recoup Lost Revenue & Missing dues from 2023 & 2022
- Update and Improve the current RGR financial practices to reflect meeting national standards and standards of non-profit organizations
- Finalize a 2024 RGR Budget Proposal
- Finalize a standard RGR Chart of Accounts
- Implement Electronic Payment options for RGR events & dues

### **Immediate Goals**

- Complete 2023 Financials
  - Complete Peer Reviews
  - Submit to National Office
- 2024 Board members gain access to RGR bank accounts

### **Updates:**

Proposed Regional Dues paid directly to the Region Electronically | Wix

- Via Website
- At the Event

RGR Event Payments | Striderpro Horse Show Software

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### **RGR Secretary Update**

- 2023 Minutes | Still Outstanding-Vanessa agreed to help finish these
    - Goal: Finalized them this week. Update board at March Zoom
    - Nina offered to help as well.
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### **NEW SECTIONS ADDED TO THE WEBSITE**

- RESOURCES >RGR Email & Update Archive
  - RESOURCES > USPC Festival
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### **C1-C2 Rating**

This event has been added to the calendar and information listed on the RGR Website & RGR Facebook Page. See below.

## C1 AND C2 RATING

**February 24, 2024 at Pine Hill**

\$125 a person includes the Grounds Fee

Limited to 8 riders

Please use the link below for more info and to sign up:

<https://forms.gle/Rb42s7wue2xacqmf9>

Contact Amy Etheridge with question (979) 255-6014





**SUNDAY, MAY 4 -2024**

### USPC Rio Grande Region Standards & Certification Clinic

Led by National Examiner | Debra Sue Waters

REGISTRATION DEADLINE: TBD

The aim is to be consistent across our region examining the lower level ratings and prepare our members to be successful in National ratings. The S&C clinic demonstrates the rising skills required for the D-1 through the C-2 standards of proficiency. The presentation is geared towards instructors who teach Pony Club, leadership, members, and parents. Additionally, anyone who would like to be considered on the Local Level Examiners list. You will learn the difference between a D-2 and D-3 rider. You will learn the Basic Balanced Position. You will learn what riding skills set a C-2 apart from the lower levels. Tips on how to conduct a test will also be included.

Prepare by reviews the SOPs and bring printed copies with you. The morning will consist of a power point presentation and discussion of riding position and effectiveness of aids at each level followed by a lunch break and the afternoon will have demonstration riders that will be evaluated by the participants. Hopefully! We will have demo riders from the dressage clinic and some of them jump... so we will need 2-3 demo riders at each level.

Rolling Ridge Stables  
16016 Decker Lake Rd  
Manor, TX 78653  
512-276-7787  
[Click for Rolling Ridge Website](#)

**SCHEDULE**  
TBD  
Organizer  
Marsha | 512-789-0490



## **One Horse Division Update**

RGR is planning on having the 1 Horse Division at all the Springs 2024 Rallies

## **RGR Summer Camp | Tentative: June 16-21st | Location: TBD**

Sandy, Sara, Kate, Amy E., Kim (Creekwood RC)

Tentative: Crossgate or Pine Hill

## **2024 Spring & Summer Events | See Website: [www.RGRTX.com](http://www.RGRTX.com)**

Leadership Zoom	Tuesday, February 13th	See Website > Leadership Tab
C1 & C2 Rating	Saturday, February 24th	Pine Hill-Bellville, Texas ( Tejas PC)
SJ Rally Registration Deadline	March 1, 2024	
Show Jumping Rally	March 23rd-2024	Driftwood, TX ( Lone Star PC & Lone Star RC)
Eventing Rally	April 6-7	Pine Hill- Bellville, Texas ( Tejas & Bayou PC)
Dressage Rally	Saturday, May 5-2024	Rolling Ridge-Manor, Texas (Texas Heat PC)
RGR S&C Clinic	Sunday, May 6-2024	Rolling Ridge-Manor, Texas (Texas Heat PC)
Summer Camp	Tentative: June 2024	Tbd
USPC Championships	July 15-19-2024	Kentucky Horse Park-Lexington, KY   See Below
Festival Education	July 20-22-2024	Kentucky Horse Park-Lexington, KY   See Below

## **2024 Fall Tentative Events**

Eventing Rally	October 12-2024	Tentative Location: Pine Hill-Bellville, Texas
D-Rally	Early November-2024	Location: tbd
RGR Regional Rating	Late December/Holiday Break	Location: tbd

## **2025 Spring Tentative Events**

HM Seminar	February 2025	7IL Ranch
Quiz Rally	February 2025	7 IL Ranch
Show Jumping Rally	Late March 2025	Location: tbd
Dressage Rally	Early May	Rolling Ridge-Manor, Texas

## **DC's & CA's Action Items**

1. Make sure your members know about the RGR website.
2. Make sure all your club members have renewed for 2024.
3. Make sure you have collected your dues from 2023 and 2024. The RGR treasurer will be collecting those next week.
4. We need to know which Rally your club is planning on sponsoring & supporting this Spring. Every club will be coordinating and providing volunteers for one of the Region's rallies.
5. Please email us a copy of your logo to represent your club on the Region's website.
6. Make sure to get your members registered for the rallies.
  - a. **Deadline for Show Jumping Rally | March 1st**
7. Start lining up volunteers and get them to sign up (on the website) to help with the upcoming rallies
8. Consider what you can help with for summer camp.
9. Start brainstorming on any corporate sponsors willing to donate for the summer festival.
10. Start thinking about horse transportation and lodging for summer festival.
11. All DC's are welcome to join the monthly RGR Leadership Zoom Mtg.

## **RGR LEADERSHIP**

### **Next Leadership Zoom Meeting | The link is posted online**

**RGR LEADERSHIP | ZOOM MTG.**  
**Tuesday, March 5-2024 | 8:00PM**

[Click Here To Log On To The Zoom Meeting](#)

Kristina Adams is inviting you to a scheduled Zoom meeting.  
 Topic: RGR March Zoom Meeting  
 Time: Mar 5, 2024 08:00 PM Central Time (US and Canada)  
 Join Zoom Meeting  
<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/89308151405?pwd=TEdIMTZFVVI1eU1ZNUM5SGg4eUNIUT09>  
 Meeting ID: 893 0815 1405  
 Passcode: 484108

[Download Meeting Notes \( Avail 3/7\)](#)

**Notes from the January 30th meeting are posted online.**

## **MISC.**

Kimberley-

Lost & Found |Yeti Cups - Need to include in the next newsletter. She will bring to Show Jumping Rally