

Dear Members,

Preparations have begun for Camp 2026, and we are so excited to start sharing this year's information with you! The theme will be...

NO AU BR “Around the World on Horseback”

Camp is open to all our members, and we would like to invite everyone to join us for this unique and memorable week, which we are so fortunate to be able to offer.

We are expecting this year's camp to be as popular as ever, please read on for more details.

Camp will be held at our Pony Club Field, Valley Lane, Markyate AL3 8AP.

The headline news on Camp 2026 is that following your feedback, and with horse welfare firmly at the forefront of our minds, we have decided to reduce the number of days the ponies will be at the field and also limit the amount of jumping in the timetable, introducing instead a raft of new fun and educational ridden activities.

Therefore, for Main Camp, whilst kids will still be arriving on Monday, we will use that day for set up, tack room decorating etc. Ponies will then arrive on Tuesday for the start of the ridden agenda, culminating on Saturday with the Tack Room display, prizegiving and pack up. Read on for more information...

Can you then please [COMPLETE THIS FORM](#) to let us know whether you are interested in coming.

****Please note that your pony's vaccinations will need to be up to date and that your child will need to have attended a minimum of 3 rallies with their pony prior to camp****

Mini Camp Monday 27th July (lunchtime) – Thursday 30th July

Estimated price: £300-£325

Mini Camper Requirements:

- Typically, aged 10 and under
- Attended at least 3 rallies
- Lead Rein or Beginner / Novice (trotting/cantering)
- Learning to jump / Can jump and gaining confidence

Mini Camp will include:

- A helper will be allocated to each child where required

- Pony will be stabled & looked after overnight (No turnout allowed)
- Picnic ride on Monday afternoon (parents to stay)
- Then drop off 8.15am & pick up at 4.00pm. (No overnight stay for children)
- Stabling
- Lunch, small snacks and drinks
- Daily TUCK shop included
- Coaching/Supervision
- Stable management lessons
- Games & recreational activities
- Stabling
- Hay
- Display ride on final day

Main Camp - Monday 27th July (afternoon only) - Saturday 2nd Aug

Estimated Day Camper price: £380-£400

Estimated Overnight Camper price: £400-425

Main Camper Requirements

- Typically, aged 10+ (Minimum age 8 - discretion can be made by Camp Head Coach Clare if they believe child is capable)
- Be able to tack up, groom and look after own pony (some assistance will be given where needed)
- Be confident to canter in an open field unassisted.
- Be confident jumping 50cm
- Overnight campers need to be at least 11 (Year 6 and above in this school year)
- Children currently in years 5 or below will go home each evening before dinner.

Main Camp will include:

- Monday afternoon members only set up & games (no sleep over on Monday night)
- Ponies arriving on Tuesday am
- Stabling
- Breakfast, Lunch, Dinner (if overnight), Snacks & Drinks
- Daily TUCK shop included
- Overnight accommodation for those in Year 6 and above
- Coaching/Supervision
- Stable Management and Demonstrations
- All recreational activities including swimming
- Stabling
- Hay
- Display ride & Prize giving on Saturday

Yellowstone – 24th-25th July

Yellowstone Camper Requirements

- Typically aged 17+
- Not attending Main Camp unless as a helper
- Comfortable XC jumping in main field
- Parental supervision required at all times including overnight (in own tents/lorries)

Yellowstone Camp will include:

- 4 ridden sessions on the field
- BYO catering
- A lot of fun

The Final Programmes for this year Camps have not been finalised, although, with horse welfare being paramount, we have a lot of exciting new activities to ensure that any impact from hard ground is mitigated.

WHAT DO YOU NEED TO DO NOW?

1. Please indicate your interest in coming to Camp by completing [THIS FORM](#) by 22nd February. We are also inviting Camp Helpers to apply on this form.
2. SAVE THE DATE 14th June 5pm at the Field, for our Annual Parents Meeting, where we will announce the Tack Rooms! This will also be the FINAL date for Passport checks (more comms on this to follow).

All Camp info will be updated as it happens on our [Camp webpage](#), so please visit here for any burning questions.

Looking forward to seeing you all soon!

If you have any queries please do not hesitate to get in touch.

Yours,

Camp Committee 2026

[COMPLETE INTEREST FORM](#)