

SOUTH TRENT BRANCH OF THE PONY CLUB

SPRING MINI CAMP

Non Residential

Wednesday April 3rd to Thursday April 4th 2024

At Pickering Grange Equestrian Centre, Ellistown LE67 1EZ

Mini camp is for members aged 3 – 11yrs on 31/8/24. However, 11yr olds can go to mini or maxi camp. Under 5's or those with special reasons can attend mornings only. Members will need a packed lunch or they can buy from the café. Drinks and biscuits will be provided at break times.

Parents or another close relative must remain on site throughout the day unless the child is 9 - 11yrs old, rides safely off the lead rein in all camp circumstances and another parent has agreed to act locum parentis and help the child as required. Ponies should be tied up to (if safe) or placed inside, trailers/horse boxes during break periods. Ponies will need a haynet over the lunch break and a bucket for water. Hay can only be fed inside the transport and all droppings must be collected. A grooming kit could be useful.

Parents are responsible for the well being of ponies and children when not under instruction and the tidiness of the parking area.

Neither dogs nor smoking/vaping are allowed on site.

Visitors are welcome on Thursday 2 to 3.30pm. Mini campers or their parents are not allowed in the maxi camping or stable areas unless they are visiting siblings or are with a coach or member of camp staff.

All riding is on a surface apart from the ride out. Members will do some of these activities, flat work, games, drill ride, pole work, ride out, SJ and arena XC/other suitable activity. In addition there will be a dismounted care session each day. The emphasis is on learning in a safe environment with enjoyment.

Lead rein children must be accompanied by a competent and responsible leader aged 16yrs+ and just-off lead rein or those who cannot steer or control the pony very well must also have their own "leader" on hand who is prepared to assist the child if they are struggling particularly if requested to do so by the coach.

Parents are asked to help fetch and carry for the coach and ride e.g. drinks at break time, moving show jumps, putting out games equipment etc.

Non-riding children must be kept under close parental supervision at all times.

Application is via a booking email to dc/southtrent@pcuk.org Cost £90, 3rd sibling £60

Daily Routine

9.40am	Arrive & tack up
10.00	First Ride
11.00	Break followed by second ride at 11.15am
12.15pm	Return to transport, brush down, small haynet, water. Lunch
1.15	Pony Care dismounted
2.15	Tack up
2.30	Third Ride
3.30	Return to transport and go home

