

# **42ND ANNUAL NORTH AMERICAN POLICE EQUESTRIAN CONFERENCE**

## **NAPEC**



**MAY 11<sup>TH</sup> – 17<sup>TH</sup>, 2025  
FRYING PAN FARM PARK  
HERNDON, VA**

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# 2025 Competition Schedule

## **Sunday, May 11<sup>th</sup>**

*Check-In and Arrival*

## **Monday, May 12<sup>th</sup>**

*Training at Manassas National Battlefield Park –  
Leave Frying Pan at 0900*

## **Tuesday, May 13<sup>th</sup>**

*Training at Frying Pan Farm Park  
Candlelight Vigil (\*Class A/Ceremonial Attire  
Required) – Leave Frying Pan at 1700*

## **Wednesday, May 14<sup>th</sup>**

*Training at Frying Pan Farm Park*

## **Thursday, May 15<sup>th</sup>**

*Memorial Service at the Capital, downtown  
Washington (\*Class A/Ceremonial Attire Required) –  
Leave Frying Pan at 0700  
BBQ at Frying Pan*

## **Friday, May 16<sup>th</sup>**

*0700 – 0800 Uniform Inspection Class  
0800 – 0830 Opening Ceremonies (Main Arena)  
Pin Uniform Class*

0900     *Horse and Rider evaluation: Equitation*  
            *Class begins*  
            *Saddle Fitting by Stubben or Prestige*

Upon the completion of the final Equitation ride, Equitation will be Pinned.

### **Saturday, May 17<sup>th</sup>**

0800 – 0900 *Obstacle Course Walk-Through*  
0900             *Horse and Rider evaluation: Obstacle*  
                    *Course Competition Begins*  
                    *Saddle Fitting By Stubben or Prestige*

Upon the completion of the final Obstacle Course ride of the day, Obstacle Competition will be Pinned.

1800 – 2100  
                    *Banquet at Frying Pan Farm Park Visitors Center*

### **Sunday, May 18<sup>th</sup>**

**Move Out – *ALL stalls must be stripped. Barn must be vacated no later than 12 noon.***



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# **Uniform Competition**

The Uniform Competition judges the officer's uniform, horse tack, and mount's appearance. Typically, officers will wear their dress uniform or Class A for this event.

## **JUDGES:**

**Captain Linus Louketis, Retired MD National Capital Park Police**

**Officer Rick McDonald, Retired United States Park Police**



# **Equitation**

Judged on the harmony of horse and rider, the equitation test looks at the rider's equitation skills in walk, trot, and canter.

Please observe the following rules:

- No crops or whips are allowed in the test
- You may have a reader of your choice or one can be provided upon request.

## **Judges:**

***Lauren Annett***

### ***Judging Expert and Western classes***

*Lauren Annett is owner and trainer at Bally Vae Farm She is a USEF "R" Dressage Judge and a USDF "r" Western Dressage Judge. She earned the USDF Diamond Achievement Award which is completer Gold, Silver with distinction and Bronze with distinction Medalist and Gold, Silver and Bronze Bars*

***Jena Brown***

### ***Judging Novice class***

*Jenna Brown is the owner, manager and trainer of Brightwood Dressage. She is a USDF Bronze and Silver medalist, FEI rider, and USDF "r" Judge. She holds an Associate of Science degree in Equine Exercise Physiology from the College of Central Florida and a Bachelor of Science degree in Business Management from Palm Beach Atlantic University.*

# **Obstacle Course**

Obstacle courses are designed to simulate conditions that a police horse may encounter while on duty. Horse and rider are judged on willingness, calmness, and ease with which the team negotiates the obstacle.

## **Judges:**

Captain Linus Louketis, Retired MD National Capital Park Police

Officer Bob Worrell, Retired United States Park Police

Officer Mariea Sabate, Retired United States Park Police



# **Trophies & Awards**

## **The William D. McCarthy Memorial Trophy**

Police Officer William D. McCarthy joined the Philadelphia Police Department on April 27, 1977. From the beginning, he caught the attention of his commanders and fellow police officers with his dependability, eagerness to help others, and the willingness to do whatever was asked of him, no matter how difficult or trivial. Between 1985 and 1987, while Bill was assigned to the mounted patrol, his attitude and good nature kept the morale of the unit at a high level, especially during the hardest times.

On September 22, 1987, with almost ten and one-half years of service, this energetic 31-year-old officer, husband and father of four very young children, was tragically killed with his partner, Skipper.

In his honor, a memorial trophy will be presented on the 5th Police Equestrian Competition to the officer and horse with the best performance in the obstacle course. It will be displayed by the recipient's department unit next year's competition when office will compete for it once again.

## **The Brigadier Memorial Champion Award**

Brigadier, a Belgian cross, was born in 1997 and served with the Toronto Mounted Unit from 2001 until 2006. His main rider was Constable Ron Gilbert, who was with the unit from 1979 to 2013. Gilbert rode Brigadier in a number of competitions and trained with the RCMP in Ottawa and Kentucky. Many said that Brigadier was a gentle giant with his own way and own sense of humor. He especially loved kids and treats.

Brigadier lost his life after being struck by a motorist in 2006. Kevin Bradfield, the mounted officer that was riding at the time, survived with injuries.

The Canadian Mounted Police Association have donated the trophy to be awarded to the Officer with the Highest Combined Score in the Open Equitation and Obstacle course events.

# **The Robert Lewis Parnell Memorial Trophy**

The Robert Lewis Parnell trophy is named in memory of a civilian member of the United States Park Police, who provided many years of outstanding service to the mounted unit; prior to his untimely death.

Robert 'Bill' Lewis Parnell came to the Washington, DC. area in the 1950's. Bill worked on the historical C&O Canal for many years as a 'Muleskinner' and was an animal caretaker at the Edgewater Public Stables. Then, on August 7, 1972, he began his 20-year career with the Federal Government as an animal caretaker at the Edgewater Stables and finally at the Central Stables on the Mall.

Bill was a kind and dedicated person, hard working all his life, gentle and pleasant to be around. He never had an unkind word to say about anyone and donated a lot of time to helping others. Bill was given the honor to be laid to rest at Arlington National Cemetery, VA on April 7, 1992, for his service in the United States Army.

The United States Park Police is honored to present the Robert Lewis Parnell Perpetual Trophy for the first place winner in the Uniform Class.

## **The Chesapeake Perpetual Trophy**

The Chesapeake Perpetual Trophy was donated by the Virginia Beach Mounted Unit and is awarded to the first place Law Enforcement Officer winner of the Open Equitation Division.

## **The Herb Altounian Memorial Trophy**

Herb Altounian was a member of the last United States Army Horse Cavalry Unit. He started with the 102<sup>nd</sup> Cavalry Essex Troop in New Jersey in October 1934. During WWII, Herb served in the 124<sup>th</sup> Cavalry with the MARS Task Force. He was stationed in China, Burma, and India during this time, and fought in four battle campaigns. Herb received the Bronze Star, a Distinguished Service Medal, and a Combat Infantry Badge. Following WWII, Herb continued riding on the Hunter Jumper circuit and as a Special Mounted Deputy with the Passaic County Sheriff's Department.

The Deputies of Passaic County are honored to donate the annual trophy for the Auxiliary Officer's First Place winner in the Equitation Division.



## **The James Shelhorse Memorial Trophy**

James 'Jimmy' Shelhorse had a love for horses going back to his teenage years. He was born and raised in Fredericksburg, VA and joined the Fredericksburg Mounted Unit with much enthusiasm.

Jim served on the NAPEC Board of Directors as its treasurer and would always attend the competitions following his retirement, eager to help wherever and whenever it was needed. Jimmy didn't know a stranger; everyone was a friend.

The James Shelhorse Memorial Trophy will be awarded to the Auxiliary Officer with the Top Combined score in the Open Equitation and Obstacle divisions.

## **The James Quinn Memorial Trophy**

James 'Jimmy' Quinn grew up in Westbury, NY and was a member of the Nassau County PD Mounted Unit. While on active duty, Jimmy won the McCarthy Trophy four times, a feat that not many have duplicated. He was always the tough one to beat when it came to the Obstacle Course, but Jimmy was unassuming, not full of himself, and always willing to give advice when asked.

The James Quinn Memorial Trophy will be awarded to the Auxiliary Officer with the Highest Score in the Obstacle Course.

# **The John F. Copeland Memorial Trophy**

John F. Copeland was an easy going, quiet individual dedicated to helping his community. After serving in the US Army, he continued his public service from his home base in Bliss, NY. He was Chair of the Public Safety Committee for the Wyoming County Board of Supervisors, as well as a member of the Arcade VFW and American Legion.

As Deputy Sheriff, Road Patrol Captain, and Undersheriff for the Wyoming County Sheriff's Department, he totaled over 30 years of civic duty. His leadership extended to the all-volunteer Wyoming County Sheriff's Mounted Unit where he presided as Captain.

As a board member Director of the NAPEC, he fully supported the job skills and comradery the NAPEC embodied. He enjoyed competing each year, as well as developing the many friendships he acquired along the way. He encouraged his mounted unit to attend the NAPEC for the experience, networking, and training opportunities alongside the other law enforcement units.

The John F. Copeland Memorial Trophy will be awarded to the first-place winner in the Western Equitation Course.

Thank you to the National Park Service – Manassas, Daniela Strub, Janet Jacobe, Cat Neelham, Rhonda Fischer and to Frying Pan Farm Park for their support and assistance with our event.



## ***Competitors List 2025***

### **ALBANY POLICE DEPARTMENT (NY)**

#248 KURT JOHNSON

### **COLUMBUS POLICE DEPARTMENT (OH)**

#249 SHAWN SPARHAWK

#250 BRIAN NEWSOME

#251 JOHN BLUBAUGH

#252 GREGG BUCK

#253 SANDRA SILVA

### **ERIE COUNTY SHERIFF'S RESERVE UNIT (NY)**

#92 LISA WILLIAMS

### **HAMPDEN COUNTY SHERIFF'S OFFICE (MA)**

#283 KARL ZIMMERMAN

#284 CONNIE BURKE

#285 CHANCE ORTEGA RODRIGUEZ

### **HARRIS COUNTY SHERIFF'S OFFICE (TX)**

#255 CHRISTOPHER ADOLPH

#256 CHANCE TALBOT

#257 MARCO CARRIZALES

#258 KODIE ADOLPH

#259 ELIAS SANDOVAL

### **HILLSBOROUGH COUNTY SHERIFF'S OFFICE (FL)**

#90 SHERYL ANDERSON

#281 DAVID CLOUD

#282 CRYSTAL CLARK

### **LAKE COUNTY SHERIFF'S OFFICE (FL)**

#78 ASHLEY KRANKE

#79 CINDY TUREK

#80 ELAINE BARTON

#81 TANDI WHEELER

#260 COREY LaBRECQUE

#82 LESA ROE

#83 HOLLY ROSENAU

#261 CHAD HARMON

### **LEE COUNTY SHERIFF'S OFFICE (FL)**

#254 AARON EUBANKS

**NATIONAL PARK SERVICE – MANASSAS (VA)**

#262 MAUREEN O'CALLAHAN  
#84 ANDREW BENTLEY  
#85 GARRETT KOSH  
#91 JULIE WARD

**NEW JERSEY STATE POLICE**

#276 MELISSA SOUCEK  
#277 ANTONIO MOURA NETTO  
#278 MICHAEL DELGAIZO  
#279 CLAUDIA FARNESKI  
#280 JOSEPH KRZACZKOWSKI

**NEW YORK STATE POLICE**

#264 MARY ELENA MORAN

**ORLANDO POSSE (FL)**

#86 MICHELLE PEARSON

**PERRY TOWNSHIP POLICE DEPARTMENT (OH)**

#265 CYNTHIA FORSYTHE  
#266 ROBERT FORSYTHE  
#270 BRIAN CORRELL

**POLK COUNTY SHERIFF'S OFFICE**

#272 MARIA CATELLO

**SCHOHARIE COUNTY SHERIFF'S DEPT.**

#263 SCOTT CLAUS

**WYOMING COUNTY SHERIFF'S (NY)**

#87 JACKIE COPELAND  
#88 LISA HULME  
#89 CHAD YOCKEY

**YORK COUNTY SHERIFF'S OFFICE (SC)**

#286 MARK McCARTER  
#287 THOMAS KINNEE

