

## 2007 Arapahoe Hunt Cross Country Pace Event at Plum Creek Hollow Farm

Larkspur, CO—With the coming of autumn and end of show season, for many years the Arapahoe Hunt has offered Colorado riders the opportunity to compete in a fun event. The 2007 Arapahoe Hunt Cross Country Pace, an equestrian event for the whole family, takes place on Saturday, September 29, 2007, at Plum Creek Hollow Farm in Larkspur, Colorado. The Arapahoe Hunt was founded in 1907 in Denver, Colorado, and hunter paces were originally organized in the off-season of fox hunting so that riders could get together for some friendly competition. Today, this event is enjoyed by hundreds of riders of all abilities and different disciplines. This is the 21st Annual Arapahoe Hunt Cross Country Pace and competitors will enjoy returning to the pace course at Plum Creek Hollow Farm where an outstanding course was designed for the Arapahoe Hunt Pace some years ago. The scenic



Photo by Geoff Young

and popular Plum Creek Hollow course offers a variety of options at every fence. This pace is a rare opportunity for riders to enjoy jumping this unique private course.

The Cross Country Pace is a team event in which up to four riders go cross-country over and around obstacles together. The obstacles vary according to ability level and the courses are flexible to offer something for all riding abilities. There are three divisions that offer options such as optional jumping at a slow pace or a cantering pace over challenging jumps.

Unlike Grand Prix show jumping, the winner of the Cross Country Pace is not the fastest time, but rather the winning team is the team that is closest to the "paced" official time. It is a great opportunity to have some fun outdoors with horses. Prizes are awarded in all divisions. There are separate prizes for costumes, as many riders have taken this event to a whole new level with their creations for horse and rider. The costumes have become a favorite feature of the event for spectators and contestants alike. This year's pace provides riders with an opportunity to try out their Halloween attire. Vendors and caterers make the event fun for the whole family.



Riders start the course early morn, with an Arapahoe hound exhibition at noon. Every morning competitor is welcome to ride again with the hounds on course at noon in a simulated foxhunt. This is the hunt's largest fundraiser of the year. Nearly 100 English Foxhounds are fed for a year by the proceeds from this event.

Visit [www.arapahoehunt.com](http://www.arapahoehunt.com) for more details including our brochure and entry form. Opening date for entries is September 1 and closing date is September 22. Entries are limited.

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