

2025 LTED EVENTING PROGRAM

PROGRAM OUTLINE:

The LTED Eventing Program is an NBEA-funded program developed and administered by HTNB. In addition to providing development opportunities for riders new to the discipline and new to competition, this year's program will focus on bridging the gap between the **Learn to Compete** and **Train to Compete** LTED stages by inviting High-Performance and Competitive Coach Specialists to New Brunswick to work with eventing equestrians to take their riding and competition goals to the next level. Auditing for riders, parents, and coaches will be highly encouraged!

HTNB MISSION STATEMENT

Our mission is to:

- Remove barriers to participation.
- Foster entry to the sport and support lifelong participation.
- Facilitate a pathway to progress and success.
- Increase safety and enjoyment by increasing competence.
- Promote education and horse welfare.
- Promote volunteering.
- Promote and support coaching, officiating, and facility development.

PROGRAM OPTIONS:

- ❖ **Development Tier** – For those new to the sport or who wish to advance through the lower levels.
 - **INTRO (0"- 24")**
 - **EV70 (2'3") - Starter**
 - **EV78 (2'6") - Pre-Entry**
- ❖ **Competitive Tier** – For those who wish to further their skills and knowledge in competition. Participants in the competitive tier may have the opportunity to compete for Team NB in the Eastern Canadian Championships.
 - **EV 85 (2'9") - Entry**
 - **EV 90 (3') - Pre-Training**
 - **EV 100 (3'3") -Training / EV105 (3'6")**

CRITERIA FOR ALL LTED RIDERS:

- Riders must have EC Rider Level 2 or Canadian Pony Club D Level to participate in the program **OR**, if the rider has not yet tested, a letter of recommendation from a certified instructor/coach stating their riding ability is equivalent.
- Riders **MUST** attend **Camp #1**, **Camp #2**, and **Camp#6**, plus other training camps and HTNB-approved competitions as dictated by their division. See tier breakdown for details.
- All LTED riders are to develop and submit training goals/plans for the 2025 LTED program by April 15th and submit progress and completion reports by June 30th and October 20th, respectively.
- Riders will train with EC-certified Instructors and/or Competition Coaches as appropriate for their division. Riders may not coach themselves. See tier breakdown for details.
- Riders must complete the Equestrian Canada Rider or Canadian Pony Club level appropriate for their division by October 5th. See tier breakdown for details.



- Coaching at select HTNB-approved competitions will be provided by HTNB (see list/pg. 5).
- Entry fees at select HTNB-approved competitions will be subsidized by HTNB (see list/pg. 5).
- Riders who complete all requirements for their division and submit a Completion Form no later than October 20th will be reimbursed 50% of their program fee as a training/competition subsidy.
- A 25% refund is provided for horse or rider injury with a vet or physician explanation prior to July 31st.
- Horse substitutions are allowed with approval from the LTED coordinator. Approval must occur prior to continuing LTED activities (i.e., camps, competitions, etc.).
- Funding is limited. In the case of more than 25 applicants, selection will be at the discretion of the HTNB Board.

HOW TO APPLY:

- Riders to submit an LTED application to NBEA/HTNB by **March 15, 2025**. Please include:
 - Application Form - including a letter of support from your coach if new to the program.
 - **Program Fee** – Development Tier (\$200) / Competitive Tier (\$300)
 - E-transfer to equinenb@gmail.com / Cheques made payable to NBEA.
 - Proof of memberships: NBEA and HTNB (for both Tiers) plus EC (for Competitive Tier)
 - Proof of vaccinations (flu/rhino/tetanus, strangles) and a negative Coggins test (dated 2025) must be provided by April 19, 2025. If a horse is unable to be vaccinated for any reason, a letter from your vet stating why is required.
 - Reminder that some competitions may require additional vaccinations (i.e., EEE, WEE, rabies, West Nile) and consultation with one's vet regarding the best protection for travelling horses is recommended.

DEVELOPMENT TIER:

OBJECTIVE: The *Development Tier's* objective is to expose new and lower-level riders to Eventing, and in particular cross-country experiences, in a fun, educational, supportive environment tailored to their level.

❖ Intro (0"- 24")

❖ EV70 (2'3") - Starter

❖ EV78 (2'6") - Pre-Entry

- Development Tier riders **must** attend Training Camp #1, Camp #2, Camp#6 and their choice of Camp #3, Camp #4, or Camp #5. Note that riders are welcome and fully funded at all camps.
- Riders are encouraged to have regular lessons with their own instructor but must complete a minimum of **4 cross-country lessons** between April and October on an HTNB-approved course with an HTNB-approved XC Instructor or Competition Coach. (Camp #3, Camp #4, and Camp #5 count towards this requirement.)
- Riders are encouraged to compete in at least one HTNB-approved competition. Coaching will be provided by HTNB.
- Intro riders must complete EC Rider Level 3 / Canadian Pony Club D Level or higher by Oct. 5th.
- EV70 riders must complete EC Rider Level 3 / Canadian Pony Club D Level or higher by Oct. 5th.
- EV78 riders must complete EC Rider Level 3 / Canadian Pony Club D Level or higher by Oct. 5th.
- Riders who have already achieved their required Rider/CPC Level will be encouraged to obtain their next Rider/CPC level.
- Riders must submit their training plan, progress report, and completion form on April 15th, June 30th, and October 20th, respectively.
- **Fee: \$200**

COMPETITIVE TIER:

OBJECTIVE: The *Competitive Tier's* objective is to obtain training through structured camps and demonstrate development via competitive experiences/results and advancement in rider levels. Riders from this tier will have the opportunity to be selected to represent Team NB at the Wesley Clover Eastern Canadian Championships in Ottawa, ON, September 27th-28th (Note: NBEA offers "Out-of-Maritimes Travel Funding" to help offset costs).

- Competitive Tier riders **must** attend Training Camp #1, Camp #2, Camp #6 and **two** of the three other camps (Camp #3, Camp #4, and Camp #5). Please note that riders are welcome and fully funded at all camps.
- Riders must submit their training plan, progress report, and completion form on April 15th, June 30th, and October 20th, respectively.
- **Fee: \$300**

- ❖ **EV 85 (Entry, 2'9") CRITERIA:**
 - Riders must compete in **TWO** EC-sanctioned, HTNB-approved competitions, with at least one being a horse trial.
 - Riders are to complete a minimum of **16 lessons** between April and October with an EC Certified Instructor or Competitive Coach. At least **4 out of the 16 lessons** must be cross-country lessons on an HTNB-approved course with an HTNB-approved XC Instructor or Competition Coach. (Note: Camp #3, Camp #4, and Camp #5 count towards this requirement.)
 - Achieve **EC Rider Level 4 / Canadian Pony Club D1** or higher by October 5th. Riders who have already achieved their required Rider/CPC Level will be encouraged to obtain their next Rider/CPC level.

- ❖ **EV90 (Pre-Training, 3') CRITERIA:**
 - Riders must compete in **TWO** EC-sanctioned, HTNB-approved competitions, with at least one being a horse trial.
 - Riders are to complete a minimum of **16 lessons** between April and October with an EC Certified Competitive Coach. At least **4 out of the 16 lessons** must be cross-country lessons on an HTNB-approved course with an HTNB-approved XC Competition Coach. (Note: Camp #3, Camp#4, and Camp #5 count towards this requirement.)
 - Achieve **EC Rider Level 5 / Canadian Pony Club D2** or higher by October 5th. Riders who have already achieved their required Rider/CPC Level will be encouraged to obtain their next Rider/CPC level.

- ❖ **EV100 (Training, 3'3") and EV105 (3'6") CRITERIA:**
 - Competition and lesson requirements are the same as EV90 criteria (see above). Note that competitions at this level may be out of province.
 - Achieve **EC Rider Level 6 or higher / Canadian Pony Club C (EV100) / Canadian Pony Club C1 (EV105)** by October 5th. Riders who have already achieved their required Rider/CPC Level will be encouraged to obtain their next Rider/CPC level.

LTED Training Camps Outline:

TRAINING CAMP #1

(PART I - APRIL 3, 2025) – VIRTUAL (6:30-8:30PM) – Ruth Allum - MANDATORY

- Eventing 101 – What is Eventing, Competition Levels, Scoring, Equipment, Goal Setting, Gap Analysis, Conditioning/Nutrition

(PART II – APRIL 5, 2024) - UNMOUNTED – Amsterdan Inn, Quispamsis - MANDATORY

- Introduction to Program / Requirements / Expectations (Lessons, Competitions, Rider Levels)
 - Getting to Know Your Teammates and Coaches
- Rider Levels – What Does it Take?
- Training Plan/Goals – Setting Goals and Designing Yearly Training Plan (**Submit by April 15th**)

TRAINING CAMP #2 (APRIL 26, 2025) – DRESSAGE/STADIUM JUMPING – Foshay South - MANDATORY

- Dressage Clinician: John MacPherson
 - Judged Dressage Ride / Feedback
- Stadium Jumping Coach: Heidi McInnes
 - Jumping Lesson

- ❖ John MacPherson's life revolved around horses from a young age, and he has become a household name in the dressage and eventing community. After spending numerous years in Germany training with some of the best trainers that the country has to offer, John eventually moved back to Canada, where he started his own boarding and training facility in Ontario. John is a multi-year FEI "listed" rider who has represented Canada internationally for more than 25 years and has twice won the Bronze Medal at the CDI-W Dressage at Devon. He has taken many horses up to the Grand Prix level in dressage and is very involved in coaching and bringing up the next generation of riders with students ranging from grassroots to Grand Prix competitors. He is one of an EC-Certified High-Performance Coach, Senior Level dressage judge, and Level III three-day eventing judge.
- ❖ Heidi MacInnes, owner-operator of Restless Pines Farm, is Canada's first Hunter/Jumper Competition Coach Specialist certified by Equestrian Canada. She has competed at the international level in the US and Canada up to the Open jumper 1.50m division and has coached riders to the top of Canada's National horse show circuit. Heidi has been coaching and training horses for over 40 years and with extensive show experience in both hunters & jumpers, she offers a broad range of knowledge for her students and customizes lessons to suit each horse and rider.

TRAINING CAMP #3 (May 31, 2025) – CROSS COUNTRY – Peekaboo Corner Eventing Facility, Norton

- Coach: Caroline Oja and Suzanne Stevenson
- Stadium/Cross Country Lesson
- ❖ "From Beginning To Winning....." Caroline Oja is an EC-certified competition coach specialist with previous competition experience in Eventing, Hunter/Jumper, and Dressage. Caroline brings 40 years of coaching experience and has run successful competition barns in BC and AB as well as travelled throughout both provinces and the NWT to coach. Riders will find Caroline puts a strong emphasis on safety, strong basics, confidence and fun!"



- ❖ Suzanne Stevenson is an EC-certified competition coach and owner-operator of Foshay South Eventing, located in Hampton, NB. She brings 30 years of competition experience in Eventing, Hunter/Jumper, and Dressage, runs a successful training program for horses and riders, and offers sanctioned shows at her facility. When it comes to coaching, Suzanne is committed to safety, skill development resulting in progression, and good horsemanship.

YTP Progress Submitted by June 30th.

TRAINING CAMP #4 (JULY 19, 2025) – CROSS COUNTRY – Strathgartney Equestrian Park, PEI

- Coach: Ruth Allum
- Stadium/Cross Country Lesson

TRAINING CAMP #5 (SEPT. 6, 2025) – CROSS COUNTRY – Peekaboo Corner Eventing Facility, Norton

- Coach: Ruth Allum
- Stadium/Cross Country Lesson

Ruth Allum is the head coach and trainer at Oakhurst Farm in Ontario. Ruth is committed to the total physical and mental preparation of both the rider and the horse. She combines her real-life experiences as an Eventer with formal training as an Equestrian Canada-certified High-Performance Eventing Coach. During her more than 20 years as a coach, Ruth has taken students from beginner to high levels of international competition. Whether her students compete at the Pre-Entry or Advanced level, they still receive the benefit of Ruth's careful attention to detail in riding, conditioning and building a strong horse and rider team. Ruth has coached horse and rider teams to the Provincial Championships, the North American Young Rider Championships, and the Canadian Eventing National Talent Squad, as well as to a place on the Canadian Eventing Team Long List. She is also an Equestrian Canada Rider Level Evaluator, Mentor, and Certified Coach Developer.

Completion Form Submitted by October 20th.

TRAINING CAMP #6 (OCT. 25, 2025) – LTED WRAP UP (UNMOUNTED) – TBD - MANDATORY

- Training Plan/Goals Progress and Wrap Up
- Feedback on Program / Requirements / Expectations
- Off-Season Training Plan
- LTED Year-End Awards

Note: HTNB is exploring the possibility of hosting a "Rider Level Testing Camp" to make testing more accessible and convenient for LTED riders. Additional fees would apply. Stay tuned for updates.



Tentative Competition Schedule:

* Additional Competitions TBA (more information will be emailed/posted when available) *

* Combined Test = CT * Horse Trial = HT * Hunter/Jumper = H/J * EC Sanctioned = highlighted *

May	Dressage NB#1 (May 17-18); Geary Hill Equestrian Challenge #1 H/J (May 24); Hampton Riding Centre ICE CT (May 25)
June	Hobby Horse Derby (June 1); Bromont HT (June 14-15); Geary Hill Equestrian Challenge #2 H/J (June 21); Strathgartney Spring HT (June 28)
July	Clay Hill ICE CT (July 5); Equilibre HT#1 (July 12-13); Dressage NB#2 (July 25-27); Foshay South H/J Show (July 26)
August	Foshay South Dressage Show (August 2-3); Foshay South CT (August 3); Hobby Horse Schooling HT (August 10); Hampton HT (August 10); Bromont HT (August 15-17); Peekaboo Corner HT (August 16); Equilibre HT#2 (August 31)
September	Red Ridge Farm ICE CT (September 1); Dressage NB#3 (September 12-14); Clay Hill ICE CT (September 14); Wesley Clover Fall HT / Eastern Canadian Championships (September 26-28)
October	Strathgartney Fall HT (October 4); Peekaboo Corner ICE Combined Derby (October 25)

Competition Coaching provided by Suzanne Stevenson and/or Caroline Oja (Certified Competitive Coach) at Foshay South Combined Test and Peekaboo Corner Horse Trial at no cost to LTED riders. Course walks will be scheduled by level. (Coaching may be arranged at the rider's expense for other competitions.)

Tentative Clinic Schedule:

* Additional Clinics TBA – More information will be emailed/posted when available *

March	Stewiack Ruth Allum Stadium Jumping (NS, March 29-30)
April	Strathgartney Ruth Allum Stadium Jumping (PEI, April 19-20); Hampton Riding Centre Jill Stedman Dressage (April 25-27)
May	Hampton Riding Centre Donna McInnis Dressage (May 2); Hampton Riding Centre Donna McInnis Dressage (May 23); Hobby Horse Cross Country (NS, May 31)
June	Hobby Horse Farm Ruth Allum Stadium/Cross Country (NS, June 21-22)
July	
August	Strathgartney Lainey Ashker Stadium Jumping (PEI, August 30-31)
September	
October	Strathgartney Ruth Allum Stadium/Cross Country (PEI, October 11-12)



APPENDIX

Who can I use as a coach in my lessons outside LTED training sessions?

Refer to your individual tier for coaching requirements. A list of current EC Certified Instructors, Competitive Coaches, and Competition Coach Specialists can be found on the NBEA website: <https://nbea.ca/Directories-Certified-Coaches-Directory>.

Who can I use as a coach for my LTED XC lessons?

Certified coaches who are HTNB-approved for XC:

(Others can be approved through HTNB for use in the LTED program – please contact HTNB for more info.)

- Jenn Hanson (Certified Competition Coach) - all levels
- Samantha Atkinson (Certified Competition Coach) - all levels
- Zoe Erichsen-Meesters (Certified Competition Coach) - all levels
- Suzanne Stevenson (Certified Competition Coach) – all levels
- Caroline Oja (Certified Competition Coach) - all levels

What courses can I use for my LTED XC Schooling?

XC courses that are HTNB-approved:

- Peekaboo Corner
- Hampton Riding Center

(In addition, any site that runs a sanctioned HT in 2025 can be used for lessons.)

Visit www.htnb.org to find more information about HTNB XC facilities, including contact information.

Note: Once approval requirements are met, additional Instructors/Coaches/Courses will be added to the HTNB-approved list by June 2025.