



2009 Sponsor Form

Sponsors' Meetings: Each year we are required to hold a Sponsors' Meeting in the Fall (usually no later than October 31). There are several agenda items that are required such as DC's Report, Treasurer's Report, nomination of DC and Jt-DCs, election of the secretary and treasurer, special fund disbursements, policies updates, and establishment of the activities calendar. Volunteers for other positions are also solicited at this meeting. This is also a chance for us to discuss how the previous year has gone and make plans for the coming year. Additional sponsors' meetings may be held throughout the year as needed.

Sponsor Information:

Who are our club sponsors? Club sponsors are individuals interested in supporting the welfare and operation of the club. The parents of any member or other individuals interested in supporting the club who have been approved by the District Commissioner may become club sponsors by paying the annual sponsor's fee to the club secretary.

When may I become a sponsor? You may become a sponsor at any time during the year except the period immediately after notice of a meeting has been given until the meeting is adjourned. For convenience, sponsor fees may be paid during these periods (such as when they are returned with annual membership renewals, for example), but cannot be accepted until the noticed meeting has been adjourned. Your term as a sponsor ends at the conclusion of the annual meeting.

What are the rights and responsibilities of sponsors? Sponsors of record are entitled to attend and participate in all Sponsors meetings. Sponsors nominate or elect club officers, establish the annual sponsor's fee, and may provide suggestions for the operation and administration of the club. Sponsors are expected to support the club through their volunteer service and attendance at sponsors' meetings, which require a quorum of one-third of the sponsors of record be present in person to conduct club business.

Who may attend a sponsor's meeting? USPC Club Bylaws state that sponsors of record, the Regional Supervisor, and the USPC Vice President of Regional Administration may attend a sponsors meeting. GPC also welcomes all parents to attend sponsors meetings and participate in discussions. However, only sponsors of record may vote. Proxy votes are not allowed.

If you would like to become a sponsor and are able to fulfill the responsibilities of sponsors, please complete this form and submit a check payable to "Groton Pony Club" for \$5 per sponsor to the Club Secretary:

Sharon McCarthy / 90 E. Bare Hill Rd. / Harvard, MA 01451

Sponsor Name(s): _____ Email: _____

_____ Email: _____

Address: _____ Home Phone: _____

_____ Work or Mobile Phone: _____

DC's approval: _____

(Required only for individuals who are not the parents of current members)

Date _____

For Club Secretary's use only:

Date received: _____ [] Check#: _____ or [] Cash