

## **EVALUATION OF COURSES**

**Name of Event:** Pine Top Horse Trials

**F.E.I Divisions offered:** CIC 3 Star CIC 2 Star CIC 1 Star

**Size of arena in feet:** 350' x 170'

**Grass or all weather:** Grass

**Any Gradient:** Yes, The right hand 1/3 of arena has a slope from the edge of the arena towards the center

**Were there any permanent, or semi-permanent, items in the arena, like cross-country jumps, trees, etc.:** No

**Is there any other information about the arena layout that I may need to know of?**  
Ring had been used two weeks before so fences/track had to avoid some worm spots

**What were the weather conditions on the day?** Perfect, Sunny Temps in the upper/60's  
Low 70's Light breeze.

**Do you think this had any effect on the results?** No.

**Either mark the distances, in feet, of all the lines up to 10 strides, on the plan, or list them here:**

**Were there any other circumstances that affected the day (i.e. lack of help, insufficient material, etc.) ?** : Pine Top was buying new jumps from me and I took about 8 or 9 new jumps for the course and Pine Top ended up buy approx. 6 of them for future events It was nice to have some new fresh material. All jumps are on strips and plastic 25mm cups

**Give a brief description of any changes you would make if you had to build the same track again:** The 3 star track was in my mind very good. It rode well and was an enjoyable track to watch. The Intermediate time I had measured was a little on the generous side after watching the entire competition.

**Are there any other comments that you would like to offer about your courses:**

This is my 4<sup>th</sup> year of building Pine Top and is an interesting ring because of the gradient/slope. It is a tricky slop to deal with as far as fence placement because there is a definite uphill ride and downhill ride. I tend not to build too long or too short as the gradient affects the horses in the distances.