

**WINTERTHUR**



## Winterthur Press Release

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### **Winterthur Point-to-Point Races Run on Sunday, May 5**

Tailgate spots and wristband sales start March 1. Plan now to enjoy champion steeplechase racing, an antique carriage parade, contests, fun for families and more.

Winterthur, DE, February 27, 2019—The Brandywine Valley’s signature springtime event will return May 5 with all the steeplechase racing action and pageantry that have made Point-to-Point at Winterthur a much-beloved tradition. Pack a picnic lunch, dress your best, and don your finest hats for a day of fun. Tailgate spaces and admission wristbands are on sale March 1, 2019, through May 4, 2019.

Enjoy the spectacle and thundering hooves of professional steeplechase races over a 3.2-mile course with eight fences that are jumped by each horse and rider 17 thrilling times for a total \$71,000 in purses. Marvel at one of the largest processions of antique horse-drawn carriages in the country during the George A. “Frolic” Weymouth Carriage Parade. Admire an impressive display of historic Rolls Royce and Bentley automobiles sponsored by WSFS Wealth. Shop the Marketplace for fabulous fashions, as well as canine and equine finds. And visit the Winterthur Hunt, where kids can enjoy stick horse races, pony rides, pup-friendly activities, and much more.

“Point-to-Point is not just an annual event—it’s a lifestyle. Generations of families use the day to regroup and rejoin each other in a one-of-a-kind setting,” said Jill S. Abbott, Winterthur’s senior event planner. “The grounds are filled with excitement, whether it’s watching horses jump at 30 mph or the surprise of running into old friends. When you attend Point-to-Point, it’s guaranteed you will create memories for a lifetime.”

### **Dress Your Best**

Wear the best hat to match your finest ensemble. Secret expert fashion spotters will comb the crowd in search of the best dressed. The winner will receive a \$500 hat from Christine A. Moore Milliner, New York, and a \$500 shopping spree from the Wilmington Country Store.

### **Bet the House**

Buy a \$5 raffle ticket for an opportunity to win a \$500 purse. One winner will be drawn after each of the four races. Sponsored by Draper & Kramer Mortgage Corp.

### **Let Us Entertain You**

Reserve a table for ten or purchase unreserved admission to watch the races from the finish line at the **Winterthur Hunt Brunch Tent**. Admission includes a sophisticated buffet, full beverage service, VIP parking, and other amenities. Availability is limited. For reservations, please call 302.888.4994.

The private **Kid Shelleen's & Tito's Handmade Vodka Tex-Mex Tent** on the rail will entertain you in Lone Star style. Purchase of two \$150 individual tickets includes a VIP parking pass. Availability is limited. For details, visit [harryshospitalitygroup.com/product/point-to-point-ticket](http://harryshospitalitygroup.com/product/point-to-point-ticket).

Entertain up to 150 guests in your own **Private Hospitality Tent** that includes tables, chairs, linens, landscaping, and flowers. Your guests will receive hospitality tent admission wristbands, VIP parking spaces, racing forms, and amenities. Call 302.888.4994 for pricing.

Get a taste of membership at the **DuPont Country Club Experience Tent**. Enjoy complimentary samples from the chef's menu. Golf, tennis, and fitness professionals from the club will be available to answer all of your questions. While you visit, take your shot at some of the new technology coming to the club as part of its extensive renovation plan.

### **Plan Your Day**

See Winterthur's interactive map online at [ptptailgate2019.com](http://ptptailgate2019.com) and on the PTP Winterthur app to choose and purchase your perfect tailgate parking and tent spaces. Visit [winterthur.org/ptp](http://winterthur.org/ptp) or call 800.448.3883 for more information.

## **General Admission**

Purchase general admission wristbands on-site at Winterthur, online at [winterthur.org/ptp](http://winterthur.org/ptp) until April 26, by phone at 800.448.3883, or at satellite sales outlets (list of locations available at [winterthur.org/ptp](http://winterthur.org/ptp)). Prices are \$40 for adults, \$20 for spectators under 21, and free for children under 12 (wristband required). Pre-order your tailgate picnic lunch at [winterthur.org/ptp](http://winterthur.org/ptp), or call 302.888.4855. Admission is discounted for Winterthur Members (advance sales only). No wristbands or tailgate credentials will be mailed after April 26. All parking and admission must be purchased by Saturday, May 4, 2019. There is no will call. No reservations will be processed without payment.

## **Tailgating**

Tailgate parking spaces start at \$250 and include four adult tailgate wristbands. Additional tailgate wristbands are available for purchase. Prices are \$50 for adults, \$30 for spectators under 21, and free for children under 12 (wristband required). Visit [ptptailgate2019.com](http://ptptailgate2019.com) or the PTP Winterthur app to purchase.

## **Parking**

Parking is free for wristband holders. Shorten your walk by purchasing premium parking (limited quantities). Premium parking costs \$15–\$25. Purchase at [winterthur.org/ptp](http://winterthur.org/ptp).

## **Schedule Highlights**

### **10:30 am**

- **Race Raffle** begins: Place a \$5 wager to win special prizes. Sponsored by Draper & Kramer Mortgage Corp.
- **Marketplace, Winterthur Hunt, Canine Capers** open.
- **Antique Automotive Display begins:** Enjoy Rolls-Royces and Bentleys from the Keystone Region Rolls-Royce Owners' Club. Sponsored by WSFS Wealth.

**11:45 am** Delaware State Police Pipe & Drums

**12:00 pm** Alison Hershbell Pony Races, Parade of River Hills Foxhounds

**1:00 pm** George A. "Frolic" Weymouth Antique Carriage Parade

**1:50 pm** National Anthem

**2:00 pm** Races begin

**2:45 pm** Stick Horse Races: ages 8–10

**3:45 pm** Presentation of the Greta Brown Layton Trophy

**4:00 pm** Gates close

Proceeds from Point-to-Point support the continued maintenance and preservation of the garden and estate at Winterthur.

**Point-to-Point Thanks Its Sponsors:**

Cape Line, Capital One, Draper & Kramer Mortgage Corp., DuPont Country Club, JW Marriott, Johnnie Walker, Kid Shelleen's, Tito's Handmade Vodka, University and Whist Club, Winner Automotive Group, WSFS Wealth, Weymouth, Swayze & Coroon

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Winterthur—known worldwide for its preeminent collection of American decorative arts, naturalistic gardens, and research library for the study of American art and material culture—offers a variety of tours, exhibitions, programs, and activities throughout the year. General admission includes a tour of some of the most notable spaces in Henry Francis du Pont's former home as well as access to the Winterthur Garden and Galleries, special exhibitions, a narrated tram tour (weather permitting), the Campbell Collection of Soup Tureens, and the Enchanted Woods children's garden.

Winterthur, located on Route 52, six miles northwest of Wilmington, Delaware, and five miles south of U.S. Route 1, is closed on Mondays (except during Yuletide), Thanksgiving, and Christmas Day. Museum hours are 10:00 am to 5:00 pm, Tuesday–Sunday. Winterthur operates on a seasonal schedule and reopens for the spring season on Friday, March 1. \$20 adults; \$18 for students and seniors; \$6 for ages 2–11. Winterthur is committed to accessible programming for all. For information, including special services, call 800.448.3883, 302.888.4600, or TTY 302.888.4907, or visit [winterthur.org](http://winterthur.org).

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