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## Polo Event Paper 10-8-2011

Our sporting event we picked was a polo event. Polo is a popular event that you found played in the fancy country clubs in Europe, mostly England. It is played on horseback with two teams, each team has four players. They could be men or women. It has the same rules as hockey but only played on horseback. In our event we are putting a little twist on it, we are making it a competition and it's a fundraiser. Below will be discussed what we had in mind for this event.

The idea our group had for this event was take a different sport that isn't well known in America and being it to this area. This event will take place in a big open field. The actual field should be 300 yards, but since this is a fundraiser, we didn't want to use something that big. We want to make sure the area is safe for the horse and the players. It needs to be perfectly flat so there are no holes, or anything sticking up that could be hazardous. Either putting in our own fence or finding a field that already has one would be a huge plus. We want the fence up so that it protects the spectators. Even though it doesn't seem like a dangerous sport, we still want to make it as safe as possible. We will have a fire department and medics on scene just in case. We want the polo event to be popular so we want to make the date of the event easy for people to come. So we want to host this event during the spring time. Prefer on the weekend, Saturday, so more people can come and be comfortable at the event. We would start the event not too early and the event will have eight teams with four players each, man or women. Must be 18-50 and be able to ride a horse. Each team will have an entry fee of \$200 per team. They also must enter as a whole team, no individuals. The event will be elimination, bracket style event. The winner will win a trophy and the title of the champion. Hopefully, we will be able to making it popular and a bigger event in years to come.

For this event, we need a wide range of people to come and experience Polo. But how do you keep everyone entertain? We have come up with different activities to keep the children happy. In-between the matches, we have food stands set up with varieties of food. We will have t-shirts for sale; the money will go to charity as well as food sales and game sales. For the kids, we will have a moon bounce set up with many other fun family carnival games. The spectators will have to pay to get in, in order for us to get money for all the stuff we are supplying. Adults pay ten dollars, five for five and older, and under three is free. We are also hoping the field we can do this in can let us do it for free or at a cheap price. We want this to be a family event with a different sporting event to watch. This is a great way to raise money for a charity. We plan on doing a lot of fundraising and hopefully getting sponsors. We are going to spread the word by: television ads, newspaper ads, radio, Facebook, word of mouth etc. Anything that people would hear about it.