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SVDA Riders Rocked The VADA Banquet



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Premier Equestrian Brentina dressage arena, 20x60 with the three 3" rails and flower boxes on the four corners. 6" rails are available for purchase if anyone wants to finish it out. In great shape. The new price is \$11,500 on line, I'm asking \$3000. Please call Tom 757-630-7631



Please be aware that for all schooling shows and clinics sponsored by SVDA - a CURRENT negative coggins must be received or you will not be allowed to participate. SVDA must submit a report listing all horses, owners and coggins accession numbers to the Va Dept of Agriculture for every sponsored event. We can not make exceptions. So please get your coggins drawn early to allow processing time so that we don't have to refuse your participation on the day of a show or clinic.



SVDA 2022 Calendar

Schooling Show Schedule

Date	Location	Judge	Open	Close
03/27/22	Wellington–Va Bch	Robyn Nunnally" L"	02/21/22	03/14/22
04/24/22	Bridlewood – Suffolk	Janice Mumford" L"	03/14/22	04/11/22
05/08/22	Peace Haven – Smithfeild	TBA	04/11/22	04/25/22
06/12/22	River Birch Farm – Courtland	Jane Kelly," L"	05/16/22	05/31/22
07/10/22	Epps Farm – Suffolk	Annmari Ingersoll, " L"	06/13/22	06/27/22
07/24/22	Seahorse Run – Suffolk	Donna Gatchell" L"	06/27/22	07/11/22
08/28/22	TBA	Margaret Little" r"	08/01/21	08/15/21
09/25/22	Harmonia Equestrian-Suffolk	Annmari Ingersoll, " L"	08/29/21	09/12/21
10/30/22	SVDA Championship Show Wakefield 4H Center		10/03/20	10/17/21

*USDF Recognized Schooling Shows

Sanctioned schooling shows

Wakefield Airfield 4-H Center

April 30, Judge: Donna Gatchell

May 1, Judge: April Rivers

June 11, Judge: Janice Mumford

July 16, Judge: Robyn Nunnally

July 17, Judge: Janice Mumford

Sept. 3, Judge: April Rivers

Sept. 4, Judge: Jane Kelly

Oct. 29

Licensed Show 2022

3/05.06 **Raleigh Winter Dressage**, Raleigh NC

3/26.27 **March Magic Dressage**, Williamstom, NC

4/02.03 **Springtime Dressage** – Raeford, NC

4/23.24 **Primetime Dressage** – Reaford, NC

4/30-5/01 **Dressage at the Meadow I & II**, Doswell, VA



Old Mill Dressage

Suffolk, VA

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 USDF Silver/Bronze Medalist
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 omdressage@gmail.com
 1752 White Marsh Rd,
 Suffolk, VA



Kathy Rowse
USDF "S" Judge
USDF "L" Faculty Member
USDF Bronze, Silver & Gold Medalist
Grand Prix Rider, Instructor & Trainer
Teaching Beginners thru Grand Prix



Also available to teach at Silverleaf Farm:
Kate Knick, USDF Bronze & Silver Medalist

www.silverleaffarm.org

1468 Peppercorn Lane
Suffolk, VA 23432
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Junior's Corner:

It's that time again to start thinking about Region 1 Junior/Young Rider Team Championship. This year it is June 24-26, 2022 at HITS Park in Culpeper, VA. Please read the intent form and forward to Charlene if you are interested. We are planning another Junior Meeting at the beginning of April, more will be emailed and posted in the FB page. We will be discussing team themes and more fundraising ideas.

We are investigating the possibility of a low cost clinic for the Junior Riders, more to come!!!

Also, support the current fundraiser by registering for the "Know the Movements" Course being hosted by SVDA to Benefit the SVDA Junior Team.

Southeast Virginia Dressage Association is hosting the USDF "Know the Movements" course. The proceeds from the course are going to support the SVDA Junior Rider Team.

The program will be offered remotely via zoom over 3-one hour sessions on:

- Tuesday April, 19th, 2022 8pm-9:15pm EST
- Tuesday April, 26th, 2022 8pm-9:15pm EST
- Tuesday May, 10th, 2022 8pm-9:15pm EST

This three-hour program was developed to be presented remotely as a distance learning opportunity. There are three one-hour sessions that are taught by a current USEF licensed "S" Dressage Judge. This program covers all aspects of the test movements from Training through Fourth level including the directives, gymnastic effect, and what can go wrong.

This program is approved for L Graduate Continuing Education (Three hours- if all three sessions are completed. Passing an online quiz is required). Auditors will earn 1 university credit for completing all three sessions if they are

USDF Members. Recording and replaying these sessions is not allowed.
What will be covered in this program:

Session 1- Training and First Level - Presented by Joan Darnell, USEF "S" Licensed Dressage Judge, Tuesday April, 19th, 2022 8pm-9:15pm EST

Session 2- Second Level - Presented by Jodi Lees, USEF "S" Licensed Dressage Judge, Tuesday April, 26th, 2022 8pm-9:15pm EST

Session 3- Third and Fourth Level - Presented by Debbie Rodriguez, USEF "S" Licensed Dressage Judge, Tuesday May, 10th, 2022 8pm-9:15pm EST

Covered for each level:

- Purpose of the level
- Movements required at the level

The below is covered for each movement:

Directives from the Score Sheet

- Criteria
- Why do it- Gymnastic effect?
- What could go wrong?
- Review of the important aspects of the level

This is a great program for all members interested in getting a more in-depth look at the individual movements at each Level.

Click the link below to register for the course

<https://fs27.formsite.com/vablond25aolcom/ouhki84gz0/index.html>

or go to <http://www.southeastvirginiadressage.org/junior-young-riders>

2022 SVDA JR/YR Team Information

Fun, fun and more and more fun!!!

Who can participate:

The Junior/Young SVDA Team is open to all SVDA members who turn 21 yrs. or under (in the year of 2022) who would like to participate. Your SVDA membership gives you a qualifying USDF affiliate membership.

Benefits of the SVDA sponsored team:

1. You may be eligible for all or part of the costs of entries and stabling to be paid (fundraising!)
2. You may receive a Team polo shirt (fundraising!)
3. You get to have fun with the other members with decorations, costumes and team spirit!
4. You will stable with other participating SVDA members!
5. You will receive assistance and coaching at the competition and assistance with entries!
6. Possible hauling arrangements with other SVDA members or coach (share costs)!
7. You may be eligible for other planned activities such as a low-cost clinic as available!
8. Scores can be counted towards SVDA schooling show year end awards!

To participate as part of the SVDA team you must:

1. Be a current 2022 SVDA member (go to www.southeastvirginiadressage.org for information)
2. Participate in the fundraising (approximately \$250+ per rider) or pay for your self
3. Let Charlene Jensen know of your interest as soon as possible (see intent form)
4. Have at least 4 volunteer points for SVDA by June 1st—this will also help for your yearend award requirements (8 points total, 4 to be done prior to June 1st).
5. Be able to competently ride dressage Intro tests or higher (through FEI)

NOTE: You must have your volunteer hours and fundraising committed prior to mailing entries to the show.

Please contact me with any questions, Thank you Charlene Jensen 757-469-3587

Charlene.jensen@riverside.edu or chrisandcharlene@charter.net

SVDA 2022 Junior/Young Rider Team Intent Form

Please fill out and return NO LATER THAN May 1st, 2022

To:

Charlene Jensen
304 Bridlewood Lane
Suffolk, VA. 23434

You can type the information into an email and send to: Charlene.jensen@riverside.edu or chrisandcharlene@charter.net

Rider Name: _____ Rider Date of Birth: _____

Parent(s)Name: _____ Horse's Name: _____

Parent Home Phone: _____ Parent Cell Phone: _____

Rider Phone: _____ Rider Shirt Size: _____

Parent E-Mail: _____ Rider E-Mail: _____

Level at which you are currently Competing? _____

Please Note tests preferred - Also note if you would like to perform a Musical Freestyle (additional arrangements must be made)

Level: _____ Tests: _____

Musical Freestyle level: _____

I intend to participate or have already participated in 2022 Rider fundraising activities. (approximately \$250 needed per rider)

Fundraising Ideas: _____

Fundraising activities participating in: _____

I intend to volunteer at least 4 hours and have the hours completed or committed by June 1st, 2022

Volunteering Completed or Scheduled On: _____

Rider's Please Sign and Date: _____

Parent Please Sign and Date: _____

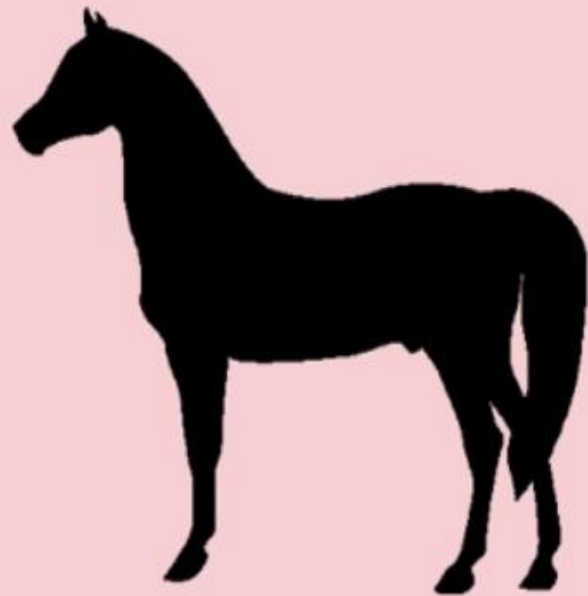
If possible, I would like to be on a team with: _____

This information will help to plan for fundraising, making the teams, and make sure you receive all important information. Changes can be made until entries are due. Please contact Charlene for updates, information, assistance or questions. Thanks! Looking forward to the Fun!

Hope Hughes Horse And Pet Care

Taking care of your horses while you are on vacation, sick, or at a show.

- Feeding and turnout
- Holding for Vet and Farrier
- Mucking stalls
- Feed and Hay pickup
- Horse grooming and bathing
- Blanketing
- Misc barn/pet chores
- Minor first aid treatment



Go visit family or go to a show knowing your loved ones are taken care of!

Hope Hughes (757)-613-0794

License, Insured, and Pony Club Horse Management Experience.



USDF Region 1 Youth Dressage Team Challenge June 25-26, 2022 Sponsorship Opportunities



The Lehigh Valley Dressage Association is hosting the USDF Region 1 Youth Dressage Team Challenge at HITS Commonwealth Park in Culpeper, Virginia on June 25-26, 2022. This event is the largest exclusively youth dressage show in the region.

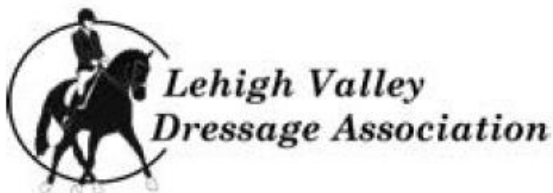
Youth riders (21 years old and under) will participate in a fun and friendly team competition that will encourage camaraderie and sportsmanship for riders competing at any level of dressage.

These young riders are the future of the sport and we need your help to ensure a successful event. We strive to keep entry fees reasonable to allow youth at all levels to participate.

We designed a variety of sponsorship options to fit sponsors' needs, marketing objectives and budget. Becoming a sponsor is the perfect way to showcase your business to the equestrian community while supporting youth riders.

In 2021, we welcomed 80 youth riders who competed in more than 200 tests throughout the weekend. With your help, we can continue to grow and organize this event for years to come.

Thank you for considering sponsorship of the USDF Region 1 Youth Dressage Team Challenge!



Sponsorship Packages

Platinum Sponsor - \$500

- Full-page ad in the full color show program
- Sponsor provided banner displayed throughout show
- Listing and link on the Youth Dressage Team Challenge web page
- Publicized on Youth Dressage Team Challenge Facebook page as a Platinum sponsor
- Sponsor provided materials included in competitor welcome package
- Free vendor space if desired

Gold Sponsor - \$300

- Half-page ad in the full color show program
- Listing and link on the Youth Dressage Team Challenge web page
- Publicized on Youth Dressage Team Challenge Facebook page as a Gold sponsor
- Sponsor provided materials included in competitor welcome package
- Discounted vendor space if desired

Silver Sponsor - \$150

- Quarter-page ad in the full color show program
- Listing and link on the Youth Dressage Team Challenge web page
- Publicized on Youth Dressage Team Challenge Facebook page as a Silver sponsor

Bronze Sponsor - \$75

- Business card ad in the full color show program
- Listing and link on the Youth Dressage Team Challenge web page
- Publicized on Youth Dressage Team Challenge Facebook page as a Bronze sponsor

Specific Sponsorship Options - A perfect choice for individuals or farms

Show your support with one of these options and your name will appear in the show program as the sponsor of a division or class. These sponsorships will provide ribbons and prizes for our riders.

Team Division Sponsor - \$250

Division High Score Sponsor - \$100

Class Sponsor- \$50

Friend of Youth Dressage Sponsor - Any amount

2022 USDF Region 1 Youth Dressage Team Challenge Sponsorship Form

Sponsorship Packages:

- ___ \$500 -Platinum Sponsor (includes full page ad)
- ___ \$300 -Gold Sponsor (includes half page ad)
- ___ \$150 -Silver Sponsor (includes quarter page ad)
- ___ \$75 -Bronze Sponsor (includes business card ad)

Upon receipt of payment, LVDA will contact you for advertisement information.

Specific Sponsorship Options:

- ___ \$250 -Team Division Sponsor
- ___ \$100 -Division High Score Sponsor
- ___ \$50 -Class Sponsor
- ___ Friend of Youth Dressage - Choose your own donation amount. \$_____

Checks should be made payable to :

LVDA Youth Team Challenge

Mail check and completed form to:

Jennifer Koch,
2225 Seipstown Rd, Fogelsville, PA 18051

Online Options:

Submit Completed Document

[Pay via PayPal](#)

___ Please Send A Receipt For Tax Purposes

Individual/Company Name _____

Address _____

Phone _____ Email _____

Website _____





USDF Region 1 Youth Dressage Team Challenge June 25-26, 2022

HITS Commonwealth Park, Culpeper, VA

The largest exclusively youth dressage show in Region 1, welcomes you to a weekend of fun and friendly competition!

- Teams consist of 3-4 riders who are 21 & under (FEI age applies). Individual riders welcome!
- Offering Leadline through FEI tests, Classical and Western Dressage.
- Each rider will ride one test on Saturday and one test on Sunday to count for team scores. Additional classes can be ridden individually.
- Teams will be placed into divisions by age and/or level. All teams will receive neck ribbons, rider medals and prizes.
- The Dressage Seat Equitation Championship will have qualifying classes on Saturday with a championship class on Sunday.
- Stall decorating contest with prizes and other awards/contests will be held throughout the weekend.

For more information:

Visit the website: <https://www.lvda.org/youth-dressage-team-challenge>

Or on facebook:

<https://www.facebook.com/USDF-Region-1-Youth-Dressage-Team-Challenge-103602204489635>



****SVDA Volunteer of the Day program****

SVDA is implementing a Volunteer of the Day program at schooling shows. All volunteers' name will be placed in a hat (one time for half day volunteers, two times for whole day volunteers) and one name will be randomly drawn. The winner can select their choice from a variety of gifts and gift cards, each with a \$25 value. Available choices are gift cards from Chik Fila, Wawa, Starbucks, SmartPak, Sugar Shack at the Mingle, and a gift bag from Cypress Saddlery. At the first 3 shows, we also have vouchers for free Chik Fila sandwiches for some randomly selected volunteers.



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For Immediate Release

The Virginia Horse Center Foundation Launches New Dressage Festival and CDI2*

Lexington, VA.- The Virginia Horse Center Foundation (VHCF) is pleased to announce the inaugural **Mid-Atlantic Dressage Festival & Lexington CDI2*** will take place at the Virginia Horse Center in Lexington, Virginia May 19 – May 22, 2022. The Festival will include both a national USEF licensed dressage competition and a new, international FEI CDI, or International Dressage Competition.

The facility has hosted Lexington Spring Dressage, a national USEF licensed show which was successfully owned and managed by Rosinburg Events, LLC and Janine Malone from 2012 through 2021. Once Janine decided to scale-back her scope of operations to North Carolina, former VHC President of the Board, Gardy Bloemers, led the effort to have the VHC take on the national show and add a CDI. The competition will include the following FEI levels: CDI2*, CDI1*, CDIY, CDIJ, CDIU25, CDIch, CDIAm, CDIP, CDIYH. Janine Malone will remain involved in these shows and stated: "I am so pleased that the Virginia Horse Center Foundation, with support from Gardy Bloemers, will expand the Lexington Spring Dressage show to include a CDI and grow it to attract more dressage competitors from throughout the eastern part of the U.S. It will be an exciting opportunity for all of the riders in our CDI divisions to get feedback from a panel of three judges".

The central location of the Virginia Horse Center, equidistant between Atlanta and NYC, provides much needed accessibility for those seeking competition experience at the CDI level. "Providing international caliber competition that is geographically accessible to dressage riders from Georgia to New Jersey and west to Ohio, encourages greater participation in and development of our sport, and that benefits everyone involved" commented George Williams, VHCF Board member, USDF President and USEF High Performance and Pathway Development Advisor.

The VHCF has invested in significant facility improvements in recent years, which has enabled it to meet the requirements to host this level of international dressage competition. The newly completed Isabel de Szinay Complex is an ideal venue for the CDI classes because of its excellent Atwood Equestrian footing, renovated permanent stabling, accessibility to spectators and central location at the facility itself. Gardy Bloemers believes "the time is right to add the next level of dressage competition to our calendar of events at the Virginia Horse Center. I'm particularly excited about the inclusion of the CDI-Am division which is open to up-and-coming riders not yet on the FEI World Ranking List and gives them the opportunity to get feedback from the same international judges as those in the CDI's highly skilled division."

According to Roxanne Booth, VHCF Board President: "I believe competitors are going to find a world-class, horse-friendly facility awaits them where the number one priority is the health and well-being of horses and riders. Both the Board and Management at the VHCF have worked diligently to improve the exhibitor experience achieving tremendous results thanks to both the operational management efficiencies made as well as unprecedented donor generosity. The VHCF is excited to increase the Festival atmosphere by sharing the facility with the Keswick Horse Show again this coming May".

The VHCF has engaged Heather Petersen of Colorado to manage the Festival and both of its shows. "We have brought together a competent and highly experienced team to run this competition and I look forward to creating something outstanding. Our goal is to build the Mid-Atlantic Dressage Festival into a not-to-be-missed spring event for riders, vendors, sponsors, and spectators." -Heather Petersen

More information about the Festival will be available on its website (www.midatlanticdressagefestival.com) including prize lists, sponsorship and vendor information. For more information about sponsorship opportunities, please contact Gardy Bloemers on gardy@gardybloemers.com and for vendor opportunities, please contact Nancy Lowey on nlowey@rocketmail.com. The Virginia Horse Center Foundation provides a world-class facility hosting regional, national, and international equestrian events. The Virginia Horse Center Foundation envisions a unique, bucolic landmark to honor and celebrate the timeless, special bond between mankind and the horse through safe, fair, and spirited equestrian competition.

Virginia Horse Center Foundation 487 Maury River Road Lexington, VA 24450

Show schedule for 2022

As of Jan. 17, 2022

March

05/06 **Raleigh Winter Dressage** – Raleigh, NC
Judges: Robin Brueckmann 'S' (NC), Elizabeth Kane 'S' (GA)

12/13
19/20

26/27 **March Magic Dressage** – Williamston, NC
Judges: Jodi Lees 'S' SC, Fran Dearing-Keur 'S' TX, Anne Snipes Moss 'R' PA, Others TBA
SVDA Schooling show

April

02/03 **Springtime Dressage** – Raeford, NC
Judges: Sue Mandas 'S' oh, Jennifer Roth 'S' NC, Janine Malone 'R' NC

09/10
16/17

23/24 **Prime Time Dressage** – Raeford, NC
Judges: Beverly Rogers 'S' AZ, Others TBA
SVDA Schooling show

30/30 **Dressage at the Meadows I** – Doswell, VA
Wakefield Airfield – Wakefield, VA

May

01/01 **Dressage at the Meadows II** – Doswell, VA
Wakefield Airfield – Wakefield, VA

07/08 **SVDA Schooling show**

14/15 **Raleigh Spring Dressage** – Raleigh, NC

21/22 **Mid-Atlantic Dressage Festival &
Lexington CDI2* Dressage** – Lexington, VA

28/29

June

04/05 **Capital Dressage Classic** – Raleigh, NC

11/12 **Summertime Blues** – Pinehurst, NC
VADA/NOVA Summer – Leesburg, VA
SVDA Schooling show
Wakefield Airfield – Wakefield, VA

18/19 **Virginia Summer Dressage** – Culpeper, VA

25/26 **Dressage at the Park I & II** – Raeford, NC
Judge: Debbie Rodriguez 'S' VA, Heidi Berry 'S' VA

July

02/03

09/10 **SVDA Schooling show**

15/16/17 **Dressage at Lexington** – Lexington, VA
Wakefield Airfield – Wakefield, VA

23/24 **Summer Breeze Dressage** – Raeford, NC
Judges: Sara Schmitt 'S' NJ, cindy Canace 'S' NJ
SVDA Schooling show

30/31 **Raleigh Summer Dressage I & II** – Raleigh, NC

August

06/07

13/14 **Made in the shade I & II** – Raeford, NC
Judges: Sandy Chohany 'S' IL, Carter Bass 'S' VA, Susan White 'R' MD

20/21

27/28 **SVDA Schooling show**

September

03/04 **NCDCTA Labor of Love I & II**

Wakefield Airfield – Wakefield, VA

10/11 **VADAF Dressage at Rosemont I & II** – Spotsylvania, VA

17/18 **Tryon Fall Dressage 1 & 2** – Mill Spring, NC

24/25 **SVDA Schooling show**
Wakefield Airfield – Wakefield, VA

October

01/02

08/09 **Pinehurst Fall Dressage** – Pinehurst, NC
Judges: Margaret Freeman 'S' NC, Jennifer Benoit 'r'

FL

15/16

23/24

29 **Wakefield Airfield** – Wakefield, VA

30 **SVDA Schooling show**

November

05/06

12/13

19/20

26/27