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# Happy Summer!

## Back Bay Farm SVDA Schooling Show





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Congratulations to Margaret Little for getting her last needed score for her USDF Silver Medal



New goals for SVDA members at our schooling shows: earn bronze, silver, gold, and ebony charms with scores of 70% or higher! 🏅🥈🥇🖤 Celebrate with a little bling ✨



**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.**

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## SVDA 2023 Calendar Schooling Show Schedule

Date	Location	Judge	Open	Close
06/18/23	River Birch Farm	Margetet Little 'r'	05/22/23	06/05/23
07/09/23	Willow Creek Equestrain	Wanda Escobar 'L'	06/12/23	06/26/23
07/30/23	Seahorse Run	Kris Hamilton 'r'	07/03/23	07/17/23
08/27/23	TBA	Robyn Nunnally 'L'*	07/31/23	08/14/23
09/24/23	River Birch Farm	Donna Gatchell 'L'*	08/28/23	09/11/23
10/29/23	<b>SVDA Championship Show</b> Wakefield 4H Center	<b>TBA</b> TBA TBA	<b>@C</b> <b>@B</b> Ring 2	10/02/23 10/16/23

\*L Graduate with Distinction

### Sanctioned schooling shows

Wakefield Airfield 4-H Center

07/15-16/23

08/19-20/23

10/28/23

**Crescent Bay Pony club** held at Northwest River Park

06/04/23

08/05/23

10/01/23

### Licensed Show 2023



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#### VADA BOARD MEETING MINUTES 5-25-23 VIA ZOOM

**Participating:** Sheli King (VN); Alison Douglas (Central); Robyn Nunally (SVDA); Angie Stanaway (NE); Muffin Smith (SWVADA); Nancy Doody (C'ville); Anne Draine (NEVADA); Diann Carpenter (NOVA); Alex Jeffers (Central); Jessie Ginsburg (NOVA); Sandy Toby (SVDA); Tina Longaker (C'ville); Nancy Lowey (C'ville); Sandy Monolo (NE); Anna Simmons (F'burg) and members Rachel Rice, Lisa Beckwith, and Diane Boyd

**Minutes:** The May minutes were approved by unanimous consent.

**Treasurer's Report:** Jessie reported that our combined balance is \$177K without much activity.

**Membership Report:** Via email to Sheli, Beth reported that we have 451 members with USDF but we have an additional 43 that USDF hasn't yet posted.

**Chapter Grant Increase:** The board approved via email vote, after the last meeting, to increase for this year, the amounts awarded for each membership division by \$400. This increase will be re-evaluated annually. The process will be two-fold: the first payment will be with the submission and the additional \$400 will be paid when the required article is submitted. The board also discussed making this an online process which we'll work on with Nancy Doody. As a reminder, the base payment tiers are 1-99 members \$700, 100-199 members \$900 and over 200 members \$1000. The \$400 for this year is in addition to those numbers.

**2024 Purple Book:** We are forming a committee to brainstorm how to put together the online format, talk about security, etc. Anyone interested in joining the committee should contact Sheli. As with any committee, this counts towards volunteer hours. The members who have joined so far are Tina, Nancy Doody, Diann, Robin Dannels, and possibly Anne Harrington.

**2024 Clinic:** This is another opportunity for members to join a committee and earn volunteer hours. Those interested should contact Sheli. Renee O'Leary approached Sheli about the possibility of partnering for a Sabine Shut-Kery clinic at her farm off I-64 at Zion Crossroads. The board discussed and approved pursuing this approach. Her farm has plenty of room for auditors and there is also a hotel at the exit. She would contact Sabine Schut-Kery's personnel for available dates.

**DAL Update:** Dates are July 14-16. Dianne Boyd reported that the prize list is now available, and the opening date is June 5<sup>th</sup>. Nancy Doody reported that there are still a couple of chapters that have not signed up for the combined chapter sponsorship package. She also mentioned that with the sponsorship comes a full-page ad so chapters that have sent in their sponsorships, please email her what you'd like on the ad space. The deadline for the remaining chapters is June 12<sup>th</sup>. Sign up is online and is \$200. We are still in need of more individual sponsors for the Challenge classes.

**GAIG Update:** Dates are Oct 5-8. Another reminder that this is parents weekend and hotel rooms are already almost fully booked.

**AOB: Sheli** brought up the possibility of a new venue in Hanover for the year end awards banquet. The committee will meet in the near future to discuss. Lisa Powers reported that the USDF Region 1 Jr Teams Challenge currently has 23 registered teams with 70 riders, of which 45 are from VA. Registration closes June 2<sup>nd</sup>. Some teams are still looking for an additional member to fill the team so individual riders are welcome. Sponsorship, vendors and advertisers are needed to help support the show, as are volunteers.

**Chapter Updates: PLEASE MAKE SURE YOU ARE SENDING INFO TO NANCY DOODY FOR THE WEBSITE**

**Central-** July 29-30 clinic with Emily Donaldson at Chestnut Oaks, Oct 21-22 clinic with Nicole DelGiorno at Old Raptor Farm

**Charlottesville-** July 9 clinic with Lisa El-Ramey at Old Raptor Farm

**Fredericksburg** – June 17 clinic with Bruno Greber at Willow Brooke Equestrian Center. They are also working on putting together a clinic with Jane Kelly in August. They are planning to send 2-3 teams to the Jr/Yr team competition.

**NEVADA** – June 4 clinic with Nancy Lowey at Edgehill Farm. Sept 16<sup>th</sup> clinic with Nikki Vogel at Edgehill Farm.

**NOVA** – June 10-11 is their Summer Dressage Festival. July 26-29 is their Dressage Camp at Frying Pan Park with Jim Koford and Debbie Rodriguez. Aug 5 schooling show at Morven Aug 26-27 two one day licensed shows.

**ShenVADA** –

**SVDA-** Schooling shows- June 18, July 9, July 30, Aug 27, Sept 24 and Oct 29.

**Southwest-** June 4 schooling show at Green Hill Park August 12-13 clinic at VA Tech with Stacy Pattison. October 15 schooling show at Green Hill Park.

**NEXT MEETING June 29th AT 8pm**

Meeting adjourned at 8:55 pm.

Respectfully submitted by Alison Douglas



# Whispering Miracles Licensed USDF Show May 27 & 28

Lots of wind and Lots of rain



Margaret getting her silver Medal Score



Kate Miller holding on to The Wild Man



That's rain, not snow, this was Sunday's weather.



Pictures by JL Fotograieren, check out her website @ [jenniferlindgensfoto.com](http://jenniferlindgensfoto.com) if you want to get pictures.

# Volunteer Hours

Member Name (Last, First)	JAN
Amaker, Barbara	0
Barnard, Karen	32
Bayles-Barnes, Diana	0
Bliefernich, Kim	10
Bliefernich, Paul	2
Bodnar, Tina	0
Britton, Amanda	19
Burton, Morgan	4
Cannon, Linda	0
Cobb, Jennifer	17
Colon-White, Bailey	0
Cook, Susan	0
Coyne, Kelly	0
Cross, Sherry	0
Darland, Eileen	0
Davis, Abigail	0
DiJoseph, Mary	2
Drewry, Marcia	0
Eddins, Jenell	0
Edmundson, Reeta	8
Lovejoy, Michael	6
Lovejoy, Ken	6
Felton, Barbara	8
Everest, Mischelle	4
Behrns, Kylie	10
Dodson, Olivia	6
Everest, Mischelle	4

Ege, Katie	8
Eidem, Evelyn	8
Enoch, Elise	8
Evelyn, Melissa	4
Fields-Sivak, Morgan	2
Fleming, Gabrielle	0
Flowers, Ava	4
Gardner, Katherine	21
Gardner, Skip	9
Gibson, Lora	14
Gonyo, Carol	0
Hall, Susan	0
Hipp, Ed	6
Holbrook, Darla	9
Hughes, Ben	3
Hughes, Hope	6
James, Tammy	20
Jensen, Charlene	10
Jensen, Dahlia	10
Kelso, Whitney	16
Klepacz, Lorraine	8
Knick, Kate	8
Lazares-Scaretta, Krystal	0
Leahy, Amanda	11
Meranda, Toni	8
Miller, Katie	8
Miller, Sarah	8
Miller, Ava	2
Metz, Christine	4

Montgomery, Kris	8
Murray, Louise A.	0
Needham, Caroline	8
Nunnally, Robyn	42
Padilla, Kelley	0
Parson, Lorna	0
Parsons, Cookie	33
Peyton Fancher, Mary	0
Ridgway, Kirby	6
Rippel, Beth	13
Smith, Joanne	16
Smith, Mackenzie	15
Stallings, Olivia	0
Stipic, Jessica	0
Stohr, Hannah	8
Stokke-Nelson, Cathy	10
Tilghman, Gary	0
Toby, Sandy	13
Wilde, Wendy	17
Williamson, Yolanda	0
Zilinskas, Nicole	0
Zimmer, Tara	0
Walker, Stephanie	0
Safford, Paola	5
Smith, McKinley	7
Safford, Paola	5
Felton, Barbara	8
Gaston, Susan	7
Nichols, Bethany	4
Sweetman, Deb	9



## Show schedule for 2023

### June

- 03/04 **Capital Dressage Classic** – Raleigh, NC  
10/11 **Summertime Blues** – Pinehurst, NC  
**VADA/NOVA Summer** – Leesburg, VA  
**Whispering Miracles Dressage I & II** – Va. Beach, VA  
17/18 **VADA-CH Isabel F De Szinay Dressage** – Culpeper, VA  
SVDA - River Birch Farm  
24/25 **Dressage at the Park I & II** – Raeford, NC

### July

- 01/02  
08/09 SVDA - Willow Creek Equestrain  
14/15/16 **Dressage at Lexington** – Lexington, VA  
**VADA/NOVA Summer** – Leesburg, VA  
15/16 **Rise 'n Shine** - Pinehurst, NC  
22/23 **Summer Breeze Dressage** – Raeford, NC  
**Whispering Miracles Dressage I & II** – Va. Beach, VA  
29/30 **Raleigh Summer Dressage I & II**– Raleigh, NC  
SVDA - Seahorse Run

### August

- 05/06 **Early Morning Blues** – Pinehurst, NC  
12/13 **\*Tryon Fall Dressage 3 & 4** – Mill Spring, NC  
  
19/20  
26/27 **VADA/NOVA Summer Wind down I & II** – Leesburg, VA  
SVDA - TBA

### September

- 02/03 **NCDCTA Labor of Love I & II**  
**Cool Down Dressage** – Pinehurst, NC  
09/10 **VADAF Dressage at Rosemont I & II** – Spotsylvania, VA  
**Whispering Miracles Dressage I & II** – Va. Beach, VA  
16/17 **\*Tryon Fall Dressage 1 & 2** – Mill Spring, NC  
**NCDCTA Harvest Moon Dressage** – Raeford, NC  
23/24 SVDA – River Birch  
30/01

### October

- 30/01  
05/08 **Great American Insurance Group** – Lexington, VA  
**Pinehurst Fall Dressage** – Pinehurst, NC?  
14/15 **CBLM** - New Jersey Horse Park – Allentown, NJ  
22/23  
29 **Wakefield Airfield** – Wakefield, VA  
30 **SVDA Schooling Championship Show**



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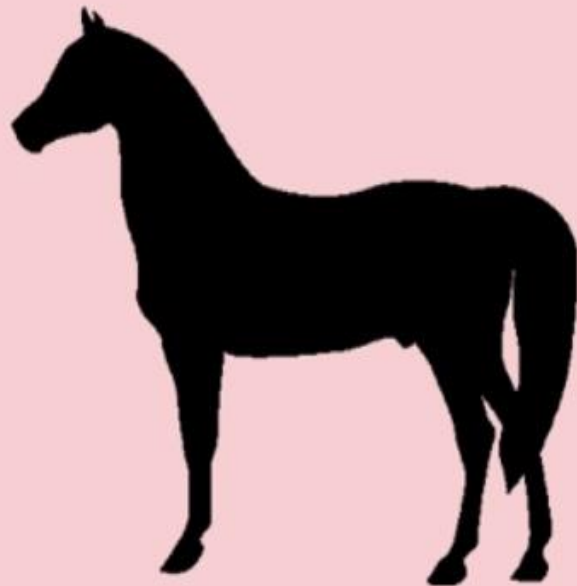
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