



# Half-halt



The Newsletter for the Southeastern Chapter of the Virginia Dressage Association  
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## \$\$\$Happy Tax Day???

### A Chilly Start to Show Season



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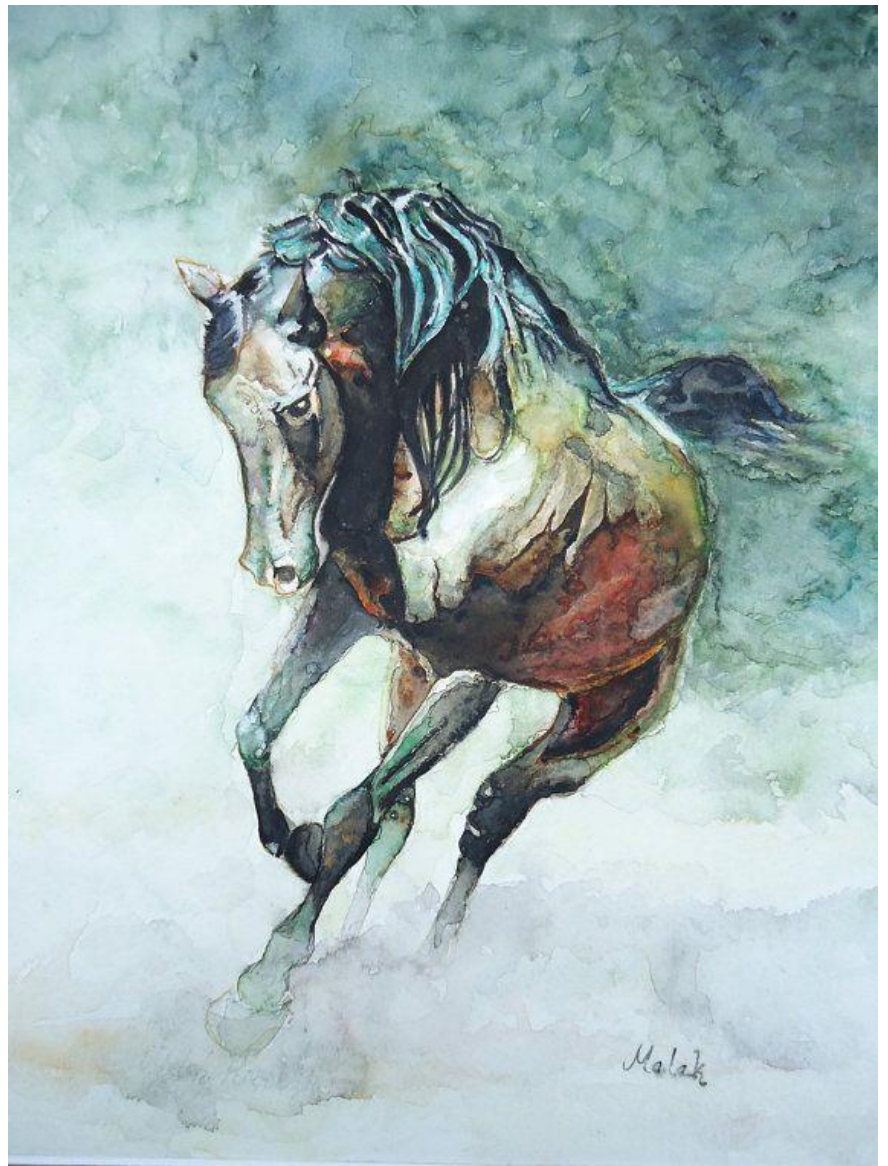
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We now have an online shop for SVDA logo items:  
<https://southeastvda.itemorder.com/>  
You can place orders directly to the shop, pay, and items will ship right to you.

Don't forget 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 cannot 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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 USDF "L" Faculty Member  
 USDF Bronze, Silver & Gold Medalist  
 Grand Prix Rider, Instructor &  
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## SVDA 2024 Calendar Schooling Show Schedule

Date	Location	Judge	Open	Close
03/24/24	Kelly Coyne Dressage	Donna Gatchell 'L'*	02/26/24	03/11/24
04/21/24	Seahorse Run	Sandy Toby 'L' *	03/25/24	04/08/24
05/19/24	River Birch Farm	Margetet Little 'r'	04/22/24	05/06/24
06/23/24	TBA	Robyn Nunnally 'L',**	05/27/24	06/10/24
07/07/24	Peace Haven Farm	Jane Kelly "L"	06/10/24	06/24/24
07/28/24	Seahorse Run	Kat Sepka 'L'	07/01/24	07/15/24
08/25/24	Kelly Coyne Dressage	AnnMari Ingersoll 'L'*	07/29/24	08/12/24
09/29/24	River Birch Farm	Elise Enoch 'L'*	08/26/24	09/16/24
10/27/24	<b>SVDA Championship Show</b> Wakefield 4H Center	<b>TBA</b> TBA TBA	@C @B Ring 2	09/30/24 10/14/24

\*L Graduate with Distinction

\*\*USEF WD "R" Judge

### Sanctioned schooling shows

Crescent Bay Pony club held at Northwest River Park

06/16/24

08/18/24

10/20/24

# Old Mill Dressage



Suffolk, VA

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**Sandy Toby**

**USDF Bronze, Silver & Gold Medalist  
"L" Graduate w/Distinction**

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**1752 White Marsh Rd.  
Suffolk, VA**

**www.oldmildressage.com**

SVDA Show March 24th, 2024  
 Judge: Donna Gatchall "L"  
 Location: Kelly Coyne Dressage  
 1492 Pleasant Ride Rd, Virginia Beach

Ride Time	Number	Rider	Horse name	Percentage	Points	Placing
<b>Second Level test 2</b>						
✓ 9:00	51	Katherine Gardner (AA)	Home Run	57.300	223.5	1
<b>Third Level Test 3</b>						
9:06	434	Leila (AA)	Montana	Scratch		
<b>Training Level Test 3</b>						
✓ 9:16	360	Alex Greer (O)	No Diggity D' Harduemor	67.400	168.5	2
✓ 9:23	82	Elizabeth Essenmacher	Kubla Khan	68.400	171	1
✓ 9:30	180	Caroline Needham	Montage	65.800	164.5	3
✓ 9:37	244	Chrisb Cherry (AA)	X Caliber RS	65.600	164	1
✓ 9:45	162	Paola Safford (AA)	Spiderman LA	59.800	149.5	2
✓ 9:52	98	Cassandra Falardeau	Project Thunder	62.200	155.5	4
<b>Prix St George</b>						
✓ 9:59	437	Joanne Smith	YZE K	49.412	168	1
<b>Second Level Test 3</b>						
✓ 10:09	51	Kathertnine Gardener (A Home Run		57.620	242	1
<b>Training Level Test 2 ROO</b>						
✓ 10:15	11	Hannah Futrell Flynn ROO Caroline Needham				
<b>Intro B ROO</b>						
✓ 10:22	324	Jennifer Cobb	Mainway's Venetian Ice	65.938	105.5	see last page
<b>Judge's Break 10:29-10:44</b>						

✓ 10:44  
 ✓ 10:51  
 ✓ 10:58  
 11:06

82 Elizabeth Essenmacher Kubla Khan  
 301 Rebecca Siegel (AA) Rommert Fan'twegie  
 150 Lorna Parsons (AA) Absolut Charm (HC)  
 948 Linda Craney (AA) Romance LBA

63.333 171 2  
 0.185 189.5 1  
 HC  
 SCRATCH

Training Level Test 2

✓ 11:13  
 ✓ 11:20  
 11:27  
 ✓ 11:34  
 11:41

180 Caroline Needham (O) Montage  
 71 Hannah Futrell (O) Koyori  
 14 Demity Lautenschlager (Aria) *Scratch*  
 116 Jennifer Cobb (O) Love Your Buttons  
 355 Brenda Carter (AA) Konner

65.172 189 2  
 66.207 192 1  
 no show  
 64.30 186.5 3  
 Scratch no show

First Level Test 2

✓ 11:48  
 ✓ 11:55

301 Rebecca Siegel Rommert Fan'twegie  
 58 Linda Cannon (AA) Prince Ali  
 A-1 Fox 50

65.788 227 1  
 Elimination  
 H/C

Training Level Test 1

✓ 12:02  
 ✓ 12:09  
 ✓ 12:16  
 12:23  
 12:30

2 Amanda Hard (AA) Key West Express  
 71 Hannah Futrell (O) Koyori  
 116 Jennifer Cobb (O) Love Your Buttons  
 14 Demity Lautenschlager (Aria)  
 355 Brenda Carter (AA) Konner  
 11 Hannah Futrell (O) Flynn

56.538 147 1  
 49.808 129.5 3  
 66.731 173.5 1  
 No Show  
 No show  
 65.000 169 2

ROO  
 2:24  
 T1A2

Judge's Break 12:37- 1:07

Intro A

✓ 1:07

95 Jennifer Cobb (O) Bougie Kitten

70.000 112 1

First Level Test 3

1:14  
 1:21  
 28  
 35  
 2

244 Christie Cherry (AA) Xcaliber RS  
 80 Rachel Moran (AA) Raynham  
 178 Amie Perryman (O) Golondrino  
 88 Aline (AA) *Matz*  
 21 Ava Flowers (JR) Sultan

67.361 242.5 1  
 SCRATCH  
 57.083 205.5 1  
 63.611 229 2  
 63.889 230 1

✓ 4:04

23 Gabrielle Flemming (O) Notorious FCF

67.500 108 2

✓ ROO

95 Jennifer Cobb (O) Bougie Kitten

70.000 112 1

Intro C

✓ 4:11

67 Jennifer Cobb (O) Ringaroundthemoon

58.250 116.5 1

Show ends at 4:18- Thank you to all the volunteers!

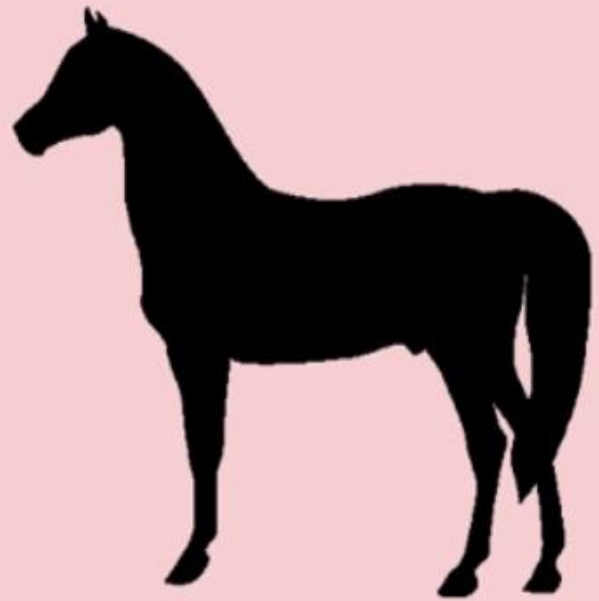
✓ 1.49	58	<u>Affonso</u> Chae Cannon (AA)	Prince Ali	<u>H/C</u>		
<u>Intro C</u>						
✓ 1.56	49	Debra Sweetman (AA)	State of the Art	<u>Withdraw</u>		
✓ 2.03	1	Jennifer Cobb (O)	Lotslotsolochrome	<u>69.500</u>	<u>139</u>	<u>1</u>
<u>Intro B</u> <u>2.00</u>						
✓ 2.10	111	Taylor Albert (AA)	Stars and Stripes Kango	<u>65.000</u>	<u>104</u>	<u>4</u>
<u>WDAI Intro 1</u>						
✓ 2.17	149	Hope Hughes (JR)	HSF Monty C Monty Do	<u>65.000</u>	<u>143</u>	<u>1</u>
<u>Second Level Test 1</u>						
2.24	80	Rachel Moran (AA)	Rayham	<u>SCRATCH</u>		
✓ 2.31	178	Amie Perryman (O)	Golondrino	<u>56.429</u>	<u>197.5</u>	<u>1</u>
<u>Training Level Test 1</u>						
✓ 2.38	1	Jennifer Cobb (O)	Lotslotsolochrome	<u>70.962</u>	<u>184.5</u>	<u>1</u>
<u>WDAI Intro 3</u>						
✓ 2.46	149	Hope Hughes (JR)	HSF Monty C Monty Do	<u>64.500</u>	<u>129</u>	<u>1</u>
<u>Judge's Break 2:53-3:08</u>						
<u>Intro B</u>						
✓ 3.08	191	Madelyn Hall (JR)	Stars and Stripes Kango	<u>64.688</u>	<u>103.5</u>	<u>1</u>
✓ 3.15	49	Debra Sweetman (AA)	State of the Art	<u>62.813</u>	<u>100.5</u>	<u>4</u>
✓ 3.22	316	Kim Epperson (AA)	Neapolitano Kupia	<u>65.938</u>	<u>105.5</u>	<u>1</u>
✓ 3.29	941	Dana Henning (AA)	Collective Effort	<u>64.805</u>	<u>102.5</u>	<u>3</u>
✓ 3.36	23	Gabrielle Flemming (O)	Notorious FCF	<u>66.975</u>	<u>107</u>	<u>2</u>
ROO	13	Taylor Albert (AA)	Stars and Stripes Kango	<u>65.000</u>	<u>104</u>	<u>2</u>
✓ 3.43	67	Jennifer Cobb (O)	Ringaroundthemoon	<u>68.458</u>	<u>109.5</u>	<u>1</u>
ROO	324	Jennifer Cobb (O)	Mamway's Vaction kcc	<u>65.938</u>	<u>105.5</u>	<u>3</u>
<u>Intro A</u>						
✓ 3.50	316	Kim Epperson (AA)	Neapolitano Kupia	<u>64.375</u>	<u>103</u>	<u>2</u>
✓ 3.57	941	Dana Henning (AA)	Collective Effort	<u>65.938</u>	<u>105.5</u>	<u>1</u>



# Hope Hughes Horse And Pet Care

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



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Hope Hughes (757)-613-0794

License, Insured, and Pony Club Horse Management Experience.

## VADA BOARD MEETING MINUTES 3-27-24 VIA ZOOM

**Participating:** Sheli King (VN); Tina Longaker (C'ville); Jessie Ginsburg (NOVA); Alison Douglas (Central); Robyn Nunnally (SVDA); Angie Stanaway (NE); Nancy Doody (C'ville); Eleszabeth McNeel (C'ville); Sandy Monolo (NE); Anne Draine (NEVADA); Laura Nelson (SWVADA); Jane Palmer (ShenVADA); Rachel Rice (NOVA); Sandy Toby-Johnson (SVDA); Anna Simmons (Fred'burg); Annette Hildabrand (ShenVADA) and special guest Kat Sepka

**Minutes:** The minutes from the February meeting were approved by unanimous consent.

**L Program:** Kat Sepka gave an update that we currently have 15 participants for Part 1 with a maximum of 30. She's met with Rene at her farm to go over logistics and is looking at the Best Western as the conference/hotel.

**Treasurer's Report:** Jessie reported that the combined balances are approximately \$193,947. This includes deposits for the L program but no expenses.

**Membership Report:** Sheli reported we currently have 400 members.

**Purple Book:** The membership chairs from the chapters met with Nancy Doody and Tina. We will have a private page for members only (member perk) that will contain first and last names, email addresses and member's chapter. Phone numbers will be optional but there will be no addresses or junior names. Members will contact Nancy Doody and after she has verified with the chapter designee, she will email or text the member the password. **Nancy Doody needs each chapter to send her whom she needs to work with regarding verifying chapter membership.**

**Chapter Grants:** Sheli submitted a proposal that she and Jessie worked on which outlines what activities are approved as well as the submission process. Alison made the motion to approve the changes, it was seconded by Laura and passed unanimously.

**DAL:** Diane via email to Sheli reported that everything is on tract. We have secured a photographer as well as all the prize money for the challenge classes. And, by the show, all the stalls will be matted. Nancy Doody reported that the chapter sponsorship options for both shows will be emailed next week. She says she's gotten a lot of "in-kind" product sponsorships, but money sponsorships are proving to be more difficult.

**New Business:** Kat Sepka brought up that Dr. Claudia True, an equine dentist, has offered to do a zoom presentation on equine dental basics. She will get more details and provide them to Sheli.

**Chapter Updates: PLEASE MAKE SURE YOU ARE SENDING INFO TO NANCY DOODY FOR THE WEBSITE. It's free advertising for any shows and clinics you're holding.**

**Central-** Michael Bragdell clinic April 13-14 at Old Raptor Farm. The two-day licensed show April 27-28, 2024, will be held at Deep Run in Manakin-Sabot.

**Charlottesville-** Longing clinic with Bruno Greber April 13<sup>th</sup>. The Isabel F. de Szinay Memorial two-day licensed show June 15-16, will be held in Culpepper.

**Fredericksburg –**

**NEVADA –**

**NOVA –** April 6-7 Spring Dressage Competition, May 8 Midweek May Meet Licensed Show, May 9-10 Debbie Rodriguez clinic at Windswept Farm, June 8-9 Summer Dressage Show at Morven Park, Aug 3<sup>rd</sup> schooling show at Morven Park, Aug 24-25 Summer Wind Down I and II Licensed shows at Morven Park

**ShenVADA –**

**SVDA-** Schooling shows - April 21<sup>st</sup> at Seahorse Run with Sandy Toby judging, May 19<sup>th</sup> at River Birch Farm with Margaret Little judging, June 23<sup>rd</sup> at Horse Park at Gryphon Run with Robyn Nunnally judging, July 7<sup>th</sup> at Peace Haven Farm with Jane Kelly judging, July 28<sup>th</sup> at Seahorse Run with Kat Sepka judging, August 25<sup>th</sup> at Kelly Coyne Dressage with Annmari Ingersoll judging, Sept 29<sup>th</sup> at River Birch Farm with Elise Enoch judging, Oct 27<sup>th</sup> at Airfield with Robyn Nunnally and Kris and Heather Hamilton for Western Dressage

**SWVADA-** Schooling show May 5<sup>th</sup> at Green Hill Park with Blue Ridge Eventing that will be a horse trial, combined tests, dressage tests and western dressage.

**NEXT MEETING Tuesday April 16th at 8 pm**

Respectfully submitted by Alison Douglas



## From VADA Website

### April

**Spring Dressage Competiton Licensed Show**  
VADA/NOVA  
6 & 7 April 2024  
Morven Park Equestrian Center, Leesburg. VA

**VADACC & Old Raptor Farm Proudly  
Welcome Michael Bragdell**

13 & 14 April 2024  
Old Raptor Farm

**Northeast VADA Schooling Shows**  
14 April 2024  
Edgehill Stables  
551 Edgehill Lane, Aylett, Va

**SVDA Schooling Show**  
**21 April 2024**  
Seahorse Run Farm, Suffolk, VA

**VADA-Central**  
**Dressage at Deep Run,**  
**Deep Run Show Grounds**  
**Dressage at Deep Run I**  
27 April 2024  
Manakin-Sabot

**Dressage at Deep Run II**  
28 April 2024

### May

**Midweek May Meet Licensed Show**  
8 May 2024  
Morven Park Equestrian Center,  
Leesburg, VA

**Debbie Rodriguez Clinic at Windswept Farm**  
VADA/NOVA  
9 & 10 May 2024  
Windswept Farm  
Waterford, VA

**SVDA Schooling Show**  
19 May 2024  
River Birch Farm Equestrian Center  
Courtland, VA

### May

**Mid-Atlantic Dressage Festival & Lexington CDI 3\***  
16-19 May 2024  
Virginia Horse Center, Lexington, VA

### June

**Northeast VADA Schooling Shows**  
9 June 2024  
Edgehill Stables, Aylett, Va

**Summer Dressage Licensed Show at Morven Park**  
VADA/NOVA  
8 & 9 June 2024  
Morven Park Equestrian Center,  
Leesburg, VA

**VADA-CH**  
**Isabel F. de Szinay Memorial Dressage Show**  
USDFBCS Qualifying Competition  
15-16 June 2024  
HITS. Culpeper, VA

**SVDA Schooling Show**  
23 June 2024  
Location: TBA



# Licensed Show schedule for 2024

Dates as of Dec. 31, 2023

## April

- 06/07 **VADA/NOVA Spring April** – Leesburg, VA
- 15/16
- 18/21 **Tryon Spring Dressage I** – Mill Spring, NC
- 27/28 **Dressage at Deep Run I & II** – Manakin- Sabot, VA

## May

- 04/05 **Tryon Spring Dressage 2** – Mill Spring, NC
- 10/11/12 **Dressage in the Sand Hills** – Pinehurst, NC
- 11/12 **Raleigh Spring Dressage** – Raleigh, NC
- 16/19 **Mid-Atlantic Dressage Festival & Lexington CDI 3\* Dressage** – Lexington, VA
- 25/26 **Whispering Miracles Dressage I & II** – Va. Beach, VA
- Mayday Dressage** – Pinehurst, NC

## June

- 01/02 **Capital Dressage Classic** – Raleigh, NC
- 08/09 **VADA/NOVA Summer** – Leesburg, VA
- Whispering Miracles Dressage I & II** – Va. Beach, VA
- 15/16 **VADA-CH Isabel F De Szinay Dressage** – Culpeper, VA
- Summertime Blues** – Pinehurst, NC
- 22/23 **Dressage at the Park I & II** – Raeford, NC

## July

- 01/02
- 08/09
- 12/13/14 **Dressage at Lexington** – Lexington, VA
- VADA/NOVA Summer** – Leesburg, VA
- 13/14 **Rise 'n Shine** - Pinehurst, NC
- 20/21 **Whispering Miracles Dressage I & II** – Va. Beach, VA
- 27/28 **Raleigh Summer Dressage I & II**– Raleigh, NC

## August

- 03/04 **Early Morning Blues** – Pinehurst, NC
- 10/11 **Tryon Fall Dressage 3 & 4** – Mill Spring, NC
- 17/18
- 24/25 **VADA/NOVA Summer Wind down I & II** – Leesburg, VA
- 30/01 **NCDCTA Labor of Love I**
- Cool Down Dressage** – Pinehurst, NC

## September

- 30/01 **NCDCTA Labor of Love II**
- Cool Down Dressage** – Pinehurst, NC
- 07/08 **??VADAF Dressage at Rosemont I & II** – Spotsylvania, VA
- Whispering Miracles Dressage I & II** – Va. Beach, VA
- 14/15 **\*Tryon Fall Dressage 1 & 2** – Mill Spring, NC
- NCDCTA Harvest Moon Dressage** – Reaford, NC

21/22

28/29

## October

- 05/06
- 10/13 **Great American Insurance Group** – Lexington, VA
- 19/20
- 26/27

## November

- 01/03 **NCDCTA Autumn Leaves & 2024 NCDCTA Championship** – Reaford, NC
- 09/10

