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Happy Summer!

SVDA Schooling Show at River Birch Farm



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Respectfully submitted,
Whitney Kelso
Scholarships



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 ✨

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.

VADA BOARD MEETING MINUTES 5-22-24 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); Anne Draine (NEVADA); Laura Nelson (SWVADA); Rachel Rice (NOVA); Christina Arrington (Central); Katie Kelly (SWVADA); Muffin Smith (SWVADA) and member Dianne Boyd

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

Treasurer's Report: Jessie reported that the combined balances are approximately \$210K. This includes deposits for the L program and some money from DAL but no expenses so it's higher than usual.

Membership Report: Sheli reported we currently have 488 members registered with USDF and another 64 that Beth is waiting on chapter payments to submit.

Purple Book: Nancy Doody has uploaded to the website what she has received from the membership chairs. Members will email Nancy Doody if they want access, and then she will contact the member and provide them the password.

DAL: Dianne reported that she is finalizing the details, and we will be doing email blasts to generate interest in the SHAC and Challenge Classes. All of them are sponsored so the dollars are there- we just need the riders to enter those classes. There was discussion regarding the breakfast cart – we can cut costs if we can find a volunteer to staff it vs VHC. The Woods Hill Barn is undergoing renovation and may not be available. We will also be starting a breed show award in honor of Carter Bass. Nancy Doody reported that sponsorships are doing well especially the “in-kind” donations. Chapters please remember to sponsor- so far only NOVA, Central and C'ville have done so.

On-line Educational Dentistry Clinic: Dr. True will be holding the zoom clinic on Wednesday July 17th at 8pm. The format will be 50 minutes of lecture followed by a question-and-answer period. More information on signup to follow.

New Business: The Region 1 Youth Team Competition will be held June 22nd-23rd at Rosemont. Rachel made a motion, seconded by Sheli that we sponsor the \$300 ice cream tickets. The motion passed unanimously. Also, Tina mentioned Elizabeth Lewis' husband Bert Page passed away.

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-

Charlottesville- The Isabel F. de Szinay Memorial two-day licensed show June 15-16, will be held in Culpepper.

Fredericksburg – Licensed show September 14-15 at Rosemont.

NEVADA – Schooling show series at Edgehill Farm- June 9th judge Wanda Escobar, July 16th (evening show) judge Wanja Gerlach, July 30th (evening show) judge Donna Gatchell, August 19th judge Joanna Gray-Riddle, September 22nd judge Robyn Nunnally, October schooling show will be at the State Fair with judge AnnMari Ingersoll date tbd, November 10th judge tbd

NOVA – Summer Dressage Show at Morven Park June 8-9, Aug 3rd schooling show at Morven Park, Aug 24-25 Summer Wind Down I and II Licensed shows at Morven Park, Nov 2nd 24 Schooling Show Championship and Fall Show at Morven Park

ShenVADA – They will be holding a clinic with date tbd.

SVDA- Schooling shows -June 23rd at Horse Park at Gryphon Run with Robyn Nunnally judging, July 7th at Peace Haven Farm with Jane Kelly judging, July 28th at Seahorse Run with Kat Sepka judging, August 25th at Kelly Coyne Dressage with Annmari Ingersoll judging, Sept 29th at River Birch Farm with Elise Enoch judging, Oct 27th at Airfield with Robyn Nunnally and Kris and Heather Hamilton for Western Dressage. They are also having a Continuing Education Webinar with Joan Darnell on the Collective Marks on Dressage Tests August 27th from 7:30 to 9:30.

SWVADA- Schooling show June 2nd at Green Hill Park with Blue Ridge Eventing that will be a horse trial, combined tests, dressage tests and western dressage. They will also have a biomechanics clinic with Stacy Pattison August 9th thru 11th at the Alphin Stuart Arena at VA Tech.

NEXT MEETING Wednesday June 26th at 8 pm

Respectfully submitted by Alison Douglas

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SVDA 2024 Calendar Schooling Show Schedule

Date	Location	Judge	Open	Close
06/23/24	Gryphon Run	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	SVDA Championship Show Wakefield 4H Center	TBA TBA TBA	@C @B Ring 2	09/30/24 10/14/24

*L Graduate with Distinction

**USEF WD "R" Judge

Sanctioned schooling shows

Wakefield Airfield 4-H Center

06/15/24 Kris Hamilton
10/26/24 TBA

Crescent Bay Pony club held at Northwest River Park

03/14/24
06/16/24
08/18/24
10/20/24

Licensed Show 2023 in June

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



Scores from River Birch Farm SVDA Schooling show

Time	Level	Test	Division	Rider	Horse	Number	Percentage	Placing
9:00	Second Level	1	O	Amie Perryman	Golondrino	21	177.0	65.556 ①
9:07	WDAA Level 1	2	O	Pamela McGeough	Pistol	941		
9:14	Training	1	JR	Peyton Connolly	Yoshi	244	191.0	94.571 ①
9:21	Training	3	AA	Pinky Hipp	Out of Vogue	59	188.00	63.200 ①
9:28	Training	3	AA	Paola Safford	Spidermann LA	98		
9:35	Training	3	AA	Holly Meeks	JoJo Was	178	HC	
9:42	Second	2	AA	Katherine Gardner	Home Run	14	154.6	61.800 ②
9:49	Second	2	O	Amie Perryman	Golondrino	21	239.50	61.410 ②
9:56	WDAA Level 2	1	O	Pamela McGeough	Pistol	941	165.00	66.000 1
10:03	Training	2	JR	Peyton Connolly	Yoshi	244	188.5	65.000 1
10:10	Training	2	AA	Pinky Hipp	Out of Vogue	59	199.0	68.621 1
10:17	Training	2	AA	Demity Lautenschlager	Aria	191	170.50	58.793 2
10:24	Training	2	AA	Morgan Burton	JMA Starrlight	189	Excused	
10:31	Second	3	AA	Katherine Gardner	Home Run	14	254.0	60.476 1
10:38-10:53	Judges Break							
10:53	WDAA Intro	3	O	Pamela McGeough	Monkey	77	SCRATCH	
11:00	Training	1	AA	Demity Lautenschlager	Aria	191	65.00	①
11:07	Training	1	AA	Morgan Burton	JMA Starrlight	189	SCRATCH	
11:14	Training	1	AA	Mary Barczak	Spicy	355	60.577	②
11:21	Intro	A	JR	Madelyn Hall	Stars and Stripes Kanga	128	96.00	60.000 ①
11:28	Intro	B	AA	Taylor Albert	Suzie Q	149	105.00	65.625 ①
11:35-12:05	JUDGES LUNCH							
12:05	WDAA Intro	1	AA	Michelle LoMonaco	Flaming Reverie "Rev"	303	150	68.182 ①
12:12	WDAA Intro	4	O	Pamela McGeough	Monkey	77	SCRATCH	
12:19	Intro	B	JR	Lily Phillips	Whisper The Secret	917	106	66.250 ②
12:26	Intro	B	JR	Madelyn Hall	Stars and Stripes Kanga	128	109	68.125 ①
12:33	Intro	C	AA	Holly Meeks	JoJo Was	178	138.0	66.500 ①
12:40	Intro	C	AA	Taylor Albert	Suzie Q	149	65.250	②
12:47	Intro	C	AA	Mary Barczak	Spicy	355	128.0	64.000 ③

12:54	Intro	C	O	Karen Barnard	State of the Art NH	89	69.500	1
1:01	Intro	O	JR	Lily Phillips	Whisper The Secret	917	66.000	1
1:08	WDAA Intro	2	AA	Michelle LoMonaco	Flaming Reverie "Rev"	303	65.833	1
1:15	Training	1	O	Karen Barnard	State of the Art NH	89	68.854	1

Show Ends
SVDA thanks our hard working volunteers, Margaret Little, and River Birch Farm!



The Mob

This 1961 photo is called "The Mob", and was shot by professional cat photographer Walter Chandoha. Originally a WW II combat photographer, his signature style was filming cats at their eye level. He collected nearly 100,000 cat photographs and it's pretty cool that someone made a career out of this.



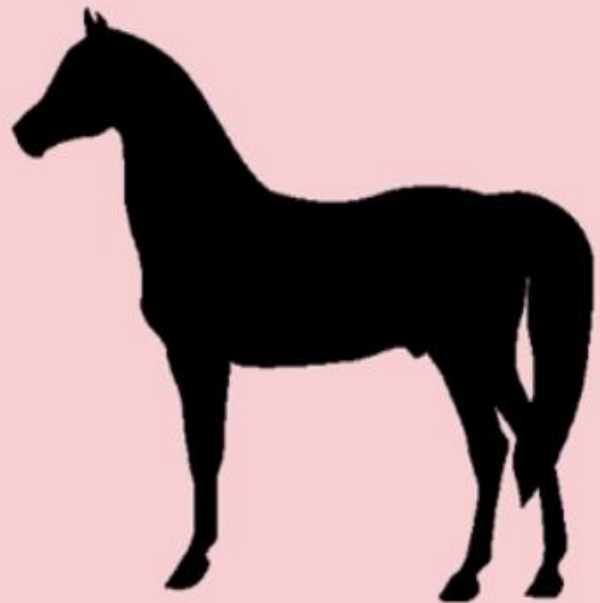
The new Mob



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Junior Team Report:

7 Juniors attending the Region 1 team challenge at Rosemount Farm in June
Ordered shirts and started to register the juniors for classes.

We fundraised at the March and April SVDA shows, raising \$120. We will fundraise at the July, August and September shows as well. We are selling food and SVDA swag.

Planning on hosting the USDF "Focus on the Collective Marks" on August 27th 7:30-9:30pm via Zoom with Joan Darnell. Waiting for the Region 1 and VADA presidents to sign the application and get USDF approval. Will get a flyer and have registration link once USDF approved. Proceeds will go to Juniors to reimburse for the cost of the team show.

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Thank you,
Charlene

SVDA Board Meeting
09 May 2024 @ 7:00 pm via Teleconference
Secretary Minutes

Call to order by Cookie at 7:00 PM

Roll Call:

P	Cookie Parsons		Beth Ripple	P	Deb Sweetman	P	Shari Cutchin		Susan Gaston
	Amanda Britton	P	Lora Gibson	P	Charlene Jensen	P	Whitney Kelso		Kim Bliefertich
P	Sarah Miller	P	Wendy Wilde	P	Amanda Hard	P	Karen Barnard		Joanne Smith
P	Sandy Toby		Katherine Gardner	P	Pinki Hipp	P	Robyn Nunnally		

Old Business: None

VADA Rep(Robyn):

- VADA report: healthy treasury heading into DAL and R1 GAIGS.
- Will be running a L Program Part 1 in late 2024 and into 2025; it's filling quickly so sign up if interested.
- "Big Clinic" being planned for 2025. Gathering volunteers for DAL, see website to sign up for volunteer positions or sponsorship opportunities.
- Carter Bass passed way due to a fall. SVDA's thoughts and prayers go out to the family.
- Lilo Fore clinic in 2025

President (Cookie):

- We cancelled shows last year which brought the bank account down. Hopefully it will be a better show year this year.
- Continuing to work on a different venue for the banquet.
- We did get the chapter grant of \$1300 which helped a lot for the clinic.

Vice President (Beth):

- Insurance is paid and need to sponsor DAL for our membership

Treasurer (Shari):

- Current balance is \$12,788.28
- Received the password for QB and still working on last five months.
- State tax return is due 15 May and an extension to Nov 2024 is being requested.

Secretary (Deb):

- Minutes accepted and posted in the May Half Halt newsletter.

Membership (Susan):

- The Membership database continues to be developed and added to regularly. (Cookie Parsons has been a HUGE help in this effort as I continue to learn the ropes! Thank you!) In a recent meeting of all of the VADA membership chairs, approval was given to making the Purple Book in a non-paper, e-format, excluding the names of the Juniors.

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Newsletter (Sarah):

- No updates

Website (Wendy):

- No updates

Clinics and Programs: (Kim):

- Lauren Sprieser clinic at Silverleaf November 2nd and 3rd, deposit has been paid.
- Haven't had the chance to look at the ride a test clinic. Will look at dates for the fall before the championship show.

Volunteer Coordinator (Amanda H.):

- Hours are updated through the April Show. Please notify her if anything is wrong so it can be fixed.
- Ring transport hours are currently 3 hours for each direction. It was approved by board to increase to 6 hours.
- Need volunteers for all shows, especially for May. Post created in the Facebook Group.
- Looking for Entry Secretaries for July 7, August 25, and September 29.

Volunteer of the Day Program (Robyn):

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Schooling Shows (Lora):

- The calendar is up with a venue secured for the June show.
- Shows are all planned for 2024. See updated schedule attached.
- New owner of Royal Flush. May need to look for new provider as we are having communication-delivery issues with new owners. Working on solutions to resolve now.

19-May	River Birch Farm	30470 Camp Parkway, Courtland, VA 23837	Ann Gayle	Margaret Little, "r" Judge	
6/23/2024	Horse Park at Gryphon Run	2520 Number 10 Ln, Chesapeake, VA 23323	Amy Perryman	Robyn Nunnally, L Graduate with Distinction, USEF WD "R" Judge	
7-Jul	Peace Haven Farm	17271 Mogart's Beach Road, Smithfield, VA	Pinky Hipp	Jane Kelly, L Graduate	
28-Jul	Seahorse Run	2733 Whaleyville Blvd, Suffolk, VA	Laura Gladden	Kat Sepka, L Graduate with Distinction	
8-25	Kelly Coyne Dressage	1492 Pleasant Ridge Rd, Virginia Beach, VA 23	Kelly Coyne	Annmari Ingersoll, L Graduate with Distinction	
29-Sep	River Birch Farm	30470 Camp Parkway, Courtland, VA 23837	Ann Gayle	Elise Enoch, L Graduate with Distinction	
27-Oct	Wakefield - Championship	15189 Airfield Rd, Wakefield, VA 23888		Robyn Nunnally, L Graduate with Distinction, USEF WD "R" Judge	
				Kris Hamilton "r" Judge/Heather Hamilton, L Grad with Distinction	

- Looking forward to the new location for the June show.
- No other issues or concerns.

Championship Show (Cookie):

- We need lots of volunteers to help with show. Pinky and Cookie will work on this show but can use more help!!

Awards (Amanda B.):

- We will work on these later in the year unless someone has a suggestion

Ribbons: (Karen):

- No change with the ribbons...we have plenty!

Q&A:

- Request from Amanda H.
Can the board move meetings to a video conferencing service (Zoom, Google Meet, etc.)? Much easier to track who is speaking, can share screens/visuals, and attendees can still call in via phone if needed.
- Sandy Toby requested cushions be supplied for judges and scribes for the folding chairs.
- Possible fund raising for club to be an on line tack sale.
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Meeting Adjourned at 7:49 PM

Next meeting July 18th at 7:00 PM

Licensed Show schedule for 2024

June

- 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 **Whispering Miracles Dressage I & II** – Va. Beach, VA
14/15 ***Tryon Fall Dressage 1 & 2** – Mill Spring, NC
NCDCTA Harvest Moon Dressage – Raeford, NC
VADAF Dressage at Rosemont I & II – Spotsylvania, VA

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** – Raeford, NC
09/10



VADA Calender

June

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

Meg Williams Clinic

21-23 June 2024

Cedar Creek Stables, Staunton, VA

SVDA Schooling Show

23 June 2024

Location: TBA

July

SVDA Schooling Show

7 July 2024

Location: TBA

Dressage at Lexington,

12-14 July 2024

Virginia Horse Center. Lexington, VA

Northeast VADA Schooling Shows

16 July 2024 (evening)

Edgehill Stables

551 Edgehill Lane, Aylett, Va

SVDA Schooling Show

28 July 2024

Seahorse Run Farm

Suffolk, VA 23437

Northeast VADA Schooling Shows

30 July 2024 (evening)

Edgehill Stables

551 Edgehill Lane, Aylett, Va

August

2024 Schooling Show at Morven Park

VADA/Nova

3 August 2024

Morven Park Equestrian Center Leesburg, VA