



Collective Remarks

VA Dressage Association Central Chapter

March 2019

President's Letter

Our 2019 has begun! Riders at Oakdale Equestrian Center received their first scores of the year as the weather held off until the end. Bravo to all who made that first show of the year. In the coming weeks, our Chapter has both educational and competition opportunities to get you ready for Dressage at the Meadow!

Sponsorships and vendor opportunities are shaping up for our annual favorite licensed show, Dressage at the Meadow. As a member, you can sponsor an award and earn a volunteer hour. You can earn volunteer hours. You and a friend can go in together to sponsor a class or award. Let's make it happen!! As always, our show needs your support both at show time and through sponsorships. If you know of a business owner, artist, saddle fitter, tack shop, equine service, etc. please tell them of our special show, the visibility this show can bring to their specialty or trade, and invite them to contact us. Shanda King and Jane Walker, Competition Committee Co-Chairs are ready to assist. You can forward the contact information to our show committee and we can reach out. Let's reach out to sponsor and step up to volunteer to make our 12th annuals how a great show!

New Tests Clinic: Plan to attend our 2019 New Tests Clinic on March 17th at Oakdale Equestrian Center with Debbie Rodriguez as our guest clinician. Auditor and rider spots are available. If you want to apply to be a part of the ridden portion of the clinic, please complete the form attached herein. Auditors and Riders should both register and complete waivers to attend. Thank you, Terry Adcock, for your hospitality in allowing us to host our educational day at Oakdale.

Musical Freestyle Clinic: Members interested in exploring Musical Freestyles or enhancing their present skills, Tara Dean and other VADACC members who fancy dancing on horseback will meet at Dabney Mill Equestrian Center on March 30. Marie Taylor will confirm the date as it gets closer. Tara will help you find what music works with your horse and help you with the what to look for in a music selection. This clinic will offer an enjoyable opportunity to learn about riding to music, whether you want to pursue Musical Freestyles for competition or enjoyment.

Hopefully the skies will clear for our first sanctioned schooling shows of the year. Check out our Calendar of Events. Support the hosts of our sanctioned shows. Plan to use the scores you earn at our sanctioned show to qualify in our 2019 VADACC Championship Schooling Show.

Our energetic 2019 VADACC Board is setting the stage for a great year for our Chapter members.

Good Luck!
Respectfully,
Susan

USDF/USEF Level 2 Dressage Competition and Breed Show

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VADACC Calendar of Events

Date	Event	Contact	Type
FEBRUARY			
10	VADA State Year End Awards Banquet		
13	Board of Directors Meeting, Wegman's, 12200 Wegmans Blvd, Henrico		
MARCH			
3	Oakdale Equestrian Center Dressage, Powhatan	www.oakdaleequestrian.com	schooling
16	CVACTA at Keystone Acres		schooling
17	New Test Clinic with Debbie Rodriquez, Oakdale Farm, Powhatan	This newsletter	
30-31	March Magic Dressage, Williamston, NC	www.sportingservices.net/march-magic-dressage-show.html	licensed
APRIL			
6	Saddlebrook Stables, Powhatan	www.saddlebrookstables.org	schooling
7	Oakdale Equestrian Center Dressage, Powhatan	www.oakdaleequestrian.com	schooling
13-14	Williamston Spring Dressage, Williamston, NC	www.rosinburg-events.com	licensed
13-14	Airfield C/W Series, Wakefield, VA	www.airfieldconference.com/page/equestrian	schooling
28	Chestnut Oak Stables, Doswell	www.chestnutoakstables.net	schooling
MAY			
4	Saddlebrook Stables, Powhatan	www.saddlebrookstables.org	schooling
5	NE-VADA at Edgehill Stables, Aylett, VA	804 263-4223	schooling

VADACC Calendar of Events

Date	Event	Contact	Type
12	Doubletree Farm Jumper Derby		
10-12	Dressage at the Meadow, Doswell, VA	www.meadoweventpark.com	licensed
18-19	Lexington Spring Dressage, Lexington, VA	www.rosinburg-events.com	licensed
18-19	Airfield C/W Series, Wakefield, VA	www.airfieldconference.com/page/equestrian	schooling
19	Oakdale Equestrian Center Dressage Show, Powhatan	www.oakdaleequestrian.com	schooling
25-26	VADA-Ch Isabel F. De Szinay	www.vadach.org	licensed
JUNE			
2	Gray Horse Farm Jumper Derby		
15-16	Virginia Summer Dressage, Culpeper, VA	www.rosinburg-events.com	licensed
16	Oakdale Equestrian Center Dressage, Powhatan	www.oakdaleequestrian.com	schooling
22-23	Airfield C/W Series, Wakefield, VA	www.airfieldconference.com/page/equestrian	schooling
30	NE-VADA at Edgehill Stables, Aylett, VA	804 263-4223	schooling
JULY			
14	Gray Horse Farm Jumper Derby		
TBD	CVACTA at Oakdale Eq.Center		schooling
AUGUST			
25	Gray Horse Farm Combined Test & Dressage Show		
11	Oakdale Equestrian Center Dressage, Powhatan	www.oakdaleequestrian.com	schooling
25	Gray Horse Farm Combined Test & Dressage Show		
31	NE-VADA at Edgehill Stables, Aylett, VA	804 263-4223	schooling
SEPTEMBER			
8	Oakdale Equestrian Center Dressage, Powhatan	www.oakdaleequestrian.com	schooling
21	Saddlebrook Stables, Powhatan	www.saddlebrookstables.org	schooling
21-22	Airfield C/W Series, Wakefield, VA	www.airfieldconference.com/page/equestrian	schooling
22	Gray Horse Farm Combined Test & Dressage Show		
28	VADACC Championship Show	Save the date (rain date Sept 29)	
29	NE-VADA at Edgehill Stables, Aylett, VA	804 263-4223	schooling
OCTOBER			
13	NE-VADA at Edgehill Stables, Aylett, VA	804 263-4223	schooling
19-20	Dressage at Airfield, Wakefield, VA	www.airfieldconference.com/page/equestrian	licensed
20	Doubletree Horse Trials		
26	Saddlebrook Stables, Powhatan	www.saddlebrookstables.org	schooling
26	Airfield C/W Series, Wakefield, VA	www.airfieldconference.com/page/equestrian	schooling
NOVEMBER			
3	NE-VADA at Edgehill Stables, Aylett, VA	804 263-4223	schooling
10	Oakdale Combined Test & Dressage Show, Powhatan	www.oakdaleequestrian.com	schooling
16	Saddlebrook Stables, Powhatan	www.saddlebrookstables.org	schooling
17	Combined Test or Jumper, Doubletree or Gray Horse		

Check our website for show updates!



The Virginia Dressage Association Central Chapter Presents the 12th Annual **DRESSAGE AT THE MEADOW**

**A USEF/ USDF LICENSED DRESSAGE AND BREED SHOW
MAY 10-12, 2019 | MEADOW EVENT PARK, DOSWELL, VIRGINIA**

A USDF/USEF #324875 LEVEL 2 DRESSAGE COMPETITION AND BREED SHOW

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SPONSORSHIP OPPORTUNITIES AVAILABLE

DIAMOND SPONSOR - \$2,000 Full-page ad in the show program, banner, sign placement at barn rings, and schooling areas. Sponsorship announcements during the show and participation in the awards ceremonies.

PLATINUM SPONSOR - \$1,000 Full-page ad in the show program, banner, and sign placement at rings. Sponsorship announcements during the show, and participation in the awards ceremonies.

CLASS SPONSORSHIP - \$50 Listing in the official show program next to the class sponsored. Sponsorship announcements during the show and participation in the awards ceremonies.

GRAND CHAMPION BREED DIVISION SPONSOR - \$200 Full-page ad in the show program, banner and sign placement. Sponsorship announcements during the show.

FRIDAY NIGHT EXHIBITOR PARTY SPONSOR - \$175 Quarter-page ad in the show program, banner, and sign placement. Sponsorship announcements during the show.

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Dressage at the Meadows Sponsorship Opportunities, con't

HIGH POINT BREED SPONSORSHIP \$100 Half-page ad in the showprogram, banner, sign placement, sponsorship announcements during the show, participation in the awards ceremony

HIGH POINT JUNIOR RIDER SPONSORSHIP \$100 Half-page ad in the showprogram, banner, sign placement, sponsorship announcements during the show, participation in the awards ceremony

HIGH POINT OPEN RIDER SPONSORSHIP \$100 Half-page ad in the showprogram, banner, sign placement, sponsorship announcements during the show, Participation in the awards ceremony

HIGH POINT AMATEUR RIDER SPONSORSHIP \$100 Half-page ad in the showprogram, banner, sign placement, sponsorship announcements during the show, participation in the awards ceremony

HIGH POINT VINTAGE AMATEUR SPONSORSHIP \$100 Half-page ad in the showprogram, banner, sign placement, sponsorship announcements during the show, participation in the awards ceremony Saturday Night

EXHIBITORS PARTY SPONSORSHIP \$250 Three-quarter page ad in the showProgram, banner; sign placement, sponsorship announcements during the show



SPONSORSHIP REGISTRATION FORM

Business/Individual Name: _____

Address: _____

Telephone: _____ Cell Phone: _____

TYPE OF SPONSORSHIPS

TYPE	FEE	AMOUNT INCLUDED
Diamond	\$2,000	
Platinum	\$1,000	
Exhibitors Party (Sat)	\$250	
Grand Champion Breed Division	\$200	
Exhibitors Party (Fri)	\$175	
High Point Amateur Rider	\$100	
High Point Open Rider	\$100	
High Point Junior Rider	\$100	
High Point Vintage Amateur	\$100	
High Point Breed	\$100	
Class	\$50	

Please make the check out to VADA-CC and send to: VADA-CC, c/o Jane Walker,
201 Race Course Street, Ashland VA 23005.

VADA-CC.ORG

VADACC Board Meeting Minutes
Monday, February 13 at 7pm
Location: Wegman's, Broad Street, Richmond, VA

Board members present: Susan Ellis, Marci Drewry, Marie Taylor, Paige Stewart, Tara Dean, Jane Kelly and Lynda McCann.
Members present: Jeslyn Vaughan and Bethany Larsen.

- ❖ **President's Report** – Susan Ellis. Meeting called to order at 7:15pm.
 - Quorum met for Executive meeting (7 board members).
 - Western Dressage (WDAA) tests were recently reviewed at the annual WDAA convention and revised. Exhibitors and show managers utilizing WDAA tests for 2019 shows, should download these tests again before use to make sure the changes are reflected in tests ridden and judges' copies..
 - The new mandatory USEF SafeSport training was discussed and how it will apply to the 2019 Dressage at the Meadow exhibitors and show officials. The February 2019 VADACC newsletter includes a reference page for the training access portal and frequently asked questions on the training.
- ❖ **Vice President** – Paige Stewart no report.
- ❖ **Treasurer's Report** – A. Douglas provided her Treasurer's report via e-mail. The balance to date is \$22,546.28.
- ❖ **Secretary/ Membership Report** – M. Drewry gave the current number of members as 57 to date. There were 22 new memberships since December, 2018. Lynda McCann requested a list of the new members which will be e-mailed to her.
- ❖ **Committee Reports-**
 - **Activities Planning Committee** – Jane Kelly reported that the flyer for the 2019 New Tests Clinic with Debbie Rodriguez will be at Oakdale Equestrian Center in Powhatan, VA on Sunday, March 17th. The clinic will begin at 10am with a lecture portion and then riding will start at 1pm. The flyer will be posted in the newsletter and on the website.
 - J. Kelly is waiting to hear back from various clinicians for additional clinics for this year and will keep the board updated on this.
 - There will be a Musical Freestyle day at Dabney Mill Equestrian Center in Dinwiddie, VA with tentative dates on the weekend of the 30th of March, or later in April. This will be a fun, free training day for the Chapter. Tara Dean has graciously volunteered her expertise in this discipline for free instruction.
 - S. Ellis discussed the New Test Clinic and related each ride would be \$50.00 for Chapter members and \$65.00 for non-members. VADACC and CVACTA are co-sponsoring the morning part of the clinic. There was a question on whether CVACTA needed to provide a waiver for all attendees even though they were involved with the unmounted portion. The answer was yes, they do need them. Volunteers are needed for this event.
 - S. Ellis mentioned that Chapter activities need to be reported to Alison Douglas for the insurance policy.
- ❖ **Competition Committee:**
 - **Recognized Shows** –The committee is scheduled to meet this coming Saturday at Roma's restaurant in Sandston, VA. The sub-committee assignments will be discussed. Shanda King and Jane Walker will be co-chairing the committee this year. Nancy Lowie is the Show Manager for Dressage at the Meadow this year.
 - Sponsorships were discussed and will be in the newsletter. J. Walker sent out a letter of thanks to all of last year's sponsors with a remittance for continuing their sponsorship for this year's show. A discussion about where to send out applications for this year's sponsorships reflected it would be sent to the membership in the newsletter, posted on the website and on our Facebook page.

VADACC Board Meeting Minutes, con't

- We will be using VADA-CC.org for the Meadow show this year and details will be worked out on the website.

Schooling Show– P. Stewart discussed the Championship show and provided a draft prize list where regular schooling show classes will be \$25.00 per class for Chapter members and \$30.00 for non-members. The Championship classes for VADACC members will be \$30.00. Members will be able to qualify through earning qualifying scores at the VADACC Sanctioned shows. The prize list for the show will be posted on the website, FB and sent to the membership. The show will be held at the Chesterfield Courthouse show grounds on the 28th of September. There will be no conflict with the BLMs.

❖ **Fundraising/Public Relations Committee** – N/A

- ❖ **Awards** – S. Ellis reported on changes in volunteer hours required for the End of Year Awards. This will be posted on the website and has increased from 4 hours in prior years to 6 hours of volunteer time required for 2019.

The 2018 EOY banquet accounting provided that \$629.00 were spent on the high score prizes and there were 46 ribbons purchased at approximately \$10.00 each. The silent auction netted \$526.00.

❖ **Junior/Young Rider Committee** – No report.

❖ **Website** –No report.

❖ **Newsletter** – L. McCann set the due date for submissions to the newsletter as the 20th of each month.

- ❖ **Volunteers** – No Report. S. Ellis discussed the SignUpGenius.com sign up being created by Heather Escobar for Dressage at the Meadow. Heather has already created an online form for VADACC members to report their hours for 2019. M. Drewry volunteered if needed to assist Heather in compiling volunteer hours earned as Marci did it last year.

❖ **VADA report** – No report.

- ❖ **New Business** – J. Kelly discussed having a tribute award to Carmen Giedt, who passed away in 2018. and had been an integral part of the Chapter for many years. It was suggested to have a special award at the 2019 end of year banquet in honor of her. She had recently earned her Bronze level medal so perhaps using the high score at 3rd level or giving the award to the championship winner at that level would be appropriate for a special award in her name. S. Ellis suggested perhaps a special medallion or pin could be given to VADACC members who earned their Broze medal, in honor of Carmen. Further discussion will be done.

❖ **NEXT MEETING is TBD.**

Meeting adjourned at 8:40pm.

Safe Sport

Competing at USEF competitions? For more details on Safe Sport and to determine if you require this training, follow this link: <https://www.usef.org/forms-pubs/GFLWiAL1Hdl/safe-sport-training-faq>

Safe Sport is free for USEF members. The cost is \$20 for non-members.

Bethany Larsen ~ Welcome to VADACC

by Susan Ellis

Bethany Larsen and Lynda McCann are two of VADACC's newest members. In January 2018 they moved to Virginia from New Hampshire and began building their dream, Topline Dressage. Topline Dressage is located on a picturesque 20 acre farm in Powhatan, VA, offering boarding, training, and lessons and featuring a competition size dressage arena. Collectively these ladies have brought years of dressage skill and talent to our area. Welcome!

Bethany Larsen, a USDF Bronze and Silver Medalist, has been chosen to be the dressage clinician at the 2019 Virginia Horse Festival. She will be offering demonstrations and dressage clinics during the three day event May 3-5, 2019.

Bethany's unwavering response to the question, "What do you want to be when you grow up?" was always "a horse trainer." Her first experience with riding came when she was 7. Already a horse-crazed girl, she went to an overnight horse camp with glee and cried when it was time to leave. For the next several years she went to this camp one week per summer starting out with riding Western (as was their custom with every beginner rider) and then moving on to hunt seat. She always had a preference of English riding as she felt it allowed the rider to be more connected with the horse, plus the tack was smaller and lighter! Many people are attracted to jumping because of the adrenaline and thrill of flying over obstacles, Bethany, however, was attracted to dressage because of the beauty and artistry of the refined, finessed movements and the ability of the rider to invisibly ask for all of these breathtaking and difficult tasks with seemingly no resistance or refusal of the horse. Harmony. Truly dancing



with a horse. In middle school she started taking weekly dressage lessons and from there she was hooked. It was through a mutual acquaintance Bethany got her first horse, a Tennessee Walking Horse. She tried her hand at the breed rail classes, but it never had the same personal appeal for her as dressage. Thus she took her Walking Horse into gaited dressage.

Bethany's second horse was a Morgan cross. It was with this horse, she travelled to NC for her first dressage working student position. She trained with Eliza Sydnor for a year (Eliza Sydnor, as a young rider twice led the Olympic Dream Trip sponsored by the Dressage Foundation.) and within that time span spent seven weeks in Wellington, FL working for JJ Tate. She then moved north to New Hampshire and worked with Mary Howard. It was in this 3.5 year time period that Bethany says she learned and improved exponentially from this Olympic Short-listed rider/trainer. (For our younger readers, Mary Howard had many national titles as a dressage rider, was short listed for the 1988 Olympics, won the Pan Am Games, and was 4th in the World Championships.)

Per Bethany, "Mary had mastered the art of instruction as I became her hands and feet on the horses we had in training. Backing and showing several, I earned my Bronze and Silver medals in two years as I sailed into the FEI Levels of dressage.

Bethany Larsen, con't

I was 25 when I earned the remaining scores to get both my medals in one weekend. My most notable mount was an OTTB who became an ambassador for Thoroughbreds in dressage, successfully showing and winning through Intermediare 1. I love Thoroughbreds for their big hearts, athleticism, desire to work, and lovely energy. It is no surprise that this breed was used to create and improve the modern day warmblood. In my barn currently I have a range of ages and breeds which all have something unique to bring to the table. My RPSI mare with her sweet demeanor has come from unbroken to schooling PSG in 4 short years. At my barn you will also find a German Riding Pony, another pony showing at 2nd Level, a 4yo Friesian, and a coming 2yo Oldenburg. I strongly believe that no matter what age, breed, or current discipline, every horse



and rider can benefit from learning the tried and true classic principles of dressage to further enhance the strength, balance, harmony, and knowledge of the pair.”

Bethany met her business partner, Lynda McCann, at Mary Howard’s barn in NH. With Lynda’s family relocating to VA to escape the long winters up north, she decided to follow and live out her dream of owning and running a horse farm. Bethany came along with her to live out her dream of that girl who wanted to be a horse trainer. Through all the hands-on education and experience she gained from being a working student, Bethany is passing along her knowledge to the horses and riders in her program. In addition to offering horse boarding, lessons, and training, they have an upper level schoolmaster available for those without a horse or those wanting

to work on themselves on a horse who knows more than they. They have stalls and openings available. Bethany is available to take her students to shows or assist with buying and selling horses. She is also available to give clinics or off-site lessons.

Bethany’s words of motivation and encouragement for any rider with aspirations to move up the levels is to “never overlook the basics. The upper level movements come easy to horse and rider if the basics are established and established well. With the ability to keep the horse between all your aids without force or brute strength, the upper levels are possible for everyone. But always keep the physical and mental health of your horse as the highest priority.”

As the Dressage Clinician at the Virginia Horse Festival this May, Bethany is offering low-cost clinics to riders all three days. Rides are offered at \$50. All levels will be accepted. These clinics will be focused on the needs of the particular horse and rider pair and taught in a way the those in the audience can see and understand what is being said and why. Also on all three days she will be doing a demonstration on her FEI horse, bringing the spectators into one of her everyday schooling rides on her. She will be stating what it is she is looking for in the warm-up and working phases of her ride. As she schools the upper-level movements she will relate what was done well and why, what was done poorly and why, and give exercises to implement to improve.

Bethany and Lynda, welcome to Virginia and thank you for joining VADACC!!



[ed: Do you know someone in VADACC you'd like to profile? Send it on over! Love to be able to use it!]

Virginia Horse Festival Dressage Clinics with Bethany Larsen

***Want to learn from an expert
while demonstrating for an audience?***

May 3 - 5 • Meadow Event Park
10 am - 1 pm Doswell, VA

Only \$50/ride!

**Indicate 1__, 2__
or all 3__ days**

Name: _____

Phone Number: _____ Email: _____

Level Riding: _____

Horse Name, Age, Breed: _____

Is Rider a Junior?: _____

Please send this form, payment, and a copy of the horse's Coggins to:

Virginia Horse Festival Dressage
Topline Dressage, 2200 Cedarwood Road, Powhatan, VA 23139
Make checks payable to Topline Dressage Questions? HoofPrints91@gmail.com

*Stall reservation form is attached. If a stall is wanted/needed,
please send the money & form to the address on that form.*

Ticket & other information can be found at VirginiaHorseFestival.com

VADA CENTRAL CHAPTER DRESSAGE
"2019 NEW TESTS CLINIC"
WITH DEBBIE RODRIGUEZ

USEF 'S' / FEI 3* / 'R' LEVEL EVENTING

Oakdale Equestrian Center

Powhatan, VA

Sunday, March 17, 2019

Riders Applications Accepted / Auditors Welcome

Time: 10am – Lecture: The Tests- Ring Etiquette-Rules –
(Co-sponsored by VADACC & CVACTA)
1 p.m. Ridden Clinic on New 2019 Tests

Location: Oakdale Equestrian Center, 5719 Cartersville Rd., Powhatan, VA 23139

RIDERS should complete and include the REGISTRATION Form, VADACC WAIVER, Oakdale Waiver, Current COGGINS Test dated within 12 months of event date and a CHECK made payable to VADACC.

AUDITORS will need to sign and include the attached Waivers.

Contact: Jane Kelly for more information

janeKellydressage@gmail.com (734)277-5623

Rider Registration closes March 7, 2019. Riders selected will be contacted.

REGISTRATION (CHECK ONE)

☐ VADACC Member Participant (\$50)
☐ Non VADACC Member Participant (\$65)
☐ VADACC Auditor (All day or part day - \$0)
☐ Non VADACC Auditor \$10

RIDER Forms to include with Registration

☐ Application
☐ Waiver
☐ Coggins Test Copy

Name: _____ VADACC Member YES ___ NO ___
Phone Number: _____ Email Address: _____
Horse: _____ Breed: _____ Age Horse: _____
Level requested: _____ Rider: Senior _____ Junior _____
Level shown 2018/Shows: _____

**Mail registration, copy of Coggins & payment (checks payable to VADACC) to
VADACC Clinic**

C/O Jane Kelly, 3025 Trenholm Rd., Powhatan, VA 23139

Coffee & donuts available. Bring a chair. Dress warm!!! If weather permits, some riding portions may be done in the outdoor arena.

Equine Activity Liability Release, Waiver of Right to Sue And Assumption of All Risks

This Equine Activity Liability Release, Waiver of Right to Sue and Assumption of All Risks Agreement ("this Agreement") is hereby given by the undersigned to **Oakdale Farm L.L.C.** equine activity sponsors and/or equine activity professionals (in each case, the "sponsor") and to the sponsor as agent for and for the benefit of each owner of land upon which an equine activity to which this Agreement relates is conducted ("owner") and each partner, officer, agent, employee, director, shareholder, subscriber, member, heir, personal representative, successor and assign of the sponsor and of each owner (who shall be included within the words "sponsor" or "owner" as their relationships may determine). This agreement, without limiting this general definition of "owner" the undersigned acknowledge and agree that "owner" shall include Theresa w. Adcock, provides as follows:

In consideration for the opportunities provided by the sponsor and owners to the undersigned, including any minor in whose behalf the undersigned signs this Agreement (the "participant"), for the enjoyment of equine activities as participant, the undersigned, including any minor participant for whom he signs this Agreement, hereby agrees as follows:

This Agreement is given in part under the **Virginia Equine Activity Liability Act (Code of Virginia Section 3.1-796.130 et seq.)** as it may now provide or be hereafter amended (the "Act"). All terms defined by the Act shall have the same meaning herein, and the Act is hereby incorporated in this Agreement by reference. This Agreement shall be so construed as to provide to the sponsor the fullest protection of a release, waiver of right to sue and assumption of all risks that is afforded to the sponsor by the Act and by general law.

All pronouns shall be construed to include the masculine, feminine or neuter as well as the plural or singular, as may be appropriate to facilitate the construction of this Agreement in the light of the facts presented.

The participant hereby acknowledges that he has full and complete notice and understanding of the Act and of all the risks inherent in equine activities that may cause, contribute to or result in the death or personal injury of the participant or damage to the participant's property (the "Risks"). These risks include, but are not limited to:

- (i) the propensity of an equine to behave in dangerous ways or to trip and/or fall;
- (ii) the inability of anyone whomsoever to predict or foresee an equine's reaction to excitement, weather conditions, sound, movements, objects, vehicles, persons, animals, reptiles, birds or insects, and the effects of such reactions;
- (iii) the hazards of surface or subsurface conditions, including but not limited to objects or conditions on, under or protruding from the surface both latent and patent;

This agreement shall be binding upon the heirs, personal representatives, successors and assigns of the participant and the undersigned.

The undersigned has fully read and fully understands the foregoing equine liability release, waiver of right to sue and assumption of all risks, has consulted and relied upon his own advisors on all questions in connection therewith, and has not relied upon the sponsor or any owner for any advice or explanation in connection therewith.

Participant:

RELEASE, ASSUMPTION OF RISK, WAIVER, AND INDEMNIFICATION

This document waives important legal rights. Read it carefully before signing.

I AGREE that I choose to participate voluntarily with my horse(s) as a rider, driver, handler, lessee, owner, agent, coach, trainer, or as a parent or guardian of a junior exhibitor in any equine activities in this show. In consideration of my/my child's participation in any equine activities sponsored by VADA Central Inc, I hereby release and waive my rights and the rights of any of my insurers by subrogation to sue VADA Central Inc and any officers, agents and/or representatives for any loss, damage, injury, or death to person or property sustained by me/my child in equine activities by any cause whatsoever, including the intrinsic dangers of equine activity, such as, but not limited to: (1) the propensity of an equine to behave in dangerous ways that may result in injury or death to a participant or bystander or damage to property; (2) the inability to predict an equine's reaction to sound, movements, objects, persons or animals; (3) hazards of surface or subsurface conditions, whether known or unknown; (4) the experience level of any participant in equine activities; (5) a known or unknown health condition of any participant in such equine activities; and (6) the condition and age of the equipment or tack. I assume all the foregoing risks and any other dangers intrinsic to equine activities and accept complete responsibility for making any and all examinations or inspections relating to those risks and any other potential risks of recreational activities, and I agree and understand that VADA Central Inc shall have no responsibility whatsoever to make any such examinations or inspections. I further assume all risk of, and agree to hold harmless VADA Central Inc and its officers, representatives, or agents, or o the part of any other person with regard to such equine activities. If I am a parent or guardian of a participant in equine activities sponsored by VADA Central Inc, I consent to the child's participation and AGREE to all of the above provisions and AGREE to assume all of the obligations of this Release on the child's behalf.

I acknowledge that I have read the following language from the Code of Virginia relating to limited liability on equine activities which reads:

3.2-6202 Liability Limited, Liability Actions Prohibited

A. Except as provided in '3.2-6206, an equine activity sponsor, an equine professional or any other person, which shall include a corporation, partnership, or limited liability company, shall not be liable for an injury to or death of a participant resulting from the intrinsic dangers of equine activities and, except as provided in '3.2-6203, no participant nor any participant's parent, guardian, or representative shall have or make any claim against recover from any equine activity sponsor, equine professional, or any other person for injury, loss, damage or death of the participant resulting from any of the intrinsic dangers of equine activities.

B. Except as provided in '3.2-6202, no participant or parent or guardian of a participant who has knowingly executed a waiver of his rights to sue or agrees to assume all risks specifically enumerated under this subsection may maintain an action against or recover from an equine activity sponsor or an equine professional for an injury to or the death of a participant engaged in an equine activity. The waiver shall give notice to the participant of the intrinsic dangers of equine activities. The waiver shall remain valid unless expressly revoked in writing by the participant or the parent or guardian or a minor.

I hereby certify that the foregoing statements and representations are being made by me knowingly, freely, and voluntarily, and I understand that VADA Central, Inc. is expressly relying upon the foregoing statements and representations in permitting me/my child's participation in any equine activities.

Date: _____

Signature: _____

Participant, Rider, Owners, Agents (If under 18 years parent or guardian must sign)

PRINT:

Name of Participant _____

Parent/Guardian _____

Street Address _____

City _____ State _____ Zip Code _____

Phone Numbers (include area code) Home _____ Mobile _____

Email Address: _____

Name/Date of Competition: _____

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**Equine Activity Liability
Release, Waiver of Right to Sue
And Assumption of All Risks**

This Equine Activity Liability Release, Waiver of Right to Sue and Assumption of All Risks Agreement ("this Agreement") is hereby given by the undersigned to **Oakdale Farm L.L.C.** equine activity sponsors and/or equine activity professionals (in each case, the "sponsor") and to the sponsor as agent for and for the benefit of each owner of land upon which an equine activity to which this Agreement relates is conducted ("owner") and each partner, officer, agent, employee, director, shareholder, subscriber, member, heir, personal representative, successor and assign of the sponsor and of each owner (who shall be included within the words "sponsor" or "owner" as their relationships may determine). This agreement, without limiting this general definition of "owner" the undersigned acknowledge and agree that "owner" shall include Theresa w. Adcock, provides as follows:

In consideration for the opportunities provided by the sponsor and owners to the undersigned, including any minor in whose behalf the undersigned signs this Agreement (the "participant"), for the enjoyment of equine activities as participant, the undersigned, including any minor participant for whom he signs this Agreement, hereby agrees as follows:

This Agreement is given in part under the Virginia Equine Activity Liability Act (Code of Virginia Section 3.1-796.130 et seq.) as it may now provide or be hereafter amended (the "Act"). All terms defined by the Act shall have the same meaning herein, and the Act is hereby incorporated in this Agreement by reference. This Agreement shall be so construed as to provide to the sponsor the fullest protection of a release, waiver of right to sue and assumption of all risks that is afforded to the sponsor by the Act and by general law.

All pronouns shall be construed to include the masculine, feminine or neuter as well as the plural or singular, as may be appropriate to facilitate the construction of this Agreement in the light of the facts presented.

The participant hereby acknowledges that he has full and complete notice and understanding of the Act and of all the risks inherent in equine activities that may cause, contribute to or result in the death or personal injury of the participant or damage to the participant's property (the "Risks"). These risks include, but are not limited to:

- (i) the propensity of an equine to behave in dangerous ways or to trip and/or fall;
- (ii) the inability of anyone whomsoever to predict or foresee an equine's reaction to excitement, weather conditions, sound, movements, objects, vehicles, persons, animals, reptiles, birds or insects, and the effects of such reactions;
- (iii) the hazards of surface or subsurface conditions, including but not limited to objects or conditions on, under or protruding from the surface both latent and patent;

This agreement shall be binding upon the heirs, personal representatives, successors and assigns of the participant and the undersigned.

The undersigned has fully read and fully understands the foregoing equine liability release, waiver of right to sue and assumption of all risks, has consulted and relied upon his own advisors on all questions in connection therewith, and has not relied upon the sponsor or any owner for any advice or explanation in connection therewith.

Participant:

Print Name _____

Signature _____

Date _____

- (iv) the hazards which rocks, cliffs, hills, fences, trees, stumps, logs, bridges, ditches, bodies of water, debris and obstacles, and any equine activity in connection therewith, may foreseeably or unforeseeably present;
- (v) the dangers and risks of tack or harness slipping or breaking for whatever reason;
- (vi) the dangers and risks of becoming entangled in tack, harness, or vehicles used in an equine activity;
- (vii) the risks of falling from or otherwise becoming unstable on an equine or a vehicle used in an equine activity for any reason whatsoever or for no identifiable reason;
- (viii) the dangers of being struck by an equine, by rider or by a hand;
- (ix) any negligent act or omission by the sponsor or any owner which causes or results in the death or personal injury of the participant or damage to the participant's property; and
- (x) all other risks associated with fox hunting, horseback riding, and related activities.

The participant hereby releases and waives all rights which he may have or hereafter have against the sponsor and each owner for death, personal injury or property damage which is in any way associated with the Risks; he does hereby waive his right to sue or to bring any action against the sponsor or any owner in connection therewith; he agrees to indemnify and defend the sponsor and each owner from and to hold the sponsor and each owner harmless against any such suit or action; including reimbursement of legal fees associated with the defense of any claim; and he hereby expressly assumes all risks and dangers of death, personal injury and property damage that are in any way associated with the Risks enumerated above.

The participant hereby authorizes and consents to any emergency medical care that may at the time appear reasonably appropriate under the circumstances as a result of injury or sickness caused by or incurred in the course of an equine activity.

This Agreement shall remain valid and in full force and effect from and after the date opposite the signature of the undersigned until expressly revoked by the undersigned in a written notice personally delivered to the sponsor.

To the extent possible, this Agreement shall be construed in such manner as will render it, and each provision of it, fully enforceable; but if any provision of this Agreement shall be unenforceable, such provision (or so much thereof as is unenforceable) shall be deleted and the remainder of the Agreement shall continue in full force and effect.

If this Agreement is executed by the undersigned for and on behalf of a minor participant named below, the undersigned hereby warrants and represents that he is in fact the parent or legal guardian of such minor, with full rights of custody and control; that this Agreement is given on behalf of and is intended to be binding upon said minor participant, his heirs, personal representatives, successors and assigns; and the undersigned further agrees that this Agreement shall also be as fully binding on the undersigned as if it were entered into solely on his own behalf.

Minor Participant:

Print Name _____

For Minors under 18 years of age, both parents and all legal guardians must sign:

(Signature of Parent or Legal Guardian) _____ Date _____

(Signature of Parent or Legal Guardian) _____ Date _____

Printed Name: _____ * Phone (inc. area code): _____ *

Participant, Riders, Owner's, Agent's Signature (Parent/Guardian signature required if participant is under age 18)

PRINT:

Name of Participant _____ *

Street Address _____ *

City _____ State _____ Zip _____ *

Telephone (inc. area code) _____ * If Junior Rider, Date of Birth: _____ *

VADACC Volunteer Rules And Activity Opportunities

RULES:

Volunteer hours are credited to active members only. The rider, family member, or horseowner may fulfill the volunteer requirement as long as that person is a VADACC member.

The volunteer is responsible for reporting their hours earned to the volunteer coordinator.

Hours may be earned at VADACC events; this does not include sanctioned events.

Volunteer hours must be earned/applied in the same membership year (Dec 1 – Nov 30).

VOLUNTEER OPPORTUNITIES:

One hour for each article submitted to the Collective Marks newsletter.

Actual hours spent for each VADACC Board or general membership meeting attended.

Actual hours spent for each VADACC committee meeting attended.

Actual hours spent for carrying out duties of a VADACC office or committee.

Actual hours spent working at a VADACC-hosted event, such as clinics or annual banquet.

Actual hours spent with VADACC JR/YR program meetings or events.

Actual hours spent teaching a VADACC clinic.

Actual hours spent for allowing VADACC to use your facility (no rental or rider fees) for a VADACC event, maximum of 12 hours per event.

One hour for sponsoring a class at Dressage at the Meadow.

One hour for obtaining a sponsor/advertiser for Dressage at the Meadow.

One hour for obtaining an advertiser for the Collective Marks newsletter.

One hour for recruiting one new VADACC member (new member must list recruiting member on membership application).

One hour for preparing food to be sold at a VADACC-hosted event.

Thank you,

Heather Escobar

hgescobar84@gmail.com

<http://bit.ly/VADACCvolunteerhourform>

Link to interactive volunteer hours submission form 
(submit as you pile up those hours rather than all at once)

Collective Marks Monthly Advertising Rates for 2019

Please mail payment with ads; there is no billing and ads must be paid before they will run. Checks are payable to VADACC and can be mailed to Lynda McCann (pls email at LyndaMcCannVA@gmail.com for the address). Ads may be emailed to Lynda. Please send file attachments in MSWord format or as a JPG file, or check with Lynda if you need help. Deadline for ads is the 20th of the month for the following month's newsletter. Note: At the end of the ad the notation (mm/yy) will appear. This indicates the last month that the ad will run unless renewed. All FREE classified ads run for four issues and can be renewed or cancelled via email to Lynda.

VADACC Member

\$ [20.00/month](#) - Full Page

\$ [15.00/month](#) - Half Page

\$ [10.00/month](#) - Quarter Page

\$ [10.00/year](#) - Business Cards

Free in Classifieds (no pictures)

Non-Member

\$[25.00/month](#) - Full Page

\$[20.00/month](#) - Half Page

\$ [15.00/month](#) - Quarter Page

\$ [20.00/year](#) - Business Cards

\$.15/word, \$5.00 minimum – Classifieds

Classifieds

Classifieds are free for members; \$.15/word, \$5.00 minimum for non, and will run 3 months. No pics.

For sale: Custom Everest R, 18 in., MN/M (adjustable by fitter), mono flap, buffalo leather, patent leather cantle, piping and leather keepers. One owner bought new, stored in conditioned tack room, well maintained in "like new" condition. Manufactured 3/16, used 10/16 - 10/18. \$3,600. Contact Susan Glisson, 804-922-1016. 4-19

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Membership Renewal Form

	VADACC 2019 MEMBERSHIP APPLICATION DECEMBER 1, 2017 TO NOVEMBER 30, 2018
	<p>Membership is for the <i>Central Chapter</i> of the Virginia Dressage Association. VADA is a USDF Group Member Organization. All members of VADACC are automatically USDF GROUP Members. Membership expires on November 30, 2019 for the 2019 year.</p> <p>Your VADACC Individual, Junior or Family Membership entitles you to the following benefits:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. One subscription to the VADACC Collective Marks monthly newsletter. 2. Eligibility for USDF Rider, Pas de Deux and Quadrille Team awards. 3. Eligibility for USDF/Dover Saddlery Adult Amateur Medal Program. 4. One subscription to USDF Connection magazine. 5. Refunds of Multiple GMO dues.
<p>Enclose check payable to "VADACC" and mail with application to: Marcia Drewry, VADACC Secretary 34356 Turkey Pen Road Wakefield, Virginia 23888</p>	

Were you referred by a current member? If so whom _____

MEMBERSHIP TYPE (check one box): ☐ NEW ☐ RENEWAL

Select ONE of the following:

<input type="checkbox"/> Individual	\$55
<input type="checkbox"/> Junior (17 and under on 12/31/2018)	\$35
<input type="checkbox"/> Family (2 or more members who live at the same address) Primary Family Member: _____ Supporting Family Member: _____	\$75 first 2
Additional Family Member(s): _____ _____	\$20 each
<input type="checkbox"/> Affiliate (Members of other VADA chapters who wish to participate in VADACC-sponsored clinics and year-end awards) Please provide the name of your primary VADA chapter: _____	\$40
<input type="checkbox"/> Friend (Newsletter Only)	\$22
<input type="checkbox"/> Patron (Organizations/businesses interested in VADACC activities and and opportunities but are ineligible for VADACC awards or programs.)	\$35

Name: _____

Address: _____

Phone: _____ E-Mail: _____

DOB (if 21 years old or younger as of 1/1/18): _____

How do you prefer to receive your monthly newsletter (check one box)?

☐ E-MAIL (PDF format, full color) ☐ US MAIL (Print format, black & white)

Volunteer Interests: Please volunteer for ONE VADACC Committee: We are seeking chairs, co-chairs and volunteers for these committees and need our members' participation. This is a great opportunity to be creative, meet other members and have fun! Your efforts are greatly appreciated and needed.	<input type="checkbox"/> Membership Committee <input type="checkbox"/> Activities / Planning Committee <input type="checkbox"/> Junior/Young Rider Committee <input type="checkbox"/> Competition Committee <input type="checkbox"/> Fundraising/Public Relations Committee <input type="checkbox"/> Nominating Committee <input type="checkbox"/> Awards Committee
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