



## Southwest Virginia Dressage Association

Dressage Show & Pony Club Dressage Rally

May 31, 2026

**Closing Date – May 25, 2026 or when filled!**

Green Hill Park Equestrian Center Salem, VA

[www.swvadressage.org](http://www.swvadressage.org)

### Levels Offered:

Dressage: Leadline Test A, 2023 USDF Intro - Second Level, 2026 USEA/USEF Tests Starter – Preliminary; 2026 Working Equitation Dressage and Ease of Handling Levels 1 - 3; Speed Phase Levels 2 & 3. WDAA Western dressage tests Intro - Level 3. Higher level dressage tests available with permission from the show manager.

**Judge: Ginger Henderson      Working Equitation Judge (Ease of Handling): Elizabeth Barker**

**Show Managers & Volunteer Coordinators (day of show): TBD**

**Division Information: Working Equitation** Dressage tests will be judged by the same judge as all dressage-only tests. Ease of Handling & Speed Rounds will be judged by a separate judge. Ease of Handling Schooling rounds available *after* judged rounds.

### Entry Fees

### Member / Non-Member

USDF/USEA/USEF Dressage Tests:	\$30 / \$40
Working Equitation Test Level 1:	\$50 / \$60
Working Equitation Test Levels 2 & 3:	\$65 / \$75
WE Schooling Round/Non-Competing Horse:	\$20 / \$30
Office Fee:	\$5
Stabling:	\$20

**Entry Submission: ALL Pony Club Dressage Rally entries must be made through the Roanoke Valley Pony Club**

**(<https://roanokevalleyponyclub.weebly.com>)**

Dressage Show Entries are available online at [swvadressage.org](http://swvadressage.org) or paper entries can be mailed to: Lindsey Carr 147 Sedgefield Dr Hardy, VA 24101; . **Entries must include Entry Form, USEF Release, payment & a Current Negative Coggins test (within 12 months of show date) and be received by the show secretary by the closing date.** Online payments accepted through PayPal (Search email [tamlanichols@verizon.net](mailto:tamlanichols@verizon.net), this will bring up the correct account for southwest virginia dressage association, please include rider's name in message field) or checks can be mailed to Lindsey Carr at the address above, checks should be made payable to SWVADA. Incomplete entries will be placed on a waiting list until all paperwork is received – no ride time will be assigned until all paperwork rec'd. **Late entries MAY be accepted and a \$10 late fee charged, at the Show Secretary's discretion.** Scratches prior to closing date will receive a full refund less a \$10 office fee. **After closing date, NO refunds will be given.** Entries may have to sign additional liability waivers the day of the show.

**Show Secretary:** Lindsey Carr [carrpartyof2@yahoo.com](mailto:carrpartyof2@yahoo.com)

**Directions to GHPEC:** 2961 Harborwood Road, Salem, VA, 24153

Exit 137 off I-81. Turn towards Salem on Wildwood Road. At intersection with Route 11/460, turn right. Go through two lights. At third light, turn left onto Duiguids Lane. Cross RR tracks and pass first entrance to Green Hill Park. Go another mile to the Equestrian Center trailer entrance on your right. There is separate entrance for vehicles not pulling a trailer further down the road.

**Other information (PLEASE READ!):** Ride times will be emailed to competitors and posted online ([www.swvadressage.org](http://www.swvadressage.org)) on the Thursday before the show. All riders, competing or non-competing, at all times on the competition grounds must wear a riding helmet which meets or exceeds ASTM (American Society for Testing and Materials)/SEI (Safety Equipment Institute) standards for equestrian use and carries the SEI tag. The headgear and harness must be secured and properly fitted. Any rider violating this rule at any time will immediately be prohibited from further riding until such headgear is properly in place. You are welcome to bring non-competing horses for a \$20/\$30 grounds fee, and proof of negative Coggins. All non-competing horses on showgrounds must be registered with the show secretary. All dogs MUST be leashed. Owners of impounded dogs will be fined \$35. Dress is casual, but neat and tidy. Half chaps are allowed. Ribbons will be awarded to 6th place. Divisions will be divided into Junior/Young Rider & Senior, unless there are 2 or fewer in a division. If no age is stated on the entry form, it will be assumed that the rider is a Senior competitor (over 21). Show management reserves the right to combine, divide, or cancel classes as entries warrant. USEF rules will be followed unless otherwise noted by show management. **All USEF Life and Senior Active members, as well as participants who have regular contact with minor athletes, are required to comply with the U.S. Center for SafeSport training requirement to be eligible to participate in the competition. All participants must adhere to the U.S. Center for SafeSport Code, USEF Safe Sport Policy, and the Minor Athlete Abuse Prevention Policies. More information about these can be found at [www.usef.org](http://www.usef.org).**

**RELEASE AND WAIVER OF LIABILITY**

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I, \_\_\_\_\_, do hereby acknowledge and agree for the good consideration of being permitted to engage in equine activities sponsored by Southwest Virginia Dressage Association (SWVADA) located at Green Hill Park Equestrian Center Salem VA , that by engaging in an equine activity, I am participating in an activity that poses potentially serious risk of injury or death to myself and others. **By signing this Release and Waiver of Liability, I assume the risk of all the intrinsic dangers associated with participating in an equine activity, pursuant to sections 3.2 - 6200 through 3.2 – 6203 of the code of Virginia.**

The intrinsic dangers associated with participation in equine activities are those dangers and conditions integral to participation in equine activities, including, but not limited to: (1) the propensity of equines to behave in ways that may result in injury, harm, or death to persons on or around them; (2) the unpredictability of an equine’s reaction to such things as sounds, sudden movement, and unfamiliar objects, persons, or other animals; (3) certain hazards such as surface and subsurface conditions; (4) collisions with animals or objects; (5) the potential of an equine activity participant acting in a negligent manner that may contribute to injury to the participant or others such as failing to maintain control over the equine or not acting within the participants ability. Va. Code, § 3.2 – 6200.

Additionally, by signing this Release and Waiver of Liability, **I waive and release any and all claims or rights to sue that I or my heirs may have in relation to my engagement in an equine activity and those risks assumed above** against SWVADA, Roanoke County Parks, Recreation, and Tourism, and any sanctioning organization associated with the show or activity (i.e. Southwest Virginia Dressage Association); or the board members, show or activity organizers, show managers, show secretaries, employees, volunteers, or family members of any of the heretofore mentioned, collectively or as individuals. **It is my intent to give up those rights and hold the above parties harmless, and I do so knowingly and voluntarily.** Furthermore, I agree in consideration for and as condition of my being allowed to participate in this equine activity, **to hereby indemnify, save, and hold harmless all of those parties heretofore mentioned, from any and all claims for loss, damage, and/or injury to any third party resulting from, arising out of, during the course of, or in connection with my participation in said equine activity.**

This Release and Liability Waiver is presumed effective until such time that written notice is provided by the participant, or SWVADA, or GHPEC.

Participant: \_\_\_\_\_ DOB: \_\_\_\_\_

Signed: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_  
(parent if participant is under 18)

Address: \_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_

Phone: \_\_\_\_\_



# WAIVER AND RELEASE OF LIABILITY, ASSUMPTION OF RISK AND INDEMNITY AGREEMENT

For and in consideration of United States Equestrian Federation, Inc. dba US Equestrian (“USEF”) allowing me, the undersigned, to participate in any capacity (including as a rider, driver, handler, vaulter, longeur, lessee, owner, agent, coach, official, trainer or volunteer) in a USEF sanctioned, licensed or approved event or activity, including but not limited to equestrian clinics, practices, shows, competitions and related or incidental activities and \_\_\_\_\_ (“USEF Event” or “USEF Events”); I, for myself, and on behalf of my spouse, children, heirs and next of kin, and any legal and personal representatives, executors, administrators, successors, and assigns, hereby agree to and make the following contractual representations pursuant to this Agreement (the “Agreement”):

A. RULES AND REGULATIONS: I hereby agree that I have read, understand, and agree to be bound by all applicable Federation Bylaws, rules, and policies including the USEF Safe Sport Policy and Minor Athlete Abuse Prevention Policies (MAAPP) as published at www.usef.org, as amended from time to time.

B. ACKNOWLEDGMENT OF INHERENT RISKS: I knowingly, willingly, and voluntarily acknowledge the inherent risks associated with equine activities, including but not limited to horseback riding and equestrian sport, are inherently dangerous, and that participation in any USEF Event involves risks and dangers including, without limitation, the potential for serious bodily injury (including broken bones, head or neck injuries), sickness and disease (including communicable diseases), trauma, pain & suffering, permanent disability, paralysis and death; loss of or damage to personal property (including my mount & equipment) arising out of the unpredictable behavior of horses; exposure to extreme conditions and circumstances; accidents involving other participants, event staff, volunteers or spectators; contact or collision with other participants and horses, natural or manmade objects; adverse weather conditions; facilities issues and premises conditions; failure of protective equipment (including helmets); inadequate safety measures; participants of varying skill levels; situations beyond the immediate control of the USEF Event organizers and competition management; and other undefined, not readily foreseeable and presently unknown risks and dangers (“Risks”).

### WARNING:

**CAUTION: HORSEBACK RIDING AND EQUINE ACTIVITIES CAN BE DANGEROUS. RIDE AT YOUR OWN RISK.**

**Under VA Code Ann. Sec 3.2-6200-6203, an equine activity sponsor or equine professional is not liable for any injury to, or the death of, a participant in equine activities resulting from the inherent risks of equine activities.**

C. ASSUMPTION OF RISK: I understand that the aforementioned Risks may be caused in whole or in part or result directly or indirectly from the negligence of my own actions or inactions, the actions or inactions of others participating in the USEF Events, or the negligent acts or omissions of the Released Parties defined below, and I hereby voluntarily and knowingly assume all such Risks and responsibility for any damages, liabilities, losses, or expenses that I incur as a result of my participation in any USEF Events. I also agree to be responsible for any injury or damage caused by me, my horse, my employees or contractors under my direction and control at any USEF Event.

D. WAIVER AND RELEASE OF LIABILITY, HOLD HARMLESS AND INDEMNITY: In conjunction with my participation in any USEF Event, I hereby release, waive and covenant not to sue, and further agree to indemnify, defend and hold harmless the following parties: USEF, USEF Recognized Affiliate Associations, the United States Olympic & Paralympic Committee (USOPC), USEF clubs, members, Event participants (including athletes/riders, coaches, trainers, judges/officials, and other personnel), the Event owner, licensee, and competition managers; the promoters, sponsors, or advertisers of any USEF Event; any charity or other beneficiary which may benefit from the USEF Event; the owners, managers, or lessors of any facilities or premises where a USEF Event may be held; and all directors, officers, employees, agents, contractors, and volunteers of any of the aforementioned parties (**Individually and Collectively, the “Released Parties” or “Event Organizers”**), with respect to any liability, claim(s), demand(s), cause(s) of action, damage(s), loss, or expense (including court costs and reasonable attorney fees) of any kind or nature (“**Liability**”) which may arise out of, result from, or relate in any way to my participation in the USEF Events, including claims for Liability caused in whole or in part by the negligent acts or omissions of the Released Parties.

E. COMPLETE AGREEMENT AND SEVERABILITY CLAUSE: This Agreement represents the complete understanding between the parties regarding these issues and no oral representations, statements or inducements have been made apart from this Agreement. If any provision of this Agreement is held to be unlawful, void, or for any reason unenforceable, then that provision shall be deemed severable from this Agreement and shall not affect the validity and enforceability of any remaining provisions.

**I HAVE CAREFULLY READ THIS DOCUMENT IN ITS ENTIRETY, UNDERSTAND ALL OF ITS TERMS AND CONDITIONS, AND KNOW IT CONTAINS AN ASSUMPTION OF RISK, RELEASE AND WAIVER FROM LIABILITY, AS WELL AS A HOLD HARMLESS AND INDEMNIFICATION OBLIGATIONS.**

By signing below, I agree that I have read, understand, and agree to be bound by all applicable Federation Bylaws, rules, and policies including the USEF Safe Sport Policy and Minor Athlete Abuse Prevention Policies (MAAPP) as published at www.usef.org, as amended from time to time. Further, by signing below, I (as the participant or as the Parent/Legal Guardian of the minor identified below) hereby accept and agree to the terms and conditions of this Agreement in connection with my (or the minor’s) participation in USEF Events. If, despite this Agreement, I, or anyone on my behalf or the minor’s behalf, makes a claim for Liability against any of the Released Parties, I will indemnify, defend and hold harmless each of the Released Parties from any such Liabilities as the result of such claim.

**The parties agree that this agreement may be electronically signed. The parties agree that the electronic signatures appearing on this agreement are the same as handwritten signatures for the purposes of validity, enforceability, and admissibility.**

RIDER/DRIVER/HANDLER/VAULTER/LONGEUR  OWNER  TRAINER  OFFICIAL  STAFF  VOLUNTEER  COACH (IF APPLICABLE)  OTHER

Signature: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_ Print Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Parent/Guardian Signature: (Required if Rider/Driver/Handler/Vaulter/Longeur is a minor) \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_

Print Parent//Guardian Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Emergency Contact Phone No. \_\_\_\_\_