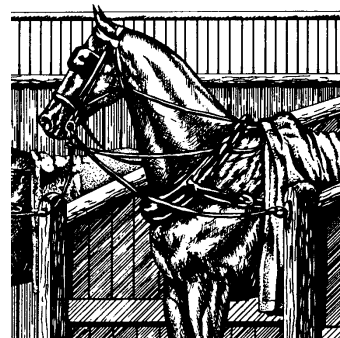


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Newsletter of The American Driving Society

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The President's Message

by James Keathley

"Are you ready?" were the last words in my last message. I would like to continue on that theme because it is the basis for all of the good things your American Driving Society does and will do in the future.

The ADS Board of Directors is made up for the most part of committee chairpersons. The committees conduct the business of the Society. The chair however is but one member of the committee. The committee's work is done by the committee members. These people are members of the ADS. Pogo, an old comic strip character of the 50's once said "we has met the enemy and he is us." The same analogy could be used for our organization. "We has met the management and the workers of the Society and he is us." In other words,

we are not run by a few elected persons, but rather we are run by our members who serve on committees. They give many hours, with no pay or expense money. They spend their personal time writing the rules, selecting and managing our officials, studying ways to make things run better, teaching safety, and working with local clubs, to name just a few of the committee functions. They work out of their homes and offices using E-mail, telephones, faxes and mail. Ideas and concepts are passed back and forth until a new or changed idea is introduced. The idea might be a dressage test, a new rule for pleasure shows, a new way for VSE's to participate in a CDE or any number of things. As an example, when a new rule is needed, a committee studies the problem and agrees to a solution in

the form of a rule or changed rule. The change is then posted in one of the ADS publications and finally, the Board of Directors votes on the idea. The new or changed rule may have started with a single member or with a committee. But it did not start itself. It took the ideas and efforts of several members to make the rule happen.

All of this is about involvement. Our new Vice President, Pat Cheatham wrote about taking ownership of your ADS. I am encouraging you to look for ways to take ownership by being involved. There are many opportunities for you to make a major contribution. You could even volunteer to serve as the backbone of the Society and become a committee member. So, I ask again, are you ready?

Omnibus Changes and Corrections

For complete information visit www.americandrivingsociety.org and click on "Omnibus" link

January 18-21; Nature Coast CDE. Competition will be recognized by both ADS and USEF. Advanced division should use USEF entry form; Ground Jury: Dana Bright, Debbie Banfield, Kail Palmer-Miller, Margot Wilcox. Drug fee is \$12 per horse; Intermediate Dressage Test will be Test 2; Secretary/Contact: Ellen Ettenger, Cell: 352-615-6460; email: shorty1956@bellsouth.net

January 27-28; Oak Run Driving Trial. A bit singed from the fire but still on! For complete information contact Veronica Campbell, H: 562-431-7264; email: t.v.campbell@verizon.net or visit the Omnibus web page.

March 1-4; Black Prong. Dressage Test will be: Advanced; Ponies (Singles & Pairs), FEI #7; Pony Four-In-Hand, FEI #6; Horse Singles, FEI #9

March 22-25; Live Oak International; Add to Ground Jury: Jochan Lange, Spain. Intermediate Dressage Test will be: Test 2; FEI Single Ponies Dressage Test: FEI #7

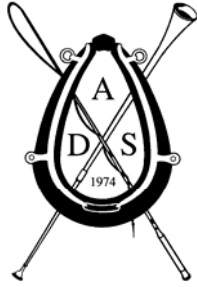
March 31; Sunrise Ridge Horse Driving Trial. Date change: old date, March 24.

April 6-8; Sunshine State CAI. Add to Ground Jury: Peter Bonhof, The Netherlands. Intermediate Dressage Test will be: Test 2; FEI Single Ponies Dressage Test: FEI #7

June 1-3; Trinity CDE. Levels: Training, Preliminary, Intermediate. Contact: Frances Bowersock; H: 503-824-4888; email: beesock@colton.com or visit the Omnibus web page.

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It's your ADS and we need your opinion!!! *Are You Ready?*

The New Year is an opportunity to look back over the past year and take stock of how well the ADS met our needs as a Society. We need your thoughts on how we're using our resources in general, some specific feedback about the ADS Fund and an idea of the projects, needs and issues we should tackle in the near future.

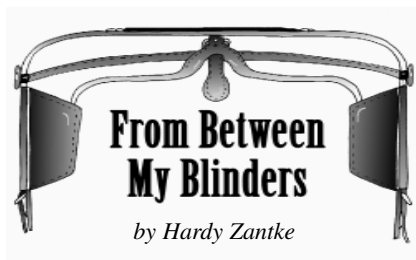
In the next week or so, we want you to complete a survey that will enable your Board of Directors to better understand what's important to you. You'll be able to participate in our ADS member survey in one of three ways:

- For members with a valid e-mail address on file with the ADS office, you will receive an e-mail from the ADS with the survey attached. We ask that you complete the survey and return as directed.
- You may complete the survey "on-line" by going to www.americandrivingsociety.org after **January 15**, and clicking on the link provided. Please enter access code: "77x72x76x77x78x71x77x78x70" when prompted and complete the form.
- If you prefer a hardcopy, call the ADS office (1-608-237-7382) between 9 a.m. and 4 p.m. CST, Monday through Friday and request the office mail you a copy of the survey.

I ask that you complete the survey by your preferred method as quickly as possible. It's my hope to present the consolidated information from our members with the Board of Directors at our next meeting in Dallas, Texas the second weekend in February, 2007. We believe that we'll be able to compile and review all surveys received before February 1st. This initial survey will provide a baseline against which we will measure the progress of the ADS over the next several years.

If you want to be part of setting the best course of action for the ADS over the upcoming year, we need your input. ***Are You Ready?***

Jim Keathley
Woodbury, TN
January, 2007



FEI Introduces Dressage Test #9

In the November Wheelhorse I wrote that the FEI was working on a new Dressage Test No 9 for Singles which would include Canter Movements. The test is published now on the FEI website at <http://www.horsesport.org/a/rules/rules.lasso>. Looking at it I think the new Canter movements will perhaps not be the hardest tasks. The Canter departures are not required at a letter and drivers are given leeway in between two letters for their upward transition. In our ADS Intermediate Canter tests we have the transitions at the letter. I did not find that to be a problem. There are two other new and difficult requirements: One handed movements with a 20 meter circle to one side immediately followed by a 15 meter circle to the other side. Originally we had one handed circles followed by a straight line for Pairs and Fours. That was not too difficult. After setting up the reins for the one handed circle one could let the inside rein slip a little to go straight. Then came Test 7 for Singles with one handed double deviations, which means four rein changes. That was much more difficult and required a much better trained and more responsive horse, as one could not drive the four rein changes by simply letting one of the reins slip. This new test of a rein change from one circle to another will probably mean an even larger slip of the inside rein at the change between the two circles. There is one more new requirement: The new

test calls for two 10 meter circles at the Collected Trot. Up to now we only had 15 meter circles as smallest turns. In addition the test has difficult extensions. I think it will be a challenge even for the best of our drivers and horses.

Now FEI 6A, 7A, 8A

There are also new FEI Dressage Tests 6A, 7A and 8A. In test 6A and 7A all the movements are the same as they were in Tests 6 and 7. Only some of the movements have been broken down further for the judges. So where in the past some long movements had many parts in it, all lumped into one note from the judges, those now have been broken down into separate movements. So nothing changes for the drivers, only the judges need to give a few more notes, which should make the results more accurate. Test 8A has changed only for Four-in-Hands and Tandems in putting the movements of Test 8 together little differently so that the Shoulder-in movements now are driven towards the judge at C rather than away from him as in the past, enabling the judge at C to see it much better. So the Fours and Tandems need to learn a new test, whereas for Pairs and Singles Test 8 stays the same.

A Few Rule Changes Coming

Then there are also a few rule changes on the FEI Website, which will probably soon come to the ADS and USEF rulebooks too. I think most of them are of minor consequences, with many of them just catching up in the rule book some of the changes that we have seen in the sport already anyhow. For example: With the approval of the T.D. Sections A and D can be closed for inspections if deemed necessary by the organizers for protection of the land owners. The plan of the Cones Course does not need to be given out 48 hours before, but only 2 hours. A judge at the

rest halt is now optional where in the past it was required. Wooden bridges which are not exactly built to specifications but otherwise of permanent solid construction with strong side rails can be approved by the T.D.

A leg over a trace was added to the reasons for an immediate mandatory stop of the competitor in an obstacle. This is good in the interest of the horses, but team and tandem drivers and grooms will need to keep a very close eye on that to not overlook it when a leader steps over a trace in the heat of the battle.

FEI to Require Helmets

There is one rule change which I think may have a little more of an impact: In the past the use of dampers and/or locking devices on the turn-table were not permitted in dressage or cones, as a locked turn-table can make a straight rein-back easier. That restriction was now taken out of the rule book. I believe, probably so for very good practical reasons, as one should not have rules, which can't be enforced. That restriction became much harder to check or enforce ever since delayed steering was invented for marathon carriages, turn table dampers came along to prevent fishtailing. Many people especially on the lower levels use their marathon vehicles also in dressage. No event can assure that they have their fifth wheel brake really set to zero in dressage. I have heard already about some dressage carriages equipped with delayed steering for the cones. So it probably will not take long until we will see new fifth wheel brakes for straighter rein-backs. But if applied correctly it won't hurt the horses, the spectators will be impressed, and the carriage builders can make a little money. On a closing note: Many will be happy to read that now also the FEI requires helmets on Section E.

Quotable

“Courtesy is the lubrication which keeps interactions between people pleasant and smooth. It is costly only in its absence. I urge all ADS members to be fully aware of the importance of courtesy and to approach each competition as an invitation gladly accepted to be treated with honor.”

Audrey Bostwick

First published in 1993, reprinted in The Best of The Whip, Volume II

Dozens of Renowned Equine Professionals in One Place for One Weekend

Equine Affaire, the premiere horse exposition in North America, returns to Fairplex with a powerhouse line-up of clinicians and presentations. This one-of-a-kind opportunity for horse enthusiasts offers four full days with a non-repeating schedule of demonstrations, clinics, and seminars. Presenters and topics will include:

- Chris Cox (general training)
- Leslie Desmond (horsemanship through feel)
- Craig Cameron (reining & horsemanship)
- David Lichman (Parelli Certified trainer)
- Hilda Gurney (dressage)
- Ted Robinson (reined cow horse)
- Tim Grubb (hunters & jumpers)
- Kristie Peterson (barrel racing & pole bending)
- **Lisa Singer (driving)**
- Patick Hooks (ranch horse versatility)
- Julie Goodnight (straightforward horsemanship)
- Chris Irwin (general training)
- Brenda Imus (easy-gaited horses)
- Anne Speck (saddleseat English pleasure)
- Scot Hansen (trail riding & mounted

- police training techniques)
- Mary Midkiff (rider conditioning)

Event Highlights

Equine Affaire has something for horse enthusiasts of all ages, disciplines, breeds, and experience. Not only will you find the largest horse-related trade show in the West with more than 350 industry-leading exhibitors but there are more than 60 outstanding demonstrations and hands-on seminars on the Seminar Stage and in the Demo Ring. The Breed Pavilion showcases horse breeds from around the world, including breed representatives of each breed to answer questions and a rotating cast of selected stallions, mares, and geldings. Activities and presentations for young horse enthusiasts in the Arabian Horse Association Youth Pavilion include educational information about equine careers and The Celebrity Horse Showcase. And, of course, there's the free raffle featuring a variety of valuable prizes. Even more exciting, the television show *Speaking of Horses* will be broadcasting live from the event, complete with presenter and attendee interviews.

Event Hours and Admission

Admission includes all clinics, seminars, and demonstrations.

Thursday–Saturday: 9:00am–7:00pm (clinics in the covered arena until 9:00pm) and Sunday: 9:00am–5:00pm.

Adults: \$15/day; \$45/four-day pass

Children 7–12: \$10/day; \$30/four-day pass, Children under 6: Free

Fairplex will charge for parking.

For more attendee information visit www.equineaffaire.com or call (740) 845-0085 weekdays from 9:00am–5:00pm Eastern.

Equine Affaire Sponsors– Equine Affaire thanks sponsors such as California Horsetrader, Official Publication of Equine Affaire; Carson Trailer, Official Trailer of Equine Affaire; Farnam Companies, Inc., Sponsor of the Courtesy Shopping Bag; FCP, Inc., Official Barn of Equine Affaire; Arabian Horse Association, Sponsor of the Arabian Horse Association Youth Pavilion; as well as everyone else who helps make Equine Affaire an affordable event for horsepeople of all breed and sport affiliations.

2007 Calendar of Events continued from page 15

- 2-3 *CAROLINA CARRIAGE CLUB HDT; Foothills Equestrian nature Center, Tryon, NC; Training, Preliminary; Contact: Paul Nordan, H: 828-863-4777, C: 404-406-0802; E-mail: paulnordan@alltel.net
- 2-3 *CARRIAGE CLASSIC IN THE PINES; Pinehurst Harness Track, Pinehurst, NC; Novice Whip, Pony/Horse; Open Pony/Horse; Multiples; Contact: Linda Long; H: 910-692-0943; Fax: 910-692-4203, C: 910-639-2359; E-mail: llong6@nc.rr.com
- 3 *TURNING POINTE BENEFIT DRIVING EVENT, Turning Pointe Therapeutic Riding, Asahway, RI. Training, Preliminary. Contact: Laurie K Allen, 524 Pequot Trail, Stonington, CT 06378 H: 860-535-8384 C: 860-271-1662 email: laur3all@sbcglobal.net
- 9 *CONNECTICUT VALLEY DRIVING TRIAL, Haddam Meadows State Park, Haddam, CT; Training, Preliminary; Contact: Andree Duggan, H: 860-345-4747 or 860-490-4667, C: 860-395-7283; E-mail: aduggan@frameworks.com
- 10 *BRANDYWINE CARRIAGE DRIVING SHOW; Ludwig's Corner Horse Show Grounds, Glenmoore, PA; Novice

- Whip, Open; Pony/Horse; Contact: Bobbi Hager, H: 973-627-2263, Fax: 973-627-8221; E-mail: bobbihag@optonline.net
- 10 *CARRIAGE CLASSIC AT APPLETON FARMS; Ipswich, MA; Open Pony/Horse; Contact: Holly Pulsifer, H: 978-356-3655, C: 978-500-6750; E-mail: hpulsifer@hotmail.com
- 15-17 *HAPP'S CDE; Ethel, WA; Training, Preliminary, Intermediate; Contact: Maureen Harkcom, H: 360-978-4562, W: 360-978-5064; E-mail: maureen@happs-inc.com
- 15-17 *COLUMBUS CARRIAGE CLASSIC; Fireman's Park, Columbus, WI; Jr, Novice Whip, Pony/Horse; Open Pony/Horse; Multiples; Contact: Nancy Osterhaus H: 920-623-4925; E-mail: nancy@columbuscarriageclassic.com 302-593-3175, Fax: 302-449-0709; E-mail: Xdreamer@aol.com
- 16-17 *ELK CREEK CDE; Fair Hill, MD; Training, Preliminary, Intermediate; Contact: Pat Shipley, H: 302-378-4520, C: 302-593-3175, Fax: 302-449-0709; Email: Xdreamer@aol.com
- 22-24 *METAMORA CDE XXIII; Windrush Farm, Metamora, MI; Training, Preliminary, Intermediate; Contact: Pam Minard,

E-mail: pminard@gmail.com or Jim Pierce, H: 810-664-2102; E-mail: jastoneoak@aol.com

- 23-24 *SKUNK RIVER DRIVING TRIAL; Three G Farms Equine Center, Ames, IA; Training, Preliminary; Contact: Mary Winter, H: 515-232-3019, C: 515-450-1041; E-mail: mwinter@iastate.edu

JULY

- 14-15 *BIRDS HILL INTERNATIONAL CDE; Manitoba Horse Council Equestrian Facility Birds Hill Provincial Park, Manitoba Canada; Training, Preliminary, Intermediate; Contact: Paula Johns, H: 204-444-2177, W: 204-944-5747, C: 204-995-9177, Fax: 204-444-2177 (call first); E-mail: pjohns@mts.net

- 21-22 *LORENZO DRIVING COMPETITION; Lorenzo State Historical Site, Caenovia NY

SEPTEMBER

- 20-23 *GLADSTONE DRIVING EVENT; Hamilton Farm Golf & Equestrian Center, Gladstone, NJ; Preliminary, Intermediate, Advanced; Contact: Mary Ellen Ettenger, H: 352-465-0197, C: 352-615-6460, Fax: 352-465-2947; e-mail: shorty1956@bellsouth.net

The American Driving Society Fund Update

A Year of Steady Growth

This has been a year of growth for the Fund. An early development was the generous contribution by the Cape Branch Foundation and the Johnson Family of \$25,000 that kicked off a successful campaign for matching gifts. Over 250 members and friends helped to meet the challenge. During the summer two initiatives provided support for specific programs. Claire Reid with the assistance of Kelly Valdes hosted a training opportunity for young drivers and World Championship Singles around which a fundraising effort was conducted for both. The summer ended with the Splash Party at the Laurels headed by Lisa Stroud and Lisa Singer to provide support for grants to encourage and make more accessible, participation in higher level competition. The Fall brought the National Drive lead by Mike Lyon and Pat Cheatham which continued its growth and support of the Fund, this year designating their contribution for the operating fund of the ADS.

Foundation support is an important building block in our ability to provide new and increased opportunity for our sport. In 2006, in addition to the Cape Branch Foundation we have received grants from the Berkshire Taconic Community Foundation, The Crystal Trust and an anonymous foundation. They have all shown their confidence in the work being done by the ADS through



Missing Donor List

The list of donors to the ADS via the ADS Fund was unintentionally left out of the December issue of *The Whip*. We sincerely apologize to all our generous members and others who have contributed to the Fund for this omission. The entire list is on page 14 of this Wheelhorse.

the Fund by awarding grants that will aid the ADS in meeting the needs of the driving sport.

In the last year grants given by the Fund have helped produce regional meetings, initiatives for youth, and training for international hopefuls. Grants have been spread around many of our regions, helping to achieve our goal for the broad development of driving. Because of the generous support of many members and friends we were able to do more in 2006 than 2005 and of course our goal for 2007 is to expand our current programs even further and encourage new ones.

Young Drivers - the Key to Our Future

We are looking forward to the leadership of Marc Johnson and his newly formed Young Driver Committee. Young drivers are key to our future success as an organization and are a popular focus for Fund Donors. The Regional Director Support and

International Opportunity Initiative programs have been revised to reflect our experience and the current needs of the sport. The complete details of established programs as well as grant applications are available to all ADS members via the website: americandrivingsociety.org or by calling the office.

The Fund has completed 2 ½ years of operation. The period has been one of steady growth benefitting of all aspects of carriage driving. Your support has been gratifying but much more is required to fully meet the needs of our sport. Recently you received the ADS Fund year end appeal. Our ultimate goal is the 100% participation of the ADS membership, to achieve that, we need your support. If you have not yet made a 2006 contribution, we would be very grateful for your consideration and for your encouragement of others. Our generous donors are gratefully recognized in each issue of the Whip.

Thank You!

Your fund needs your help to further the important goals of the sport!

The American Driving Society Fund

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- Your donation may be designated for the benefit of all of the important programs of the American Driving Society, a much appreciated option.

Or for the support of a particular initiative:

- The Young Drivers Program
 The International Opportunity Initiative
 The Regional Development Program

2007 Rule Change Proposals

The following rule change proposals have been submitted by the various committees. They will be considered for approval at the next Board of Directors meeting, February 11. Comments should be made in writing and mailed or emailed to rules@americandrivingsociety.org the ADS office by February 1. New text is indicated by **bold, underlined** text. Deleted text is indicated by ~~strikethrough~~.

The following rule change proposals have been submitted by the Pleasure Driving Committee:

NOTE: The rule changes proposed herein are of a housekeeping nature. The intent from the General Rules language that only applies to Pleasure Competitions. Rule change proposals incorporating the deleted language into the Pleasure Rules follow the General Rule Change Proposals.

GENERAL RULES AND REGULATIONS FOR ALL SANCTIONED COMPETITIONS (Blue pages)

ARTICLE 7 STYLE OF DRIVING

Article 7.1

Current wording: The driver should be seated comfortably on the box so as to be relaxed and effective. Either the one or two handed method of driving is acceptable. Common to both methods, the elbows and arms should be close to the body with an allowing, but steady hand enabling a consistent "feel" with the horse's mouth. Drivers should not be penalized or rewarded for using one style over another. ~~However, in a reinsmanship class, in order to evaluate a driver's versatility the judge may request an appropriate test involving driving with one hand.~~

Change to read: The driver should be seated comfortably on the box so as to be relaxed and effective. Either the one or two handed method of driving is acceptable. Common to both methods, the elbows and arms should be close to the body with an allowing, but steady hand enabling a consistent "feel" of the horse's mouth. Drivers should not be penalized or rewarded for using one style over another.

Reason for change: to remove redundancy with Article 37.

Article 7.2

Current wording: ~~In all pleasure driving classes, it is preferred that the driver sit on the right hand side of the vehicle, unless construction of vehicle prevents this.~~

Change to read: Delete and move to Article 25.8
Reason for change: Housekeeping to remove Pleasure Rule from General Rules.

ARTICLE 8 USE OF WHIP

Article 8.1

Current wording: An appropriate whip shall be carried in hand at all times while driving. The thong on the whip must be long enough to reach the shoulder of the farthest horse. A driver not in compliance with the above shall be severely penalized. ~~In Pleasure Driving Competition, a whip with its thong tied in a manner which renders it incapable of reaching the farthest horse is not allowed. Failure to comply must be severely penalized.~~

Change to read: An appropriate whip shall be carried in hand at all times while driving. The thong on the whip must be long enough to reach

the shoulder of the farthest horse. A driver not in compliance with the above shall be severely penalized.

Reason for change: To remove redundancy with Pleasure Rules, see Art 25.6.

Article 8.1

Current wording: ~~Failure to carry a whip in hand in an Obstacle Driving Class incurs elimination.~~

Change to read: Delete and move to Art 55; Renumber remaining

Reason for change: Housekeeping to remove Pleasure Rule from General Rules.

ARTICLE 11 DRESS OF DRIVER AND PASSENGERS

Article 11.2.a

Current wording: ~~In pleasure driving competitions, less traditional attire may be appropriate ONLY if it is specifically allowed in the Omnibus/prize list or class description, otherwise a penalty or elimination may result. (See Pleasure Driving Appendix A.)~~

Change to read: Delete and move to Art 25.1

Reason for change: Housekeeping to remove Pleasure Rule from General Rules.

ARTICLE 14 ELIGIBILITY

Article 14.2

Current wording: ~~In Pleasure Driving Competitions, the minimum age for a horse to be allowed to compete is three (3) years of age. It is encouraged that three (3) years olds be restricted to competition in maiden, novice or limit classes and not be allowed to cross enter into other divisions. In multiple turnouts the restrictions should be applied considering the age of the youngest horse. Restrictions must be clearly stated in the prize list.~~

Change to read: Delete and move to Article 29; Renumber remaining

Reason for change: Housekeeping to remove Pleasure Rule from General Rules.

Article 14.5

Current wording: ~~Mules, donkeys, asses, burros, miniature horses and draft breeds may enter pleasure classes at management's discretion. As a courtesy to show management, these entries should contact the show secretary prior to the competition.~~

Change to read: Delete and move to Article 29; Renumber remaining

Reason for change: Housekeeping to remove Pleasure Rule from General Rules.

Article 14.6

Current wording: ~~Where entries warrant, Management is encouraged to offer special classes or divisions for those animals mentioned above and for gaited horses who do not naturally trot. In the case of a division for non-trotting horses, the words "intermediate gait" can be used in place of "trot".~~

Change to read: Delete and move to Article 29; Renumber remaining

Reason for change: Housekeeping to remove Pleasure Rule from General Rules.

ARTICLE 15 CLASSIFICATION BY SIZE

Article 15.5

Current wording: ~~Very small equine classes are open to any horse 34" or under. At the discretion of show management very small equines measuring no more than 39" may be included in these classes.~~

Change to read: Delete and move to Article 29

Reason for change: Housekeeping to remove Pleasure Rule from General Rules.

Article 15.6

Current wording: ~~Very small equine may be combined with ponies/horses in existing pleasure driving classes or, at the discretion of show management and where sufficient entries allow, may be shown in their own division.~~

Change to read: Delete and move to Article 29

Reason for change: Housekeeping to remove Pleasure Rule from General Rules.

ARTICLE 16 TURNOUT FOR THE HORSE

Article 16.5

Current wording: ~~In Pleasure Driving Competitions bell boots, shin boots and wraps may be used only on the cross-country courses. In the case of inclement weather, bell boots may be allowed in the ring. In Combined Driving Competitions in Competition A (Dressage) bandages and brushing boots are not allowed under any circumstances. Failure to comply incurs elimination.~~

Change to read: In Combined Driving Competitions in Competition A (Dressage) bandages and brushing boots are not allowed under any circumstances. Failure to comply incurs elimination. (Move deletion to Article 25)

Reason for change: Housekeeping to remove Pleasure Rule from General Rules.

RULES FOR PLEASURE DRIVING COMPETITIONS (Green pages)

ARTICLE 18 STYLE OF HARNESS

Article 18.8

Current wording: Martingales and overchecks are prohibited in dressage and obstacle classes for all vehicles. Failure to comply will incur elimination. Sidechecks are optional. ~~In pleasure driving classes (turnout, working and reinsmanship) overchecks may be appropriate in road carts and four wheeled buggies. See Appendix A.~~

Change to read: Martingales and overchecks are prohibited in dressage and obstacle classes for all vehicles. Failure to comply will incur elimination. Sidechecks are optional. (Move deletion to Article 25)

Reason for change: Housekeeping to remove Pleasure Rule from General Rules.

Article 18.11

Current wording: In pleasure driving classes, the collars of four-in-hand leaders are not to be tied together.

Change to read: Delete and move deletion to Article 25

Reason for change: Housekeeping to remove Pleasure Rule from General Rules.

Article 18.12

Current wording: Flash nosebands are strongly discouraged in pleasure driving classes.

Change to read: Delete and move deletion to Article 25

Reason for change: Housekeeping to remove Pleasure Rule from General Rules.

ARTICLE 25 DRIVER'S RESPONSIBILITY

Article 25.1

Current wording: It is the responsibility of the driver to see that he and all attendants and passengers are appropriately attired for the class in question and that the horses are properly presented.

Change to read: It is the responsibility of the driver to see that he and all attendants and passengers are appropriately attired for the class in question and that the horses are properly presented.

- a. **Dress for the driver should conform to the type of turnout (i.e. Formal, Park, Country, Sporting). Less traditional attire may be appropriate ONLY if it is specifically allowed in the Omnibus/prize list or class description, otherwise a penalty or elimination may result. (See Pleasure Driving Appendix A.)** (moved from Article 11.2.a)
- b. **Bell boots, shin boots and wraps may be used only on the cross country courses. In the case of inclement weather, bell boots may be allowed in the ring.** (moved from Article 16.5)
- c. **The collars of four-in-hand leaders are not to be tied together.** (moved from Article 18.11)
- d. **Flash nosebands are strongly discouraged in pleasure driving classes.** (moved from Article 18.12)

Reason for change: Housekeeping to remove Pleasure Rule from General Rules.

New Article 25.7

All entries are expected to conform to the spirit and intent of the ADS general rules for safety. The judge must excuse an unsafe entry from any class. Repeated offenses may incur disqualification from the competition.

Reason for change: To reinforce that the burden of safety is on the competitor and the mandate for a judge to excuse an unsafe entry (horse, driver, harness, and vehicle)

New Article 25.8

It is preferred that the driver sit on the right hand side of the vehicle, unless construction of vehicle prevents this. (Moved from Article 7.2)

Reason for change: Housekeeping to remove Pleasure Rule from General Rules

ARTICLE 28 DESCRIPTION OF GAITS

Article 28

Current wording: The following descriptions constitute the ADS approved standard for performance of each of the required gaits in a pleasure driving competition.

Change to read: The following descriptions and definitions constitute the ADS approved standard for performance of each of the required gaits in a pleasure driving competition. **Cantering and galloping are not allowed unless clearly stated in the prize list. Management is strongly encouraged not to allow cantering or galloping in any class unless it is held in a securely enclosed area.** (moved from Article 56.1)

Reason for change: Housekeeping, moves existing Pleasure Rule language about cantering to more appropriate article.

Article 28.2 / 28.3/ 28.4

Current wording:

2. SLOW TROT: The horse should maintain forward impulsion while showing submission to the bit. The trot is slower and more collected, but not to the degree required in the dressage collected trot. However, the horse should indicate willingness to be driven on the bit while maintaining a steady cadence.

3. WORKING TROT: This is the pace between the strong and the slow trot and more round than the strong trot. The horses go forward freely and straight; engaging the hind legs with good hock action; on a taut, but light, rein; the position being balanced and unconstrained. The steps should be as even as possible. The hind feet touch the ground in the foot prints of the fore feet. The degree of energy and impulsion displayed at the working trot denotes clearly the degree of suppleness and balance of the horses.

4. STRONG TROT: This is a clear, but not excessive, increase in pace and lengthening of stride while remaining well balanced and showing appropriate lateral flexion on turns. Light contact to be maintained. Excessive speed will be penalized.

Change to read:

2. TROT – The trot is a two beat gait.

a. **SLOW TROT:** The horse should maintain forward impulsion while showing submission to the bit. The slow trot is slower and more collected, but not to the degree required in the dressage collected trot. However, the horse should indicate willingness to be driven on the bit while maintaining a steady cadence.

b. **WORKING TROT:** This is the pace between the strong and the slow trot and more round than the strong trot. The horses go forward freely and straight; engaging the hind legs with good hock action; on a taut, but light, rein; the position being balanced and unconstrained. The steps should be as even as possible. The hind feet touch the ground in the foot prints of the fore feet. The degree of energy and impulsion displayed at the working trot denotes clearly the degree of suppleness and balance of the horses.

c. **STRONG TROT:** This is a clear, but not excessive, increase in pace and lengthening of stride while remaining well balanced and

showing appropriate lateral flexion on turns. Light contact to be maintained. Excessive speed will be penalized.

Reason for change: Housekeeping

New Article 28.5

CANTER – A controlled three-beat gait consisting of three evenly spaced footfalls followed by the “suspension” phase when all four legs are off the ground. The three beats and suspension are considered one stride.

Reason for change: To define a Canter.

New Article 28.6

GALLOP - A four-beat gait, faster than a canter.

Reason for change: To define a Gallop.

New Article 28.7

STRIDE - A stride is defined as the cycle of movements that is completed when the horse's legs regain their initial positions. Length of Stride refers to the amount of ground covered by an entire sequence.

Reason for change: To define a STRIDE.

New Article 28.8

Current wording: In the case of breeds which do not naturally trot, the term “trot” may be replaced in the class description “intermediate gait”. (Moved from Article 32.2)

Change to read: INTERMEDIATE GAIT - Breed specific gaits will be used in Divisions for non-trotting breeds.

Reason for change: Housekeeping; clarifying and moving language to a more appropriate article.

New Article 28.8

In pleasure classes for mules and donkeys, the gaits are walk, slow trot, and working trot. (moved from Article 32.2)

Reason for change: Housekeeping; clarifying and moving language to a more appropriate article.

ARTICLE 29 DIVISIONS BASED ON THE HORSE

Article 29.1

Current wording: Configuration of turnout being shown (i.e. Single, Pair, Tandem, Unicorn, and 4-in-Hand). If entries warrant, singles may be split into two and four-wheel sections.

Change to read: Delete, move to Article 32, renumber remaining

Reason for change: Housekeeping.

Article 29.3

Current wording: The pony division may be divided into small pony - up to but not over 12.2 hands; medium pony - over 12.2 not to exceed 13.2 hands; large pony - over 13.2 not to exceed 14.2 hands. Management may elect to offer the pony division as one section or as three sections or as two sections, dividing the two at either of the intermediate heights, at their discretion. These conditions must be clearly explained in the prize list.

Change to read: (renumber as Article 29.2) **Pony divisions may be combined. Combinations to be clearly explained in the prize list. Suggested pony divisions:**

- a. Very small equines - open to any horse measuring no more than 39" (99cm)
- b. Small pony – over 39" (99cm); not to exceed 12.2 hands (50"/127 cm)
- c. Medium pony - over 12.2 hands (50"/127 cm); not to exceed 13.2 hands (54"/137.2 cm)
- d. Large pony - over 13.2 hands (54"/137.2 cm); not to exceed 14.2 hands (58"/147.32cm)

Reason for change: Housekeeping; adds metric and inch conversion; adds VSE's to Pony Division and establishes one size limit.

New Article 29.3

Current wording: In Pleasure Driving Competitions, the minimum age for a horse to be allowed to compete is three (3) years of age. It is encouraged that three (3) year olds be restricted to competition in maiden, novice or limit classes and not be allowed to cross enter into other divisions. In multiple turnouts the restrictions should be applied considering the age of the youngest horse. Restrictions must be clearly stated in the prize list.

Change to read: (moved from Article 14.2 and re-lettered)

The minimum age for a horse to compete is three (3) years of age.

- a. It is encouraged that three (3) year olds be restricted to maiden, novice or limit classes and not be allowed to cross enter into other divisions.
- b. In multiple turnouts the restrictions are to be applied considering the age of the youngest horse.
- c. Restrictions must be clearly stated in the prize list.

Reason for change: Housekeeping; moves General Article to an appropriate Pleasure Rule Article.

ARTICLE 30 DIVISIONS BASED ON THE DRIVER

Article 30

Current wording: Sex (i.e. Lady to Drive, Gentleman to Drive) Classes may be restricted to a specific age or open to all.

Change to read: **Gender** (i.e. Lady to Drive, Gentleman to Drive) Classes may be restricted to a specific age or open to all.

Reason for change: Housekeeping.

ARTICLE 31 DIVISIONS BASED ON EXPERIENCE

New Article 31.5

Ribbons won in classes of less than 3 entries are not to affect Driver or Horse status.

Reason for change: To improve fairness of driver and horse status eligibility.

ARTICLE 32 SPECIAL DIVISIONS

Article 32

Current wording: SPECIAL DIVISIONS

Change to read: OTHER DIVISIONS

Reason for change: Housekeeping.

New Article 32.1

Current wording: (moved from Article 29.1) Configuration of turnout being shown (i.e. Single, Pair, Tandem, Unicorn, and 4-in-Hand). If entries

warrant, singles may be split into two and four-wheel sections.

Change to read: **Configuration of turnout - Single, Pair, Tandem, Unicorn, and 4-in-Hand. If entries warrant, singles may be split into two and four-wheel sections.**

Reason for change: Housekeeping.

New Article 32.2

Vehicle type-Antique, 2 wheel, 4 wheel, specific vehicle type, etc

Reason for change: Housekeeping.

New Article 32.4

Current wording: (Moved from Article 32.2) Breed – some competitions may wish to encourage participation by offering a division or classes for a particular breed or type of horse. In the case of breeds which do not naturally trot, the term "trot" may be replaced in the class description with "intermediate gait".

Change to read: **Breed - by breed or type of horse.**

Reason for change: Housekeeping.

ARTICLE 33 DONKEYS and MULES

Article 33

Current wording: DONKEYS and MULES

Change to read: DONKEYS, MULES, DRAFTS and GAITED HORSES

Reason for change: Housekeeping.

New Article 33.1

Current wording: (Moved from Article 14.5) Mules, donkeys, asses, burros, miniature horses and draft breeds may enter pleasure classes at management's discretion. As a courtesy to show management, these entries should contact the show secretary prior to the competition.

Reason for change: Housekeeping; moved from Article 14.5, renumber remaining.

Article 33.2

Current wording: In pleasure classes, the gaits are walk, slow trot, and working trot.

Change to read: Delete and move to Article 28.8

Reason for change: Housekeeping.

New Article 33.2

(moved from Article 14.6) Where entries warrant, Management is encouraged to offer special classes or divisions for those animals mentioned above and for gaited horses.

Reason for change: Housekeeping.

New Article 33.3

Current wording: (moved from Article 33.1) If classes are offered for donkeys and/or mules they may be divided into miniature, small standard, large standard, and mammoth.

Change to read: **Classes offered for donkeys and/or mules may be divided into miniature, small standard, large standard, and mammoth.**

Reason for change: Housekeeping.

ARTICLE 34 CHAMPIONSHIPS

Article 34.2

Current wording: When a championship for a division and/or a show is awarded on points, all competitors must be given an equal opportunity

to accumulate points. All sections/divisions included in the championship must have an equal number of classes.

Change to read: (re-lettered)

When a championship for a division and/or a show is awarded on points:

- a. All competitors must be given an equal opportunity to accumulate points.
- b. All sections/divisions included in the championship must have an equal number of classes.
- c. Management is strongly encouraged to post a scoreboard in a prominent place, updated throughout the competition and at least 30 minutes prior to making championship awards.
- d. A tie in championship points may be broken at the judge's discretion by: best placing in the reinsmanship class or working class if reinsmanship is not offered or by a work-off.
- e. A tie for reserve may be decided by a coin flip if all parties agree.

Reason for change: Housekeeping and to Encourage use of a scoreboard to better inform competitors and to improve accuracy of championship point totals.

Article 34.3

Current wording: If there is a tie in championship points, the tie may be broken by best placing in the reinsmanship class (or working class if reinsmanship is not offered) or by a work-off at the management's discretion.

Change to read: Delete and move to Article 34.2.d

Reason for change: Incorporated into another Article.

Article 34.4

Current wording: A tie for reserve may be decided by a coin flip if all parties agree.

Change to read: Delete and move to Article 34.2.e

Reason for change: Incorporated into another Article.

ARTICLE 55 OTHER PENALTIES

Article 55.4.b

Current wording: An overturned or damaged vehicle which necessitates a halt for repair shall incur elimination.

Change to read: **Entries that overturn must be eliminated.**

Reason for change: Improve safety.

Article 55.6

Current wording: The entire turnout (all horses and vehicle) must pass through the markers.

Change to read: **Failure of the entire turnout (all horses and vehicle) to pass through the markers or dislodging a starting line marker incurs elimination.**

Reason for change: Housekeeping.

New Article 55.7

Failure to carry a whip in hand incurs elimination.

Reason for change: Housekeeping, places penalty that all Obstacle classes have in common in one article

New Article 55.8

Elimination - Entries which are eliminated during a class are not eligible for placing in that class but may compete in other classes at the competition.

Reason for change: Clarifies elimination.

ARTICLE 56 BREAK IN GAIT

Article 56.1

Current wording: In pleasure competitions, cantering is not allowed unless clearly stated in the prize list. Management is strongly encouraged not to allow cantering in any class unless it is held in a securely enclosed area. If cantering is not allowed, a break to a canter is defined as three full strides if an advantage has been gained, or six short strides (an example: hopping around a cone) if no advantage is gained. A break to canter will be penalized by the judge, if in the opinion of the judge, the entry is gaining an advantage. Prolonged cantering will be penalized according to class specifications. A break to walk should not be penalized unless it gains an advantage (walking will be penalized in a progressive obstacle class).

Change to read: Description of Gaits and Definition of Stride - Refer to Article 28

Reason for change: Housekeeping.

Article 56.2

Current wording: In a multiple turnout all horses must break for a penalty to be assessed.

Change to read: Renumber as new Article 56.4

Reason for change: Housekeeping.

New Article 56.2

A break to a canter or gallop is defined as three or more full strides if an advantage has been gained or no more than six short strides if no advantage is gained. A prolonged canter or gallop is defined as more than 6 full strides.

Reason for change: Housekeeping; adds galloping to penalties.

New Article 56.3

A break to walk is defined as two full strides.

Reason for change: Defines a break to a walk.

Article 56.5

Stopping - refer to Article 54

Reason for change: Defines what happens with a break to a halt.

ARTICLE 59 - HIGH POINT COMPETITIONS

Article 59.B.1

Current wording: To be driven at the trot with a set time over a course of six numbered obstacles which will be adjusted to the following clearances: #1 - 20", #2 - 16", #3 - 12", #4 - 8", #5 - 4", #6 - 2"

Change to read: To be driven at the trot over a course of six numbered obstacles with the following clearances:

#1 - 20", #2 - 16", #3 - 12", #4 - 8", #5 - 4", #6 - 2" or

#1 - 51cm, #2 - 41cm, #3 - 30cm, #4 - 20cm, #5 - 10cm, #6 - 5cm

Reason for change: Adds metric measurements; There is no 'set time' in Progressive.

Article 59.B.2

Current wording: After passing the starting line, the driver shall proceed through each obstacle, in order, until finishing the course or dislodging an obstacle. Time will be stopped when the rear axle clears the last obstacle or when an obstacle is dislodged.

2.a Time stops when a ball is down, 2 points given for each set of cones cleared.

Change to read: After passing through the starting line, the entry will proceed through each obstacle, in order, until finishing the course or dislodging an obstacle.

Reason for change: Housekeeping; Rule reorganization.

Article 59.B.3

Current wording: A disobedience (refusal, run-out, circle) will be scored as a dislodgement of the obstacle at which the disobedience occurs - no time will be recorded at the signal. The score up to the disobedience shall count, but no time will be recorded.

Change to read:

Scoring

a. **Time to be recorded when the rear axle clears the last obstacle. Points accumulated to that point count.**

b. **Time to be recorded when an obstacle is dislodged. Points accumulated to that point count. Exception: Dislodging a start marker incurs elimination.**

c. **For a disobedience or for going off course, points accumulated to that point count, however no time will be recorded.**

d. **Two points given for each set of cones cleared. No points given for dislodged obstacle.**

e. **Placings determined on a high point basis.**

f. **Time to decide ties. (Refer to Art 57)**

g. **Entries with accumulated points and no recorded time are placed after those with equal points and recorded times.**

Reason for change: Housekeeping; Rule reorganization.

Article 59.B.3 thru Article 59B.8

Current wording: 3. A disobedience (refusal, run-out, circle) will be scored as a dislodgement of the obstacle at which the disobedience occurs - no time will be recorded at the signal. The score up to the disobedience shall count, but no time will be recorded.

4. Going off course will incur elimination.

5. A break to a canter or walk will equal a ball down, and time stops.

6. The score of a driver shall count, up to the point of elimination where the signal is given, but the competitor must be placed after those with an equal score.

7. Failure to carry a whip in hand will incur elimination.

8. Use of a tie-down or overcheck will incur elimination with no score given.

Placings will be determined by the greatest number of points Time will decide ties. If a tie remains with equal points and time, the winner will be decided by a drive-off.

Change to read: Delete; incorporated into Article 59.B.3.

Reason for change: Housekeeping; Rule reorganization.

New Article 59.B.4

4 Penalties

a. **Dislodging an obstacle Accumulated points and time recorded to that point**

b. **Break in gait..... Accumulated points and time recorded to that point**

c. **Disobedience..... Accumulated points count, no time recorded**

d. **Off course..... Accumulated points count, no time recorded.**

e. **Groom(s) dismounting... .. Accumulated points count, no time recorded**

f. **Other penalties (ref to Article 55)**

Reason for change: Housekeeping; Rule reorganization

The following rule change proposals were submitted by the Combined Driving Committee

Note: See article on page 10 for an explanation of these changes.

Article 936.4 Persons on the Vehicle

Class	# Grooms	Proper Position	
Horse Four In Hand	2	Behind the Competitor	
Pony Four In Hand			
VSE Four In Hand	1		Behind or beside the Competitor
Horse/Pony/VSE Pair			
Horse Tandem		Optional	
Pony/VSE/Tandem			
Horse/Pony Single			
VSE Single			

Article 947.4 Vehicles

4.1 Wheels, track widths and weights:

* *At ADS sanctioned events, drivers may use 2 or 4 wheel vehicles for single horse, pony or VSE classes. Weight and track width is at the discretion of the Competitor.*

Article 947.6 Persons on the Vehicle

6.3 In Single and Tandem Classes, there must be the Competitor and one Groom.

At ADS sanctioned event, an Adult or Junior C competitor may drive a Single VSE turnout alone in all Competitions

Article 948.1 Distances and speeds

Section	Max. Distance	Minimum Distance	Paces	Maximum Speed Km/hour		
				Horse	Pony	VSE
A	7000 m	4000 m	Free	15	14	10
D	1000 m	800 m	Walk	7	6	4
E	9000 m	*	Free	14	13	10

1.1 In all Events, the Competition B course must consist of three Sections. The distance must be as close to maximum distance as possible for Championships.

At ADS sanctioned events, VSE entries may compete on a shortened course. When Section A is 1 kilometre or less, it may be driven on the track of Section D and the walk section omitted entirely.

Article 948.4 Compulsory Turning Flags

4.2 These flags must be numbered consecutively in each Section. They must be placed so that they are clearly visible to the Competitors at a reasonable distance.

At ADS sanctioned events, numbered markers shall be distinguished by the following colours. Distinctive shapes are also highly recommended. Numbers may be black or white to provide maximum contrast:

VSE classes – octagonal – purple (If a separate and distinct VSE course is used, it is distinguished by using a purple marker together with the division marker(s) noted above).

Article 949.3 Design and Construction of Obstacles

3.3 The track through an obstacle must never exceed 250m on the shortest, legal driveable route (not narrower than 2.5 metres at any point) between the entry and exit flags, unless the Technical Delegate authorises an exception. At least one route to each gate must not be narrower than 2.50 metres.

At ADS sanctioned events, a legal, driveable route for VSE entries through an obstacle must not be narrower than 200 cm at any point.

Article 949.4 Compulsory Gates

4.4 The height of all gates must be at least 1.30 metres. No element inside the gate may be lower than 1.30 metres unless an exception is allowed by the Technical Delegate.

At ADS sanctioned events, minimum height for gates and elements for VSE classes is 1.0 metre, unless an exception is granted by the Technical Delegate

4.5 No compulsory obstacle gate may be narrower than 2.50 metres.

At ADS sanctioned events, no compulsory obstacle gate for VSE classes may be narrower than 2.0 metres.

Article 952.6 Dismounting

6.4 If warranted due to the condition of the terrain, the Technical Delegate and the President of the Ground Jury may permit Grooms in competitions for ponies to run behind their vehicle.

At ADS sanctioned events, the above paragraph also applies to VSE entries.

Article 954.1 Entrance and Exit Gates

1.1 The entry and exit of each obstacle must be marked by red and white flags (red on the right and white on the left) not less than 20m from the nearest compulsory gate unless the Technical Delegate grants an exception.

At ADS sanctioned events, the entry and exit of each obstacle for VSE classes may not be less than 15m from the nearest compulsory gate unless the Technical Delegate grants an exception.

Article 961.1 Building and Measuring the Course

1.2 The arena should be not less than 70m x 120m or an equivalent area. Should this not be possible the number of obstacles must be reduced accordingly.

At ADS sanctioned events, a size-adjusted arena for VSE classes may be offered, It should be not less than 60m x 100m or equivalent area, or the number of obstacles must be reduced accordingly.

1.3 The starting and finishing lines may not be more than 40m nor less than 20m from the first and last obstacles respectively.

At ADS sanctioned events, the starting and finishing lines of a size-adjusted VSE course may not be more than 30m nor less than 15m from the first and last obstacles respectively.

1.4 The number of obstacles may not exceed 20. The length of the course must be between 500 and 800m.

At ADS sanctioned events, the length of a size-adjusted VSE course must be between 375 and 600 meters.

Article 962.1 Cones

1.7 *At ADS sanctioned events, minimum clearance between pairs of cones shall be:*

	Horses and Ponies	VSE
Training Division	40 cm + track width *	35 cm + track width *
Preliminary Division	35 cm + track width *	30 cm + track width *
Intermediate Division	30 cm + track width *	20 cm + track width *

Article 962.3 Serpentine, Zig-Zags, Double Boxes and Double U

3.4 Minimum distance between Cones

3.4.1 Minimum distance between cones in a Serpentine

Four-in-Hand, Tandem (Horse)	12m
Four-in-Hand, Tandem (Pony)	10m
Four-in-hand, Tandem (VSE)	9m
Pair, Single (Horse & Pony)	8m
Pair, Single (VSE)	6m

3.4.2 Minimum distance between cones in a Zig-zag

Four-in-Hand, Tandem (Horse)	12m
Four-in-hand, Tandem (VSE)	9m
Four-in-Hand, Tandem (Pony)	10m
Pair, Single (Horse)	11m
Pair, Single (Pony)	10m
Pair, Single (VSE)	8m

3.4.3 Minimum measurements for closed multiples:

Closed Multiples		In Gate		Out Gate	
		L	U, Others	L	U, Others
Horse	Four in Hand Tandem	4 m	4 m	4 m	5 m
	Pair, Single	3 m	3 m	3 m	4 m
Pony & VSE	Four in Hand, Tandem, Pair	3 m	3 m	3 m	4 m
	Single	3 m	2 m	3 m	3 m

3.8 For the length of these obstacles see Annex 15 – Closed Multiple Obstacles.

Water and Bridges

4.2 Water Obstacles must be at least 3m wide, with a depth between 20 and 40 cm and sloping sides. There must be a pair of cones at the entrance (lettered A) and exit (lettered B) with the cones at least 2.5m apart.

At ADS sanctioned events, water depth for VSE classes may not exceed 20 cm.

Article 964.9 Timing

9.5 The Time Allowed is calculated using the following speeds in metres per minute:

Speeds at ADS sanctioned events for turnouts in divisions other than Advanced in meters per minute:*

Division	Single, Pair	Tandem, Four
VSE - Training Division	160 mpm	150 mpm
Horse/Pony Training Division	180 mpm	170 mpm
VSE - Prelim Division	180 mpm	170 mpm
Horse/Pony Preliminary Division	200 mpm	190 mpm
VSE - Intermediate Division	190 mpm	180 mpm
Horse/Pony Intermediate Division	220 mpm	210 mpm

Article 969.3

	Single	Pair	Tandem	Four-in-Hand
Vehicle	2 or 4 wheels, Breeching if no brake	4 wheels	2 or 4 wheels, Breeching if no brake	4 wheels
Minimum track width	N/A			
Clearance between cone pairs * #	#In ADS sanctioned competitions, the minimum clearance for obstacle cone pairs is based on each competitor's vehicle track width			
Maximum speed allowed (meters per minute)	250		230	
Distance between consecutive Obstacles *	9 m		12 m	
Distance between Cones in a Serpentine *	6 m		9 m	
Distance between Cones in a Zig Zag *	8 m		9 m	
"L" Shaped Obstacle *	IN - 3 m OUT - 3 m			
"U" Shaped and Box Obstacles *	IN - 2 m OTHERS - 3 m		IN - 3 m OTHER - 4 m	
Number of Grooms	Optional	1		

Article 967.2

Pace:

Speeds at ADS sanctioned events for all turnouts in divisions other than Advanced:

Division	Single, Pair	Tandem, Four
VSE - Training Division	160 mpm	150 mpm
Horse/Pony Training Division	180 mpm	170 mpm
VSE Prelim Division	180 mpm	170 mpm
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VSE Intermediate Division	190 mpm	180 mpm
Horse/Pony Intermediate Division	220 mpm	210 mpm

* Minimum measurement allowed.

A Note from the Combined Driving Committee

After exhaustive testing, analysis, trials and discussion, comprehensive proposals for VSEs in CDEs have been compiled. Just as size-appropriate course measurements, distances, and speeds have been defined for horses and ponies, so now have they been refined for VSEs. Because VSEs are still in development stages with ADS CDES, preexisting VSE rules may still be used. Incorporating newly defined parameters with existing VSE rules allows options to exist that accommodate differing event conditions and preferences. The advantages of these new proposals are many

- The new options are more consistent with horse/pony rules, so as to make less confusion for organizers, officials and competitors.
- The spirit and intent of CDE competition can be more fully engaged among VSEs.
- VSEs will be able to compete at levels of challenge more on a par with their larger counterparts.
- For those who want to observe the status quo, those options remain
- VSEs and their whips can develop into better horses and better driverby realizing their greater potential.
- The ADS can expect even greater growth and development with VSE members.

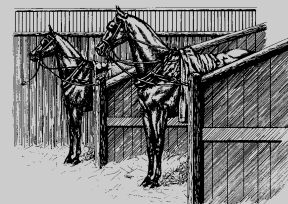
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True or False? Combined Driving Rules in History

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| T | F | Presentation was worth 50 points. |
| T | F | FEI Test #3 was written by American Col. Donald Thackeray. |
| T | F | Driven dressage tests are no longer timed for the purpose of penalizing those who take too long. |
| T | F | Maximum distance for a marathon was 27 kilometers. |
| T | F | The penalty for going outside the 'penalty zone' in a hazard was 20 penalties. |
| T | F | Before compulsory entrance and exit flags were required, competitors could enter and exit the hazard at any point. |
| T | F | A competitor was eliminated in a hazard for taking a gate out of order even if he corrected his course. |
| T | F | Minimum clearance for cones was 30 cm for teams, 20 cm for singles and pairs. |
| T | F | The cost for hitting a cone was 10 penalties. |

Source: Horse Driving Trials, by Tom Coombs
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USET Foundation Awards Moore Driving Trophy to Alan Aulson

The USET Foundation was proud to award this year's Moore Trophy to driver Alan Aulson of Bronson, FL. This was the first time that Aulson has won the trophy.

Alan Aulson and his team of Morgans, Nordby Coalie Duke and Meddo's Chief George, won the 2006 USEF National Horse Pairs Championship on October 6-8, 2006, at the Shady Oaks CDE in Lodi, California. Another career highlight for Aulson was his participation as a member of Team USA at the 2005 FEI World Pairs Driving Championships held in Salzburg, Austria. He is a Massachusetts native and owns the Black Prong Equestrian Center in Bronson, Florida.

For winning the USEF National Horse Pairs Championship, Aulson was given the Moore Trophy. The Moore Trophy was donated to the USET in 1982 by Pauline Nickerson in memory of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Paul Moore. The Moores were great advocates of the

driving discipline and were involved with the Myopia Driving Club. They were the owners of Hollow Hill Farm and Seaton Hackney Stables in Morristown, NJ. They were famous for breeding, training, and showing quality hackney horses, the most famous being Seaton Pippin, who won at the National Horse Show in Madison Square Garden, at the Devon Horse Show, and at Newport, Rhode Island. The Moore Trophy is actually a trophy retired by Seaton Pippin during her career.

Nickerson felt that donating one of Pippin's trophies to the USET as a perpetual driving award would be an appropriate memorial to her parents, since the time spent on the show circuit meant so much to them. In the 24 year history of the Moore Trophy, over half of the winners have won with Morgan horses, so it was a fitting victory this year for Aulson.

Aulson was thrilled not only with his win in the competition, but to receive the

trophy. "It was a special occasion to win the Moore Trophy. It's by far the most prestigious award that I've gotten, and it came with the title of national champion, which can't be taken away," he related. "There are tremendous names on it, and it's extremely impressive. What was most exciting to me to notice was that about 50% of them drove Morgans, which emanated a few times over for me. Those are the people I look up to as top drivers, and to be at least on the same plaque with them feels good. That trophy can't be replicated, so I'm really proud to have it for at least one year. We'll see what happens next year!"

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Classified ads are accepted for the Wheelhorse Newsletter, *The Whip* magazine and will also be posted on the ADS website (www.americandrivingsociety.org). The cost is \$1.00 per word with a \$15.00 minimum for 1 month insertion in the next available print publication as well as 30 days on the website. For 2 months and 60 days, the cost is \$2.00 per word, etc. Payment must accompany ad text (checks, Visa and Mastercard accepted). Ads will be posted on the website within 1 week of receipt.

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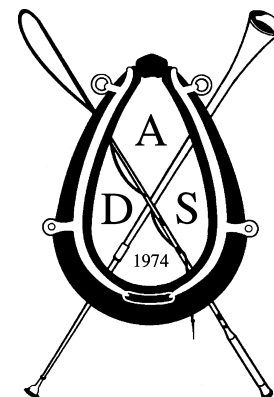
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Answers to True and False Quiz:

Answers: all True!



American Driving Society 2007 Super Clinic

Crown Plaza Hotel, Addison, Texas (North Dallas)

February 8-11, 2007 are the dates for our fifth **SUPER CLINIC!**

Super Clinics are held regularly for the purpose of providing ADS Licensed Officials with the opportunity to fulfill their clinic requirements in one intense weekend. In addition, sessions will be held for all ADS members who wish to attend throughout the weekend. This will be the only ADS clinic for Officials and Learners in 2007 in the U.S. (Bromont CDE in Canada is offering an ADS approved clinic for combined driving.)

The Crown Plaza Hotel

The newly restored Crown Plaza Hotel is located in the prestigious North Dallas Business District, and is within walking distance of the Addison Restaurant Row, with over 120 restaurants and entertainment venues. Room amenities include Crown Plaza Sleep Advantage program, hair dryers, coffee makers, high speed and wireless internet service, granite countertops, refrigerators, speakerphones, leather ergonomic chairs. The hotel also has a health and fitness center, whirlpool, outdoor pool, the Atrium Bar, business services and much more.

- Room rates: Standard rooms are \$89 single/double
- To make reservations, call 972-980-8877 and mention the American Driving Society, room block code AVS (yes that is correct.)
- Cut-off is January 18, 2007
- website: www.ichotelsgroup.com

How to Get There

- Nearest Airports: The nearest airports are Dallas/Fort Worth - 17 miles from The Crown Plaza Hotel and Dallas Love Field, 10 miles from the hotel.
- Driving directions from Dallas/Fort Worth airport: Take the North exit from airport to 635 E. Exit on midway. Go North on Midway for about 1.5 miles. After Hornet Rd., the hotel is immediately on the west side. Parking is complimentary for guests.
- Transportation to and from airport: **Town car service** - call hotel to arrange: 972-980-8877 (\$44 one way); **Super Shuttle**: Call 24 hours in advance to arrange. \$18 one way. 817-329-2000. **Taxi**: \$40 one way.

Super Clinic Format

Clinic credit will be given to Learner, Recorded and Registered Officials.

Recorded, Registered and Learner Officials

- *All Recorded, Registered and Learner Officials are required to attend the session on Friday at 10-12 and the Safety Seminar.*
- Credit will only be given to those who attend the entirety of their required sessions and successfully complete and return any written tests.
- Combined Driving Judges must also attend the Dressage sessions but need not pay for an additional discipline.
- Pre-tests will be required and will be mailed to you upon receipt of your registration or you can download from the website. Completed tests must be received by the ADS prior to Feb. 1 if mailed, or turned in by 5 p.m. on Thursday, Feb. 8.

No clinic credit will be given to attendees who fail to turn in their tests by the deadline.

- All officials must also attend the 2-hour sessions for each license that they hold.

Learners

- Learners are required to attend the "All Officials Training" session on Friday.
- Learners are required to attend the Learners Only Training on Thursday night.
- Learners are required to attend the Safety Seminar.
- Learners are required to attend the 2 hour sessions in the categories in which they are Learners. Learners will be allowed to ask questions only if time permits, deferring to Registered and Recorded Officials.
- Learners who signed up and paid for a clinic that was cancelled by the ADS in 2006 shall be eligible to apply for a license 45 days prior to the Super Clinic (Dec. 25) based on successful completion of the Super Clinic.

Tests

All officials and learners are required to take and complete written tests with a score of 85% or better. The tests will be sent by mail and will be available on the website, to all registered attendees and must be returned to the ADS prior to Feb. 1 (no tests will be received by the ADS after Feb. 1) or turned in at the Super Clinic by Thursday, Feb. 8 by 5 p.m. No clinic credit will be given to attendees who fail to turn in their tests by the deadline.

Safety Seminar - Required for Clinic Credit

Jeff Galloway, Emergency Training Sessions, Inc. will present a eight hour seminar on safety and emergency preparedness. It will include information on how to implement a safety procedure, training officials to be well prepared to handle any emergency or crisis, including the unlikely event of death to horse, pony or human. He will instruct on how to set up an incident command system, large animal containment, animal restraint and more. All officials are required to attend the two-part session in its entirety in order to receive clinic credit

Something for Everyone!

In addition to the Super Clinic for officials, we are offering several sessions to which all members and their guests are invited. Unfortunately, they may overlap with the other activities due to the tight schedule. Speakers and their topics will be announced when they are confirmed. Members are also invited and encouraged to attend all open committee meetings and to audit the Safety Seminar. And of course, we know you'll enjoy the fun activities that are planned.

Social Activities

Welcome Reception: On Thursday evening, you can register and pick up the information you'll need for the weekend and get acquainted with the others attending the Super Clinic.

Banquet and Silent Auction: Join us on Saturday evening for our Annual Banquet and Silent Auction. It promises to be a fun and profitable time.

Meetings

Many ADS Committees will be meeting and most will be open and anyone interested will be welcome to attend.

**LICENSED OFFICIALS REGISTRATION FORM
2007 SUPER CLINIC**

Return by January 18, 2007 to avoid \$50 late fee - mail, fax, or register online only. No phone registrations.
All attendees must register prior to February 1, 2007 to receive clinic credit.

Please make hotel reservations directly with the hotel. Note cut-off date of January 18, 2007 to assure room availability and rate.

Name of Each Registered Person _____

Address: _____

City, State, Zip: _____

Phone: _____ Fax: _____ E-Mail: _____

ADS OFFICIALS REGISTRATION

Registration Package:

This package provides clinic credit for *any or all disciplines*, Safety Clinic, all meals (except Board of Directors Lunch), coffee breaks, receptions, and general sessions. ***It is the most economical way to register for the Super Clinic.*** (Note: CDJ's need not pay for an additional discipline in order to attend the Dressage Judges training.)

Discipline = Pleasure Driving, Combined Driving, Dressage, Coaching

Classification = PDJ, PDTD, CDJ, CDTD, D, C

Please indicate the *classifications* in which you wish to receive credit:

Name _____ PDJ PDTD CDJ CDTD D C

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One Discipline Package: \$250 x number of people _____ = \$ _____

Two Discipline Package: \$260 x number of people _____ = \$ _____

Three Discipline Package: \$270 x number of people _____ = \$ _____

Four Discipline Package: \$280 x number of people _____ = \$ _____

REGISTRATION FOR OTHERS

This package is for those attending the entire Super Clinic Weekend such as general members, committee and board members. It includes auditing the Safety Seminar, Welcome Reception, Friday and Saturday Lunch, Saturday Banquet and all coffee breaks (except Board of Directors Lunch) and attendance at any open committee meetings.

Names: _____ \$200 x number of people _____ = \$ _____

Ala Carte Registration, Food and Beverage:

The following prices are for those who cannot attend the entire weekend, spouses, and friends.

1 Day Registration (Friday, Saturday) \$40 x number of people _____ = \$ _____

Welcome Reception (Thursday) \$25 x number of people _____ = \$ _____

Friday Lunch \$45 x number of people _____ = \$ _____

Saturday Lunch \$45 x number of people _____ = \$ _____

Banquet (Saturday) \$55 x number of people _____ = \$ _____

Board of Director's Lunch (Sunday) \$45 x number of people _____ = \$ _____

LATE FEE if registering after Jan. 18 \$50 x number of people _____ = \$ _____

Grand Total \$ _____

Method of Payment: Check Visa/Mastercard

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All driving activities may be listed in the Calendar, but as space is limited, please submit only dates of activities that are open to all ADS members. For a complete up-to-date calendar listing, visit www.americandrivingsociety.org/calendar.asp.

JANUARY

- 18-21** ***NATURE COAST CDE**; Black Prong Equestrian Center, Bronson FL; Training, Preliminary, Intermediate, Advanced; Contact: Black Prong, W: 352-486-1234; E-mail: BlackProngCenter@AOL.com
- 20** Beginning Drivers Clinic, Tom O'Carroll's Good Hands Training Center, Navasota, Texas; Contact: Tom O'Carroll; 281-731-5202; website: www.tocarroll.com
- 27** ***OAK RUN DRIVING TRIAL**. Contact: Veronica Campbell; H: 562-431-7264; email: t.v.campbell@verizon.net
- 28** St Croix Horse and Carriage Sleigh Festival: Washington County Fairgrounds Stillwater MN, Noon till 3:00 pm. All breed of horses and all types of runnered vehicles are invited. Ribbons awarded in multiple classes. Current health rules apply. For more info contact: John or Mary Block 615-433-5312

FEBRUARY

- 1-4** 7th Annual Equine Affaire in the West, held in the Fairplex, in Pomona, CA. Contact Katie Patrick, London, OH, 740-845-0085. kpatrick@equineaffaire.com
- 10-11** ***FLORIDA STATE FAIR**, Florida State Fairgrounds, contact: Peg Edmondson, W: 941-484-4687 F: 941-484-9130 Email: MEMond333@aol.com
- 17** Get Ready for Spring: A Midwinter Driving Conference presented by the Saratoga Driving Association. Contact: Carol Frank: 518-459-1235
- 22** Tucson Rodeo Parade, Tucson, AZ. Participate with your carriage or drive one of the parade pieces. Contact: Bob Stewart; 520-591-9585. www.TucsonRodeoParade.org
- 24-25** ***AUSTIN HORSE PARK PLEASURE DRIVING COMPETITION**. Austin Horse Park, Weirsdale, FL Contact: Robyn Orser W: 352-750-5500 x221 F: 352-753-3105; email: rorsor@continentalacres.com

MARCH

- 1-4** ***BLACK PRONG CDE**; Black Prong Equestrian Center, Bronson FL; Training, Preliminary, Intermediate, Advanced; Contact: Black Prong, W: 352-486-1234; E-mail: BlackProngCenter@AOL.com
- 9-11** ***ARIZONA CDE**: Coolidge, AZ; Training, Preliminary, Intermediate; Contact: Peter Atonna, H: 928-6364228 E-mail: mjatonna.commspeed.net
- 10-11** Third Annual Driving Forum, New England's Premier Driving Conference and Trade Show; Westford Regency Hotel, Westford, MA Contact: Linda Roth; 603-673-3956
- 17** Drive Fest '07 - Tom O'Carroll's Good Hands Training Center - Navasota, Texas; Fun and Games with an Irish Flair For more info, visit Contact: Tom O'Carroll;

281-731-5202 website: www.tocarroll.com

- 22-25** ***LIVE OAK INTERNATIONAL CDE**; Live Oak Plantation, Ocala FL; Intermediate, Advanced; Contact: Susan Gilliland, H: 352-489-6586, C: 813-220-8226, Fax: 352-489-9284; E-mail: s_gilliland@msn.com
- 31** ***NTW SUNRISE RIDGE DRIVING TRIAL**, Sunrise Ridge, Paradise, TX. Training, Preliminary, Intermediate. Contact: Kate Morgan, H: 817-523-4616, C: 817-688-9580, Fax: 817-523-4616; E-mail: katermorgan@gmail.com
- 31** ***CHAPTER ONE FARMS SPRING ADT**: Pedricktown, NJ ; Training, Preliminary Intermediate; Contact: Helene Paxton, H: 856-299 5124 W: 410-620-3462, C: 443-253-4135, Fax: 856-2996772; E-mail: tm@chapteronefarms.com

APRIL

- 6-8** ***SUNSHINE STATE CAI**; Florida Horse Park, Ocala, FL; Intermediate, Advanced; Contact: Susan Gilliland, H: 352-489-6586, C: 813-220-8226, Fax: 352-489-9284; E-mail: s_gilliland@msn.com
- 12-15** 14th Annual Equine Affaire in the Midwest, held in the Ohio Expo Center, in Columbus, OH. Contact Katie Patrick, London, OH, 740-845-0085, kpatrick@equineaffaire.com
- 12-15** ***GEORGIA INTERNATIONAL HORSE PARK**, Georgia International Horse Park, Conyers, GA. Training, Preliminary, Intermediate. Contact: Mary Deatherage Email: marydeatherage@bellsouth.net
- 14-15** ***SOUTHERN PINES CDE**; Carolina Horse Park; Preliminary, Intermediate; Contact: Linda Long; H: 910-692-0943, Fax: 910-692-4203, C: 910-639-2359; E-mail: llong6@nc.rr.com
- 14-15** ***SPRING SPECTACULAR PLEASURE DRIVING AND DRESSAGE SHOW**. Highfields Equestrian Center, Gaston Rd., Aiken, SC. Pleasure, Dressage. Contact: Peggy Diis, H: 803-642-3216. **CANCELLED**

- 20-22** ***PLUMCREEK CDE**; Agarita Ranch 2039 Pin Oak, Lochart, TX; Training, Preliminary, Intermediate; Contact: Jamie Leshikar, H: 512-376-2602, cell: 512-589-8636, fax: 512-376-6623
- 20-22** ***RAM TAP COMBINED DRIVING EVENT**, Fresno, CA. Contact: Contact: Harriet Merritt; H-952-968-9805, C: 952-548-5566; E-mail: h1_merritt@yahoo.com
- 21-22** ***LORD STIRLING STABLE CDE**: Basking Ridge, NJ; Training, Preliminary, Contact: Nancy Williams, W: 908-766-5955 ext:23 Fax: 908-766-9783 E-mail: nwilliams@scparks.org
- 28-29** Pairs Driving Clinic with Hardy Zantke. Treasure Valley Whips Driving Club, Nampa, Idaho. Contact: Amanda Horton;

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- 3-6** ***GARDEN STATE COMBINED DRIVING EVENT**, Horse Park of New Jersey, Allentown, NJ. Training, Preliminary, Intermediate, Advanced. Contact: Heather R Walker 15 Cedar Rd, Whitehouse Station, NJ 08889 H: 908-439-3171 C: 908-343-6476 F: 908-439-3318 E-mail: walkers_whimsea@yahoo.com
- 5-6** ***PLEASURE DAYS CARRIAGE DRIVING SHOW**; San Miguel, CA; Open Horse, Pony, Marathon Vehicle, VSE, Multiples, Novice Driver; Contact: Ron Fairbanks; H: 805-237-8476; Fax: 805-237-9308; E-mail: lfairbanks@excite.com
- 13** ***GMHA TWO PHASE DRIVING EVENT**; Woodstock, VT; Training, Preliminary, Intermediate; Contact: Karey Manner, W: 802-457-1509, Fax: 802-457-4471; E-mail: kmanner@gmhainc.org
- 18-20** ***GAYLA BLUEGRASS CDE**, Gayla Driving Center, Georgetown, KY. Contact: Debbie Banfield; W: 502-863-5113; Cell: 502-867-3098; Fax: 502-867-0081; email: gayla3329@aol.com
- 20** ***25th ANNUAL MY LADY'S MANOR PLEASURE DRIVING SHOW**; Spring Valley Park, Winterstown, PA; Novice, Open Multiples and VSE's, Horse/Pony; Contact: Pam Schneider H: 717-776-9748; E-mail: pjschn@aol.com
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- 2-3** ***MICHIGAN HORSE DRAWN VEHICLE ASSOCIATION BLUE RIBBON CLINIC AND HORSE SHOW**. Kalamazoo, MI Jr., Novice Whip, Novice Horse/Pony, Open Horse/Pony. Contact: Michelle Ridley (517)712-7085 ormridley@intouchmi.com
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TENTATIVE SCHEDULE

The following is subject to change due to additions or deletions to the schedule

*** = Required for officials/learners licensed in that classification. ** = Required for all officials/learners.**

THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 8

1 - 4 p.m. Licensed Officials Committee Meeting (closed)
1 - 4 p.m. Registration
5 p.m. Tests to be turned in at Registration table
4 - 5 p.m. Welcome Reception
5 - 7 p.m. *Learners Only Training
5 - 6 p.m. Competition Standards Committee Meeting
6 - 7 p.m. Safety & Education Committee Meeting
7 - 9 p.m. *Combined Driving T.D. Training

FRIDAY, FEBRUARY 9

8 - 10 a.m. *Combined Driving Judges Training
10 - noon ** All Officials Training
12 - 1:30 p.m. Lunch
1:30 - 5:30 p.m. **Safety Seminar Part 1
6 - 7 p.m. Finance Committee Meeting
7 - 8 p.m. Pleasure Driving Committee Meeting

SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 10

8 - noon **Safety Seminar Part 2
noon- 1 p.m. Lunch
1 - 3 p.m. Combined Driving Committee Meeting
1 - 3 p.m. *Pleasure Driving T. D. Training
1 - 2 p.m. Local Clubs and Membership Committee Meeting
2 - 3 p.m. Regional Directors Meeting
2 - 3 p.m. Recreational Driving Committee Meeting
3 - 5 p.m. *Pleasure Driving Judges and Coaching Judges Training
5 - 6:30 p.m. Board of Directors Meeting
6:30 p.m. Cocktails, Banquet, Silent Auction

SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 11

8 - 9 a.m. Dressage Committee Meeting
9 - 11 a.m. *Dressage Judges Training
11 - 4 p.m. Board of Directors Meeting (open)

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