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April 8th (Cancelled)



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Virginia Dressage Association *current topics* Of Fredericksburg

Meeting Information—
Tuesday
April 10th



6:30 p.m. Dinner / Social Time (Optional)
7:00 p.m. Meeting

Agenda:

- Last Meeting Follow-Up
- Approval of Meeting Minutes
- New Business

Location:

Bravo—Spotsylvania Towne Center
Captain's Room

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Anna Fox

I feel like that hard at work planning for sums up our **September. Of course we're** weather in always looking for volunteers

March and as much as I dis- on show day and anyone who like rainy days I know we is interested in helping us need some April showers. I find show sponsors! If

just hope we don't get too many all at once. Muddy, shedding horses are just messy

Of course the warming weather and longer days are bringing us back into the world of horses with a

vengeance. The club has some great things cooking for the season. We have lots of clinic options, the show committee is already



you're interest-ed in joining the show committee or just curious about what is going on with the show, our next meeting is going to be April 8 at the

Bravo! in Spotsylvania Towne Center. Look for the details inside the newsletter.

Remember the minutes from the monthly business



Congratulations!

Member Ashley Noble and her mare Gimme Samoa Cookies won the Cornerstone Horsemanship Trail Challenge at the Virginia Horse Festival on March 24th

Licensed Show Update

The show committee has held two planning meetings, though the April 8th one was cancelled. If you would like to get in on the action of planning, please join us at the next one.

You can assist committee chairs by calling with suggestions for sponsors, vendors, volunteers & awards. Committee leads:

Sponsors, contact Lorraine Klepacz, 540-272-8101

Volunteer Coordinator, contact Sharon's Kipping, 804-448-3097

Vendor assistance & ideas, contact Chris Balasi, 540-663-2427

Awards assistance & ideas, contact Sharnette Atkinson, 540-220-8484.

Please consider sponsoring a class, form is in this newsletter, and giving a committee chair



presents
From Training Level Through FEI
The Inside Perspective from FEI
**** Judge Jeanne McDonald
An Auditor Friendly Clinic

April 21-22, 2018
Morven Park, Leesburg Virginia

This clinic is for:

Auditors The mounted teaching sessions will be auditor-friendly with time for questions and discussion. USDF University Credit (applied for)

VADA Volunteers. Special rates for our valued volunteers!

Riders **Get the real "scoop" from an experienced FEI Judge and Rider.**

Trainers Help your students learn the requirements of the USEF & FEI tests.

Judges **USDF "L" graduates gain continuing education credit (applied for).**

Judges of all levels welcome!

VADAF Volunteers >>>

Show season is beginning right along with Spring, and before we know it, September and the VADAF Rose Mount Show will be here. Now is the time to get signed up for the position you would like to help with. This show provides the VADAF the funds to be able to offer members the fantastic clinics that we do so please sign up. I am this years volunteer coordinator, so please contact me, Sharon Kipping, at sharon@diamondkfarm.com (email), text or call 804 339 0110 to let me know what vacancy you'd like to fill. We have openings for all positions. Scorers, Runners, Ring Stewards, Setup/ Take down, Scribes, Awards Table, Volunteer Table, Tack Sale and Park-

Schedule of Events >>>

March 13th	Monthly Meeting	Location: Bravo, Spotsy Towne Center
April 10th	Monthly Meeting	Location: Bravo, Spotsy Towne Center
May 8th	Monthly Meeting	Location: TBD
July 10th	Monthly Meeting	Location: TBD
August 14th	Monthly Meeting	Location: TBD
September 8-9th	Rosemont Show	Location: 9601 Courthouse Rd. Spotsylvania
September 11th	Monthly Meeting	Location: TBD
October 9th	Monthly Meeting	Location: TBD
November 13th	Monthly Meeting	Location: TBD
December TBD	Membership Meeting	Location: TBD
TBD	Awards Banquet	Location: TBD

Meeting Minutes—March 13th 2018

Bravo Cucina, Spotsylvania Towne Centre
Or **Dial In** Phone number 641-715-3580, Access Code: 796394#

Meeting Facilitator *Anna Fox, President* – meeting called to order 7:05 p.m.

Present at meeting: Barb Ellis, Chris Balasi, Anna Fox, Sharnette Atkinson, Nancy Mendonca, Alison Thompson, Megan Irby, Sharon Kipping

On the phone: Teresa Crater, Ashley Noble

Last Meeting Follow-up

Approval of minutes from December meeting - motion made to approve minutes without reading them. Approved unanimously

New Business

A. Committee Chair Reports

Membership: Sharnette – 24 individuals, 1 youth, 1 affiliate, 2 new members to be processed. Sharnette suggested changing the Facebook “group” to a “page” to promote the club. If anyone has any ideas how to increase membership, please let her know.

Awards: Sharnette – She has inventoried what we have including gift certificates from Colonial K9 (she will see if they are still good). The Heather Hayes award is no longer offered since it is no longer sponsored. If anyone has new award ideas, please share with Sharnette.

Newsletter: Nancy Mendonca – There was a discussion about publishing member info in the newsletter. Motion made to remove the info – passed unanimously. Member info emailed to members instead. Accounting info will also not be published.

Do you need help? Ashley will help with list of shows

Are we able to insert hyperlinks into this format? Nancy will check to see if hyperlinks are possible in the software.

4. Education: Megan – Megan working on possible clinics for 2018. Michael Bragdell, Roberta Dascoli, Jontelle Forbus, Lisa Hellmer, Nicky Carson, Erin Sweeney, Renata Rusic were possible clinicians discussed. Megan will follow up with Lisa H, Michael and Nicky C and get possible dates and cost.

Britta Johnston/Mountain Vista Farm – new member willing to host. She has an indoor arena in Amissville.

5. Website: Ashley – Looking into current site/pricing and options for updates (WordPress). She will do a mock up on WordPress. There is a new events page on existing site.

Adding newsletters – Will get new newsletters to website

6. Sponsors/Publicity: Lorraine - Lorraine is working on sponsorships. Alison will provide 2017 sponsor list to Lorraine and Barb. There is a form in the newsletter for members to share.

7. Volunteers: Sharon Kipping – Will get something in newsletter for Rose Mount.

Fall championships at Lexington (helping Sharon A) – VADAF members consider helping Sharon do awards at Lexington.

8. Adult Team: Karen – no updates. Will be November 10-11 in Upper Marlboro. The VADA Chapter Challenge will be at the Wakefield 4H Center.

9. Licensed Show: Casey/Barb – Barb will talk to Homestead Feed to see if they will offer items for the competitor bags/ sponsorship. Chris is working on vendors and food. Has heard from one food vendor. The April 8th Food Truck Rodeo might be a good place to look for options. Food for 150-175 people. Next meeting is April 8th. Time and location to be confirmed. Concerns over communication issues discussed. Members present noted that all software issues need to be dealt with now and not when the show is open for entries.

B. Rules as 501c3 – Do we have to have educational event open to the public? Alison will follow up with Sherri Booye about rules.
Publishing member info?
Treasury info?
Publicity of meetings?

C, Handbook revisions – Anna will ask Rachel if she will help. Committee chairs should work on their section

D. VADA reps – Anna, Barb and Alison. Next VADA call is March 21 at 8 p.m.

E. Donation to Serenity Farm. Barb shared the thank you letter and brochures from the charity. They appreciated donations.

Meeting adjourned at 9 p.m.

VADAF is a Chapter of the Virginia Dressage Association (VADA). VADA is a U.S. Dressage Federation (USDF) Group Membership Organization (GMO); all VADA members automatically become USDF Group Members. The 2018 membership year runs from December 1, 2017 through November 30, 2018.

Membership Form: http://vadaf.net/sites/default/files/Membership_Form%202018.pdf



VADAF Members

Sharon Ackley

Page Allen

Sharnette Atkinson

Christine Balasi

Debbie Bowman

Teresa Crater

Doug Crooks

Barbara Ellis

Anna Fox

Sarah Grady

Margaret Gutermuth

Megan Irby

Britta Johnson

Molly Judge

Sharon Kipping

Lorraine Klepacz

Denise Lennon

Gracelynn M. Martinez

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Nancy Mendonca

Peggy Minnich

Karen Rice

Lee Scott

Rachel Sigler

Barbara Snapp

Alison Thompson

Officers & Committee Chairs

President: Anna Fox

Vice President: Casey Longerbeam

Secretary: Alison Thompson

Treasure: Sharon Ackley

Membership: Sharnette Atkinson

Awards: Anna Fox

Licensed Competition: Casey Longerbeam

Education & Clinics: Megan Irby

Volunteer Coordinator: Glenda Wilson

Youth Team Coordinator: Anna Fox

Adult Team Coordinator: Karen Rice

Publicity: Casey Longerbeam

Website: Ashley Noble

Newsletter: Nancy Mendonca

State Board Representatives: Anna Fox and Alison Thompson

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Dressage at Lexington
13-16 July 2018

VADA Fall Show/
2018 Great American Insurance - USDF Region 1
Dressage Championships
11-14 October 2018

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



coming soon >>>

**Next Meeting—
April 10 th**

Looking for Committee Volunteers

As promised, here is the list of Committees and members that I got at the meeting on Wednesday. Please let me know if I missed anyone. If you did not sign up for a Committee please think about where you might best fit in since we hope every board member will do a bit more than just attend phone calls.

Chapter Challenge Committee: Susan Ellis (Chair), Meredith McGrath, Robin Nunnally, Marie Taylor, Paige Steward, Anne Draine, Michelle King

Licensed Shows Committee: Alison Head (Chair), Dianne Boyd, Michelle King, Tina Longaker, Nancy Lowey, Penny Hawes, Emily Nelson, Alison Douglas

Banquet/ Silent Auction Committee: Alison Douglas (Chair), Jessie Ginsburg, Nancy Doody, Jane Walker, Beth Rippel, Susan Ellis, Alison Head

Sponsorship/Publicity: Nancy Lowey (Chair ??? I hope), Nancy Doody, Penny Hawes, Alison Thompson

Committees can meet by phone using the call in number. Please copy me on your meeting notices and let me know if you need any help getting started and also let me know before the next meeting what needs to be on the Agenda.

Thanks for helping me get this started!!

Upcoming Shows & Clinics

VADAF Clinics

May 12-13 Nicki Carson
June 23-24 Michael Bragdoll
July 21 Lisa Hellman (cavaletti clinic)
July 22 Erin Sweeney
August 4-5 Britta Johnston

Licensed Shows

April 14-15 **HITS Commonwealth Park, Culpeper, VA**
Isabel F de Szinay Memorial Dressage Show
<https://vadach.org/wp/licensed-show/>

April 14-15 **Williamston, NC**
Williamston Spring Dressage
<http://www.rosinburg-events.com/>

September 8-9 **Spotsylvania, VA**
VADA Fredericksburg
<https://www.mitchellds.com/2018-series>

Schooling Shows

April 22 **Doswell, VA**
Chestnut Oak Stables Schooling show
<http://chestnutoak.net/>

April 29 **Leonardtown, MD**
Begin Again Farm – with Western Dressage

May 19 **Midland, VA**
Mitchell Dressage Series
<https://www.mitchellds.com/2018-series>

May 20 **Powhatan, VA**
Saddlebrook Stable Schooling Show
<https://saddlebrookstables.files.wordpress.com/2018/02/saddlebrook-flyer-2018.pdf>

June 16 **Powhatan, VA**
Saddlebrook Stable Schooling Show
<https://saddlebrookstables.files.wordpress.com/2018/02/saddlebrook-flyer-2018.pdf>

July 21 (Evening) **Midland, VA**
Mitchell Dressage Series
<https://www.mitchellds.com/2018-series>

Other Events

April 21-22 **Morven Park, Leesburg, VA**
Clinic on the levels: Jeanne McDonald
<http://www.vadanova.org/show/otherEvents/2018/VadaMcDonaldClinic.pdf>

November 10-11 **Upper Marlboro, MD**
USDF Region 1 Adult Team
See the handbook for details about being on the VADAF team.



VADA Fredericksburg Reaching New Levels

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Virginia Dressage Association of Fredericksburg

Dear Business Associate:

On September 8th and 9th, 2018, the Virginia Dressage Association Fredericksburg Chapter (VADAF) is hosting a Licensed Dressage Competition at Rose Mount Farm in Spotsylvania, Virginia.

We would like to offer your business the opportunity to secure your choice of sponsorship level and/or advertising space in our show program. Your participation in our show is greatly appreciated and will introduce our spectators and competitors to your business in a unique and memorable setting.

Please fill out the attached form with your choice of sponsorship level or advertisement choice and return it to us. For questions please feel free to contact:

Lorraine Klepacz
Licensed Show Sponsorship Chair
312 Tilden Street Apt B
Richmond, VA 23221
(540)272-8101
eventingfox@gmail.com

We at the VADAF are very proud to offer these shows. Our volunteers work very hard to ensure successful shows every year. We would enjoy having you participate in our friendly environment and spend a day with the magnificent horses in the beautiful Virginia countryside.

Thank you for your time and consideration.



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VADAF is a 501(c)(3) Non-Profit organization.

Licensed Competition – Sponsorship/Advertising

VADAF is dedicated to promoting and strengthening the sport of dressage through its annual shows, educational programs and charitable contributions. We are soliciting sponsorships and would greatly appreciate any support you could give. VADAF is a 501(c)(3) Non-Profit Organization and all sponsorships are tax deductible. If you are interested in becoming a sponsor or advertising in our show program, please complete the form on the next page.

Sponsorship Opportunities

Gold \$2500

Company name on all show materials in conjunction with VADAF, full page color ad on the inside front cover, vendor spot under the tent, company name on competitor bags, product samples and literature in all the competitor bags, sponsorship of your choice of high score awards or specialty prizes, company banners and advertising placed in high traffic areas, advertising on organization website and Facebook throughout the year, your company name announced throughout the show.

Silver \$1500

Full page color ad on the back cover, product samples and literature in all competitor bags, vendor spot under the tent, choice of 6 classes to sponsor, company banners and advertising placed in high traffic areas, advertising on organization website and Facebook throughout the year, your company name announced throughout the show.

Bronze \$1000

Full page color ad on the inside back cover, product samples and literature in all competitor bags, choice of 4 classes to sponsor, company banners and advertising in high traffic areas, vendor spot under the tent, advertising on organization website and Facebook throughout the year, your company name announced throughout the show.

Diamond \$500

Half page color ad, product samples and literature in all competitor bags, choice of 4 classes to sponsor, your company name announced throughout the show advertisement on organization website throughout the year.

Ruby \$250

Quarter page color ad, product samples and literature in all competitor bags, choice of 2 classes to sponsor, your company name announced throughout the show.

Sapphire \$150

Business card color ad, product samples and literature in all competitor bags, choice of 1 class to sponsor, your company name announced throughout the show.

Standard Business \$75

Black and white business card ad, company name announced throughout the show.



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Class Sponsor \$35

Sponsorship of 1 class (your choice of class is available).

Sponsorship/Advertising Form

Name: _____

Company _____

Street: _____

City: _____ State: _____ Zip: _____

Phone: ()

Email: _____

Sponsorship Level Chosen

Gold ____ Silver ____ Bronze ____
Diamond ____ Ruby ____ Sapphire ____

Standard Business ____ Class ____ # of Classes you wish to sponsor ____

Please indicate which class(es) you wish to sponsor:

*If you would like to include a dedication with your sponsorship
(i.e. dedicate a class to a special horse or person), please provide the name/information here:*

Advertisement Opportunities

(for those who are choosing only to place an ad)

____ \$125- Full page ad

____ \$75- Half page ad

____ \$50- Quarter page ad

____ \$35- Business card ad

Make checks payable to **VADAF**. Mail check with completed form to:

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RECEIPT FOR ADVERTISERS AND SPONSORS

Name: _____

Company: _____

Street: _____

City: _____ State: _____ Zip: _____

Phone: (_____) _____ Email: _____

Amount Paid: _____

Signature

Date