

OPENING DATE FOR ENTRIES:  
June 19, 2023

CLOSING DATE FOR ENTRIES:  
Entries must be RECEIVED by July 17, 2023

## Lendon Gray and Dressage4Kids, Inc.

Present the

### 24th Annual Youth Dressage Festival

*Kross Creek Farm Team Competition in Honor of Margarita Serrell  
USDF Regional Schooling Show Awards Program  
National Dressage Pony Cup Partner*

**Thursday, August 10th to Saturday, August 12th, 2023**

**HITS on the Hudson Show Grounds - Saugerties, New York**

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**On-Line Entries Only Through [www.horseshowoffice.com](http://www.horseshowoffice.com)**

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Blue-color sections below indicate additional information that should be included on the entry form.

**Covid19** protocols will follow local and state guidelines and will be announced to competitors closer to the event.

**Welfare of the Horse:** Riders (and trainers) are responsible for ensuring that their horses are sound and fit enough for competition. It is at the discretion of the judges to excuse a horse if they feel the horse is not sound or is struggling.

#### **Who May Compete:**

**Age (through age 25):** The FEI age rule applies, which is the age the rider reaches in the calendar year. For example, if the rider becomes 25 years old in 2023, the rider is eligible, but if the rider becomes 26 years old in 2023, the rider is not. If the rider turns 12 anytime in the year 2023, the rider is considered to be 12 for the show.

**Qualifying Score:** Rider needs one score of 57% or higher from any USEF or FEI dressage test of the level or a higher level from June 1, 2022 to July 17, 2023. Note: Division AA riders need one score of 57% or higher at USDF Introductory Test C or any test at Training Level. Scores from equivalent USEF dressage tests for eventing are acceptable. Previous YDF competitors are automatically eligible at the same level or lower. Riders 14 and under who have previously competed in the LYDF First Level Division are automatically eligible to enter the FEI Children's Division. The score may be received from any occasion (including schooling shows, events, and Pony Club competitions) where the judge is a USDF 'L' graduate, USEF or FEI Dressage judge. Rider must submit a copy of the front page only of the test with Entry Form. A qualifying score is not needed for the Leadline Class.

If a rider is trying to achieve a qualifying score on the last weekend, July 15-16, rider must send their entry by the July 17<sup>th</sup> closing date and then fax the front page of the test showing the qualifying score to the Entry Secretary by July 17, 2023. If rider does not achieve a qualifying score, rider must contact the Entry Secretary by July 17, 2023 and entry fees will be returned minus a \$10 office fee. A rider who has not achieved a qualifying score and does not notify the Entry Secretary by July 17, 2023 will be removed from the show without a refund.

**Rider** may compete on a different horse from the one on which the qualifying score was received. A rider may either: 1) enter two consecutive Divisions with the same horse, or 2) enter two Divisions on two different horses at the same level or different levels. The qualifying score must be obtained at the higher level of the two Divisions chosen. A rider, with the exception to those entering the Walk/Trot or AA Introductory C Divisions, can enter a maximum of two Divisions (levels). A rider in the Walk/Trot or AA Introductory C Division can only enter one Division. A rider who has previously won a Division may not compete again on the same horse in that Division, with the exception of the Walk/Trot Division and the FEI Divisions.

**Horses: Please show concern for your horse and be aware of the amount of work in high heat. Management reserves the right to limit the number of classes a horse enters.**

## **Divisions:**

The Divisions are the heart of the Youth Dressage Festival. Each Division consists of three Sections: Written Test (Thursday evening) and Dressage/Equitation Class (Friday). Each Section is worth 100 points for a total of 300 points. Total points from the three sections determine placings. Ties are broken by using the Equitation score, then Dressage Test score and, if needed, the Written.

For example, for Division #11, the rider will take a written test for their age group and ride in a dressage test class for their Division where they will receive a score for the Dressage Test from the judge at C and an equitation score from an equitation judge at another position. A rider entering one of the FEI Divisions rides the Team dressage test of that level with exception to the FEI U25 level which has only one test.

**Reminder: A specific age will no longer be split across Divisions in order to make the Divisions similar in size. For this reason the numbers of riders in each Division may vary.**

### **Dressage Test Section:**

**WT – Walk/Trot Division** 2023 USDF Introductory Test B, to be ridden in the small arena, 20x40m. For riders ages 14 and under who have never competed in a recognized competition where cantering is required. Riders in this division may not ride in any other division or class except for a Walk/Trot class or TOC Class in the Thursday Schooling Show and optional mounted classes where there is no canter involved such as Dressage Trail for Walk/Trot, and Quadrille Class (Introductory level).

**AA – Walk/Trot/Canter Division** 2023 USDF Introductory Test C, to be ridden in the small arena 20x40m. For riders who have never competed at First Level or above. Riders in this Division may not ride in any other Division but may compete in optional classes.

<b>BB – USEF Training Level Division B</b>	<b>2023 USEF Training Level Test 3</b>	
<b>11 – USEF First Level Division</b>	<b>2023 USEF First Level Test 2</b>	
<b>22 – USEF Second Level Division</b>	<b>2023 USEF Second Level Test 2</b>	Unofficial jog required*.
<b>33 – USEF Third Level Division</b>	<b>2023 USEF Third Level Test 2</b>	Unofficial jog required*.
<b>44 – USEF Fourth Level Division</b>	<b>2023 USEF Fourth Level Test 2</b>	Unofficial jog required*.
<b>FC – FEI Children’s Division</b>	<b>2022 Team Test</b>	Open to riders 14 and under.
<b>FP – FEI Pony Division</b>	<b>2022 Team Test</b>	Unofficial jog required*. Open to riders 16 and under.
<b>FJ – FEI Junior Division</b>	<b>2022 Team Test</b>	Unofficial jog required*. Open to riders 18 and under.
<b>FY – FEI Young Rider Division</b>	<b>2022 Team Test</b>	Unofficial jog required*. Open to riders 21 and under.
<b>F25 – FEI U25 Division</b>	<b>2022 16-25 Grand Prix Test</b>	Unofficial jog required*. Open to riders 16-25.
<b>WD – Western Dressage Division</b>	<b><u><a href="#">2022 WDAA Test 3 of the Level</a></u></b>	

Note: Division may be split depending on the number of entries.

\*Unofficial jog (aka horse inspection) will be on TBD on Thursday. To learn more about horse inspections (aka jogs) go to: <https://yourdressage.org/2019/03/26/beginners-guide-to-jogging/>

### **Para Equestrian (PE) Divisions:**

**PEA - Para Equestrian Division A** – 2023 FEI PE Grand Prix Test A (previously known as Grade 1 Team Test) Open to riders with a permanent physical disability who have never competed in a FEI PE Championship Test for their classification grade, or at Training Level or above. *Riders in this Division may compete only in this Division.*

**PEB – Para Equestrian Division B** – Open to all riders with a permanent physical disability. Riders may choose to compete in the current FEI PE Grand Prix Test A (previously known as the Team Test) that is most appropriate for their skill level (Grades II thru V). Riders in this Division may also enter another Division which is considered the equivalent, or consecutive level, of the Para Team Test being ridden, if qualified. Additional information for Para Equestrian Divisions A and B:

1. Riders must either include a copy of their FEI, USEF or other national Dispensation Certificate, or other medical documentation which would be reviewed by the Show Committee to ensure the rider meets the minimum criteria for a physical disability. Riders with cognitive disabilities do not qualify to compete.
2. Compensating aids and special equipment used must follow the USEF/FEI rules and are subject to approval by the Show Committee.
3. Copies of the FEI PE Tests are available at: <http://www.fei.org/fei/your-role/organisers/p-e-dressage/tests>

## Written Test Section:

Consists of multiple choice or fill-in-the blanks questions. [Please note on Entry Form if special test-taking needs](#) are required and detail the type of support needed. **NEW FOR 2023:** Written Test to be conducted online in a supervised testing environment at the Festival. Riders will be required to bring their own mobile device with the ability to connect to the internet.

Required Reading List (See Age Rule detailed on Page 1):

All Ages: 2023 LYDF Prize List  
"Rules of Riding with Others in the Ring" available at:  
<https://dressage4kids.org/d4k-festival/show-info/rules-of-riding.html>

### Plus:

11 and Under "The Kid's Guide to Horsemanship and Grooming" by Cat Hill and Emma Ford.  
Ages 12-15 "Dressage Q&A with Janet Foy" and "Five Tips for Keeping Your Horse Sound", Cornell Vet Equine Seminar Series, June 2021: <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=U5-f2OdnLbg>.  
Ages 16-25 "When Two Spines Align: Dressage Dynamics" by Beth Baumert and "Five Tips for Keeping Your Horse Sound", Cornell Vet Equine Seminar Series, June 2021: <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=U5-f2OdnLbg>.

Books are available at a discount through Trafalgar Square Books. Use discount code D4K2023.

## Equitation Section:

Riders will be scored on equitation during their dressage test ride. One judge at C will score the dressage test and a judge at another position will score the equitation. Riders will receive a separate score sheet for their equitation. The rider's position and seat will be judged along with the correct use and effect of the aids. The rider's position will be judged as it relates to the horse's balance for example, a rider with a classical hunt seat position would be acceptable at Training Level but not at Third Level. The [score sheet](#) for the equitation section is posted on the LYDF website and is on the last page of Prize List.

## Optional Classes:

**Entries will be limited – send your entries as early as possible. Entries for oversubscribed classes will be accepted in order of receipt.**

### Kross Creek Farm Team Competition

Teams are made up of three or four riders of any levels including the Walk/Trot Division. Highest three Division scores count. This is not a separate ride. A rider may be on only one team. If the rider has entered 2 Divisions, the scores are used from the rider's higher Division. [Team members and team name must be declared on the Entry Form](#) or to the Show Secretary no later than 5 p.m. Thursday, August 10th. Riders who would like to be on a team but do not have a team designated may check the "Wanna Be on a Team" box on the Entry Form. "Wanna Be on a Team" riders will be randomly combined to form team(s). "Wanna Be on a Team" riders can check the Team Roster posted outside of the Show Office and submit any changes no later than 5 p.m. on Thursday. Para riders can be on a team if they have been graded and if they submit their card to the Show Office.

### Schooling Show (Thursday)

Only one test per rider/horse combination permitted and is included in the Division fee. If a rider enters a second Division, a second schooling show entry is permitted and included in the additional Division fee. Reminder: Tests will be scored by the Show Office and scores may be used towards the [USDF Schooling Show Awards Program](#). TOC Pony Class Results will determine the National Dressage Pony Cup Awards (see Awards Section for details).

<u>Class#</u>	<u>Class Description</u>	<u>Class #</u>	<u>Class Description</u>
SS1	2023 USDF Introductory Test B	SS7	2023 USEF Fourth Level Test 2
SS2	2023 USDF Introductory Test C	SS8	2022 FEI Children's Team Test
SS3	2023 USEF Training Level Test 3	SS9	2022 FEI Pony Team Test
SS4	2023 USEF First Level Test 2	SS10	2022 FEI Junior Team Test
SS5	2023 USEF Second Level Test 2	SS11	2022 FEI Young Rider Team Test
SS6	2023 USEF Third Level Test 2	SS12	2022 FEI 16-25 Grand Prix Test
SSIP	IPEC Test of Choice	SSW	2022 WDAA Test of Choice (Test 3 of the Level)
<b>SSTP</b>	<b>Pony Test of Choice</b>	<b>SSTH</b>	<b>Horse Test of Choice</b>

Note: WDAA tests will not be permitted in the Pony and Horse Test of Choice Classes

### Judging Sport Horse Conformation (Thursday), Class JHC

No horse needed. Class will be score on how closely competitor's scores come to the scores of the appointed judge. For more information go to:

<https://dressage4kids.org/d4k-festival/optional-classes/conformation-class.html>

### **Handler Class (Thursday), Class HDL**

Presenting a horse or pony on a Triangle. Each entry will include a horse, a lead handler and a whip handler. All handlers must wear helmets. This in-hand class on the triangle will be judged on the lead handler and the whip handler based on how they work together as a team. For more information go to:

<https://dressage4kids.org/d4k-festival/optional-classes/handler-class.html>

### **Quadrille Class (Friday 3-6 PM)**

Team of 4 riders required. In a quadrille competition the main criteria is the team's performance as a cohesive group. Compulsory routines test the team's ability to perform required movements according to acceptable standards. Judges look for the teams to keep even spacing (from rider to rider), move and turn in synchrony and maintain alignment throughout the ride. Quadrilles from Introductory through First Level are offered at the Festival. A rider competing in a higher level Division may compete in a quadrille.

Each quadrille member should be able to perform the USDF/USEF dressage tests at the desired level. The quadrille tests and additional information about quadrilles in general are available through the USDF website at <https://www.usdf.org/education/other-programs/quadrille/>. Riders must specify the quadrille level they riding on their entry form. Quadrilles require much practice prior to the competition, please plan accordingly.

### **Leadline Class (Friday)**

Open to riders at least 4 years old but no older than 8. Rider to be led through the test, saluting at the beginning and end. Rider may either walk or trot the 20-meter circle. No qualifying requirement. Tested posted at: <https://dressage4kids.org/d4k-festival/optional-classes/leadline.html>

### **Dressage Trail Class (Thursday & Saturday )**

Riders guide their horses through a preset pattern that demonstrates the practical goals of dressage training. Potential trail horse patterns are available at: <https://dressage4kids.org/d4k-festival/optional-classes/>

**Class 1DT1** Thursday - Walk/Trot Only.

**Class 3DT1** Saturday - Walk/Trot Only.

**Class 1DT2** Thursday - Includes canter, more difficult tests may include a bridge, backing a turn, small jump, etc.

**Class 3DT2** Saturday - includes canter, more difficult tests may include a bridge, backing a turn, small jump, etc.

### **Prix Caprilli Class (Friday & Saturday)**

Dressage test with jumps, ridden in a standard dressage arena. Tests posted at: <https://dressage4kids.org/d4k-festival/optional-classes/prix-caprilli.html>.

**Class 2PCT** Friday Training Level Training Level movements with jumps no higher than 2'. Open to all riders except Walk/Trot Division.

**Class 3PCT** Saturday Training Level Training Level movements with jumps no higher than 2'. Open to all riders except Walk/Trot Division.

**Class 2PCF** Friday First Level First Level movements with jumps no higher than 2'6". Open to all riders competing First Level and above.

**Class 3PCF** Saturday First Level First Level movements with jumps no higher than 2'6". Open to all riders competing First Level and above.

### **Musical Freestyle Class (Saturday)**

Class will be limited to 25 riders on a first come, first serve basis. Riders may ride any USDF, USEF or FEI Freestyle. [Indicate level on entry form](#). Riders must have received one freestyle score of 62% at the level to be eligible. Rider must submit front page only of the test with the qualifying score with entry. Please check USDF/FEI rules for requirements.

### **Group Equitation Class (New for 2023!)**

Classes may be split according to level at the discretion of Show Management – potentially Walk/Trot, Walk/Trot/Canter, Training Level and all others. This is a group class. The riders will be asked to perform at the level of their Dressage Test (or at the level entered), with that level's gaits. Extra movements are not requested except where the judge feels the need for added input from the rider. The rider's position and seat will be judged as it relates to the horse's balance, i.e., a rider with a classical hunt seat position would be acceptable at Training Level but not at Third Level. Riders may only ride in one group equitation class. Scores will be posted, however riders will not receive a hard copy their "test" because it is a group class. Note: this is an optional class and will NOT count towards rider's Division score.

**Turn Out Inspection** – Riders may present themselves on Friday, before their first ride for an inspection of horse, rider, and tack at the specified area. Riders who would like to participate must enter the Turn Out Inspection Class. There is no cost to enter this class. There will be a sign-up sheet at the Volunteer's Table for riders to select a specific inspection time.

## **Other Competitions and Activities (No Entry Fee):**

### **Cover Art Contest (Deadline July 3, 2023)**

A drawing or photo by anyone 25 and under will be chosen for the cover of the electronic Show Program and possibly on show t-shirts. The artist does not have to be entered in the show. Other artwork submitted but not chosen for the cover will also be included inside the program and possibly also the WEP program in February. Drawings may be mailed or sent electronically. All drawings should be no larger than 8" x 11", must be vertical (like the front of a book) and can be in color or black/white. Photos must be vertical and sent electronically at 300 dpi at 100% of the size; if it is a smaller photo, the resolution needs to be higher.

Do not include words or numbers in drawings (except logical dressage show word/numbers, such a bridle number or arena letters), but do sign them at the bottom. Include your name, hometown and age written on the back of the drawings or in the email. Snail mail to: Margaret Freeman, 200 Aurora Lane, Tryon, NC 28782 or email [margfree@aol.com](mailto:margfree@aol.com)

**Tack Room Competition** - Teams or groups of riders who are stabled together may enter this competition. Stall Areas/Tack Rooms will be judged on set-up, cleanliness, and originality. Emphasis will be placed on originality. No flammable materials or lights. [To request stabling together, use the Entry Form and the same stable name.](#) Judging will take place TBD on Friday.

**Ice Cream Social:** Friday at TBD in the VIP Pavilion during the Quadrille Class. For competitors only.

**Ride On The Side:** Thursday - Exact time and location will be announced at the Festival. Margaret Freeman (S) will discuss rides from the judge's point of view allowing questions and discussion. All are welcome to attend including competitors, families and trainers.

**Trainers Forum:** Friday during the Written Test.

**Stable Management Challenge (Friday at 3:30 )** – The two top scorers in the Written Test in the 12-15 and 16-25 age groups will be invited to participate in a practical Stable Management test which may include a check of their stall care, putting on bandages, recognizing good quality feed, fitting a saddle and other management skills. A list of riders qualifying for this competition will be posted outside of the Show Office on Friday by 2PM.

## Awards:

- Division winners 1-6 to be presented ribbons and prizes. Ribbons for winners placing 7-10 will be available for pick up at the Awards Table.
- Six ribbons in each Class.
- Six ribbons in each Section (Written Test, Equitation and Dressage Test) within each Division. Ribbons may be picked up at the Awards Table after results are posted.
- Awards for top scorers in the Stall Area/Tack Room Competition.
- Kross Creek Farm Team Competition ribbons.
- Special Awards - see Page 8.

Management makes every effort to give appropriate prizes/awards to placeholders. Once given, it becomes the responsibility of the recipient. Management will not replace lost or stolen prizes including gift certificates. Awards and ribbons must be picked up in person and will not be mailed.

**National Dressage Pony Cup Awards** - Using the scores from the Pony Test of Choice Class during Thursday's Schooling Show, ribbons for first through sixth places in each of the 3 groups will be awarded (groups TBD). An overall Champion and Reserve for the entire Pony Test of Choice Class will also be awarded. To find out more about the National Dressage Pony Cup program go to: <https://dressageponycup.com/>

**USDF Regional Schooling Show Awards Program** - Dressage test scores earned on Thursday and Friday may count towards the USDF Regional Schooling Show Awards Program. In addition to other requirements, rider must be a member of a Group Member Organization (GMO). For more information please go to <https://www.usdf.org/awards/performance/regional-schooling.asp>.

## Entries:

**Entries may be limited at management's discretion.** Riders are encouraged to submit their entry on Entry Open Date or soon thereafter. Rider's complete entry MUST be received by the closing date. If a rider is trying to achieve a qualifying score on the last weekend, July 15-16, rider must send their entry by the closing date and then fax the front page of the test showing the qualifying score to the Entry Secretary by July 17, 2022. If rider does not achieve a qualifying score, contact the Entry Secretary by July 17, 2023 and entry fees will be returned minus a \$25 office fee. A rider who has not achieved a qualifying score and does not notify the Entry Secretary by July 17, 2023 will be removed from the show without a refund.

Riders MUST specify their [birth date](#) on the entry form. A [negative Coggins](#) Test dated within 12 months [and proof of Equine Influenza, EH1 and EH4 within 6 months](#) of the Festival must accompany entry.

Post entries may be accepted to fill scratches at management's discretion with a \$35 office fee. Do not expect to be able to change entries after the closing date. No refunds after closing date. A \$25 office fee will be charged for refunds made before closing date. Management reserves the right to combine, divide, or cancel classes.

Payment Methods: All entries will be online through [www.horseshowoffice.com](http://www.horseshowoffice.com). Credit card payments will be accepted through [www.horseshowoffice.com](http://www.horseshowoffice.com). **Entries will not be processed unless payment has been received.** Contact the Entry Show Secretary if you do not receive a confirmation.

## Refunds:

If classes are scratched and/or entire entry is withdrawn by the closing date, July 17, 2023, in writing to the Entry Secretary (email is acceptable), a full refund less \$25 office fee will be sent after the show. If the withdrawal is made by July 26, 2023 in writing to the entry secretary (email is acceptable), the refund will be for the cost of the stabling, golf carts, and shavings. All refunds will be sent after the show. After July 26, 2023, there are no refunds. If a new entry is submitted to replace a withdrawn entry all funds may be transferred, less the \$25 office fee.

## Fees:

Division Fee	\$135	Includes one Division entry, one Schooling Show entry, Tackroom Decorating Competition, Turnout Inspection, and Ice Cream Social)
Team Entry	\$ 5	Per rider
Additional Division	\$100	Includes second Division entry and a second Schooling Show Entry
Judging SH Conformation Class	\$35	
Handler Class	\$35	
Dressage Trail Class	\$35	
Prix Caprilli Class	\$35	
Musical Freestyle Class	\$35	
Quadrille Class	\$60	Per group/\$15 per rider)
Leadline Class	\$15	Post entries \$25
Stalls (horse or tack)	\$215	For the duration (Wednesday, 11 am thru Saturday. No additional fee for Saturday night layover. \$50 fee for Monday departure.
Paddock	\$200	for the duration
Shavings	TBD	Per bag
Camper hookups	\$200	For the duration
Changes	\$25	Add to the entry for any reason after closing date. (at Management's discretion)
	\$10	Refunds before closing date or for incomplete entries.
Non-Negotiable Check	\$35	
Incomplete Entry	\$10	
Office Fee	\$25	

**Golf Carts** 4-seater golf carts will be available on Wednesday between 1-6pm for \$55 and Thursday-Saturday for \$110/day. Carts may be picked up one hour before close the day before at no extra charge. Daily rentals must be returned by 5pm that day. Golf carts may be operated only by licensed drivers. Reserve carts through online entry and be sure to check the days that you wish to rent. There will be a limited supply of golf carts and they will be assigned on a first come, first served basis. Refunds will be processed for requests unable to be filled.

## Stabling:

No horses are to arrive before 12 noon on Wednesday. Stabling in permanent 12x12 stalls. [Riders requesting adjoining stalls must use the same stable name \(not team name\) on all Entry Forms.](#) You may not change stalls after you arrive. Paddock rentals are not in lieu of stalls. Every horse staying on the showgrounds for the duration must have a stall – no exceptions.

In the interest of safety, aisles must be kept clear (NO bikes in the aisles or anywhere near where horses go) and there must be plenty of room for two horses to pass one another. It is at the discretion of Dressage4Kids and its volunteers to mandate that you move something for safety reasons.

Please note: [In the Stabling section of the Entry Form](#) - The Stable Name is the name that all riders who want to stable together will give.

[Shavings can be pre-ordered on your online entry.](#) Shavings are \$12.50 per bag. Each stall requires approximately 4 or 5 bags to bed it. There will be no hay available at the show. There will be limited availability for shavings at the show.

Stalls do NOT need to be stripped before leaving the show grounds.

Stabling information: Contact Kari Bradshaw at [rkhotshoe@aol.com](mailto:rkhotshoe@aol.com) or (860) 307-0396

**Paddocks** are for turnout only. Horses in paddocks must not be left unattended. NO horses permitted in paddocks overnight. All paddocks must be empty by 6PM each night and not reopened until 7AM each morning.

## Proof of Equine Vaccination (VERY IMPORTANT)

The HITS Show Grounds requires that every horse be vaccinated against the Equine Influenza, EH1 and EH4 within 6 months of the Festival. If a vaccination will expire during the Festival, the horse must receive the vaccination 14 days prior to the start of the Festival. [Submit proof of vaccination, along with negative Coggins, at time of entry.](#)

## Offset Stabling Costs With Advertising Credits:

Competitors may solicit as many ads as they wish for the electronic show program. Competitors will receive credit for stabling costs as follows:

<u>Ad Type</u>	<u>Credit Received</u>
Full Page	\$150
Half Page	\$100
Quarter Page	\$ 75
Business Card	\$ 50

There is a limit of \$150 credit per competitor regardless of how many ads the competitor solicits or the size/cost of the ads. However, please remember that revenue from ads helps offset the costs of the Festival, allowing Dressage4Kids to keep show fees lower and to direct more proceeds into the scholarship funds.

Advertising Rates are as follows:	Business Card sized ad	\$ 100
	Quarter Page ad	\$ 175
	Half Page ad	\$ 250
	Full Page ad	\$ 400

Send printout of ad(s) with payment to: Karen Sprenger, 3 Ridgeview Road, Brewster, NY 10509. Email ads to Karen at sprengk@mac.com. Phone: (845) 278-8006.

Ads must comply with the guidelines detailed in the Earn Credits Toward Stabling page on the Youth Dressage Festival website. Payment and ads must be received by June 28, 2023. There are no exceptions.

## Rules:

**Competitor's Volunteer Requirement:** All competitors MUST volunteer for at least 1 hour during the show. Once you have arrived and have your horse stabled, get your packet from the Show Secretary, check your ride times, and then go to the Volunteer Booth for your assignment(s). Competitors need to know their ride times and warm up requirements before coming to the volunteer booth to sign up for their volunteer hour. Parents may accompany the competitor but may not sign up for them.

**Attire:** Riders may wear traditional show attire. Informal attire (short or long-sleeved polo shirts; no tee-shirts) also is acceptable in the performance arena in place of traditional show attire. Teams may want to have matching shirts. All riders must wear proper attire when mounted. ASTM/SEI-approved helmets are required for ALL riders when mounted, including FEI levels. Helmets will also be required for all Handler Class entries and those handling the demo horses for the Sport Horse Conformation Class. The wearing of an improper helmet is grounds for disqualification. Whips and blunt spurs are allowed. Judges may deduct up to two points for messy attire in the performance arena. Award recipients must be in neat competition attire (unmounted) to receive their Division awards.

**Bridle Numbers:** Horses must wear a bridle number at all times when out of the stall.

**Tack and Bits** must follow USEF dressage rules. Bits used in competition must be the same bits used in the warm-up immediately preceding the competition. Draw reins are not permitted at any time on the show grounds. Horse boots and/or polos are allowed in warm-up areas. The Show Management reserves the right to inspect any rider and their equipment at any time for compliance with the show rules. Non-compliance will be grounds for disqualification.

**Schooling** is permitted only when the Show Office is open. Please refer to the Tentative Schedule on the next page. Trainers may school competitor horses on Wednesday and Thursday only and must sign a Release at the Show Office prior to riding. Any violation to this rule may result in the disqualification of the competitor.

**No coaching** is allowed any time while the rider is competing. Any rider receiving coaching while in the competition ring will be disqualified whether the rider requested such assistance or not. Any visual or verbal communication with the rider is considered coaching.

**Readers** are not permitted for the Dressage/Equitation class.

**Ring stewards** are not there to assist the riders with their times or after whom they ride. The riders need to know in what ring they ride, their times, and the numbers of the riders ahead of them. Do not ask the stewards.

**An adult** must supervise all young children at all times.

**Golf carts** or any motorized vehicle (i.e. scooters) brought to the show may be operated only by licensed drivers.

**Parking** Five points may be taken off the final score of any rider whose vehicle is parked in illegal parking areas. Two-horse trailers will be allowed 15 minutes to unload; larger vehicles will be allowed one-half hour to unload. After these times, all vehicles will have to be moved to parking areas. All trailers must be parked in the Campground area. Parking permitted on one side of the barn ONLY.

**Dogs** must be leashed and kept quiet in stabling and riding areas.

**Infractions** of any rules may be cause for elimination or up to a 5-point penalty at the discretion of management.

## Information:

**Award Times** - Management will do their best to inform riders about award times, but it is the riders' responsibility to be on time for awards. No awards will be mailed. Riders will pick up ribbons for the following classes and competitions at the Ribbons and Information Table (where scored dressage tests are located): Handler, Judging Sport Horse Conformation, Dressage Trail, Musical Freestyle, Prix Caprilli and Quadrille classes. The Leadline Class will be awarded in the ring at the end of the Class. .

**Special Awards** - Winners will be posted by the Show Office on the score board as they become available. Once winners are posted, they can pick up their award at the "Awards" Location. A photographic opportunity will be available.

**Tentative Times** - Times and important additional information will be posted on the [Dressage4Kids website](#) one week prior to the show, but are subject to change. Official times will be posted by 7 a.m. on each show day.

## Tentative Schedule

Wednesday	1:00 PM	Stables Open. Do not arrive before this time.
	1:00 PM	Secretary's Office Open
	1:00 PM	Schooling Begins (Designated Rings Only & MUST have bridle number)
	1:00 PM	Volunteer Booth Opens
	6:30 PM	Secretary's Office & Volunteer Booth Closes/Schooling Ends
Thursday	7:00 AM	Secretary's Office Opens
	8:00	Schooling Begins (Designated Rings Only & MUST have bridle number)
	8:00	Show Begins; Schooling Show 8:30-3:30 plus Optional Trail Classes
	10:30	Jog for Competitors in Divisions Second Level and Above TBD based on Competitors Times
	3:00 PM	Judging Sport Horse Conformation Class
	3:30	Handler Class
	4:30	Written Test Group 1
	5:30	Written Test Group 2
	5:30	Final Team designations are due to Show Secretary
	5:30	Trainers Forum
	6:00	Secretary's Office Closes/Schooling Ends
Friday	7:00 AM	Secretary's Office Opens/Schooling Begins (Designated Rings Only & MUST have bridle number)
	7:00	Turnout Inspection Begins
	8:00	Show Begins – Division Competition 8:00am -3:00 pm plus Optional Group Equitation and Prix Caprilli Classes
	8:00	Riders Eligible for Stable Management Challenge held at 3:30 are Posted
	12:00 PM	Tackroom Decorating Competition – Judging Begins (timing TBD)
	2:30	Quadrille Class
	3:30	Stable Management Challenge
	3:30	Leadline
	4:30	Demo
	5:00	Provisional Team Results Posted for Review (ends 5:30)
	5:30	Line Up for Parade of Teams; Office Closes/Schooling Ends
	6:00	Parade of Teams and Team Awards, Overall Champion and Overall Reserve Champion Announced
Saturday	7:00 AM	Secretary's Office Opens/Schooling Begins (Designated Rings Only & MUST have bridle number)
	8:00	Awards for Divisions Begin. Consult Awards Bulletin Board for Presentation Times
	8:00	Prix Caprilli, Dressage Trail, Musical Freestyle Classes (ends 2pm)
	3:30 PM	Secretary's Office Closes/Festival Ends

**Photographer:** Amy Dragoo [amy@dragoophoto.com](mailto:amy@dragoophoto.com), 610-656-0258

**First Aid:** TBD

**Veterinarian:** Rhinebeck Equine will be on call at (845) 876-7085 **Farrier:** Peter Buckbee 518-751-6148



**Roving Trainers:** Our wonderful professionals volunteer their time for any competitor without a trainer who wishes help. Please contact Lendon Gray at [graydressage@gmail.com](mailto:graydressage@gmail.com), preferably prior to the show. If you need to sign up while at the show, there will be a sign-up sheet at the Volunteer Table, but individual times and particular trainers are not guaranteed.

**Arenas:** All arenas and warm-up are on sand. Lunging allowed in the lunging ring only.

**Education and Entertainment:** There will be demonstrations throughout the show. There may be opportunities to "Sit with the Judge" and to practice judge. Concession food will be available from 7 a.m. each day.

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## Special Awards:

Unless noted otherwise, highest score means the overall highest score of all three Sections: Dressage Test, Equitation Class, and Written Test. [Proof of breed registration required and must be submitted with the entry for all asterisked \(\\*\) awards.](#) You will not be entered for the award if your breed registration papers are not sent with your entry. Walk/Trot riders are only eligible to receive awards noted by #. Please provide proof of competition for any trophy/award marked with a \*\*. Riders must notify the Show Office of any horse changes and any related changes to awards for which they have applied. Riders must verify their Award Application against the posted Award Application Report and notify the Show Secretary of any discrepancies by Friday 5PM.

1. American Connemara Pony Society Perpetual Award – highest scoring rider on a Connemara\* in Dressage.
2. Anflug-Eilers Perpetual Trophy – Highest scoring rider in the Equitation phase ages 17 and under.
3. Big Ben Memorial Award – Highest scoring competitor aged 18 to 21 in the Written Test.
4. Cadanz Perpetual Trophy – Highest scoring rider in the FEI YR Dressage Phase.
5. Carol Lavell Award – Highest scoring rider in the Musical Freestyle.
6. The Cirinity Michelle Perpetual Trophy – Highest scoring rider in any Division riding a Friesian.
7. Crown Jewel Memorial Award – Highest scoring rider on a mare in Dressage.
8. Fakir Rouge Perpetual Trophy – Highest scoring rider in an FEI Dressage Test Class.
9. Festive Pandora Trophy – Highest scoring rider on a Welsh\*.
10. Finally Phantom Perpetual Trophy – Highest scoring rider on a Thoroughbred\*.
11. Fjord Award High Score Award – Highest scoring Fjord in a Division.
12. Harry Houdini Memorial Trophy – Highest scoring rider in Prix Caprilli on a pony.
13. Jacqueline Harris Memorial Trophy – Highest scoring rider on a Connemara\*.
14. Jill Bertolini Furlan Memorial Award – Highest scoring rescues horse. Rider to submit a paragraph in advance via email to Lendon Gray at [graydressage@gmail.com](mailto:graydressage@gmail.com) to explain why the horse qualifies for this award including a brief history of the horse.
15. Katherine Boyer Perpetual Trophy – Highest scoring rider in the FEI Junior Division.
16. Kenneth P. Seeber DVM Memorial Trophy – highest scoring rider in the Stable Management Competition.
17. Kitwell Consul Memorial Trophy – Highest scoring rider on an Arabian\* or Half Arabian\*
18. Last Scene Perpetual Trophy – Highest scoring rider in the FEI Pony Division.
19. Later On Memorial Trophy – Highest scoring rider traveling a long distance competing on a borrowed horse.
20. Legato Young Horse Award – Highest scoring rider with the youngest horse or pony (4 or 5 years old).
21. Lindekrona Memorial Trophy – Highest scoring male rider.
22. Lindsay S. Jacob Memorial Trophy – Highest scoring rider in the Equitation phase in the age 18-21 Division.
23. Miss Jane Marple Memorial Trophy – Highest scoring rider in the Para Equestrian divisions.
24. Orchard Hill's Andalusian/Lusitano Perpetual Trophy – Highest scoring rider on a PRE, Andalusian or Lusitano\*
25. Pikona Memorial Trophy – Highest scoring rider on a Hanoverian\*.
26. Russells Mills Memorial Trophy – Highest scoring jumper rider (must have competed in USEF recognized hunter show in the past 12 months) \*\*.
27. Searsmont Perpetual Trophy – Highest hunter/equitation rider (must have competed in a USEF recognized show in the past 12 months) \*\*.
28. Seldom Seen Memorial Trophy – Highest scoring rider on a pony.
29. Shavano's Pride Memorial Trophy – Highest scoring rider on a non-solid colored horse (Appaloosa, Paint, etc.).
30. Sky Farm Equestrian 4-H Club Award – Highest scoring rider in 4H. [Provide 4H Club Name on Entry Form](#)
31. Superstar Perpetual Trophy – Highest scoring rider on a Quarter Horse\*.
32. #Two Swan Farms Perpetual Trophy – Youngest rider in a division.
33. Umego Perpetual Trophy – Highest scoring rider on a Schoolmaster – Rider to submit a paragraph in advance via email to Lendon Gray at [graydressage@gmail.com](mailto:graydressage@gmail.com) explaining why the horse qualifies for this award with their entry.
34. U.S. Pony Club Perpetual Trophy – Highest scoring Pony Clubber. [Provide Pony Club Name & Certification on Entry Form.](#)
35. UVM Roseanna Memorial Trophy – Highest scoring rider on a Morgan\*
36. Vakhos Memorial Trophy – Highest Dressage score for event riders competing at or above First Level (having competed in a sanctioned horse trial in in the past 12 months). \*\*
37. Victor Hugo-Vidal Memorial Trophy – Highest scoring rider in the Prix Caprilli classes.

## **Accommodations:**

Reserve your rooms early! For a more complete list go to [www.hitsshow.com](http://www.hitsshow.com). **Camper hookups available at show grounds and must be prepaid with your entry.** If you have questions, please contact the Youth Dressage Festival Manager, not the HITS office.

### Saugerties - 10 minutes to show grounds:

Diamond Mills Hotel 845-247-0700 [www.diamondmillshotel.com](http://www.diamondmillshotel.com)

Holiday Inn Express Saugerties 845-247-8800 [www.ihg.com](http://www.ihg.com)

Howard Johnson 845-246-9511 <http://www.hojo.com>

Comfort Inn 845-246-1565 <http://www.choicehotels.com>

### Kingston - 20 minutes to show grounds:

Courtyard by Marriott 845-382-2300 [www.marriott.com/courtyard/travel.mi](http://www.marriott.com/courtyard/travel.mi)

Residence Inn by Marriott 845-383-3695 <https://www.marriott.com/reservation/rateListMenu.mi?defaultTab=prepay>

Holiday Inn Express & Suites Kingston-Ulster (845) 336-6200 [www.ihg.com](http://www.ihg.com)

Hampton Inn 845-382-2600 [www.hamptoninn.com](http://www.hamptoninn.com)

Best Western Plus 845-338-0400 Ask for LYDF Discount!

Super 8 Motel 845-338-3078 [www.super8.com](http://www.super8.com)

Ramada Inn 845-339-3900 [www.ramada.com](http://www.ramada.com)

Superlodge 845-338-4200

### Catskill - 25 minutes to show grounds:

Quality Inn 518-943-5800 [www.qualityinn.com/hotel/ny270](http://www.qualityinn.com/hotel/ny270)

Friar Tuck Resort & Spa 800-832-7600 <http://www.friartuck.com/>

## **Directions (GPS address for cars – 454 Washington Avenue, Saugerties, NY. Trucks use the directions below):**

### **Trucks from North:**

Exit 20 off of Interstate 87 (New York State Thruway).

After tollbooth, turn right onto State Route 32 North and go 1.5 miles.

Bear slight right at Y, and go 0.1 miles to 4-way stop.

Turn right at 4-way stop onto Malden Turnpike (County Rt. 34) and go 1.6 miles.

Turn right onto Route 9W South and go 0.4 miles.

Turn right onto Mike Kraut Road. Show grounds will be on the left.

### **Trucks from South:**

Exit 20 off of Interstate 87 (New York State Thruway).

After tollbooth, turn left onto Ulster Avenue and go 0.2 miles.

Turn right and follow State Road 32 North for 1.6 miles.

Bear slight right at Y, and go 0.1 miles to 4-way stop.

Turn right at 4-way stop onto Malden Turnpike (County Rt. 34) and go 1.6 miles.

Turn right onto Route 9W South and go 0.4 miles.

Turn right onto Mike Kraut Road. Show grounds will be on the left.

### **Cars from North:**

Exit 20 off of Interstate 87 (New York State Thruway).

After tollbooth, turn right onto State Route 32 North, and go 1.0 miles.

Turn right onto Peoples Road and go 0.9 miles.

Turn left after train tracks onto Canoe Hill Road and go 0.5 miles.

Canoe Hill Road becomes Mike Kraut Road. Show grounds will be 1.8 miles on the right.

### **Cars from South:**

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