

Welcome to the James River Classic Arena Driving Trial!

This event is sanctioned by the American Driving Society

Your event committee has strived to provide you with a quality event for a day of carriage driving fun. In order for the event to run smoothly and safely, please adhere to all rules of Meadow Event Park and requests of the event committee.

Remember that our event relies heavily upon volunteers. Please work with them respectfully and thank them for giving up their time and energy!!

Event Committee

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Secretary: Cheryl Childress

ARRIVAL & STABLING

Physical address: 13111 Dawn Blvd. Doswell, VA 23047. Stabling will open at 3 pm on Friday. RV spaces are available for \$40/night. Shavings will NOT be provided. Bags of shavings can be bought from the stable manager for \$7.00 each. No straw, please. Stalls do NOT need to be cleaned upon departure.

FOOD

Concessions will be available on the grounds.

VENUE

Dressage will take place on gravel dust footing; cones and hazards will be on grass. ALL RINGS ARE OFF LIMITS. They have not been rented by the JRDA for this event and may not be used for any purposes. Please warm up on the open grassy or gravel dust areas surrounding the event areas. Please be respectful of those competing in the dressage ring and on the cones course by keeping your distance.

Meadow Event Park does not want activities taking place on the grass if it is muddy. IN CASE OF HEAVY RAIN all events will take place in Ring #1 and the time schedule will be adjusted accordingly with dressage beginning at 9 am, cones following the completion of all entrants in dressage, and hazards following the completion of all entrants in cones. The schedule will be announced over the PA system in this event and organized as efficiently as possible.

RULES

This is an ADS recognized event; please be familiar with the American Driving Society rulebook. The ADS does not allow exceptions or variations to the rules. The rulebook can be found online at www.americandrivingsociety.org

EXPECTED SCHEDULE

7:30 registration desk opens-packets available. Located in the barn area. Pick up your packet as it has your competition number in it.

9:00 Dressage begins. **Please report to the dressage ring at least 15 minutes prior to your scheduled dressage time. Check in with your dressage ringmaster and have your wheels measured (even if you sent your measurement in on your registration form!) and a safety check performed.** You will have one minute to enter the dressage ring after the judge sounds the whistle or rings the bell. **No allowance is made for competitors not at the ring at their scheduled time.**

At the completion of your dressage test, go directly to the cones ringmaster and check in. You will have approximately 20 minutes to warm up for cones before you are called into the ring. You will first salute the judge then have 45 seconds after the judge blows the whistle or rings the bell to begin the course. We will try to use the same order of go used in dressage.

At the completion of dressage and cones there will be a briefing in the obstacles arena explaining the competition, followed by 30 minutes to walk the course. The order of go will be the as used in dressage.

The dressage, cones and obstacle courses will be available for walking late Friday afternoon as soon as set up is complete. On Saturday the dressage and cones courses will be open for walking until 9:45 am. The obstacles will be open until the beginning of the obstacles competition.

Any deviations from this schedule will be announced over the PA system or posted on the official event board near the stables.

TURNOUT

Casual marathon turnout as described in the ADS rulebook is appropriate. No shorts. Anyone riding on a carriage must have a helmet on. Aprons are not required; drivers must carry a whip when in the carriage.

Wire wheeled and pneumatic tires are permitted only in the VSE classes.

A bridle with a rein attached and passed through the saddle terrets must be in place whenever put to a vehicle. Failure to comply will result in elimination. A horse must never be left unattended while put to a vehicle.