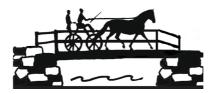
# ELK CREEK HORSE DRIVING TRIAL & COMBINED TEST



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May 31st - June 2nd, 2024

Fair Hill Natural Resource Management Area Fair Hill, Maryland

#### WELCOME TO ELK CREEK CDE 2024

It is with great pleasure that we welcome you to the eighteenth annual Elk Creek Driving Event! For the fourth year we have included a Combined Test on Friday. We continue to offer the Training and Preliminary levels, the backbone of our sport, an opportunity to share in Combined Driving Competitions here at Fair Hill as well as the Intermediate & Hybrid levels to encourage a smooth step up to Advanced. With your support as a competitor, contributor and/or volunteer, we continue to offer classes for all from the smallest mini to the largest horse, from green to gold. A special welcome to our new "Junior Training Exhibition HDT" division competitors: Cadence Gray, Collette Gray, Lynden Kersten, Ben Riesse & Dakota Soethe-Auer.

We are very fortunate to have the privilege to use this wonderful property. While you are here, take a moment to enjoy the beauty of these 5,600+ acres. PLEASE be considerate and stay within the marked paths to protect the hay crops. Hay from the grounds is contracted out and provides income which is essential to the operation and maintenance of the Fair Hill Natural Resources Management Area here at Fair Hill. Chris Grieco, Manager of Fair Hill NRMA has kindly granted you provisional permission to use your ATV's to inspect obstacles/ hazards. This is an exception to the rule and may be revoked at any time. Please set a good example, drive slowly and respect other park users who may be walking, biking, or riding. Please display your event supplied number and remember that helmets are mandatory at all times when driving ATVs. No two wheeled motorized vehicles are permitted!

This incredible park is a multiuse park. Please keep in mind that you may encounter riders out for pleasure whose horses may not be familiar with seeing a horse attached to a carriage! Please stop and make certain they are safe before you proceed. If you happen to be on course at the time, your calculated time can be adjusted at the end.

Cecil County Breeders Fair 4-H will share the stable area with us this weekend. Please consider that some of the 4-H horses in stabling may never have seen a carriage! Please .. Stop & let them look.

As with all events, Elk Creek requires tremendous financial and volunteer support. We are grateful to every contributor and every volunteer for their generosity! They make it possible for you the competitors and your equines to come to this beautiful park and play this game we love.... the sport of carriage driving.

In 2022 we unveiled the "Devine Foxes" water obstacle redo with a huge thanks to Kathy Devine. Riders in the park actually stop to have their pictures taken there. In 2023 we finally watched horses compete through the new "Pathfinder" obstacle, a tribute to Lana Wright our founder, built with donations from a special fundraiser and the generous time & talents of John Hoffner & Jay Breggia.

We hope that everyone will drive safely, compete with great sportsmanship, have fun & enjoy your weekend at Fair Hill.

Please THANK A VOLUNTEER! It takes triple the number of volunteers compared to the number of competitors enjoying this weekend. Volunteers make it happen for you & your horse. Send our volunteers home feeling your genuine gratitude!!! Most are not even carriage drivers!

A heartfelt "Thank You!" to each and every one of you for sharing our eighteenth Elk Creek Driving Event.

The 2024 Elk Creek Committee

# 2024 Officials

# President of the Ground Jury CT & HDT Dressage Judge Shelly Temple

Member of the Ground Jury CT & HDT

Lynn Legg

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#### Thank You

- To each & every Volunteer for making this event possible!
- Fair Hill Natural Resources Management Area for permitting us to use this beautiful land!
- Cheryl Banks-Thompson a "Non-Driver" who has been the Elk Creek Secretary for nineteen years!!
- Mary Coldren/FHI Competitions Committee
- Bryan Racine Cones/Dressage/marathon obstacles mowing!
- Meredith Fetters for her special fundraising efforts to make it possible to run the event with so few entries!
- Suzy Stafford for setting up dressage and sponsoring the Goden Gators!
- Karen & Kelly from Triple Crown Feeds for their enthusiastic support & sharing the weekend with us!
- Dennis Stangl & Atlantic Tractor, Newark for Officials Gators
- Jay Breggia, Beth Berlin, Jeff & Kim Stover & John Hoffner for help in setting up the marathon course
- Laurie Lopez ALL Volunteer Coordinator
- Coates & Barbara Bateman "Devine Foxes" decorations.
- Charlie Mann for mowing the marathon and cones course and for rolling the footing in the water obstacle!
- The Elk Creek Committee for pulling another event together & their loyal helpers in setting up the event!



# 2024 Elk Creek CDE Awards Offered

#### Elk Creek Horse Driving Trial Awards -

\*\*Class ribbons in each Division.

**Elk Creek Combined Test Awards** - \*\* Ribbons will be awarded 1st-4th in each class.

#### Elk Creek Special Awards -

- Best Conditioned
- Best Dressage Donated by Scott Monroe "In Memory of Mark Borkoski"
- Best Marathon Donated by Scott Monroe "In Memory of Shadow"
- Best Turnout In Memory of Bob & Nancy Fetters
- Best Young Horse Ribbon in memory of Beale Wright Morris
- Double Clear Cones Ribbons Donated by Jeff & Lynn Legg
- Cones "Slayer" ribbons Donated by Hannah Polson
- "Best" Volunteer Volunteer of the Year Award
- Cleveland Bay Horse Society of North America, Inc Best of Breed rosettes to the high point Pure Bred and high point Part Bred for the combined test and the Driving Trial!.

#### **Class ribbons and awards**

See ADS Rule Article 912, 7.5.5 "Objections concerning scoring may be raised up to one-half hour after the official scores are posted for each Competition.

**Exception:** mathematical or transcription errors may be corrected up to 1 hour after the final classification for the event."



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# Tentative Schedule of Events

#### Thursday, May 30

2:00 pm5:00 pmSecretary Office Open3:00 pmStables & Camper Pads Open

#### Friday, May 31

9:00 am	Dressage CT Competition - Gallaher Road
9:30 am	Cones CT Competition - Gallaher Road
5:00 pm	Competitor Briefing – Stables Tent
5:30 pm	States Night Reception – Stables Tent

#### Saturday, June 1 9:00 am

9:00 am	Dressage HDT Competition - Gallaher Road
9:30 am	Cones HDT Competition - Gallaher Road

#### Sunday, June 2

9:00 am	Marathon Start @ Main Arena Gallaher Road
3:00 pm	Stables & Camper Pads Close

## DRESSAGE TEST INFORMATION:

**Training** ALL - Training Test C 40 x 80 Singles, Pairs, VSE.

Preliminary ALL - Preliminary Test C 40 x 80 Singles, Pairs, VSE.

**Intermediate -** Singles - Intermediate Level C 40 x 80; VSE 40 x 80 Pairs & Teams - Intermediate B 40 x 80; VSE 40 x 80, Teams Int Test A, HYBRID Test of Choice

#### **CONES INFORMATION:**

Grass surface, clearance/speeds per ADS rules

## **MARATHON INFORMATION:**

**Type of Terrain:** Gravel roads, tunnels, grass tracks, water crossings, woods, fields with moderately rolling topography Level: Training: 1 sections, 5km (5 obstacles) Preliminary: 1 sections, 6km(6 obstacles) Intermediate & Hybrid: 1 sections, 7 km (7 obstacles) **Miscellaneous Information:** ASTM/SEI approved helmet recommended. All dogs must remain on leash. ADS Medical armband for marathon.

**\*Reminder:** Helmets are MANDATORY when riding on ATV's at all times.

\*\*\* The Organizer's rely on your honor to continue to respect & protect those around us.



Many Thanks to Margaret Grillet for her generous sponsorship of the Equine Rescue Ambulance - Fair Hill Division on Marathon day!!



# ELK CREEK HDT/CT ENTRIES 2024

#### Hybrid Single Horse

Suzy Stafford, from Chesapeake City, MD driving "Eelsjte", a 2017, 15.1 hand, black, Friesian, gelding.

#### Hybrid Pair Horse

Jenni Johnson from Barboursville, VA driving "JC Plumona", a 2012, 16.1 hand, grey, Andalusian, mare & "JC Espirital", a 2013, 16.0 hand, grey, Andalusian, mare & "Altivo", a 2004, 15.2 hand, grey, Lusitan, gelding.

Ryley Miller, from Elverson, PA driving "Sunrise's Commander", a 2007, 17.1 hand, chestnut, DHH, gelding and "Windfall's First", a 2006, 16.3 hand, chestnut, DHH, gelding.

#### **Intermediate Pair Horse**

James Fairclough from Newton, NJ driving "Bento", a 2006, 18 hand, bay, Dutch, gelding and "Milano" a 2017, 16.1 hand, bay, Dutch, gelding, and "Jake", a 2014, 16 hand, bay, Dutch, gelding & "Lothario I+S", a 2016, 16 hand, bay, Dutch, gelding.

#### Intermediate Single Pony

Scott Nickel from Windsor, SC driving "A Black Tie Affair", a 200, 141.5 cm, black, Arabian, gelding.

#### Preliminary Single Pony

Mary Beth Dixon from Allison Park, PA driving "Ozzy", a 2014, 118 cm, bay, Hackney, Gelding.

Carol McConaughy from Mt Airy, MD driving "Nick", a 144 cm, palomino, Haflinger, gelding.

Ann Dome from Unionville, PA driving "Beatrice", a 2009, 14.2 hand, black, Dales, mare.

Jillian Stroh from Erieville, NY, driving "Cat King Cole", a 2014, bay, British Riding Pony, gelding.

#### Preliminary Single Horse

Debby Donovan from Salem, NJ driving "Spring Hollow Brighton", a 2012, 15.1 hand, bay, Morgan, gelding.

Kera Haldeman from New Tripoli, PA, driving "Riley", a 2007, 15.1 hand, black bay, Morgan gelding.

Pat Mann from Chepachet, RI driving "Korenda", a 2015, 15.2, chestnut, KWP mare.

Charlotte Mansi from Newton, NJ driving "Flash Dance", a 2012, 15.3 hand, bay, WMBD, mare.

John Layton from Juliustown, NJ driving "Eric's K", a 2007, 16.1 hand, bay, Clevland Bay Sport Horse, mare.

Aaron Soldavin from Quakertown, PA driving "Harbor Pilot", a 2012, 16.1 hand, chestnut, DHH, gelding.

Ann Spurgas from Shepherdstown, WV driving "Free Spirit Of Excellence", a 2012, 151 cm, chestnut, Haflinger, mare.

Dirk Young from Skaneateles, NY driving "Naandrager", a 2018, 16.1 hand, black, DW, gelding.

#### Preliminary Four-In-Hand Pony

Beverly Patrick from Beaver Falls, PA driving "Kimberlake Raphael", 2012, 138 cm, black, Fell, gelding & "Kimberlake Uriel", 2014, 142 cm, black, Fell, gelding & "Laurelhighland Tabitha", a 2005, 135cm, black, Fell, mare & "Willow trail Mountain Ranger", a 2014, 138 cm, black, Fell, gelding & "Kimberlake Samuel", a 2014, 138 cm, black, Fell, gelding & "Kimberlake Samuel", a 2014, 138 cm, black, Fell, gelding.

#### Preliminary VSE

Justine Hryczaniuk from Louisa, VA driving "Leave Em In The Dust", a 2011, 95 cm, Appaloosa, minihorse, gelding.

Kate Pantelione from Belleplain, NJ driving "Adda Little Spice", a 214, 98.5 cm, silver dapple Appaloosa, AMHR, gelding.

#### Training Single Horse

Jennifer Brown from Chester Springs, PA driving "Thornlea Viggo", a 2007, 145.29 cm, chestnut, Welsh Cob Cross, gelding.

Erin Gale from Wrightstown, NJ driving "GW Jane", a 2019, 15.1 hand, bay, Standardbred, mare.

Josh Gale from Wrightstown, NJ driving "GW Brute Muscles", a 2015, 16 hand, black, Standardbred, gelding.

Kris Goeckeritz from Gloucester, driving "Bellavista Exeter", a 2016, 172.7 cm, bay, Cleveland Bay, gelding.

Lynden Kersten from West Grove, PA driving "Splash Of Chrome", a 2004, 15.2 hand, chestnut, Morgan/TB, gelding.

Deanna Kehler from West Chester, PA driving "Splash Of Chrome", a 2020, 15.2 hand, chestnut, Morgan/TB, gelding.

Colleen Layton from Juliustown, NJ driving "Ideal Kiss", a 2013, 15.1 hands, bay, Standardbred, gelding.

Ashely Mount from Towanda, PA, driving "Paradox Westerly", a 2015,15 hand, grey, Connemara, mare.

Christina Perreta from North East, MD driving "Sherman", a 1995, 15.2 hand, black & white, Shire X, gelding.

Noelle Price from PA, driving "Lovely Lillian", a 2004, 157.5 cm, bay, Standardbred, mare.

Christ Stoltzfus from Honey Brook, PA driving "Heidi", a 2001, 16.3 hand, black, DHH, mare.

#### Training Pair Pony

Marsha Korose from Mathias, WV, driving "King", a 2003, 142 cm, brown dun, Fjord, gelding & "Bo", a 2011, 142 cm, grey dun, Fjord, gelding.

Melody Payne from Berkshire, NY driving "Fiddlemakers Bottlerocket", a 2008, 121 cm, bay, Dartmoor mare & "Meadowlarks Oppulance" a 2016, 123 cm, black, Dartmoor gelding, and Bayshore Cockleburr, a 2015, 123 cm, black, Dartmoor, gelding.

#### Training Single Pony

Jennifer Boarman from Hustle, VA driving "Summer", a 2015, 127 cm, chestnut pinto, Gypsy Vanner, mare.

Leslie Bottaro from Wilmington, DE driving "Cricket", a 2012, 121 cm, dark bay, Hackney/Welsh, gelding.

Cynthia Doll from Bremo Bluff, VA driving "Ollie 'Bout Town", a 2019, bay, Dutch Hackney, gelding.

Jamie Guiberson from North East, MD driving "Herman", a 2015, 114 cm, black, Shetland, gelding.

Terry Hawkins from West Chester, PA driving "Rosie The Riveter", a 2017, 137 cm, bay, Haflinger, mare.

Donna Jacobson from Gloucester, VA driving "Trojan's Troy" a 2003, 137 cm, dark chestnut, Morgan, stallion.

Christina Perreta from North East, MD driving Rosie The Riveter", a 2017, 137 cm, bay, Haflinger, mare.

#### Training Single VSE

Clairborne Hammond from Palmyra, VA driving "Midnight", a 2013, 98 cm, black, VSE, mare.

#### Junior Training Single Horse

Collette Gray from Downingtown, PA driving "Victoria Secret", a 2003, 15.3 hand, chestnut, AWB, mare.

Dakota Soethe-Auer from Churchville, MD driving "Dancer", a 2008, 15.3 hand, bay, Saddlebred, gelding.

#### Junior Training Single Pony

Cadence Gray from Downingtown, PA driving "Not Your Average Muggie", a 2007, 10 cm, black, Shetland, gelding.

Ben Riesse from Mt Airy, MD driving "Isla", a 2013, 13.3 hand, dun, Fjord, mare.

#### Thank you to our 2024 Volunteers!

Erik Arnesen, Dressage Volunteer Coordinator Laurie Lopez, Volunteer Coordinator and Marathon Volunteer Coordinator Hannah Polson, Cones Volunteer Coordinator

Maggie Adams	John Hoffner	Sonya Osborne
Gail Aumiller	Ruthie Hollinger	Gemma Pagliei
Joshua Bechard	Stephanie Hurley	Helene Paxton
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Lelsie Bottaro	Collette Gray	Mike Quear
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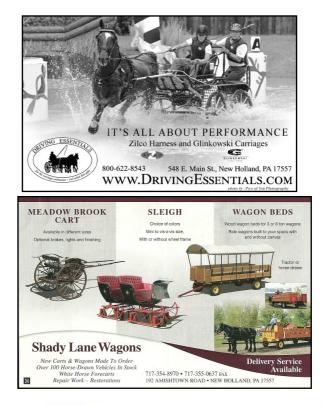




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