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FEI Driving World Championship for Pairs

August 20-24

Beekbergen, NED

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September 3-7

Löhden, GER

FEI Driving World Championship for Ponies - Four-in-Hand, Pairs, and Singles

Sept. 17-21

Haras du Pin, FRA

Selection Procedures Now Available for the 2026 FEI Driving World Championships for Four-in-Hand Horses and Single Horses

US Equestrian has announced selection procedures for the 2026 FEI Driving World Championship for Four-in-Hand Horses and 2026 FEI Driving World Championship for Single Horses are now available.

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FEI Competition Updates

As of May 1, 2025, the new FEI Noseband Tightness Rules and Measuring Device will be in effect. For more information please see [here](#) and [here](#).

FEI Young Horse Classes will be offered this year at Tryon Fall CDE. If you are interested in participating, please connect with the USEF FEI Horse Passport office at passports@usef.org to get your equine registered prior to the competition.

The International Carriage Drivers Association has been recognized by the FEI through a memo of understanding, [for more information or to join click here](#).

FEI Calendar Application Process for Driving is Now Open for 2026

The application process for the 2026 FEI Calendar for driving competitions is now open. Applications will be accepted now through June 1, 2025, and must be submitted online through the USEF Competition Dashboard at competitions.usef.org.

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Athlete Pathways Program

Emerging Athlete Program

Upcoming 2025 Emerging Athlete Program Clinic Schedule:

- **May 16-18, 2025** presented by the Cherry Valley Carriage Association
- **May 24-25, 2025** presented by Foxwoods Farm
- **May 30-June 1, 2025** presented by Western New York Combined Carriage Association
- **June 13-15, 2025** presented by High Hopes Farm LLC
- **July 18-20, 2025** presented by Foxwoods Farm
- **September 5-7, 2025** presented by the Central Ohio Carriage Driving

Developing Athlete and Equine Program

Upcoming 2025 Developing Athlete Program Clinic Schedule:

- **June 6-8, 2025** at Charlotte's Creek Farm in Georgetown, Ky.
- **August 1-3, 2025** at USET Foundation in Gladstone, N.J.
- **October 24 - 26, 2025** at Stable View in Aiken, S.C.

US Equestrian Announces Applications Opening for Driving Developing Program

US Equestrian is pleased to announce the application opening for the Driving Developing Program, as part of the USEF Combined Driving Athlete Pathway Program, designed to prepare U.S. driving athletes and equines for future success at the elite level in international competition, while continuing to invest in the development of combined driving in the United States.

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USEF Updates



2025 USEF Driving National Champions Crowned in 10 Pony Divisions at Katydid CDE

Tryon, N.C. – The Katydid Combined Driving Event at Tryon International Equestrian Center was the host for the 2025 USEF Driving National Championships for Ponies last week, and a total of 10 new national champions emerged from the event.

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Interested in Becoming a Licensed Official?

Individuals can apply to become a licensed official for combined driving competitions and serve in different roles. Give back to the sport as a judge, technical delegate, or course designer. The requirements to become a national licensed official are located in the [Licensed Officials Policies and Procedures](#), which includes updated expedited application options for current Athletes competing at the Advanced or CAI2* levels. [Learn more about becoming a national or FEI combined driving official here.](#)

USEF Warning Card System

As of April 1, 2025, the new USEF Warning Card System went into effect. The Warning Card System rule was amended to encourage and empower Judges, Stewards, and Technical Delegates to address conduct as it happens and correct behavior that should not be repeated. As part of the revision of this rule, USEF focused on clarity and flexibility by streamlining the existing Yellow Warning Card process and adding a Recorded Warning process to provide a mechanism for addressing less egregious behavior.

The goal of the revised warning system is to have conduct addressed and documented immediately, be it an infraction that rises to the level of a Yellow Warning Card or is less severe and warrants a Recorded Warning.

[For more information, please see here.](#)

Support Combined Driving

Interested in ways to support USEF Combined Driving or Para-Driving? You can find the link to donate to the USET Combined Driving and Para Driving [here](#).



Grayson-Jockey Club
Research Foundation

The Quest To End Laminitis Continues thanks to the Grayson Jockey Club Research Foundation



Laminitis is a disease in which the tissues that attach the hoof to the underlying coffin bone become damaged and inflamed. It can be devastating for both horse and owner. It not only leads to loss of performance but is second to colic as the biggest cause of premature death in horses. Dr. Andrew Van Eps, the Dean W. Richardson Professor of Equine Disease Research at the University of Pennsylvania School of Veterinary Medicine, has conducted multiple projects funded by Grayson-Jockey Club Research Foundation that have focused on understanding the mechanisms that lead to laminitis in different situations and evaluation of distal limb cooling (cryotherapy) as a preventative and treatment. You can read the article in its entirety on combating this debilitating disease here: www.grayson-jockeyclub.org/resources/spotfall23.pdf

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