US Equestrian Driving News – June 2021

Combined Driving Athlete Pathway Programs

US Equestrian congratulates **Combined Driving Elite Athletes** who have continued to achieve the highest standard of competition results this year:

- Jacob Arnold and Endorro, Mr Lindsey G, Pluto Revans, Kian, Kenji V, owned by Steve Wilson; and Dominic, Fleruamo's Stijn, Zohan, Eliot Van't Veldhoven, owned by Eleanor Parkes
- Taylor Bradish and Katydid Duchess, owned by Jennifer Matheson
- Jennifer "Nifty" Hamilton and Makari Design
- Jennifer Keeler and Amazing Grace
- James Miller and Agussto's Armoei, Eldorus, and Gentlemen
- Jennifer Thompson and Funnominial CG
- Chester Weber and Amadeus, Ideaal, Jake, Julius V, and Reno

Acceptance on the Combined Driving Elite Athlete list is set and maintained by objective results outlined in the Elite Athlete Criteria which is determined by current relevant FEI Driving World Championship results. Sustaining results at the international level is recognized by US Equestrian and supported in part by the USEF Athlete Pathway Programs. Learn more about these programs and how they support the Combined Driving discipline.

US Equestrian also welcomes several new members to the **Developing Athlete Program** for Combined Driving in 2021, which includes:

Group A
- Carrie Ostrowski with Gellerduht
- Margaret Shenker with Heartland Flash Back
- Suzy Stafford with PVF Peace of Mind and Tegan Ceri

Group B
- Paula Bliss with Burr and Harmony's Senna B
- Louise Blankinship with Farnley First Call, Copper Beech Mirth, Lochinvar Donatello, Silverwind Nighthawk, and Bishop Field Terraza
- Chris Carswell (Para) with Kianti
- Moire Creek with Maizey
- Megan Fullgraf with Bayshore Pastime
- Damara Gailliot with Nick

- Bob Giles (Para) with Drake
- Paula Hagen with Chiraz
- Yvette Harris with Morwell Amber and Suki
- Michele Johnson with Golden Sunset
- Diane Kastama (Para) with Cavalier and Live Fire
- Anna Koopman with Chandler Creek Eclipse
- Deborah Lawrence with Top Secret 53
- Theresa Leal (Para) with Win Dancer
- Virginia Miner with Taylamor Laurabelle
- John Levy with Taylamor Prince Harry
- Hilary Mroz-Blythe with Bijou
- Phillip Odden with Odden's Karoline and Odden's Petra
- Maggie O'Leary with Goldwine of TVF and Invitation Only
- Stefanie Putnam (Para) with Tuzes
- Sharon Brady Silva with Inigma
- Kristin Whittington with Symphony
- Tasha Wilkie with Van Dyk 4
- Bob Vance with Buckeye

Developing Group 'A' athletes and horses have achieved pre-elite level results as outlined in the Developing Athlete Program Criteria and have access to additional benefits within the program. The Developing Athlete Program offers year-round training support with top clinicians as well as frequent webinar discussions and educational opportunities on driving sport related topics. Moving forward, the program's clinics will incorporate more of a training camp syllabus to include lectures, driving equipment education, interactive training and judging exercises, and more!

Learn more about these programs and how they support the Combined Driving discipline.

Interested in applying for the Developing Athlete Program? Apply now!
Applications for the Developing Athlete Program are being accepted online NOW and closing after Wednesday, **June 30, 2021**. Online applications can be found on a member's Athlete Dashboard. Contact Director of Driving, Danielle Aamodt, for more information: daamodt@usef.org

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