

Connecticut Valley Driving Club
CARRIAGE DRIVING
HORSE SHOW

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Sunday, July 16, 2023, 9:00 Registration, 10:00 Start Time
North Stonington Agricultural Fair
21 Wyassup Road, North Stonington, CT

The **Carriage Driving Horse Show** is organized for the North Stonington Agricultural Fair by the Connecticut Valley Driving Club who's mission it is to preserve the tradition of driving horses and Carriages.

Show judge, **John Bennett Jr.**, is a long-time trainer, judge and carriage driving competitor.



John Bennett Jr. has been managing and training horses for more than 45 years. He opened up John Bennett Stables in 1978 concentrating mostly on Morgan show horses. For the past 20 years he has concentrated on carriage driving, training horses and clients for mostly pleasure shows. In 1986 John accepted the position at the University of Connecticut as the horse unit manager, a position he held for 32 years. He's trained many successful horses including UC Domination, UC Doc Sanchez, UC Merlin and UC Tee Rose to name a few. John has held a USEF judge's card in the Morgan and equitation division for 25 years. We welcome John to officiate at the 2023 North Stonington Fair.

Please join us as we present the general public with a variety of driving turnouts and disciplines.

For more information contact Judy Zimmer 860.608.8598 or Jan Frick 860.368.9161

Mail or email completed Registration, proof of vaccines & signed Waiver of Liability to:
Judy Zimmer | 128 Wawecus Hill Rd. | Norwich, CT 06360
judithann.zimmer@gmail.com

Registration and General Rules for Carriage Driving Horse Show

- Class Entries should be received by 9 a.m. on Saturday July 15, 2023 (day before show if possible). Show management may combine, divide or eliminate classes as entries warrant.
- **Vaccine requirements: Coggins & Rabies within a year, Flu/Rhino within 6 months**
- Drivers must be 16 years of age or older & drivers under 18 must be accompanied by an adult
- One entry per driver per class
- Entries must be attended when in the staging area next to entry gate, and may only be in this area when they're in the next class
- Equines to be under control at all times and lines in hand at all times. Runaways or out-of-control entries will be asked to leave the show ring
- No equines are to be tied together in the ring
- Entries must walk in and out of the show ring for all classes
- Entries are permitted to walk or trot only in the show ring. Breaks into the canter for four or more strides during Cones and Scurry classes will be penalized.
- Drivers must be seated in their carriages at all times when in the ring.
- **Hard hats & driving whip in hand are required while competing in Cones & Scurry classes.**
- Drivers should be appropriately dressed. (slacks & shirts preferable to t-shirts & cut-off jeans)
- Judge's decision will be final
- **Prize money and six ribbons awarded for each class and a Driver of the Day will be awarded.**

Entry Form for participating Drivers, Grooms and Equines:

1st Driver Name _____ Phone: _____
Address: _____ Email: _____

2nd Driver/Groom _____ Phone: _____
Address: _____ Email: _____

Equine/Horse#1: _____ Breed _____
Horse/Draft____ Pony____ Small Pony____ VSE/Mini____

Equine/Horse #2: _____ Breed _____
Horse/Draft____ Pony____ Small Pony____ VSE/Mini____

Class List (check all that apply):

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| <input type="checkbox"/> Ladies to Drive – All | <input type="checkbox"/> Novice to Drive |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Gentlemen to Drive – All | <input type="checkbox"/> Cones Course |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Open to Drive (VSE and ponies) | <input type="checkbox"/> Scurry (VSE and ponies) |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Open to Drive (horses/drafts) | <input type="checkbox"/> Scurry (horses/drafts) |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Open to Drive (pairs) | |

AGREEMENT FOR RELEASE AND WAIVER OF LIABILITY

Must be completed by all Participants

I understand that neither this Driving Event (Carriage Driving Horse Show), Event officials or organizing committee nor the property owners (North Stonington Agricultural Fair) accept any responsibility for accidents, damage, injury or illness to the horses, owners, riders, drivers, grooms, passengers, attendants, spectators or any other person or property in connection with this Event. I hereby expressly agree for myself and my principals, representatives, employees and agents: (1) to be bound by any local rules of this event; (2) that every horse, driver, attendant, groom and/or passenger is eligible as entered; and (3) to accept as final any decision of the event officials and agree to hold the Event officials and organizing committee harmless for any action taken.

I am fully aware that horse sports, including driving, and this Event involve inherent dangerous risk of serious injury or death, and by participating, I do so voluntarily and expressly assume any and all risks of injury or loss, and I agree to indemnify and hold the Event officials and organizing committee, harmless from and against all claims including any injury or loss suffered during or in conjunction with the Event, whether or not such a claim, injury or loss resulted, either directly or indirectly, from the negligent acts or omissions of the Event officials and organizing committee.

I have read and agree with the terms of this agreement.

Driver #1 Signature _____ **Date:** _____
(or guardian if driver is under 18)
Print name: _____

Driver #2 Signature: _____ **Date:** _____
(or guardian if driver is under 18)
Print name: _____

Groom/Header #1 Signature: _____ **Date:** _____
(or guardian if groom/header is under 18)
Print name: _____

Groom/Header #2 Signature: _____ **Date:** _____
(or guardian if groom/header is under 18)
Print name: _____

Mail or email along with Registration Form, proof of Coggins & Rabies within a year and Flu/Rhino vaccine within 6 months to:

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