

**Equestrians Institute Combined Driving  
Everything-but-the-Kitchen-Sink Weekend!  
Combined Driving Schooling/Driving Derby/Dressage Festival/  
Lessons/Driving Trial/Combined Test  
June 26-28, 2026  
Sunny Meadow Farm  
4711 176th Ave SW  
Rochester, WA 98579**

**Entries Open:** Postmarked **May 1st**

**Entries Close:** Postmarked **June 10<sup>th</sup>** – earlier if full. Check website for status.

**Method of accepting entries:** By postmark or, if emailed, when payment is received.

**Entry Form:** Use Equestrians Institute entry form available on website:

<https://www.einw.org/everything-but-the-kitchen-sink.html>

- Note that rig size (overall length – truck/RV plus trailer) is required on entry form for parking arrangements.
- Please include signed disclaimers for both Equestrians Institute and Sunny Meadow Farm. All persons who handle horses or are on a carriage are required to sign both disclaimers.
- VSEs and all Ponies, please include a copy of your official measurement card, if not already on file with EI Driving.  
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- Para Drivers, please include your official ADS dispensation certificate.

**Event Description:** Following closely on the heels of EI's combined driving clinic, this event, taking place over three full days, lets you try it all:

**Combined Driving Schooling...  
Driving Derby...  
Dressage Festival...  
Personalized lessons with Stacey Giere or Sterling Graburn...  
Driving Trial...  
Combined Test (Dressage and Cones) ...**

**Waiting List:** Yes. Field limits, maximum:

40 entries for DT  
10 entries for CT  
48 entries for Dressage Festival  
40 entries for Driving Derby  
20 lesson spots with Stacey or Sterling

**Divisions:**

- Combined Driving, Combined Test and Dressage:
  - Divisions: Training, Preliminary, Intermediate, Advanced/Intermediate Hybrid.
  - Turnouts: Singles, pairs, multiples (multiples include tandems, unicorns, and four-in-hands)
  - Classes: VSE, Small Pony, Pony, Horse
- Driving Derby: Training, Preliminary, Intermediate Divisions. Turnouts and Classes are combined by

Division. Division will be divided by equine size if number of entries warrant it.

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**Mail or Email Entries to:** Registration Secretary

**Entry Fees:** All fees are in US dollars. Make checks payable to "Equestrians Institute." Or, if you wish to pay by credit card, pay via PayPal at [Paypal.me/eidriding](https://www.paypal.me/eidriding) and add \$15 service fee to total. If you need assistance paying by credit card, contact the organizer. Your entry is not accepted until fees are paid. EI members receive a discount.

- **Basic Day Use Fee:** Basic Day Use Fees are mandatory if you will be driving your horse on Friday and/or Saturday to either school or participating in the scheduled events.
  - one day (Friday or Saturday) -- \$60 (\$55 for EI members)
  - two days (Friday and Saturday) -- \$110 (\$100 for EI members)
- **Clinician Lesson:** Lessons with Stacey or Sterling are \$120 per hour-long lesson (\$110 for EI members) and \$60 per half hour mini lesson (\$55 for EI members).
- **Driving Derby:** \$30 per go (\$25 per go for EI members)
- **Dressage Festival:** \$60 for two tests (\$55 for EI members) or \$40 for one test (\$35 for EI members). Please state on your entry form which dressage test(s) you want to have judged.
- **One Day Driving Trial:** \$120 entry fee (\$110 entry fee for EI members)
- **One Day Combined Test:** \$85 entry fee (\$75 for EI members)

#### **Stall Fees and Arrangements:**

- Stalls are available starting at 1pm on Thursday through 6pm on Sunday. Prices include one bag of shavings and cleaning of stall after the event.
  - For portable stalls in camping area: \$155 per stall for 3 nights, \$110 per stall for 2 nights, \$65 per stall for 1 night. Additional nights \$45 per stall.
  - For stalls in permanent barn (1<sup>st</sup> come, 1<sup>st</sup> served): \$185 per stall for 3 nights, \$130 per stall for 2 nights, \$75 per stall for 1 night. Additional nights \$55 per stall.
- One bag of shavings will be provided per stall for the event. If you need more, either order more in advance on your entry form or bring your own.
- Self-stalling or daily haul-in (no stall provided) allowed – \$25 fee per day. No bedding provided. Please clean up after your horse before departing the event or pay \$10 cleaning fee. Secure panels must be used for self-stalling. No attaching to facility fencing or buildings. Horses cannot be left tied to the trailer unattended.
  - Note: The daily fee is per entry for those hauling in, but it's per horse for those self-stalling.
- No stall deposit required.

#### **Refund Policy:**

\$50 office fee will be deducted from all refunds. Before closing date, full refund minus office fee. After closing date up until 72 hours before event starts, full refund minus office fee only if can backfill from waiting list. No refunds after 72 hours prior to event start.

**Dressage Festival Judges:** Stacey Giere and Sterling Graburn

**Driving Trial Judges:** Stacey Giere and Karin Bishop

**Derby Judge:** Mandy Hood

**Veterinarian:** On call

**EMT:** On call

**Farrier:** On call

**TENTATIVE SCHEDULE:**

**Thursday 6/25:** 1 pm stalls available. The combined driving clinic will still be going on. Combined Driving Schooling starts on Friday.

**Friday 6/26: Combined Driving Schooling 8 am to 6 pm**

Cones course, marathon obstacles, and dressage arenas will be available for open schooling when not in use for Private Lessons.

**Driving Derby 2 pm – 5 pm**

For rules and details, see the ADS Rulebook, Appendix CD-C.

Horses may go around a maximum of three times.

**Private Lessons with Stacey and/or Sterling** – a limited number of lessons will be available, either 30 minutes or 1-hour lessons.

**Saturday 6/27: Combined Driving Schooling 8 am to 6 pm**

Cones course, marathon obstacles, and dressage arenas will be available for open schooling when not in use for Private Lessons or Dressage Festival.

**Driven Dressage Festival 8 am to 2 pm**

Drivers choose Dressage test(s) they wish to drive and specify on their entry form. Note, only 40 by 80-meter and 30 by 60-meter arenas are available for this event. Please choose tests accordingly. Select tests from those listed on

[https://americandrivingsociety.org/content.aspx?page\\_id=22&club\\_id=548049&module\\_id=407587](https://americandrivingsociety.org/content.aspx?page_id=22&club_id=548049&module_id=407587). For Advanced tests, please contact organizer at least 30 days before event.

**Private Lessons with Stacey and/or Sterling** – a limited number of lessons will be available, either 30 minutes or 1-hour lessons.

**Sunday 6/28: Driving Trial and Combined Test**

**Dressage: 8 am to 11:30 am**

All tests will be in 40x80 or 30x60 arenas.

Dressage Tests:

- Training Level A for all classes
- Preliminary Level A for all classes
- Intermediate Level A for all classes
- Advanced By special arrangement with organizer

**Cones: Immediately following Dressage**

Speeds and clearances per ADS/FEI rules.

**Marathon (DT only): 12:30 pm – 4 pm**

All DT participants will follow the same course. Maximum of 6 km, 4 to 5 obstacles depending on weather conditions and footing. All divisions/levels, be prepared to cross water.

**OTHER INFORMATION:**

**Pony/VSE Measurement Cards:**

ADS official measurement cards for Ponies and VSEs, required after 1/1/21, will be honored but not required at this event. If you do not have your pony officially measured, please measure him carefully at the withers in order to enter the proper classes. Please follow rules for the ADS pony/VSE measurement program:

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**Awards:**

- Dressage Festival ribbons - top five placings for each level - classes (by size of equine and number of equines in turnout) will be grouped together for Dressage awards. If multiple tests driven, the best score per level will be used in the award calculations.
- Driving Trial ribbons - top five placings for each class.
- Combined Test ribbons - top five placings for each class.
- Driving Derby - top five placings in each division.

**Safety:**

- Medical armbands, or their equivalent such as Road ID, are strongly encouraged, but not required, for all persons riding on a cart or carriage. Medical armbands will be available for purchase.
- Per ADS rules, protective vests are required while on the marathon course, participating in the derby, and while schooling obstacles.
- **Helmets are required at all times for everyone on the carriage (even during Dressage)**
- Helmets and protective vests are always required for juniors (under 18).

**Veterinary / Equine Health Requirements:**

To promote health and welfare of all horses, Equestrians Institute complies with ADS and State rules regarding horse welfare, including but not limited to:

- Proof of vaccination or veterinary exemption for Equine Influenza Virus and Equine Herpes Virus current within six months of the event. See ADS Art. 6.3. Proof of vaccine must be provided at least 48 hours prior to arrival at venue.
- All out-of-state equines require negative Coggins current within six months of the event. Vet health certificate required for horses coming into Washington State. Please check with your vet for particulars, as state requirements can change.
- Biosecurity measures are followed at all EI events. For more info:  
<https://www.usef.org/search?q=biosecurity>

**Special needs, vehicle sharing, and scheduling requests:**

Please state clearly on the entry form if you have special needs or equipment or essential personnel sharing. Requests made after closing date may not be honored if schedules for the event have already been finalized.

**Show Attire:**

Appropriate Dressage/Cones attire (helmet, jacket, apron, gloves, etc) is encouraged. In the case of inclement weather, attire guidelines will be relaxed. See Safety section for helmet and marathon vest requirements.

### **Misc. Show info:**

- Limited number of **golf carts** available for rental, first come, first served. Enter and reserve early for best chance at getting one. \$265 for a cart that seats two; \$350 for a cart that seats four. Separate check not required.
- Food Available on Grounds: Concession stand TBD
- Social Events: Gather at 6:30 pm on Saturday for cake and awards for Dressage Festival, and Derby.
- Camping/parking spots to be assigned. Please list overall rig length on entry form (and any parking preferences) and we will do our best to accommodate.
- Dogs are allowed. Dogs must always be on leash and under control.
- Camping on Grounds: Dry camping only – no utility hook-ups. If you have special medical needs such as electricity for medical equipment, please notify the organizer in advance.
- No lunging in camping/parking area.

### **ENTRY CHECKLIST -- Please be very sure your entry is complete.**

- 1) **Writing legible and all blanks on entry form filled out?**
- 2) **Disclaimers (both EI and Sunny Meadow Farm) signed by driver, navigator, and any other person who will be on the carriage or handling the horse(s)?**
- 3) **All fees paid by check made payable to “Equestrians Institute” or via PayPal?**
- 4) **All necessary vet papers (proof of vaccine and, if out of state, negative coggins/health cert) included (or on file with EI Driving from a previous 2026 event and still current)?**
- 5) **Pony card included, if applicable?**
- 6) **Dispensation certificate from ADS if you are a Para Driver?**

### **Directions:**

Sunny Meadow Farm is located at 4711 176<sup>th</sup> Ave SW, Rochester, WA. Use this address if you are assigned parking by the permanent barns. If you are assigned to park and stable in the portable stalls stabling area (called show stabling below), use 17743 Leitner Rd SW, Rochester, WA in your GPS to get to the correct facility entrance. Here are directions in case you need them:

- If you are coming from I-5 take exit 88. Turn east onto Old Highway 99 SE – which is a right turn if you exit from northbound I5 and a left turn if you exit from southbound I5.
- In 2.5 miles, turn left onto 183<sup>rd</sup> Ave SW
- In .1 mile turn right onto Danby Rd SW
- In .9 miles Danby Rd turns 90 degrees and becomes Leitner Rd SW.
- If you are assigned parking in the **show stabling area**, the entrance is 300 feet and on the left - just before the start of the white fence.
- If you are assigned **parking by the permanent barns** (daily haul-ins and medical needs) in .3 miles Leitner Rd SW turns into 176<sup>th</sup> Ave SE. Follow the white fence around the corner and turn left at the yellow barn with the big rainbow.