

Mini Clinic Schedule for SWVHJA

Monthly Horsemanship Mini-Clinic Series

The SWVHJA Education Committee has put together a calendar of 11 monthly horsemanship clinics to be held throughout 2024, beginning in April and concluding in December. These mini-clinics center around horsemanship or other opportunities for education out of the saddle and the show ring. These clinics will be free of charge for all SWVHJA members, junior and senior. Non-members are strongly encouraged to attend and may do so for a \$20 donation to the Association. Clinics will alternate between in-person clinics held locally in SWVHJA, and virtual clinics held through zoom. Topics include; Course Design and Construction, Conformation/In Hand Showing, Collegiate Riding, Veterinary Care, Driving, Sports Psychology, Hoof Care Basics, Professionals Discussion Panel and more. Additional clinics will also be held at the SWVHJA Annual Horse Show. The calendar accompanying this release will detail dates, times, topic, location, and clinician. Members will need to sign up online a week in advance for the clinics via a virtual signup at tinyurl.com/swvhjasignup

SWVHJA Junior Horsemanship Program

The SWVHJA Junior Horsemanship Program is a unique educational opportunity for Juniors through the mini-clinics held throughout the year and at the annual show. This program will give junior members the chance to develop their knowledge of horsemanship, while also providing them the opportunity to offset annual show expenses.

The SWVHJA Junior Horsemanship Program is a year long open lottery, wherein each time a junior attends a SWVHJA Horsemanship Clinic, their name will be entered in the lottery. At the conclusion of the clinic series at the SWVHJA annual show, the lottery will draw 10 enrolled juniors to receive a \$100 credit for their annual show entry fees. Juniors will be entered into the lottery one time for every clinic they attend, allowing for them to accumulate multiple chances to receive the annual show subsidization. There will not be repeat awards, so this will be awarded to 10 separate junior members.

Date	Type	Topic	Location	Clinician
Sunday, April 7 3:00 pm	In Person	Course Design This clinic will be lecture based and discuss the basics of laying out and designing courses. Ashley will discuss distances, materials and jump placement.	Memory's Hill 905 Old White Bridge Road, Waynesboro	Ashley Holsinger
Sunday, May 19 1:00 pm	In Person	Conformation/Showing on the Line Hunter Breeding "R" judge, Randee and trainer Katie will evaluate conformation and discuss how to present horses and ponies in-hand.	Otteridge Farm 6380 Peaks Rd Bedford, VA	Randee Beckman Katie Gardner
Thursday, June 13 12:00 noon	In Person	Course Construction This clinic will specifically be for junior members participating in the SWVHJA Summer Show. Participants will be physically building the course and doing work related to the horse show.	Clover Grove 86 Hewitt Rd. Staunton, VA	Gordon Reistrup
Tuesday, July 16 7:00 PM	Virtual	Collegiate Riding Participants will have the opportunity to hear from a panel of collegiate coaches regarding various equestrian opportunities at the college level. There will be opportunity for Q&A as well.	Zoom	Mimi Wroten Sherri West Beth Sheeley Phillip Williamson Gordon Reistrup
Sunday, August 18 3:00	In Person	Driving Darlene will discuss and demonstrate the basics of driving horses and ponies.	Kemper Knoll 9857 Goods Mill Rd McGaheysville, VA	Darlene Kemper

