

Aiken Carriage Classic



April 17-18, 2021
Highfields Event Center
198 Gaston Rd.
Aiken, SC

An event recognized by the American Driving Society Sponsored by Aiken Driving Club

Show Officials:

Judge: Ruthie Graves, Texas
Technical Delegate: Debbie Bevan, Windsor, SC
Show Organizer: Katy Rhinehart, Ridge Spring, SC
Show Secretary: Karen Marlin, Windsor, SC
Veterinarian: Performance Equine
Medical Emergency: 911
Farrier: TBA

ENTRY: To enter the Aiken Carriage Classic, use the American Driving Society entry form for Pleasure Driving shows. You can find this form by clicking on the link on the Aiken Driving Club web site www.aikendrivingclub.com. Complete both the entry form and the waiver, (Class Number chart is on page 4 of this document) and mail or email to: Karen Marlin 231 Pine Acres Rd., Windsor, SC 29856; kmarlin@aikendrivingclub.com. You can pay by credit card using the payment link on the Aiken Driving Club web site or you can send a check with your entry. ALL entries must include a **flu and rhino within 6 months** and **a negative Coggins within 12 months** of the show. Failure to provide required health papers for competing horses will result in losing the privilege to show and all paid fees will be forfeited.

ENTRY and STABLING FEES:

- \$20 per class. \$100 for a full division. Post entries are \$25 per class and will be accepted up until the secretary's office closes on Friday.
- There is a \$5 ADS fee per competitor. Drivers who are not members of the American Driving Society must pay a \$30 non-member fee (instead of the \$5 fee), which DOES NOT PROVIDE INSURANCE COVERAGE.
- Stall fee is \$35 per day. Must provide own shavings. NO STRAW IS ALLOWED. A refundable stall deposit of \$50 must be sent in with entry. All stalls must be stripped and swept before leaving the grounds. Stabling opens Friday at noon.
- Tack stalls subject to availability; \$25 a day.
- For those competing in the multiples division, stalls will be \$25 per day per horse/pony. One horse/pony/VSE to a stall.
- Trailering-in fee is \$15 per day or \$25 for the weekend. Must be sent with entry.
- Camper hookups are available for \$25 a night.

For questions or more information, contact:

Katy Rhinehart, Show Organizer, 641-485-7821, gkm104@heartofiowa.net

Karen Marlin, Secretary, (207) 841-4492, kamarlin1@gmail.com

Entries open March 1, 2021, and close with an April 5, 2021 postmark.

Office will be open 2-6 PM Friday, and at 8:00 AM on Saturday and Sunday, closing at the end of the last class of each day.

Divisions and Classes Offered

- I. Open Pony
- II. Open Horse
- III. VSE (Management will allow wire and pneumatic wheel vehicles for the VSE division. No hyperbikes.)
- IV. Novice Driver/Horse/Pony (combined)
- V. Multiples
- VI. Junior Driver
- VII. Utility division

Equines must be at least three years of age to compete at the Aiken Carriage Classic

Six classes in a division count toward the division championship:

1. Turnout
2. Working
3. Reinsmanship
4. Timed Obstacles
5. Reverse Psychology
6. Pleasure Drive

Ribbons will be awarded to the top 5 five competitors in each class.

A championship and reserve championship will be awarded in each division, calculated by summing placings in the classes included in the division championship. Five points are awarded for first place, 4 points for second place, 3 points for third place, 2 points for fourth place, and 1 point for fifth place. In case of a tie, the Reinsmanship class will be the deciding championship placement. A class with fewer than 5 entries will still be awarded points stated above.

No awards will be mailed. Must be picked up at show.

ACC also offers the following other classes:

- Carriage Dog, open to all drivers.
- Ladies to Drive
- Gentlemen to Drive

Class descriptions and rules can be found on the American Driving Society web site at www.americandrivingsociety.org under Pleasure Driving.

Pleasure Drive to be run by “House rules”: To be driven over a marked course. House rules will be reviewed at the initial briefing.

Class numbers:

No.	Division	Class	No.	Division	Class
10	Open Horse	Turnout	50	Multiples	Turnout
11	Open Horse	Working	51	Multiples	Working
12	Open Horse	Reinsmanship	52	Multiples	Reinsmanship
13	Open Horse	Timed Obstacles	53	Multiples	Timed Obstacles
14	Open Horse	Reverse Psychology	54	Multiples	Reverse Psychology
15	Open Horse	Pleasure Drive	55	Multiples	Pleasure Drive
20	Open Pony	Turnout	60	Junior Driver	Turnout
21	Open Pony	Working	61	Junior Driver	Working
22	Open Pony	Reinsmanship	62	Junior Driver	Reinsmanship
23	Open Pony	Timed Obstacles	63	Junior Driver	Timed Obstacles
24	Open Pony	Reverse Psychology	64	Junior Driver	Reverse Psychology
25	Open Pony	Pleasure Drive	65	Junior Driver	Pleasure Drive
30	Novice Driver, Horse/Pony	Turnout	70	VSE	Turnout
31	Novice Driver, Horse/Pony	Working	71	VSE	Working
32	Novice Driver, Horse/Pony	Reinsmanship	72	VSE	Reinsmanship
33	Novice Driver, Horse/Pony	Timed Obstacles	73	VSE	Timed Obstacles
34	Novice Driver, Horse/Pony	Reverse Psychology	74	VSE	Reverse Psychology
35	Novice Driver, Horse/Pony	Pleasure Drive	75	VSE	Pleasure Drive
40	Utility	Turnout			
41	Utility	Working			
42	Utility	Reinsmanship			
43	Utility	Timed Obstacles	1	Ladies to Drive	
44	Utility	Reverse Psychology	2	Gentlemen to Drive	
45	Utility	Pleasure Drive	3	Carriage Dog	

General Rules and Information

1. The Aiken Carriage Classic is recognized by the American Driving Society (ADS). All divisions offered are covered by the current rules and specifications of ADS. All classes, unless specified, will be conducted and judged in accordance with ADS rules. For pleasure show rules, go to the ADS web site at www.americandrivingsociety.org.
2. This show will follow all ADS COVID rules. A link to the most up-to-date rules is on the Aiken Driving Club web site.
2. The Show Committee reserves the right to decline any entry and/or return any entry fee before or during the competition without being liable for any compensation. If horses/ponies are entered but not exhibited, entry fees will be forfeited, unless a veterinarian certifies in writing the inability of the animal to perform due to injury, illness, or death. If a competitor is unable to compete because of injury or illness, a physician must certify this in writing as well. In either situation, the statement must be received before April 17, 2021. Stall fees are not refundable.
3. The Show Committee reserves the right to combine or divide classes or divisions, if the number of entries should warrant, and to limit entries if necessary.
4. There will be no additions to classes or divisions after the Secretary's office closes on Friday.
5. Competitors may enter classes in different divisions, but should recognize that cross-entering may be difficult because of the class schedule.
6. Footing is grass or sand.
7. There will be a Question & Answer session Friday evening at 5:00 PM in the covered pavilion. All competitors are strongly encouraged to attend. Any last minute revisions will be announced at this time.
8. Tentative course maps will be available Friday but will not become official until final inspection by show officials. There will be no official course walk, but courses will be open to walk as schedule permits. Horses are only allowed on the courses when they are competing.
9. Dogs are welcomed at this show but must be on a leash (with a responsible person holding that leash) or in a crate at all times. Please clean up after your dogs. Owners who allow dogs to run off leash will be fined \$50.00 per occurrence. Animal Control will be called and must pay the fine to the show before your dog will be returned.
10. Safety:
 - a) All turnouts may be subject to a safety check by show officials.
 - b) Bridles should be adjusted to fit snugly to prevent catching on a vehicle or other pieces of harness. **A bridle with reins attached must be in place whenever a horse is put to a vehicle.** Failure to comply will result in elimination for the remainder of the show.
 - c) Horses / ponies are not to be tied up or left unattended in any way while they are put to vehicles. Failure to comply will incur elimination for the remainder of the show.
 - d) Only licensed drivers are allowed to drive any motorized vehicle on the show grounds.

The Aiken Carriage Classic relies heavily on the generosity of our donors, sponsors and volunteers. Please remember to thank those people and businesses who have given their time and resources so that we may have a place to enjoy our horses and carriages.

2021 Sponsorships

Division Championship=\$100+

Reserve Champion=\$50-\$99

Class Sponsor=\$30-\$49

Volunteer Sponsor=\$5-\$29

All donations welcome

Tentative Schedule

Abbreviations:

M=Multiples
OH=Open Horse
JD= Junior Driver
OP=Open Pony

NDNHP=Novice Driver/Novice Horse/Pony
VSE=VSE
U=Utility

Friday April 16, 5 PM: Briefing in covered pavilion.

Classes will begin promptly at 9:30 am both days. All other times are approximate—**Please be prepared to enter ring early.**

If we are ahead of schedule we will keep going. Please be ready. Check the board for changes. Cones courses will be open for walking at 8 a.m. each morning.

Saturday, April 17, 2021

Arena 1, 9:30 AM

OH Turnout
U Turnout
NDNH/P Turnout
VSE Turnout
OP Turnout
M Turnout
JD Turnout
Ladies to Drive
Gentlemen to Drive

Break

Arena 1, 12:15 PM

Carriage Dog Class

12:30-1:30 Lunch on your own.

Arena 1, 1:35 PM

NDNH/P Working Pleasure
VSE Working Pleasure
M Working Pleasure
U Working Pleasure
OH Working Pleasure
OP Working Pleasure
JD Working Pleasure

Arena 2, 3:00 PM

Reverse Psychology-all classes
JD, OP, U, M, VSE, NDNH/P, OH
Silent Auction ends

Sunday, April 18, 2021

Cowboy Church 8:30 AM - If allowed by COVID rules.

Pleasure Drive Course, 9:30 AM

Pleasure Drive, all divisions

Arena 2,

Timed obstacles (cones) immediately following pace

Break

Arena 1, 11:30 AM

OH Reinsmanship
M Reinsmanship
NDNH/P Reinsmanship
OP Reinsmanship
U Reinsmanship
VSE Reinsmanship
JD Reinsmanship

1:00-1:40 Lunch on your own.

Awards Ceremony 30 minutes after last class

Saturday awards not given in ring can be picked up in the office on Sunday.

