



2025 VIRTUAL SHOW SERIES PRIZE LIST

Divisions Offered:

Categories: Senior & Junior

Classes/Tests: All CADORA tests (excluding Prix Caprilli); all FEI tests (excluding FEI Young Horse Tests); and all Western-Style Dressage (WSDAC/WSAA) tests.

CADORA tests: <http://www.cadora.ca/dressage-tests/>

Western-Style Dressage tests: <https://westernstyledressage.ca/rules-and-tests>

FEI Level tests: <https://inside.fei.org/fei/your-role/organisers/dressage/tests>

<p><u>Competition #1: May</u> Opening Date: Wednesday, May 1st, 2025 @ 12:00 am EST Closing Date: Saturday, June 1st, 2025 @ 12:00 pm EST Judge: Kristy Barber</p>
<p><u>Competition #2: June</u> Opening Date: Saturday, June 1st, 2025 @ 12:00 am EST Closing Date: Monday, July 1st, 2025 @ 12:00 pm EST Judge: Megan Kinsella</p>
<p><u>Competition #3: July</u> Opening Date: Monday, July 1st, 2025 @ 12:00 am EST Closing Date: Thursday, August 1st, 2025 @ 12:00 pm EST Judge: Mallory Haigh</p>
<p><u>Competition #4: August</u> Opening Date: Thursday, August 1st, 2025 @ 12:00 am EST Closing Date: Sunday, September 1st, 2025 @ 12:00 pm EST Judge: Julie Semple</p>
<p><u>Competition #5: September</u> Opening Date: Sunday, September 1st, 2025 @ 12:00 am EST Closing Date: Tuesday, October 1st, 2025 @ 12:00 pm EST Judge: Sandra St-Pierre</p>

Entry Fees/Forms:

Please visit <https://www.competeeasy.com/> for online entries. Please ensure that all required information, especially the link to your video(s), are included in your submission.

Full payment must be included with entries. Compete Easy will accept credit cards and PayPal.

All test videos must be completed by the last day of each month (May 31st, June 30th, July 31st, August 31st, and September 30th, 2025) by 11:59 pm EST, and submitted before the 1st day of the following month by 12 noon EST.

Cost: \$15 per test for members and \$25 per test for non-members

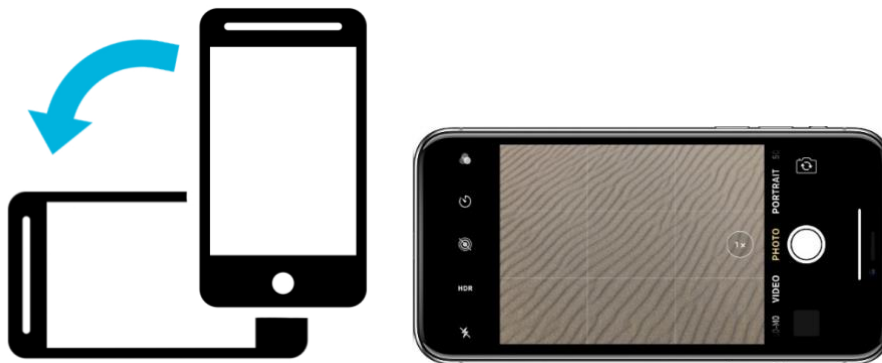
Administration fee: \$20 per entry + 5% Compete Easy users' fee

Late entries may be subject to a \$35 per entry fee, and changes to an entry may be subject to a \$10 per entry fee, with the approval of the judge and show coordinator.

Riders can submit up to one video of each test of any **FEI, CADORA** or **WDAA** level per horse per month, including Freestyles, to a maximum of 6 videos, but no more than 4 tests can be ridden per day.

Membership: Dressage Niagara Membership is for the Calendar year: \$25 for senior memberships and \$20 for junior memberships. Please visit <http://www.dressageniagara.com/membership.html> for more information. To receive the discounted entries fees, memberships obtained prior to the show date deadline will receive a promotional code to use on Compete Easy. You can also pay for your Dressage Niagara membership on Compete Easy when you enter your respective show; however, apply early to get your promo code for membership discounts.

How to Record Your Video: You do not need a special camera to record videos. A cell phone video will work!



Please be sure to include in your video:

- Your name
- Your horse's name
- Identify which test you are riding
- Division (Junior or Senior)
- Date that the test was ridden.

Step 1. Using a phone (in landscape view) or video camera, have a helper video your ride **from the letter C** outside of the competition ring. This can be videoed in an outdoor arena or a short grass field during the daytime (for best results, the camera should not be facing into the sun) OR, in an indoor or covered arena if the lighting is good (the better the lighting conditions, the easier for the judge to score/comment on your test). Make sure the sound is turned ON and that there are no obstacles or obstructions that may impede the judging



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of your test (fence posts, jump rails, your curious dog, etc.). You and your horse should be always visible on the video.

Step 2. Without stopping the video, speak into the camera stating your name and your horse's name, the division, level and test you are riding as well as the date, then continue without editing (no stopping and starting the video) into the riding arena. This may also be done by the videographer or the test reader. If riding in an indoor arena or a restricted space, you do not need to enter the arena at A; the entrance maybe done within the riding arena space with a simple turn at A.

Step 3. As soon as the test is finished, allow the horse to exit the arena on a long rein, then end the video.

Step 4. Upload your video to YouTube and submit your entry as outlined above.

Monthly Competition Awards & Standings:

Certificates will be awarded to 6th place per class. Placings are decided by total marks and if marks are tied, the award will be given to the competitor with the higher Collective Marks. If the Collective Marks are tied, the competitors remain tied, and the next placing is omitted.

A minimum score of 50% is required for placings and any competitor receiving a score of less than 40% will be considered eliminated from the class and no score will be posted.

When there is only one horse in a class, certificates shall be awarded in accordance with the following chart of percentages:

1st 63% or higher	3rd 58% or higher
2nd 60% or higher	4th 55% or higher

Results for each month will be posted within 7-10 days after the conclusion of the show once the judge has reviewed all the tests.

HIGH POINT CHAMPION OF THE SHOW AWARD

Virtual High Point Champion Certificates will be awarded to both a Junior and Senior rider of their respective Division. The High Point Champions of the Show will be established by the average highest two test scores from the horse/rider combination, achieved in their designated classes (e.g. CADORA First Level Junior). In the event of a tie, the athlete with the highest collective mark is declared the winner. Any entry receiving less than 50% on a technical test will not be eligible for any class awards.

Dressage Niagara Annual Awards:

To qualify for Dressage Niagara Virtual Series year-end awards, you must be a member in good standing of Dressage Niagara by the first date of your first show, and either you or your designate have completed four (4) hours of volunteer service with Dressage Niagara by the completion of the last scheduled show date. For those members outside of the Niagara region, we will consider membership referral (recruiting new members) as well



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as sponsorship referral (finding a new sponsor) as part of your volunteer time. For more information about how you can volunteer, or other ways to volunteer, please contact our Volunteer Coordinator.

CHAMPIONS

Champion and Reserve Champion awards may be presented to the top Junior and Adult riders in each class level (e.g. CADORA First Level Junior) at Dressage Niagara virtual shows.

The winners will be decided by totalling the three (3) highest scores - one must be from the highest test at that level - by the same horse-rider combinations from at least three (3) judges. Three (3) Dressage Niagara virtual competitions must be entered in the 2025 competition year to qualify. A minimum average of 50% is required for these awards. In the case of a tie for the Champion award, two members will receive the award, and no Reserve Champion will be awarded. In the case of a tie for Reserve Champion, two awards will be given.

The Freestyle Video Challenge: a separate High Point Champion award will be given to the highest percentage test of an individual rider per division (Jr or Sr). Freestyle music must be audible on video. A minimum score of 50% per test is required.

Virtual Show Rules

1. Have fun. The virtual series is to help you gauge how your training is coming along and discover areas that require work.
2. All videos must be ridden in the month submitted. Example: June entries must be ridden in June.
3. All tests do not require a standard 20 x 60-meter space; however, the riding area should be well marked with cones, poles, schooling fences or another type of marker, and letters should be visible on the video with respect to the movements that the horse is performing. Example: All Levels should have the letters A.K.E.H.C.M.B.F well marked; Third Level CADORA and higher tests as well as WSDAC/WDAA Level 1 and higher, should also include the letters R.S.V.P. Corners should be visible; the arena or riding area does not have to be enclosed. **If you are unsure if your riding space would be suitable, please contact us beforehand.**
4. Videos of tests must be one continuous filming, **unedited** from start to finish. The camera can either follow the horse & rider or be stationary but must include both horse & rider. Do not excessively zoom in & out with the horse/rider since the arena markers need to be visible during the test.
5. If the judge determines that the horse appears lame, the judge has the right to excuse the ride and not continue scoring. Judge will make notes on the score sheet indicating their observations.
6. Horses and riders are required to abide by standard equipment rules for dressage as outlined their respective associations. You acknowledge that, by submitting your entry, you agree to abide by standard rules of fair play and for the welfare of the horse.
7. You must wear an ASTM/SEI-approved helmet.
8. Violation of any of these rules may result in the refusal to accept the entry or a non-refundable scratch.
9. We will make every effort to judge your test fairly with the knowledge that there are inherent challenges to judging performance on video that makes it different from the real-life experience.
10. The rider must make sure that the correct video and information is submitted with Compete Easy. Corrections to an entry will be subject to a \$10 change fee.



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Frequently Asked Questions

Can I have a test reader? Yes, the test may be called.

Can my coach offer tips/advice while I am riding my test? No, coaching during the test is not allowed. Headsets are not permitted.

Can I record my test without any sound or have background music? No, the natural background noise of the arena for the duration test should be audible. *Exception:* Freestyle tests may have audible music.

Do I have to wear show attire for my test? You can if you want to! Suitable schooling show or clinic attire for your discipline, weather appropriate, with a heeled boot is accepted. Half chaps and chaps may be worn. ASTM/SEI-approved helmets must be worn, no exceptions.

Can my horse wear polos? Yes. Horses can wear protective boots, including brush boots, bell boots, or polos.

Do I need to braid my horse? No, it is not necessary, but it is fun to practice!

Can I wear spurs or use a whip? You can use spurs and/or a whip if you abide by standard equipment rules for dressage as outlined by their respective associations.

Can I use a bitless bridle or ride bareback? Yes, we will accept unconventional dressage tack including Australian and Endurance saddles; however, martingales and tie-downs are not permitted.

Will I receive my test sheet after my ride? Riders will be emailed their test results and comments after the judge has submitted them via LiveScore Dressage.

Can I enter if I am not a Dressage Niagara member? Yes, but we hope that you can join our membership and try out for the Year-End Awards. They're *really* nice!

Do I have to be a member of any organizations like Equestrian Canada, Ontario Equestrian, Ontario Dressage, WSDAC or CADORA Inc.? No membership is required. Everyone can participate; however, to be eligible for year-end Dressage Niagara and/or Ontario Dressage awards, you will need to be a member of that organization by your first show.

Do I need a special camera to film this? No, any camera or phone with video capability will work. The higher the quality, the better. Please remember to video in landscape format.

What if I want to ride an EC test? EC tests are not available for unsanctioned events including virtual shows. Dressage Niagara will also be offering an EC sanctioned in-person series, please visit our website for more info.

Still have questions? Email Dressage Niagara at info@dressageniagara.com or contact our show coordinator, Cheryl Semotok, at 905-609-0987 or appy_gal@hotmail.com.

Our Judges



Kristy Barber



Hi! My name is Kristy Barber and I'm happy to be joining Dressage Niagara this year as a virtual judge!

I have been riding since I was 8 & started by doing a little of this and a little of that. In my teens, I graduated to riding Hunter through the Trillium Circuit and, after a hiatus in my early 20's, came back to riding with a new-found love of dressage. Now, 20 years later, that love has become a true passion for all things dressage.

I am currently riding my 14-year-old Oldenburg, Rubin, at Prix-St-George. Rubin is my first horse to have been brought through the levels of Walk/Trot through to PSG and I am happy to have had the journey with him.

I have recently attained my 'r' judge's status with Equestrian Canada & looking for to continually improving and updating my certifications as a dressage judge.

I currently own & operate a private boarding facility in Lynden, Ontario and have 2 horses of my own - including a coming 2-year-old colt.

Looking forward to seeing everyone virtually this year for Dressage Niagara!



Megan Kinsella

With over 25 years of competitive riding experience, I began my equestrian journey as a hunter-jumper rider before progressing to breaking and training young horses for clients. I spent many years in professional dressage training, refining my skills as a competitive dressage rider. I successfully competed at the FEI Small Tour level with my horse and I'm currently schooling Grand Prix movements. Passionate about teaching, judging, and developing young horses, I take great pride in fostering both equine and rider development.



Mallory Haigh

Mallory has been involved in horses from a young age and has dabbled across many disciplines and industries before finding a love for dressage. Since 2016 she has owned and operated Jamesview Dressage in



Shannonville, Ontario, and offers a private boarding facility for like-minded dressage enthusiasts with a mission of supporting and growing grassroots dressage in the Bay of Quinte area. Mallory is also an MSA saddle fitter, is working on achieving a bit and bridle fit certification through Neue Schule, and is an expert in dressage-oriented tack, apparel, and equipment after operating online and mobile specialty boutique Piaffe - Dressage Lifestyle for seven years.

Mallory has a keen eye for detail and hopes to work towards her EC judging ticket in the future. She is focusing on training and showing at Third level and above with her Lusitano gelding and aims to debut at FEI levels in the coming years. Mallory has spent the last few years working with top coaches in Ontario and beyond to develop a strong understanding of the fundamentals of classical and competitive dressage.

Sandra St-Pierre

Sandra was born in the Ottawa area and discovered a love for horses at a young age and has been an active Equestrian Canada certified Dressage Judge since 2019. Sandra has maintained a passion for all aspects of equestrian sport and was an active dressage competitor with her warmblood mare for over 10 years. Together, they received numerous local and provincial awards in Dressage.

Sandra is looking forward to another great show season where she can continue to support the field of Dressage.



Julie Semple

EQUINE CANADA LEVEL 11 COMPETITION COACH-
DRESSAGE
CANADIAN PONY CLUB C LEVEL TESTER
EC Recorded Status Judge

- Ran western trail riding stable for 6 yrs
- 1993-1996, owned and operated Northwind Equestrian
- 1996-2001 Partner of Junior Hills Equestrian Breeding, Sales
- Vice President of CADORA Ontario for Several Years and carded judge
- 1998-2000, Chef d'equipe of Ontario Young Riders Dressage Team
- 2002-2012 owned and operated Standardbred racing stable.
- 2007 Coach of the Canadian Inter Pacific Exchange Team for the Nations Cup
- Ridden and coached up to Prix St George
- Have Judged Dressage, Hunter Jumper, Western Pleasure



I moved to Calgary with my daughter in 2014 and have since helped the local pony clubs out, but mainly enjoyed riding in the mountains, training horses, and some light teaching as I work full time in another industry. I enjoy working with all levels of riders and horses. I was a carded Senior Basic judge in Ontario for several years before the new levels. Have judged all levels in Ontario for many Dressage area groups, three-day event stables and Provincial championships for Trillium level and National dressage for Canadian Pony club. Assisted with the RCMP mounted program assisting their latest Head Coach to prepare for his exam. Received the prestigious award from them which was a print called "The Charge" for assisting Martin.

I have been locally competing with my Friesian sport-horse gelding, Letz Tango. We won the 2024 North American Online Dressage Championships, and we also plan to compete in Competitive Trail Riding in 2025.