

Willow Creek Carriage Classic



October 5 & 6, 2024

*a pleasure driving show
held in conjunction with Oktoberfest
(a celebration of Manning's German Heritage)*

Sponsored by the
Manning Hausbarn-Heritage Park
Manning, Iowa

*2024 Horse Series
Heritage Draft Horse Farm Team Competition
Willow Creek Carriage Classic
Fall Plowing Day*

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Welcome to the Willow Creek Carriage Classic

The people of Manning, Iowa welcome you to their inaugural pleasure driving carriage show and celebration of the driving horse and the second event of their Horse Series at the Park. We hope you will enjoy showing your carriage horses at this beautiful venue held along Willow Creek, at the north end of the historic Manning Hausbarn-Heritage Park. A part of this weekend experience will involve a short drive uptown to participate in an All Horse Parade. Your turnouts will offer a unique experience for the people of this community and guests at the Park.

This show is designed to allow competitors to experience German traditions and hospitality of Manning's annual Oktoberfest Celebration, held here at the Park. We invite you to explore our German heritage and our lively community throughout your visit. Tour the historic Hausbarn, one of only three in the United States. The barn was constructed in Germany in the 1600's and moved to Manning in 1991. Reconstruction at its current location began in 1999 by skilled German craftsman. Imagine living with your animals every day, every season, under the same roof, made of thatch by the way.

The Willow Creek Carriage Classic is part competition, part recreational drive, part horse drawn parade, spattered with good food and good times to share with friends, old and new. Indulge in brats and brews offered on site and maybe take a spin on the dance floor to an authentic polka band. We want you to have fun. We want you to come back. We want you to have a memorable weekend, with people and ponies, horses and longears. And we really appreciate your being here!

Our sincere gratitude to those who imagined this show, then made it happen!

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Judge: Katy Rhinehart
Ridge Spring, South Carolina

Katy Rhinehart is an American Driving Society pleasure show judge, technical delegate and a licensed driven dressage official. She was raised in Brooklyn, Iowa where she had an early love of horses and her own naughty Shetland pony. Katy, a registered nurse by trade, and her late husband, Gene, found the sport of driving when Katy broke her foot and wasn't able to ride. During this time, they saw their first carriage show, the beautiful Villa Louis Carriage Classic in Wisconsin and the rest is history. Katy and Gene immersed themselves in the driving community near Aiken, South Carolina and competed regularly in pleasure shows and combined driving events. Katy and Gene have 8 grandchildren, 5 great grandchildren, 3 horses, 9 chickens, 3 dogs and 2 barn cats.

What You Need to Know.....

The Willow Creek Carriage Classic is not an American Driving Society (ADS) approved show, but it will operate under the rules of the ADS for all ring classes. Timed courses will be “house rules”. Any discrepancies will be handled by the Judge and the Show Organizer.

1. Entries will open August 1st and will close September 15th.
2. Out of state equines must present a current negative Coggins upon arrival to the grounds.
3. A waiting list may be established if we have more entries than we can feel we can accommodate in this, our first year. Should this be necessary, the Organizer will contact competitors that would be impacted, to see if they wish to go on a waiting list.
 - A waiting list may also be used for stabling if requests exceed availability.
4. 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 equines are entered, but not exhibited, entry fees will be forfeited, unless a veterinarian certifies in writing to the inability of the animal to perform due to injury, illness, or death. The same applies if a competitor is unable to compete because of injury or illness; a medical doctor's statement must be presented, in either case, to the show office prior to the start of the show or entry fees will be forfeited.
5. The Show Committee reserves the right to combine or divide classes, or divisions, if the number of entries should warrant.
6. For the purpose of this show, “Novice” shall be defined as having not won more than three blue ribbons in any ADS pleasure driving carriage show.

7. Ponies are considered to be those under 14.2 hands and you are on the honor system. A registered horse of a horse breed, such as Morgan, Arabian, etc., but under 14.2 hands, may show in the horse division or the pony division, but not both.
8. Equines must be sound and in good health and at least three years of age to compete.
9. Both ring classes and obstacle classes will begin promptly at 8 a.m. on Saturday and 9 a.m. on Sunday.
10. Once approved, courses may be walked Friday evening or before the show starts each morning.
 - Numbered Cones—consists of sets of numbered cones, all set to the same width. Off course results in elimination. Each ball down adds a 5 second time penalty.
 - Cowboy Cones, a creation of our Organizer, is a timed cones course roughly based on “cowboy” event(s), such as barrel racing and/or pole bending. Each ball down adds a 5 second time penalty. A break in pattern results in elimination.
 - Cross Country will be approximately 1 kilometer (0.6 mile) long and will feature things possibly seen on a country drive. Off course results in elimination.

Course maps/patterns will be available at the show office and courses become official after the judge reviews them, by 4 p.m. Friday evening. Updates will be announced, questions answered and rules reviewed at the Drivers’ Meeting in the Hausbarn at 6 p.m. on Friday.

11. FEES – and Related

Entries

- All classes are \$10
- Post entries are \$15 - However, contact the Show Organizer prior to coming to the show, to be sure your classes are not full.

Stabling Stabling and trailer parking will be designated. Signs will be posted.

Stalls: \$80 Includes *“We will clean your stall at your departure”*.

Portable stalls, under a tent, with one bag of wood shavings. Additional bedding may be purchased on site. Tent Stabling is limited!

A second option:

Stalls, no tent: \$40 Includes *“We will clean your stall at your departure”*.

Portable stalls, NO tent covering, with one bag of wood shavings. Additional bedding may be purchased on site.

- Horses will be accepted for stabling after noon on Friday and may remain through Monday morning.
- Only one equine per stall please.
- Competitors’ names will be posted on their stall.
- Please put your contact information on your stalls in case of emergency.
- If you want to be stabled next to someone, indicate such on your entry form.

- Stall fees are not refundable past the show's closing date for any reason.
- Competitors may work out of their trailers at no charge. Tying to trailers is acceptable and/or portable pens are allowed-no charge. Check with officials before setting up pens. **Please clean up your area before departure.**

Social Activities

- **Wine & Cheese Reception** Friday evening at the Hausbarn - 7 p.m. - 9 p.m.
(Following the Drivers' Meeting at 6: 00 p.m.)
Complementary for Willow Creek competitors, guests, volunteers, sponsors, etc.
Indicate on your entry, how many will be attending.
- **GERMAN FUN!** Saturday afternoon, right after the Up-Town Promenade.
Your \$20 ticket will get you into the Oktoberfest celebration at the Konferenz Centre for:
 - ✓ **The Tapping of the Keg** at 3:00 p.m. (the official start of Oktoberfest)
 - ✓ **Polka Band and party**
 - ✓ **Authentic German Dinner** at 7 p.m.
(bratwurst, pork schnitzel, German potatoes, etc.)
A cash bar will be on site.
 Indicate on your entry the number of Oktoberfest Dinner tickets you wish to purchase. These will be in your competitor's packet at the Show Secretary's office.

12. Parade

The show will shut down at noon on Saturday for drivers to be featured in the **Uptown Promenade** through the town of Manning. We will depart at 12:15 and return in time to put your equines up and join the Oktoberfest celebration at 3:00 p.m. The drive is about 1 ½ miles in distance, traveling through quiet residential streets and the historic downtown area. Surfaces are mostly flat, over concrete or brick, with occasional rises. There will be no scary horse eating participants in this parade, just your horse drawn turnouts.

Manning is hoping to build this horse drawn parade component of the carriage show weekend on into the future. The Parade is not mandatory, but we do hope you choose to participate in the festivities and help us grow this event by sharing your turnout with the community.

More Stuff to Know

13. Lodging

- ✓ Cobblestone...1220 Heritage Drive, Manning, Iowa 712-655-4000
A block of rooms has been reserved under the Willow Creek Carriage Classic at the Cobblestone, located on the grounds of the show. Certified service animals only.
- ✓ Other Lodging may be available in Denison or Carroll (both less than 30 minutes from the Park).

✓ **Camping:**

- Competitors are welcome to stay in their horse trailers in the stabling area.
- FYI-Other campers: There is a campground on the northwest corner of the Park, for RV's, etc., but no horses will be allowed. It is first come, first serve and costs \$22 per night with electric hookup, etc.

14. **Fuel** is available at Casey's, 351 6th Street (on the highway) and Cenex, 516 West Street.

15. **Eateries** in Manning

- Vendors on the show grounds
- Cliff's Place (traditional dining)
- Brickhouse Brew (pizza & beer)
- Level B (sports bar)

16. **Secretary's Office**

The Secretary's office will be in a marked tent near ringside. Competitors show packets will be available by 4 p.m. on Friday.

Coggins are to be presented to officials before unloading if possible. Otherwise, they must be presented to the Secretary ASAP.

The Secretary's office will be open

- ✓ 4:00 - 6:00 p.m. on Friday
- ✓ 6:00 a.m. on Saturday - closing at the end of the last class
- ✓ 7:00 a.m. on Sunday - closing at the end of the last class

The point scoreboard will be maintained at the Secretary's Office.

The Competition

There are four divisions:

1. Novice Whip
2. Novice Horse or Pony
3. Open Horse
4. Open Pony

Ribbons will be awarded to five competitors in each class. There are no cash prizes.

Each division will have the following classes:

1. Turnout
2. Working Pleasure
3. Reinsmanship
4. Numbered Cones
5. Cowboy Cones
6. Cross Country

Each division will have a Championship Award based on points of placings:

- 5 points to 1st place
- 4 points to 2nd place
- 3 points to 3rd place
- 2 points to 4th place
- 1 point to 5th place

In the event of a tie, the entry with the highest placement in Reinsmanship shall prevail.

Placings in Ladies to Drive and Gentlemen to Drive do not count toward Championships.

- Ring classes will be pinned at the conclusion of each class. All others, as well as Divisional Championships, will be awarded at the Awards Ceremony, at the conclusion of the show.

Pleasure Ring CLASS SCHEDULE - Saturday - 8:00 a.m.

Turnout - Novice Driver
Turnout - Novice Horse or Pony
Turnout - Open Pony
Turnout - Open Horse

Working Pleasure - Novice Driver
Working Pleasure - Novice Horse or Pony
Working Pleasure - Open Pony
Working Pleasure - Open Horse

Pleasure Ring Closes at Noon - Assemble for Up-Town Promenade - Depart 12:15

Cones Courses CLASS SCHEDULE - Saturday - 8:00 a.m.

Tentative Schedule

Numbered Cones - All Divisions

Novice Drivers and Open Pony will drive this course after their Turnout
Novice Horse/Pony and Open Horse will drive this course after their Working Pleasure

Cowboy Cones - All Divisions

Novice Horse/Pony and Open Horse will drive this course after their Turnout
Novice Drivers and Open Pony will drive this course after their Working Pleasure

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**Pleasure Ring CLASS SCHEDULE - Sunday - 9 a.m.**

Reinsmanship - Novice Driver  
Reinsmanship - Novice Horse or Pony  
Reinsmanship - Open Pony  
Reinsmanship - Open Horse

Ladies to Drive  
Gentlemen to Drive

**Cross Country Sunday - 9:00 a.m. All divisions**



Novice drivers will be subject to a safety check by show officials prior to their first entry into the show ring, or on course, if there is any question of the safety of their turnout.

Ring classes and obstacle classes will run simultaneously but ring classes take precedence.

There is a warm-up/holding area on the east end of the show ring. Horses will enter the show ring from this area but leave the show ring to the west.

#### **RULES:**

- ✓ Under no circumstances shall a bridle be removed from an equine while it is put to a vehicle. Failure to comply will result in elimination for the remainder of the show.
- ✓ Equines are not to be tied up or left unattended in any way while they are put to a vehicle.
- ✓ No horses are allowed on the courses except to drive your class.
- ✓ Dogs are not allowed in any of the buildings at the Park. Certified service dogs excepted. Dogs must be on leash and be “good citizens”. Please clean up after your dogs.
- ✓ No motorized vehicles are allowed on the courses. Those with physical disabilities, contact the Show Organizer in advance.

**Remember—Safety is everyone’s concern at ALL times.**

The Awards Ceremony will be held one hour after the close of the Pleasure Ring in the Hausbarn.

#### **SPONSORSHIPS/DONATIONS**

Your financial support is greatly appreciated! If you wish to advertise, donate to the show, or sponsor some portion of it, please complete the sponsorship/donation page in the Willow Creek Carriage Classic section of the Manning Hausbarn-Heritage Center’s website. Thank you so very much!!!