

# Big Cheese Schooling Show Series

## Prize List & FAQ

Thank you for entering the Big Cheese Horse Trial, Combined Test & Dressage Show! We are very excited to bring this event to the local community and appreciate your support. Closing dates for all Big Cheese HT, CT & Dressage shows is the MONDAY before the show date at 11:59PM. Any entry received after this date is not guaranteed entry into the show. If your entry is accepted, it will be assessed a late fee.

### GDCTA Recognition

All of the Big Cheese Horse Trials, Combined Tests and Dressage shows are recognized by the Georgia Dressage & Combined Training Association (GDCTA). If you are wanting your scores from this show to count towards GDCTA year-end awards, your membership form and payment must be received BEFORE this show.

You can fill out the [GDCTA ONLINE MEMBERSHIP FORM HERE](#)

### Entry Requirements

No entry is considered complete until entry form, payment, current coggins, and waivers (Ashland Farm, Big Cheese Eventing, & GDCTA) are filled out and submitted.

### Waivers

You do not need to fill out a new Ashland Farm waiver if you are a member, have ridden at Ashland Farm as a guest, or have competed at a previous Big Cheese competition.

The **Ashland Farm** digital waiver can be [SIGNED HERE](#)

You do not need to fill out a new Big Cheese Eventing waiver if you have previously competed at a previous Big Cheese competition.

The **Big Cheese Eventing** digital waiver can be [SIGNED HERE](#)

GDCTA requires a new waiver for each competition year.

The **GDCTA waiver** can be downloaded, signed & emailed back by [CLICKING HERE](#) OR can be signed at the Secretary's tent on the morning of the show.

### **Payment**

Preferred method of payment is through Stripe via the entry form. Beginning in 2026 ALL Big Cheese Schooling Show entries will require Stripe payment at time of entry. For the remainder of 2025, competitors may opt to pay using the Stripe feature included on the entry form or PayPal. For PayPal payments, please send as Friends & Family to avoid the fee. Improperly sent PayPal payments will owe the balance for any fees removed.

<https://paypal.me/bigcheeseeventing>

### **Refund Policy**

Scratches received in writing on or before the closing date receive full refund less office fee. **NO REFUNDS** after the closing date unless letter from vet provided, then refund less office fee. If you have not paid by the closing date, completed entries will be pulled off the waiting list. Credit to a future show will be at Show Manager's discretion, but always less the office fee.

### **Dressage**

Competition arenas are on sand. If one competition arena runs, dressage warmup will be in lower sand arena and competition will be held in upper sand arena.

If two competition arenas run, warmup will be in grassy area behind secretary tent and both sand arenas will be used for competition. Lunging **ONLY** in designated warmup areas.

**NO LUNGING** in competition arenas.

### **Show Jumping**

Show Jumping warmup will be on grass.

Show Jumping competition will be in the Hilltop Arena (sand).

Course map and course specifics will be posted by in gate under the oak tree.

### **Cross Country**

All cross country is located up the driveway from the Secretary's tent. Course maps will be posted at the start box.

Warmup will be separate from course, 2 small logs. Option to jump smaller fence #1 for Beginner Novice & above as part of warmup.

### **Tentative Show Day Schedule**

The show day normally starts at 8:30am in dressage. The day may begin earlier if the weather is forecast to be extremely hot/humid or to avoid afternoon storms. Shows run from lowest level to highest level as much as possible (ie. all Amoeba division rides will happen before Beginner Novice division rides). Exceptions are made for the dressage-tests-of-choice as standalone tests, or dressage tests in the Standard sized arena, as scheduling conflicts may have tests ridden out of level-order.

### **Combined Tests**

Horses may compete in 2 consecutive CT levels from Pre-Amoeba through Beginner Novice (i.e. BN could do both BN and Novice CTs). Any additional jump rounds done by a CT rider at the same level will be done AFTER their CT round.

### **Horse Trials**

No horse may compete in more than one horse trial division per day, with the exception of riders sharing a horse in PreAmoeba or Amoeba divisions. Protective vests **MUST** be worn for all cross country rounds (HT divisions as well as Just Jump Rounds). Protective vests are allowed and optional in dressage & show jumping.

### **Ride Times**

The initial ride times will be emailed no later than the Wednesday before the show. Any subsequent updates will be emailed as needed, final times will be emailed by Friday afternoon.

### **Dress Code**

Riders may chose to wear formal competition attire (ie. show jackets) but they are never required. Attire should be clean, neat and safe (ie. helmet, proper riding pants, tall or paddock boots, polos or other riding-appropriate top). Braided manes are completely optional. Tack should be clean and neat, with an emphasis on safety.

### **Permitted Tack**

Please refer to the [USEF Rules for Eventing](#) for specifics on permitted tack and legwear for each discipline. Pages 45-46 deal specifically with permitted tack for each phase.

### **Parking**

All passenger vehicles **MUST** park along the tree lines and leave the middle area available for trailer parking and horses. Please be kind to your fellow competitor and remind your students, parents, friends and family members that dropping off people or items at the trailer is fine, but leaving a vehicle that is not attached to a trailer is **NOT** fine and we will make an announcement to have the vehicle removed.

### **Use & Respect for Ashland Farm**

Clay & Lucy Calhoun, the owners of Ashland Farm, are incredible for allowing us to use their incredible facility for these shows. Entry to this show **DOES NOT GRANT ACCESS TO ANY OTHER PART OF THE FARM**. As competitors, you are limited to the parking lot, warmup areas, dressage & show jumping arenas and XC course **ONLY**. If you are an Ashland Farm member, you may "Book" the trails as normal.  
You can easily become an Ashland Farm member by [CLICKING HERE](#).

### **Dressage Tests**

Find all [USDF Dressage Tests HERE](#)

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<b>Dressage Test Classes</b>  1. Intro A 2. Intro B 3. Intro C 4. Training 1 5. Training 2 6. Training 3 6LSI Lisa Seegar Training 3 7. First 1 8. First 2 9. First 3 10. Second Level Test of Choice 11. Third Level Test of Choice 12. Other USDF Test of Choice 13. Starter Test of Choice 14.AB Beginner Novice Test of Choice 15.AB Novice Test of Choice 16.AB Training Test of Choice 17.AB Modified Test of Choice 18.AB Preliminary Test of Choice 19. FEI 1* Test of Choice 20. FEI 2* Test of Choice	<b>Combined Test Classes</b>  21. PreAmoeba CT 22. Amoeba CT 23. Starter CT 24. Beginner Novice CT 25. Novice CT 26. Training CT 27. Modified CT 28. Preliminary CT 29. Intermediate CT 38. Show Jumping Just Jump Round	<b>Horse Trial Classes</b>  30. PreAmoeba HT 31. Amoeba HT 32. Starter HT 33. Beginner Novice HT 34. Novice HT 35. Training/Novice HT 36. Training LITE HT 37. Preliminary LITE HT 39. Cross Country Just Jump Round

<b>Competition Level</b>	<b>Dressage Test (CT &amp; HT)</b>	<b>Show Jumping (CT &amp; HT)</b>	<b>Cross Country (HT only)</b>
PreAmoeba	2023 USDF Intro B	Crossrails, simple fillers <b>NOT TIMED</b>	6-8 fences, mild terrain, few @ max <b>NOT TIMED</b>
Amoeba	2023 USDF Intro C	18" verticals, simple fillers <b>NOT TIMED</b>	10 fences, mild terrain, optional water <b>NOT TIMED</b>
Starter	2022 USEA Starter	2'3" verticals, one oxer, simple fillers <b>TIMED</b>	12 -13 fences, mild terrain, optional bank & water crossing <b>TIMED</b>
Beginner Novice	2022 USEF Beginner Novice A	2'7" verticals, 2-3 oxers, various fillers. 2-stride combo <b>TIMED</b>	14-16 fences over moderate terrain. Ditches/bank/water appropriate for level <b>TIMED</b>
Novice	2022 USEF Novice A	2'11" verticals, 2-3 oxers, various fillers. 2-stride combo <b>TIMED</b>	14-16 fences over moderate terrain. Ditches/bank/water appropriate for level <b>TIMED</b>
Training CT & Training LITE HT	2022 USEF Training A	3'3" verticals & oxers. Various fillers <b>TIMED</b>	14-16 fences over moderate terrain. Mix of Novice & Training fences. Ditches/bank/water appropriate for level <b>TIMED</b>
Modified CT	2022 USEF Modified A	3'5" verticals & oxers. Various fillers <b>TIMED</b>	<b>N/A</b>
Preliminary	2022 USEF Preliminary A	3'7" verticals & oxers. Various fillers <b>TIMED</b>	16-18 fences over moderate terrain. Mix of Training& Preliminary fences. Ditches/bank/water appropriate for level <b>TIMED</b>