**Free to everyone**

**Southwest Virginia Educational Sunday**

**February 26, 2023**

**Location: Alphin-Stuart Arena – Virginia Tech, 500 Plantation Road Blacksburg, Va**

**Tack sale:** Tack sale to run all day. Bring your items labeled with your name and price. Drop off your items in the morning. At the end of the day pick up your items and the cash for any items sold.

**Please bring a table and/or saddle racks to display your sale items.**

**9:00am** – Registration and tack sale drop off

**9:45am to 10:30am**– The Connected Horse with Katie Kelly, Trainer at Hill of Dreams (Wirtz, Va)

The stretchy trot/free walk are indicators of how well your horse is connected and over the top line. This demo will help you and your horse understand the basics of these movements and what it takes to do them correctly.

**10:30am to Noon** – Judging panel consisting of Gabi Hooten, Beckie Mitchell and Tracy Smith-Oliver to review new USEF

training, first and second level tests with demo riders.

**Noon** – Free pizza lunch provided for everyone in attendance. Assorted drinks included.

 Southwest Virginia Dressage Association and Blue Ridge Eventing Association year award presentations

**1:30pm -2:30pm** - Judging panel consisting of Gabi Hooten, Beckie Mitchell and Tracy Smith-Oliver to review new USEF

third and fourth level tests with demo riders.

**2:45pm** **to 3:30pm** – Grid work with Sam Henley, Facility Manager/Instructor/Trainer at Sandy River Equestrian Center

 and Program Administrator for Equine Management Training Center

**3:30pm** – Pick up tack sale items

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