

# **The California ADT Challenge!**

## **An Arena Driving Trial**

Tenth and final in the series for 2008  
Saturday, November 22, 2008

Carriage Driving Lessons  
With World's Singles Championship Driver, Leslie Berndt  
And Clinician, Judge, Trainer, Denise Cuendett on  
Sunday November 23, 2008



**At the**  
**Ram Tap Event Center**  
**7430 N. Weber Avenue**  
**Fresno CA 93722**

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Central Valley Harness Association  
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AND  
Gary & Celine Rickards of Carriage Driving Essentials Mariposa, CA  
[www.CarriageDrivingEssentials.com](http://www.CarriageDrivingEssentials.com)

An Arena Driving Trial is a carriage-driving event in which three phases of competition take place in an arena (or nearby). These phases include dressage, cones, and hazards/obstacles. An ADT is a relaxed event, and casual "marathon" dress is acceptable in all classes.

**Training & Preliminary divisions offered**

**Lunch available by pre-purchase Saturday**

**Camping (no hook ups) Friday and Saturday nights**

**Stabling on Grounds      Used Tack Sale on Saturday**

**Carriage Driving Lessons for Beginners through Advanced on Sunday**

**Volunteers appreciated. Spectators and clinic auditors are welcome at no charge.**

Entry Information for:  
**California ADT Challenge**  
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**Entries Open:** September 15, 2008 **Entries Close:** October 20, 2008

**Method of Accepting Entries:** First come first serve

**Levels/Divisions:** Training & Preliminary

**Classes:** Single, Pair, Multiple, Horse & Pony

**Prize List?** No

**Organizer(s):** Celine Rickards 209-966-4499 9:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. or e-mail: [celine@carriagedriving.com](mailto:celine@carriagedriving.com)

**Secretary:** Barbara Spring, P.O. Box 3, Raymond, CA 93653 [babawa@sti.net](mailto:babawa@sti.net)

**Mail Entries to:** Secretary

**Judge**

Leslie Berndl of Newcastle, CA

**Fees**

Entry/Class Fees: \$30; Post Entry Fees: \$40; Grounds Fee \$45; Entry Fee Refund Policy: Refunding after closing only if entry is full; Stall Fee: \$35 (covers two nights); Stall Deposit: None; Stall Refund Policy: same as entry; Other Fees: CA Drug fee \$5 per horse; Saturday Lunch \$10, Sunday Lunch on grounds on your own. Make Checks Payable to: Central Valley Harness Association

**Tentative Schedule**

Stable Opens: Friday 3:00 p.m.; Packets available 8:00 a.m. Saturday morning. Vet check: none; Course Walk and Briefings: On your own; Presentation: None; Dressage: Saturday 9 am; Cones; immediately following your Dressage go. Lunch 12:00 noon Saturday; Hazards: Sat. 1:00 p.m.

**Dressage**

Training: ADT Training Test 1; Preliminary: ADT Preliminary Test 1; Ring/Warm-up area on soil footing

**Cones**

Ring/Warm-up area Footing: Soil/soil, Level: Training; Clearance: 40 cm; Level: Preliminary; Clearance: 35 cm;

**Marathon**

Two Hazards/Obstacles

**Other Information**

**Training** (*wire wheels and pneumatic tires acceptable at training only*)

**Small Pony/VSE** under 120 centimeters or 39 inches do not require a navigator in the hazards, but an equine 99-119 cm (39-47 inches) does require a navigator in the hazards. No navigator needed on dressage/cones for singles; **Pony** (120-148 cm (no shoes) - 149 cm (w/shoes); **Horse** (150 cm and above, about 14H 3"). Groom required for pairs & tandem, two grooms for 4-in-hand and unicorn.

**Veterinary/Health Requirements:** Negative Coggins within 1 year of show date for out-of-state-horses only. Health certificate valid 30 days for out of state horses. West Nile vaccination highly recommended.

**Stabling Information:** 10 x 10 covered wooden box stalls with top and bottom doors.

**Driver/Grooms** are allowed twice around in obstacles/hazards as per ADS rules. **Entry Requirements:** drivers may enter as many times as schedule allows, before closing date.

**Misc. Show info:** Overnight entries must be stabled on grounds, no portable pens allowed. Dogs on leash only. No dogs allowed in competition areas. No unauthorized vehicles on courses or in restricted areas. **Camping:** Yes, on grounds, no hook-ups. Port-a-potties on grounds.

**Awards Offered:** First thru sixth place and metals to 3<sup>rd</sup> for overall training and preliminary.

Driving clinic to follow on Sunday; See **separate entry** form and information

**Food Available on the Grounds:** Yes, hot lunch with pre-purchased tickets on entry form. Sunday food available, first come first served.

**Directions:**

Take Highway 99 to Fresno

Take Herndon off-ramp

Go East on Herndon across railroad tracks

Turn left on N. Weber (immediately after RR tracks) to

RamTap gate

**Accommodations:**

**Garden Inn & Suites**, 4949 N. Forestiere Avenue,  
Fresno, 559.277.3888

**Red Roof Inn**, 5021 N. Barcus Ave., Fresno (Shaw & 99),  
559.276.1910, 800.843.7663

**Days Inn**, 1101 N. Parkway Drive, Fresno, 559.268.6211,  
800.329.7466

**Motel 6**, 1240 N. Crystal Avenue, Fresno, 559.237.0855,  
800.4 Motel 6

**Comfort Inn**, 5455 W. Shaw Ave., Fresno, 559.275.2374,  
800.335.1868

**Best Western Parkside Inn**, 11415 W. Olive Ave., Fresno.



# **ADT Challenge comments by Veronica Campbell:**

YEAR-END OVERALL AWARD SPONSORED BY CARRIAGE DRIVING ESSENTIALS

These ADT/HDTs are great warm-up tools and learning opportunities for driving the major CDE's.

The point system will determine the overall winner at the end of the year. Every competitor will receive one point for entering and one point for every competitor they place above. Since some competitors were not able to make 3 different venues in 2007, in 2008 a competitor may drive the same venue twice, for example, drive twice at Ted Draper's ADT or Shady Oaks HDTs and only have to drive one other event in order to be eligible for the final award. As an example of compiling points: say there turns out to be 9 ADT/HDT, a competitor could possibly gain 9 points just for entering (and driving) and the points from said competitor's top 3 events would be added to that 9 and this would be their final score.

For questions regarding the ADT Challenge, please contact Veronica Campbell at:

562-431-7264 [t.v.campbell@verizon.net](mailto:t.v.campbell@verizon.net)

March 29th - NCDC hosts at Nelson Ranch near Sacramento -contact email:  
ehultgren@aol.com

April 5-6 - ADT - Carol Dahlberg's Smoketree Morgans Ranch near Victorville -760-949-1695

May 17 -Salute to Carriages ADT- Palmdale - Suellen Hall 661-944-4677

May 24/25 HDT - Shady Oaks - Bonner Murphy 209-481-0843

June 28/29 - HDT - Shady Oaks- Bonner Murphy 209-481-0843

July 20 - Santa Rosa - Ted Draper 707-546-2568

August 24 - ADT Arroyo Grande - Ann McClure email makomc@msn.com

Sept. 14 - Santa Rosa - Ted Draper 797-546-2568

Nov. 8 - Graystone ADT - Phelan - Diane Pitzler - 760-900-9498

Nov. 22 - Central Valley - Celine Rickards celine@carriagedrivingessentials.com





**SPREAD THE WORD**  
**CHVA IS SPONSORING DRIVING CLINICS**  
**WITH**  
**LESLIE BERNDL & DENISE CUENDETT**  
**Sunday, November 23**  
**following the California ADT Challenge on November 22**

**ENTRIES OPEN:** September 15, 2008  
**ENTRIES CLOSE:** November 15, 2008

All levels – beginning to advanced.

The first daily lesson will start promptly at 8 a.m. The lessons will be 50 minutes. Lunch break between noon and 1 p.m. Lunch available on the grounds. Auditors are encouraged; there is no charge.

Lessons are \$65 plus \$45 grounds fee. The grounds fee applies to Sunday and \*\*Saturday (if applicable).

Self-contained camping available on Friday and Saturday evenings.

Stabling available: \$35 for Friday and Saturday nights (one or both).

**GOT QUESTIONS?** Contact Celine Rickards at 209.966.4499 or [celine@carriagedriving.com](mailto:celine@carriagedriving.com)

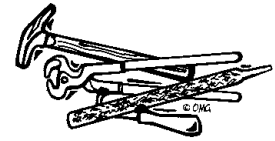
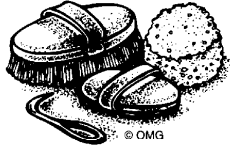
## CLINIC ENTRY FORM

**Name:** \_\_\_\_\_  
**Address:** \_\_\_\_\_  
**City, State, Zip:** \_\_\_\_\_  
**E-mail:** \_\_\_\_\_  
**Phone:** \_\_\_\_\_ **Cell Phone:** \_\_\_\_\_

Which Clinician?	Lesson	AM	PM		Qty		Stabling	
Leslie Berndl	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	\$65 x		\$		
Denise Cuendett	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	\$65 x		\$	Fri	Sat
Grounds Fee				\$45 x		\$	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Stabling (unless you paid this fee for the ADT)				\$35 x		\$		
There is no drug fee for the clinic horses								
<b>Subtotal</b>						\$		*

\*If you're taking Sunday lessons and entering the ADT also, you may write only one check by indicating your total from this page on the ADT entry form **and include this form with it along with your signed Disclaimer**. If you're only taking clinic lessons, you'll still need to sign and return the Disclaimer on the ADT entry and return it with this form.

\*\*If there is enough demand to fill five slots on Saturday, Denise Cuendett will offer lessons. If interested in a Saturday lesson, please include a note to that effect and we will create a waiting list.



## **USED TACK SALE**

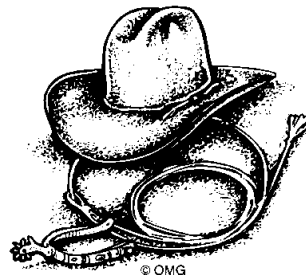
Saturday November 22, 2008 during the ADT

If you would like to sell used tack, tables will be provided to display your used equipment and an envelope for people to put money into. This will be an unsupervised sale – we will rely on everyone's honesty, as the cash will be put in an envelope with the seller's name on it.

So bring all that stuff that's been gathering dust in your tack room – it may be someone else's treasure!

This will be an unsupervised used tack sale. Please pick up your unsold merchandise by 4:00 p.m., any items left will be taken and sold at the silent auction at the Ram Tap CDE in April 2009.

For questions, please contact Sharon Booth, cell: 559-779-1903  
[hawwkshaven@aol.com](mailto:hawwkshaven@aol.com)



# Arena Driving Trial

The American Driving Society  
**ADT TRAINING LEVEL TEST 1 (2005)**

ENTRY NUMBER: \_\_\_\_\_

**GAITS AND MOVEMENTS**

FOR USE BY SCRIBE ONLY:

Working walk  
 Free walk on long rein  
 Working trot  
 Halt through walk  
 Rein back  
 Large circle

Color of horse \_\_\_\_\_

Distinguishing markings \_\_\_\_\_

**INSTRUCTIONS**

Transitions are made through the walk. Longitudinal stretch and moderate lateral bend are required.

MOVEMENT	TEST	DIRECTIVE IDEAS	MAX PTS	POINTS	REMARKS
1	AKX X	Proceed working trot from free warmup Halt, salute	10		
2	XMCE	Working trot	10		
3	EBE EKA	Circle left width of arena Working trot	10		
4	A to F F to X X	Working walk Free walk Working walk	10 x 2		
5	Bet. X & H HCMB	Develop working trot Continue working trot	10		
6	BEB BFAK	Circle right width of arena Working trot	10		
7	KXM	Change rein across the diagonal	10		
8	MCHK	Working trot	10		
9	KAX	Working walk	10		
10	X	Halt, salute	10		

LEAVE ARENA AT WALK

COLLECTIVE REMARKS

GAITS	Freedom and regularity. If team or pair: maintenance of even pace and equality of work.	10 x 2		
IMPULSION	Desire to move forward. Elasticity of steps. Relaxation of back. Engagement of hindquarters.	10 x 2		
SUBMISSION	Acceptance of the bit. Correctness in lateral bend. Attention and confidence. Calmness, lightness and ease of movements.	10 x 2		
DRIVER	Use of aids, handling of reins, whip and voice. Driver's position.	10 x 2		

- Points**
- 10 Excellent
  - 9 Very Good
  - 8 Good
  - 7 Fairly Good
  - 6 Satisfactory
  - 5 Marginal
  - 4 Insufficient
  - 3 Fairly Bad
  - 2 Bad
  - 1 Very Bad
  - 0 Not Executed

- Errors**
- Error in course or Groom dismounting
  - 1st incident = 5 points
  - 2nd incident = 10 points
  - 3rd incident = Elimination

Maximum Points: 190  
 Total points given: \_\_\_\_\_  
 Factor: x 0.789 \_\_\_\_\_  
 Factored points: 150 minus \_\_\_\_\_ = \_\_\_\_\_

Penalties  
 + \_\_\_\_\_ Errors

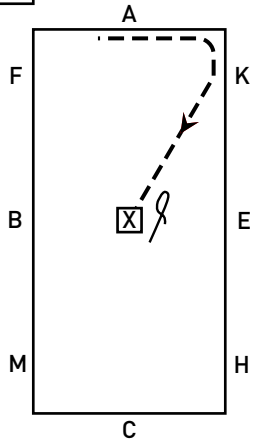
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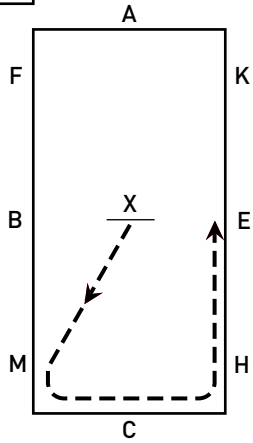
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Name of Competition \_\_\_\_\_

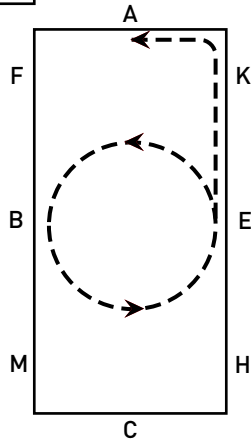
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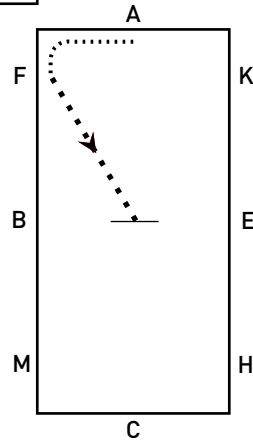
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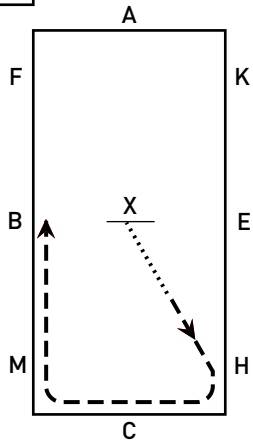
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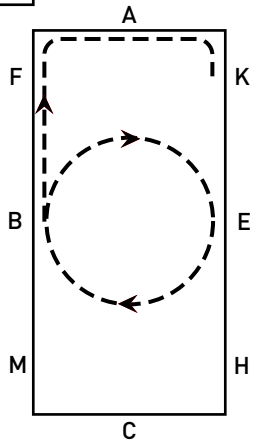
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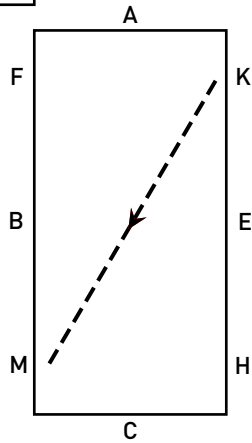
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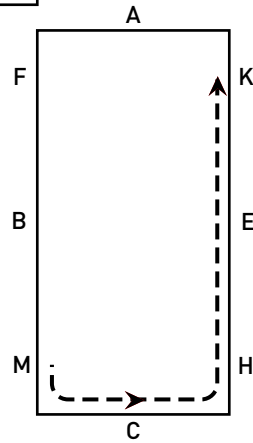
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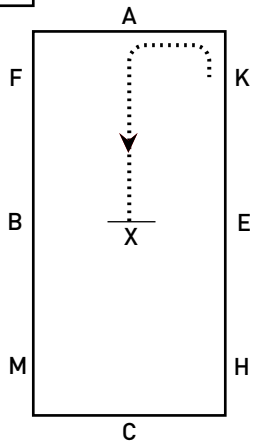
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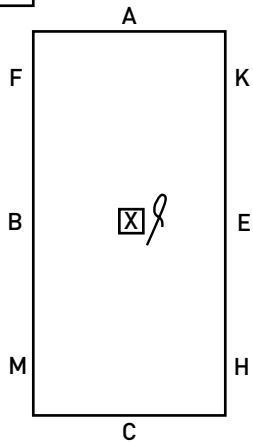
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**PURPOSE**

To establish that the correct foundation is being laid for the training of the driving horse requiring the green horse to move freely and energetically forward in a steady rhythm in the working walk and the working trot, while accepting the bit with relaxation, through transitions and large circles. Increased engagement of the hindquarters (impulsion) cannot be expected yet. This level is also intended to encourage the inexperienced driver.

**CONDITIONS**

Arena Driving Trial tests should only be used for arena sizes too small for regular ADS Dressage Tests.

Arena size: as available.

Average driving time: 4-5 minutes. Average driving time may vary depending on arena size.

**FOR JUDGING PURPOSES ONLY**

If not clearly defined, each movement ends at the beginning of the next movement.  
 Depending on local conditions, show management may waive the initial halt and salute.

**GAITS AND MOVEMENTS**

Working walk and trot  
 Lengthened walk  
 Lengthened trot  
 Halt from walk or trot  
 Serpentine of 2 loops  
 Rein back

FOR USE BY SCRIBE ONLY:

Color of horse \_\_\_\_\_

Distinguishing markings \_\_\_\_\_

**INSTRUCTIONS**

Horse must show correct longitudinal & lateral bend & increased activity of haunches. Transitions may be made through the walk.

MOVEMENT	TEST	DIRECTIVE IDEAS	MAX PTS	POINTS	REMARKS
1	AKX X	Proceed working trot from free warmup Halt, salute	Quality of trot, balance in transition, quality of halt	10	
2	XMC	Proceed working trot	Transition, quality of trot and turn at M	10	
3	C to A	Serpentine of 2 loops	Quality of trot and figure, suppleness and rhythm	10	
4	AK KX XM	Working walk Lengthened walk Working walk	Balance in transitions, lengthening of frame & stride, elasticity	10 x 2	
5	Bet. M & C CH	Develop working trot Working trot	Balance in transition, quality of trot	10	
6	HFX FA	Lengthened trot Working trot	Straightness and balance in transitions, lengthening of frame & stride, consistent rhythm	10	
7	A to C	Serpentine of 2 loops	Quality of trot and figure, suppleness and rhythm	10	
8	CHEKA	Working trot	Quality of trot & balance in turns	10	
9	AFXG	Working trot	Quality of trot & figure	10	
10	G	Halt 3 to 5 sec.	Quality of halt, obedience & balance	10	
11	G	Rein back 3 to 4 steps Walk forward	Willingness & acceptance of aids, straightness	10	
12	G	Halt, salute	Quality of halt, balance & obedience	10	

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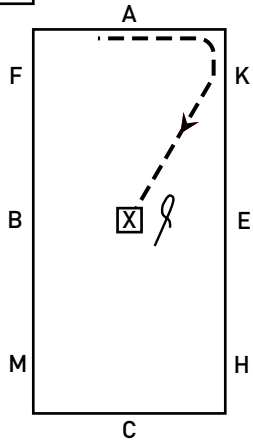
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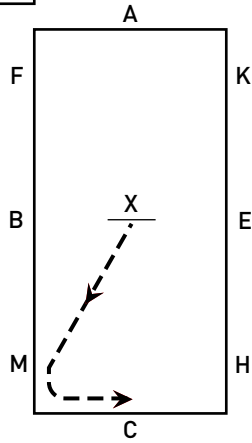
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**ADT PRELIMINARY LEVEL TEST 1 (2005)**

Name of Competition \_\_\_\_\_

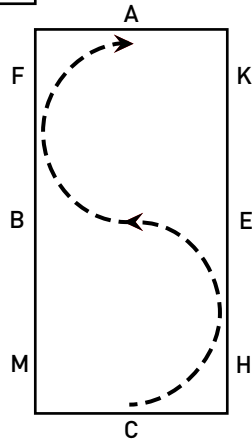
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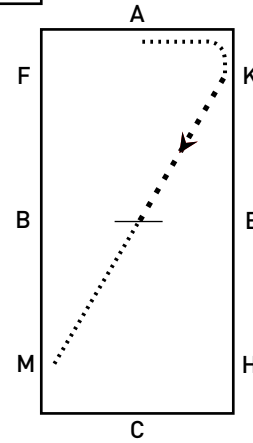
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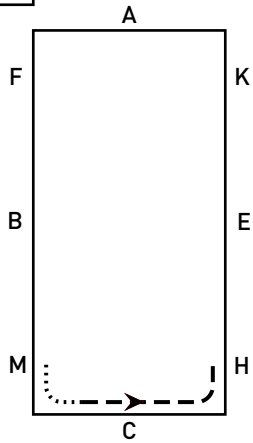
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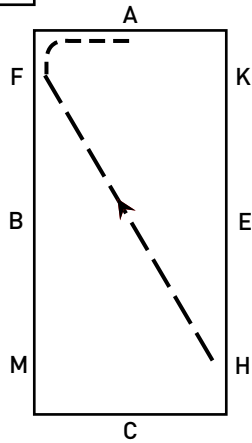
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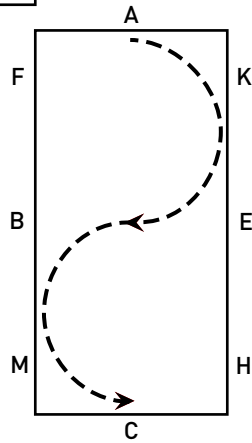
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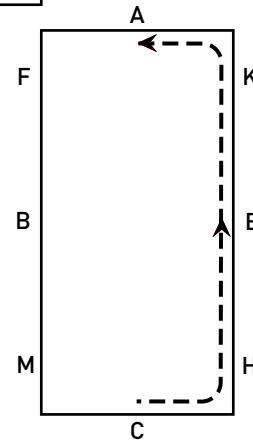
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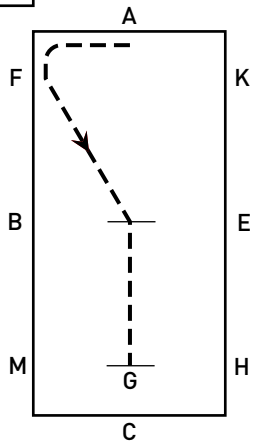
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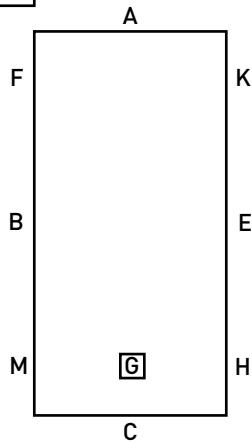
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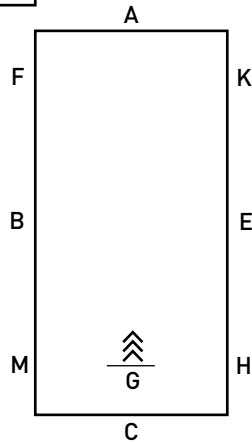
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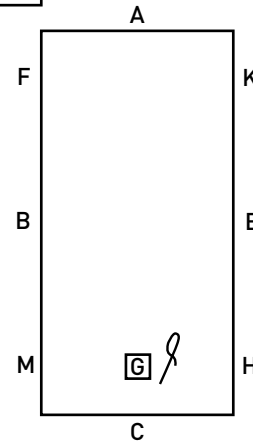
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**PURPOSE**

To establish that the horse has acquired a greater degree of balance and suppleness in addition to the rhythmical, free forward movement expected at the training level. While consistently working towards the bit, the horse exhibits more activity of the haunches in his movement. To be demonstrated in: Lengthened walk and lengthened trot. The rein back should show a greater degree of submission than expected at Training Level.

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