



**2-DAY WORKING EQUITATION CLINIC  
with ANNA PETROVA  
MAY 30 & 31, 2026  
Millarville Racing & Agricultural Society (MRAS)**

Anna Petrova has been operating in the equine industry for nearly 18 years. Her diverse background, which includes cutting, reined cow-horse, show jumping, and working equitation, has allowed her to develop a distinct and effective system of training versatile horses and developing effective riders. Anna strives to understand the unique needs of each rider and horse and give them the information that allows them to progress, no matter which stage of training or experience they are at.

Anna's training system is based on classical principles and building an excellent foundation for both horses and riders alike. She has a passion and talent for developing young horses through the levels with a patient and effective approach.

Anna's accomplishments on multiple horses in the sport of working equitation include:

- Year-End High-Point Champion Nov B 2020
- Cross Nations Cup Championship Nov B 2020
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- Cross Nations Cup Champion Inter A 2024
- Cross Nations Cup Young Horse Division Champion 2024
- Year-End Reserve Champion Inter A 2024
- Students consistently placing in the top ranks

**2-Day Clinic Format:**

**Day 1 – Equitation (Flatwork)**

To begin, I focus the riders on the fundamentals of dressage training:

- Relaxation
- Tempo
- Engagement
- Suppleness and responsiveness

Next, we target body control and awareness through movement of the haunches and forehand using several engaging exercises.

I follow with teaching techniques to ride geometrically correct figures such as circles, diagonals, half-circles.

The more advanced groups will touch on lateral movement, turns around the forehand, and turns on the haunches, as well as canter departs and lead changes through walk or trot for the riders that are at that level. Walk-trot only riders are welcome and will not be pushed or expected to canter/lope unless they want to and have a horse that is safe to do so.

Next, we put together a pattern, level appropriate for each rider.

### **Day 2 – Obstacles - Ease of Handling (EOH)**

Riders do a short warm-up, encouraged to use the techniques from day one to supple their horse and develop tempo and stride appropriate for completing the course of obstacles. Transitions are reviewed.

Instruction on the obstacles begins by going through obstacles, learning the correct execution and techniques for schooling the horse to perform correctly. Riders will work on developing effective aids and understanding how their seat and balance can influence their horse's responses.

Next, all riders will get a chance to ride the entire course, including entry and exit markers, following WECan EOH rules. Riders will gain insight on how each obstacle is scored at a competition and what they can do to ensure the best outcome for them and their horse. Riders will learn how to create flow and achieve smooth, correct transitions between obstacles.

### **Day Schedule:**

9am - 11am Group 1

11am - 1pm Group 2

1pm - 1:30pm **Break**

1:30pm - 3:30pm Group 3

3:30pm - 5:30pm Group 4

(Group size = 3 riders)

Four groups per day; 3 riders per group.

### **Registration:**

#### **Clinic Cost:**

Current 2025/26 MRAS Riding Members      \$360.00; *Priority registration until April 24th*

Non-riding members                              \$420.00

(If your membership is not current at the time of the clinic, the non-riding member price will apply)

**50% deposit required upon registration**

**Balance due May 15<sup>th</sup>**

#### **Audit Fee:**

Auditors must register and payment required prior to the clinic. No cash on-site.

Current MRAS Riding Members      \$30.00

Non-riding members                      \$40.00

Email [MRAS.equine@gmail.com](mailto:MRAS.equine@gmail.com) with any questions and to register. Payment details will be forwarded once registration has been confirmed. Please provide your level of experience or group time preference, we will do our best to accommodate your request.

**Clinic Facilitator:** Nancy

#### **MRAS Cancellation Policy:**

MRAS cannot guarantee your spot will be filled in the event of cancellation however every attempt will be made to do so. Should your spot be filled, a refund will be issued less a 15% of clinic cost as an administration fee. If your spot cannot be filled the full amount will be forfeited.

Substitutions may be allowed; the Clinic Coordinator must be consulted and approve the substitution. MRAS will have no part in facilitating payments from a substitute.