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## ***Greetings from the Editor***

**W**ow! It's November already (well almost as I write this). I hope to see a lot of you at the NODA Year End Awards Banquet on the 14th. It should be a lot of fun for all and it is always great to see how everyone did during the year. We also get to see who our new officers will be.



*Niki on Raina*

It is very exciting that this year's banquet will be held at the Walden Inn. Don't forget this is NODA's 40th Birthday celebration! If you haven't already sent old photos of you or other NODA members you still have time to get them to Fran Cverna. You can reach Fran via email at SS-Secretary@nodarider.org or at 440-834-1774.

The 2010 NODA membership begins November 1st so please remember to get your membership dues in to Alice Brightup. If you pay your membership dues at the NODA banquet you will receive a free 50/50 raffle drawing ticket.

As the year is coming to an end there will be numerous committees looking for volunteers to work on all the upcoming projects for the next year. It really is a great opportunity to get involved, help out and meet new people. Also if you have any suggestions we would love to hear from you.

I know NODA is planning for some future clinics and please take a chance to ask Jan Ebling questions about any training issues or any of those other dying to know questions. See details on page 11.

Next year I'm planning to move Raina up to training level since her "foalernity" leave is over but I don't think she will be very happy with that decision. I swear she has to be the laziest horse I know. I don't really think canter is in her vocabulary, or at least a forward moving canter. At times I think it would be less work for me if I carried Raina around on my back rather than the other way around! On the plus side her canter is so comfortable which is a bonus for my bad back.

Raina is really more interested in the "boys" at the barn and is really such a huge flirt! I'm sure if she could have her way she'd be very happy to have another foal. News flash...not going to happen...sorry Rain.

Coco is growing like a weed. Her foal coat finally fell out and she isn't a giant fuzz ball anymore. Of course she'll only look nice and sleek for a couple of weeks before her winter coat comes in. I'm enjoying the adventures of weanling training. However we now need to practice getting shots because Coco tried to kill the vet the other day when he had to come out and give her stitches...nothing serious happened to Coco but she was not a fan of getting a shot.

Niki Sackman, Editor  
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## New Jr/YR Liaison

NODA would like to welcome its newest member, Cassandra Hummert-Johnson, as the Junior and Young Rider Liaison.



### Bio:

I am a junior at Western Reserve Academy and live in Hudson, Ohio. My mother rode hunter/jumpers, and my father ran a public carriage service. I grew up on a family farm with Norwegian Fjord ponies, and with them dipped my toes into dressage and periodically attended Chagrin's schooling shows with Mucha "THOR"ity (Thor). I currently own a warmblood gelding, who has had very successful seasons at first and second level. I also

currently ride and compete Laura Headley's Swedish Warmblood gelding, Rampal, at 3rd and 4th level (Jr/Yr). We have had a fantastic year. In 2007, I traveled to Frankfurt am Main, Germany and rode at Waldfried DressurStall, which was not only a cultural experience, but very interesting and educational as well. I have high hopes for the future of my Jr/Yr career, and am excited to see what 2010 will bring!

## ATTENTION MEMBERS

Remember when 2010 was a Sci Fi year? Well, guess what! The NODA 2010 Membership Drive begins on 11/01/09. Where does the time go when you're having so much fun on your horse(s)?

You will want to keep your benefits rolling, so get your dues paid early (by 12/15/09) and be eligible for our drawing to win a free membership for 2011. The form will be on line and in your newsletter, and you will also receive a postcard for renewal convenience.

Thank you.  
Alice Brightup

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NODA's Board welcomes all comments and opinions regarding NODA activities, shows and policies. Please include your name and phone number so we can answer your questions and concerns promptly.

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# October 10, 2009 NODA Schooling Show, Lake Erie

Junior High Point Ride: Jordyn Hertzling on Norway, 68.000%  
Adult Amateur High Point Ride: Jennifer Kick on Maximus, 74.500%  
Winner of the complete-correct-entry drawing: Lisa VanNiewal

Not a qualifying show for NODA Schooling Show  
Championship Show. Note that all NODAschooling shows count for the NODA Year End Awards

**Class: 1.1 Introductory Test A (Rider) Amateur**  
**Judge: Sue Hughes r**

- 1 - Irene Michelle Pietramtozzi, Amat, Neo de Nero, 57.5%
- 2 - Colleen Welder, Amat, Member, Taffia, 51.0%
- 3 - Amanda Kelley, Amat, CedarFarms Phoenix, 46.5%

**Class: 1.2 Introductory Test A (Rider) Junior**  
**Judge: Sue Hughes r**

- 1 - Evelyn Tyner, Jr, Member, Hall of Fame, 54.0%
- 2 - Hope Chisar, Jr, Member, Bailey, 51.1%

**Class: 2.1 Introductory Test B (Rider) Amateur**  
**Judge: Sue Posner R**

- 1 - Cynthia Driver, Amat, Member, Cajun Dancer, 64.0%
- 2 - Colleen Welder, Amat, Member, Taffia, 62.0%
- 3 - Amanda Kelley, Amat, CedarFarms Phoenix, 54.5%

**Class: 2.2 Introductory Test B (Rider) Junior**  
**Judge: Sue Posner R**

- 1 - Jordyn Hertzling, Jr, Norway, 68.0%
- 2 - Evelyn Tyner, Jr, Member, Hall of Fame, 58.0%
- 3 - Hope Chisar, Jr, Member, Bailey, 56.0%
- 4 - Evelyn Tyner, Jr, Member, Tenacious D, 54.0%

**Class: 3 Introductory Test A (Horse)**  
**Judge: Sue Hughes r**

- 1 - Jennifer Kick, Amat, Member, Maximus, 71.5%
- 2 - Jessica Knautz, Amat, Member, Savannah Star, 56.5%
- 3 - Patti Cifranic, Amat, Wilameena, 56.0%
- 4 - Anna Ruple, Jr, Member, Buttons and Bows, 55.5%
- 5 - Crissteen Miller, Amat, Easy Swinger, 53.5%

**Class: 4 Introductory Test B (Horse)**  
**Judge: Sue Posner R**

- 1 - Jennifer Kick, Amat, Member, Maximus, 74.5%
- 2 - Jessica Knautz, Amat, Member, Savannah Star, 72.5%
- 3 - Patti Cifranic, Amat, Wilameena, 70.0%
- 4 - Crissteen Miller, Amat, Easy Swinger, 58.5%
- 5 - Anna Ruple, Jr, Member, Buttons and Bows, 58.0%

**Class: 5.1 Training Level, Test 1 Novice Amateur**  
**Judge: Sue Hughes r**

- 1 - Sarah Moore, Amat, Hugh Mungo, 71.739%
- 2 - Nancy Palcisko, Amat, Member, Festival, 63.913%
- 3 - Cynthia Driver, Amat, Member, Cajun Dancer, 60.870%
- 4 - Karen Ruple, Amat, Member, Absolut Kurant, 52.600%

**Class: 5.2 Training Level, Test 1 Novice Junior**  
**Judge: Sue Hughes r**

- 1 - Jordyn Hertzling, Jr, Norway, 57.826%
- 2 - Evelyn Tyner, Jr, Member, Tenacious D, 56.957%
- 3 - Rebecca Kirk, Jr, Member, Oreo Blizzard, 56.087%

**Class: 6.1 Training Level, Test 2 Novice Amateur**  
**Judge: Sue Posner R**

- 1 - Sarah Moore, Amat, Hugh Mungo, 65.714%
- 2 - Cynthia Driver, Amat, Member, Cajun Dancer, 61.071%
- 3 - Karen Ruple, Amat, Member, Absolut Kurant, 53.571%

**Class: 6.2 Training Level, Test 2 Novice Junior**  
**Judge: Sue Posner R**

- 1 - Kalle Nelson, Jr, Member, Private Perks, 63.929%

**Class: 7.1 Training Level, Test 3 Novice Amateur**  
**Judge: Sue Hughes r**

- 1 - Hannah Palumbo, Amat, Member, Double-Steal, 66.8%
- 2 - Krista Warnick, Amat, Member, Kaliber, 60.4%
- 3 - Laura Wolf, Amat, Member, Levi's Tinman, 59.6%
- 4 - Tom Gazley, Amat, Member, Tiger Lilly, 55.6%
- 5 - Barbara Scherff, Amat, Cesare, 55.2%

**Class: 7.2 Training Level, Test 3 Novice Junior**  
**Judge: Sue Hughes r**

- 1 - Brianna Cavett, Jr, Member, Splash of Blue Gin, 63.2%
- 2 - Lisa Richey, Jr, Member, Pocket Pager, 58.4%

**Class: 8.1 Training Level, Test 4 Novice Amateur**  
**Judge: Sue Posner R**

- 1 - Krista Warnick, Amat, Member, Kaliber, 66.4%
- 2 - Leslie Grimm, Amat, Member, Brevard, 62.0%
- 3 - Barbara Scherff, Amat, Cesare, 60.8%
- 4 - Hannah Palumbo, Amat, Member, Double-Steal, 59.6%
- 5 - Tom Gazley, Amat, Member, Tiger Lilly, 58.0%
- 6 - Deb Winkler, Amat, Member, Morante', 54.4%
- Laura Wolf, Amat, Member, Levi's Tinman, 54.0%

**Class: 8.2 Training Level, Test 4 Novice Junior**  
**Judge: Sue Posner R**

- 1 - Brianna Cavett, Jr, Member, Splash of Blue Gin, 62.40%
- 2 - Kalle Nelson, Jr, Member, Private Perks, 60.40%
- 3 - Athena Tarulli, Jr, Member, Kodachrome, 58.40%
- 4 - Lisa Richey, Jr, Member, Pocket Pager, 58.00%
- 5 - Rebecca Kirk, Jr, Member, Oreo Blizzard, 50.40%

**Class: 9 Training Level, Test 1 Open**  
**Judge: Sue Hughes r**

- 1 - Susan Desimpel, Amat, Member, Currituck, 63.043%
- 2 - Kate Lovejoy, Amat, Member, Ghost Story, 53.043%

**Class: 10 Training Level, Test 2 Open**

**Judge: Sue Posner R**

- 1 - Cindy Bank, Amat, Idlehour McHenry, 68.571%
- 2 - Debra Smith, Amat, Member, Aragorn, 67.857%
- 3 - Lea Wojtkiewicz, Amat, Member, Hearts Of Fire, 58.929%
- 4 - Kate Lovejoy, Amat, Member, Ghost Story, 55.000%

**Class: 11 Training Level, Test 3**

**Open Judge: Sue Hughes r**

- 1 - Cindy Bank, Amat, Idlehour McHenry, 67.6%
- 2 - Janeen Langowski, Prof, Member, FWF Princess Sarah, 66.8+%
- 3 - Jana Tuckerman, Amat, Member, Taconite Mike, 66.8%
- 4 - Lisa VanNiewal, Amat, Member, Duncan, 64.8%
- 5 - Rachel Jelen, Prof, Member, Strategys Calico Gal, 48.8%

**Class: 12.1 Training Level, Test 4 Open**

**Judge: Sue Posner R**

- 1 - Susan Desimpel, Amat, Member, Currituck, 61.2%
- 2 - Lisa VanNiewal, Amat, Member, Duncan, 58.4%
- 3 - Lea Wojtkiewicz, Amat, Member, Hearts Of Fire, 56.4%
- 4 - Jacqueline Berger, Amat, Terroso, 56.0%

**Class: 12.2 Training Level, Test 4 Open**

**Judge: Sue Posner R**

- 1 - Janeen Langowski, Prof, Member, FWF Princess Sarah, 69.20%
- 2 - Patti Valencic, Amat, Member, Carson, 66.40%
- 3 - Peggy Ignagni, Amat, Member, Zips Fleur de Lys, 64.80%
- 4 - Sarah Barry, Jr, Member, Good Will, 61.60%
- 5 - Judy Cageao-Catania, Amat, Member, Dipped In Gold, 60.00%

**Class: 13.1 First Level, Test 1**

**Judge: Sue Hughes r**

- 1 - Jana Tuckerman, Amat, Member, Taconite Mike, 65.000%
- 2 - Ursula Stanton-Hicks, Amat, Member, Sunshine Reggae, 63.667%
- 3 - Sarah Hall, Prof, Member, Razzamatazz, 63.333%
- 4 - Holly Zewalk, Amat, Member, Patsy's Gem, 61.667%
- 5 - Jacqueline Berger, Amat, Terroso, 61.000%

**Class: 13.2 First Level, Test 1**

**Judge: Sue Hughes r**

- 1 - Rachel Jelen, Prof, Member, Phantom Jet Jink, 66.333%
- 2 - Peggy Ignagni, Amat, Member, Zips Fleur de Lys, 64.333%
- 3 - Patti Valencic, Amat, Member, Carson, 64.000%
- 4 - Debra Smith, Amat, Member, Aragorn, 63.000%
- 5 - Judy Cageao-Catania, Amat, Member, Dipped In Gold, 56.000%

**Class: 14 First Level, Test 2**

**Judge: Sue Posner R**

- 1 - Jana Tuckerman, Amat, Member, Taconite Mike, 64.160%
- 2 - Ursula Stanton-Hicks, Amat, Member, Sunshine Reggae, 61.944%
- 3 - Sarah Hall, Prof, Member, Razzamatazz, 59.722%
- 4 - Holly Zewalk, Amat, Member, Patsy's Gem, 53.611%

**Class: 15 First Level, Test 3**

**Judge: Sue Hughes r**

- 1 - Jennifer Gray, Amat, Member, Jenn's Second Chance, 66.857%

**Class: 16 First Level, Test 4**

**Judge: Sue Posner R**

- 1 - Jill Hazen, Amat, Member, Dancer (Beau-Regard), 64.474%
- 2 - Jennifer Gray, Amat, Member, Jenn's Second Chance, 62.368%
- 3 - Beverly VanNiewal, Amat, Member, Ascot, 58.947%

4 - Rachel Jelen, Prof, Member, Phantom Jet Jink, 58.684%

5 - Gail Patton, Amat, Member, Frivolous Pursuit, 58.158%

6 - Debra Smith, Amat, Member, Aragorn, 56.316%

- Sarah Barry, Jr, Member, Good Will, 55.263%

**Class: 17.1 Second Level, Test 2**

**Judge: Sue Posner R**

- 1 - Gail Patton, Amat, Member, Frivolous Pursuit, 52.973%

**Class: 17.2 Second Level, Test 3**

**Judge: Sue Hughes r**

- 1 - Joy Hudson, Amat, Member, Krown Royal, 55.814%

**Class: 17.3 Second Level, Test 4**

**Judge: Sue Hughes r**

- 1 - Joy Hudson, Amat, Member, Krown Royal, 59.048%
- 2 - Rachel Jelen, Prof, Member, Phantom Jet Jink, 57.619%

**Class: 17.5 Fourth Level, Test 1**

**Judge: Sue Hughes r**

- 1 - Lauren Wade, Amat, Member, Portfolio, 61.395%

**Class: 17.6 Fourth Level, Test 3**

**Judge: Sue Posner R**

- 1 - Lauren Wade, Amat, Member, Portfolio, 54.634%

**Class: 17.7 Prix St Georges**

**Judge: Sue Hughes r**

- 1 - Heidi Kohl, Prof, Member, Wyatt, 63.684%

**Class: 20.1 Dressage Seat Equitation Amateur**

**Judge: Sue Hughes r**

- 1 - Karen Ruple, Amat, Member, Absolut Kurant, 78%

**Class: 20.2 Dressage Seat Equitation Junior**

**Judge: Sue Hughes r**

- 1 - Anna Ruple, Jr, Member, Buttons and Bows, 72%
- 2 - Kalle Nelson, Jr, Member, Private Perks, 68%

Thank you to our wonderful judges: **Sue Posner and Sue Hughes** and to all of our wonderful volunteers!

**Regina Sacha**

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**October 11, 2009 NODA Schooling Show Championship  
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Judge at C - **Sue Posner (R)**  
Judge at B - **Sue Hughes (r)**

Junior High Point Ride: **Brianna Cavett on splash of Blue Gin, 67.200%**  
Adult Amateur High Point Ride: **Jennifer Kick on Maximus, 74.250%**

**Class: 1      Introductory Test B (Rider) - Junior**

Sponsored by: Fran Cverna

**Champion** - Stephanie Kiroff, Blue Joko (Posner 68.500, Hughes 63.000) 65.750%  
**Reserve** - Evelyn Tyner, Tenacious D (Posner 63.500, Hughes 53.500) 58.500%

**Class: 2      Introductory Test B (Horse)**

Sponsored by: Rockin K Ranch

**Champion** - Jennifer Kick, Maximus (Posner 76.000, Hughes 72.500) 74.250%  
**Reserve** - Jessica Knautz, Savannah Star (Posner 68.000, Hughes 62.500) 65.250%

**Class: 3      Training Level Test 4 Novice Rider Jr**

Sponsored by: Katherine Delorean and Favorite Desire, Mark and Katherine Delorean

**Champion** - Brianna Cavett, Splash of Blue Gin (Posner 66.00, Hughes 67.600) 67.200%  
**Reserve** - Katharine DeLorean, Favorite Desire (Posner 63.600, Hughes 68.80) 66.200%  
3 - Kalle Nelson, Private Perks (Posner 61.600, Hughes 63.600) 62.600%  
4 - Lisa Richey, Pocket Pager (Posner 56.800, Hughes 59.200) 58.000%  
5 - Athena Tarulli, Kodakhrome (Posner 57.200, Hughes 55.600) 56.400%  
6 - Rebecca Kirk, Oreo Blizzard (Posner 54.800, Hughes 54.800) 54.800%

**Class: 4      Dressage Seat Equitation Junior**

Sponsored by: Kimberly Moody

**Champion** - Kalle Nelson, Private Perks (Posner 85.0, Hughes 74.4) 79.7%

**Class: 5      Dressage Seat Equitation Amateur**

Sponsored by: Kimberly Moody

**Champion** - Karen Ruple, Absolut Kurant (Posner 70.0, Hughes 78.4) 74.2%

**Class: 6 Training Level Test 4 Novice Rider Amat**

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- Champion** - Krista Warnick, Kaliber (Posner 71.200, Hughes 68.400) 69.800%  
**Reserve** - Caitlin Milford, Moonlight Chaser (Posner 65.200, Hughes 66.400) 65.800%  
3 - Susan Desimpel, Currituck (Posner 66.000, Hughes 63.600) 64.800%  
4 - Leslie Grimm, Brevard (Posner 62.000, Hughes 62.400) 62.200%  
5 - Hannah Palumbo, Double-Steal (Posner 57.200, Hughes 63.200) 60.200%  
6 - Deb Winkler, Morante' (Posner 56.000, Hughes 55.600) 55.800%  
7 - Karen Ruple, Absolut Kurant (Posner 48.800, Hughes 52.800) 50.800%

**Class: 7 Fourth Level Test 3**

Sponsored by: Gretchen Singleton

- Champion** - Lauren Wade, Portfolio (Posner 55.366, Hughes 59.512) 57.439%

**Class: 8 Training Level Test 4 Open Amateur**

Sponsored by: Gretchen Singleton

- Champion** - Caitlin Milford, Moonlight Chaser (Posner 66.400, Hughes 67.600) 67.000%  
**Reserve** - Patti Valencic, Carson (Posner 66.800, Hughes 65.200) 66.000%  
3 - Susan Desimpel, Currituck (Posner 66.800, Hughes 62.800) 64.800%  
4 - Amy Pajcic, Mary Rose (Posner 64.000, Hughes 63.200) 63.600%  
5 - Lea Wojtkiewicz, Hearts Of Fire (Posner 60.000, Hughes 63.200) 61.600%  
6 - Judy Cageao-Catania, Dipped In Gold (Posner 58.800, Hughes 58.500) 58.650%

**Class: 9 Training Level Test 4 Open Junior**

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- Champion** - Sarah Barry, Good Will (Posner 61.600, Hughes 61.200) 61.400%

**Class: 10 First Level Test 4 Junior**

Sponsored by: Molly Piunno

- Champion** - Sarah Barry, Good Will (Posner 51.579, Hughes 57.368) 54.474%

**Class: 11 First Level Test 4 Amateur**

Sponsored by: Mary Lou Gallagher

- Champion** - Jill Hazen, Dancer (Beau-Regard) (Posner 64.211, Hughes 62.632) 63.422%  
**Reserve** - Jennifer Gray, Jenn's Second Chance (Posner 61.316, Hughes 62.632) 61.974%  
3 - Gail Patton, Frivolous Pursuit (Posner 56.579, Hughes 58.421) 57.500%

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# Good Bye to NODA

By: Kathy Dennis

Over the last few weeks I've been unpacking boxes after my relocation to central Florida. It has been a bit of a bittersweet time; though I'm very excited to be in the land of sunshine and warm weather, I know that I will miss the friends and good times I've had in my 15 years in Cleveland. I've also been thinking about my riding, my NODA experiences and dressage in general. And I'm always thinking about Cowboy, because he's truly a special guy who deserves to finish his career w/out the need for wool coolers, winter blankets and icy footing.

So the point of this article is to pay tribute to those who have supported and helped me through 6 years of dressage – which came to me indirectly and late in my horse career – after trail riding, carriage driving and hunters. Dressage was interesting to me, but also an attempt to keep an ex-hunter sound by switching her job. That was when I first really worked with Gretchen Singleton, who has supported me and guided me through every step of the endless learning that is dressage, and through three very different horses.

The hunter mare sadly did not stay sound, though we did have a year of learning to go forward with some contact and to ride training level tests. It was at this point that I was introduced – by Gretchen – to NODA and its great schooling show program.

The Hanoverian that followed was seven and schooling second/third level. However the horse was ultimately not a good fit for me. But we did tackle more of the NODA schooling shows occasionally with some moments of “brilliance” - one judge told me to call her if I ever wanted to sell the horse. Another sat in the Crosswinds booth and watched w/ fear and trepidation as this horse spent what seemed like 5 minutes twirling, bucking, and finally leaving me in the ring while heading into one of Bob Weston's stalls. Gretchen tried her best to help me figure out the horse, but it was hopeless.

So shopping I went - again. Now here's a reminder that I'm an amateur, and our horse decisions can be iffy. Sometimes they don't work as noted above. Sometimes they do. I brought Gretchen a video of a horse who was 15 (old), 16'3" (too big and long), a Thoroughbred (not a warmblood). Why – because his name was Cowboy, which I thought was funny for a dressage horse, and because he loved to trail ride, and also was pretty cheap, which was a big positive after the Hanoverian experience. Oh, by the way, he had been shown through Prix St. Georges. She watched the video and sent me on the road to go ride him.

What I got was the perfect schoolmaster. He is truly bombproof. He has no issues anywhere about anything - EVER. He likes horse shows. He happily gave up the double bridle and went back to the long and low thing at training level. He has been sound consistently for the four plus years I've had him. We went to

our first (recognized) show three weeks after he came to Cleveland. We went to Regionals that year.

Then we ran into our first wall: the sitting trot. I was 50+ years old, with minimal equitation training and I wanted so badly to move up a few of the levels. But his bouncy thoroughbred trot was a huge problem. Gretchen gave me lots of lunge line lessons; she told me to ride w/ out stirrups; she made me laugh and hurt at the same time; after months of torture we made some progress. Then she introduced me to Nancy Smith and encouraged me to ride with her periodically to get additional perspective and input. One of my early discussions with Nancy was about how the sitting trot needed to be my “best friend”....not in this lifetime!!

With two people now helping me, the trot work progressed from “enemy” to “acquaintance” to “pretty good friend”. We moved through first, second and third levels.

We also discovered Florida when in 2008 a vacation idea turned into six weeks in Mt. Dora, Florida, riding nearly daily with Nancy's guidance. That, in turn started the decision to relocate to a great little town in a warmer climate. Back in Cleveland that summer we began fourth level.

This past winter in Florida, Nancy and I had a discussion about Cowboy's age (now 19), his fitness and my goals. What I feared was a conversation about his retirement, became a real discussion about something I never really thought would happen – that we could, with work, try Prix St. Georges this summer. It's been work, no question. We have some finessing to do. But when I finished my first PSG test at the NODA recognized show, there was probably not a happier person on the planet. Cowboy, on the other hand, said he'd been there, done that, and what's the big deal?? So now, as we head south, our goal is those two scores that will get me my silver medal. We're close, I'm focused and he will help.

I have loved (almost) every minute of the learning process. It has been hard, but rewarding and with dressage, at least measurement of progress is easy. I'm goal-oriented, and this sport works well with my personality. I only wish I had started 20 or so years earlier, when my body might have been a bit more cooperative.

So – thank you to Gretchen for the endless help and support; thank you to NODA for a great combination of schooling and recognized show opportunities, and for the ability to meet many wonderful and hardworking people. I have truly enjoyed my two years as treasurer. (I think Gretchen had something to do with that too...) I will miss you all. Thanks to Nancy for pushing me, which she will still get to do in Florida! And finally – Cowboy, you are the best.



Cowboy



## ***Ask the Expert – Jan Ebeling Style!***

***By: Regina Sacha-Ujcz***

### ***What can lower-level riders do to maximize their scores on their tests?***

In order to maximize your scores at shows, being well prepared is the key to success. If you can perfect some of the basic tasks in dressage, you'll be surprised how many little hidden points you are able to collect. Our sport has such a subjective element to itself that a beautiful presentation will definitely score higher than a sloppy one of equal quality. Try to perfect your seat, keep your chin and head up, shoulders back and stretch your legs. Look good and do it with a smile because you know that you can!

Be sure to ride your test(s) as home at least once or twice a week. This should include a timed warm up phase. It is important to go through the test without any interruptions even if you make mistakes. It is crucial to know how your horse responds if things are not perfect, as well as your recovery from mistakes to focus on the next movement. Then go back through the mistakes in order to reschool your horse.

### ***Are there any common mistakes people make when riding tests at shows?***

Being able to focus is of great importance. Therefore, you must stay calm and try to eliminate anything that can possibly make you nervous and make you break your concentration.

Know where the warm up and competition arenas are and how long it takes to get from one to the other (sometimes they can be far apart). Know your ride time and double check the morning of the class, sometimes this can change daily. No one can make you go early but sometimes classes get moved up. There is nothing worse than not having enough time to warm up. Accuracy is probably one of the more important elements of your test. Try to ride perfectly shaped arena figures at the letters, not just near them. Circles should be round, straight lines truly straight, and letter to letter diagonals are crucial and a great way to pick up points. Top it off with corners that show your horse's ability to bend. Practice your halts daily, they are worth just as much as a medium trot, leg yield or a passage, and usually there are 3 in each test, as well as starting off your test, with a bang! Judges will be very appreciative of these small nuances as well as showing off your emphasis of basic training.

If you do make mistakes, try not to lose your focus. One or two mistakes will not bring the score down too much if the overall basics are correct. That is if your horse is in a steady frame and tempo. Most of all, have fun and enjoy all the hard work that you have put into this moment.

### ***How can a rider improve the "stretchy circle?"***

The "stretchy" circle is a movement that checks up on your horse's fundamental training. If your horse understands that he has to go forward into the contact of the hand in a steady tempo and rhythm, letting the horse stretch downward, the forward should not be a problem. Be sure to keep contact and slight bend when performing this exercise, make sure that the horse is not behind the vertical. Throwing the reins away has nothing to do with stretching. It will result in your horse only being strung out. Try to not abruptly drop and pickup the reins. Take your time so that the horse doesn't lose its balance and ends up getting tense.

Thank you Jan Ebeling for these fine answers! We look forward to future questions and your valued insight!



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*Jan astride his magnificent mare, Rafalca*

# Winter Grooming Tips to keep your Horses Coat in Tip-Top Shape!

By: Janice Lawrenz

## Horses are like Indian Food – they need a Good Curry!

A good daily curry will do wonders for a winter coat. I like two use two types of curries – the metal “spring” ones to really get down to the skin surface, and the Haas Der Gute plastic curry. These do a great job of separating the hair, lifting up sloughed dry skin and dirt, and increasing circulation, not to mention breaking up clumps of dried mud! The hard teeth can be quite gentle, depending on how hard you use it. Plus, your horse will enjoy it on his “itchy spots”. (Mine practically falls over on me when I get to the wither area!) If really dirty, an equine vacuum can help (if your horse does not object!). Curry as you normally would, then go over the same area with the vacuum. It really picks up the deep-down dirt!

## Give Your Horse the Brush-Off!

Follow your currying with a stiff brush. The stiff bristles will again reach down to the skin surface, and with a flick of your wrist, will flick away dirt and dander, while helping distribute the natural hair oils. (I really like the Haas Mini-Mahne Brush. The bristles do a great “flicking” job!) After a curry, your horse’s coat will be a bit of a mess, so the stiffer bristles on this type of dandy brush will again separate the hairs and smooth them down again.

Next, follow with a soft brush. A natural bristle like horsehair is best, as it will gently sweep off any remaining dander, and again help with redistribution of the natural hair oils. The natural bristles will also help polish the coat. If you decide to use any non-drying coat spray, now’s the time to mist! Use the natural bristle soft brush to help brush in the coat conditioner. Many coats can get dry this time of year, and most breakage of the hair shaft can occur. A couple of nice coat conditioners are Foxfire, Canter Silk, or Avocado Mist.

## Winter Washing

If you have access to a heated washrack and a draft-free area, you may want to treat your horse to a warm bath now and then during the winter months (if not below freezing temperatures!). Add a bit of your favorite soap (I like Xtreme’s ShowWhite) or a splash of Vetrolin to a bucket of warm water and get to scrubbing with a soft jelly-scrubber or Bluegrass Bathing Mitt. After a warm rinse, throwing on a few coolers will help your horse keep warm while he’s drying. Wool or Polarfleece do the best job at wicking, so he’ll also dry a bit quicker! (of course if you’re lucky enough to have access to heat lamps, those work wonders!).

Some of us aren’t blessed with a heated washrack, or even hot water in some barns! Not to worry – the trick of “Hot Toweling” can be your best friend for winter grooming! Gather a bunch of clean and dry towels, a bucket with comfortably hot water (from the tap or from a bucket heater), and add just a tiny drop of shampoo. The little bit of shampoo will help the dirt “stick” to the towel and not your horse! The water you are using rinses it right off! Dip in a towel, wring it out, and get to scrubbing one area at a time, quartering your horse (keeping  $\frac{3}{4}$  of your horse covered with a cooler while working on the other  $\frac{1}{4}$ ). If the cooler gets damp, add another. When your water looks dirty, or gets cool, it’s time for a refill! It’s no use trying to get your horse clean with dirty water!

## A Good Defense is the Best Offense

By having a thorough daily grooming routine, and getting your hands on all of your horse’s parts, you’ll keep ahead of winter skin irritations and other “cooties”, as well as keeping apprised of your horse’s weight and condition. Proper coat care during the winter will pay off come Springtime. Shedding out will be generally faster & easier, and the incoming coat will start off healthy and shiny!



NODA Barn News

### News from Maple Star Farm:

First, we would like to congratulate trainer, Charlotte Bayley-Schindleholz on a Fantastic show season! Charlotte’s hard work has been evidenced throughout the show season as our horses consistently placed in the tops of their classes.

With horses winning 3 classes in the Open Division at the Lamplight Equestrian fall show and Charlotte’s 5 year-old Hanoverian qualifying for the Young Horse Championships, it has certainly been an exciting year for us! The Lamplight Equestrian Fall Show/USDF Region 2 finals/LEC Championships were held under wet, sloppy conditions and 50 degree temperatures. Everyone made it home although we are still finding hidden dried limestone footing in our tack!

Success stories still prevailed with the following: Charlotte Bayley and Markus took the LEC Championship 6<sup>th</sup> place in

Training level. Donzi won two 1<sup>st</sup> level classes in the Lamplight Open show. Jeni Hren and Sandro took the Reserve Champion in the LEC Championship 2<sup>nd</sup> level AA and 6<sup>th</sup> in the USDF Championship 1<sup>st</sup> level Freestyle.

CSB Dressage and Maple Star Farm wish good luck to the local riders and trainers going to the Region 1 finals in Lexington, Virginia. We wish all of you good weather and solid footing.

While it is only mid-October and we have already seen a glimpse of snow, we are enthused to be moving into the winter training season! We are expecting several new sale horses by mid-November and cannot wait to expand the Maple Star family! Please keep checking our web site, [www.csbdressage.net](http://www.csbdressage.net), regularly for educational clinics to be scheduled over the winter months, along with information on the Stallion Show in Holland that Charlotte will be attending.

Congratulations on a great year NODA riders!



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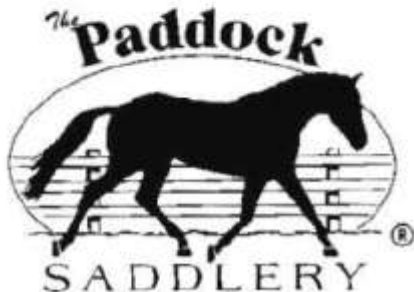


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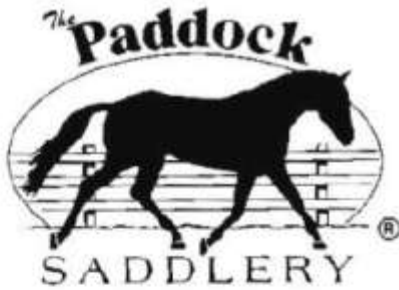
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# Riding with Debbie McDonald

By: Clara Etzel

After my plans for moving to Albion College were finalized, I began exploring riding and showing opportunities. One day while I was searching the Albion College website, I noticed that two-time Olympian Debbie McDonald was going to give a symposium on Connection from September 19-20, 2009 at the Nancy G. Held Equestrian Center at Albion College. I thought that it would be a great opportunity and since Reggie and I would be at Albion anyway, I decided to apply for the symposium.



Debbie McDonald

On Friday September 18th, Debbie flew into Detroit, Michigan all the way from Australia. In order to give Debbie a clear idea of what each of the 8 riders in the symposium would work on during their lessons on Saturday and Sunday, Debbie came out to have a casual dinner with the riders and watch all 8 riders school Friday evening. The riders, who were riding from training level to Grand Prix, each had different strengths and weaknesses which Debbie noted Friday evening. The 8 riders rode in groups of 4, with riders from training to 3rd level in the first group and 3rd to Grand Prix in the second group. I rode in the second group and was thankful and impressed that all riders were courteous and focused about what was going on in the arena. As each rider began to cool down, Debbie would say a few words, regarding what each pair would be working on in the coming days. I truly believe allowing this time on Friday for Debbie to come out to Albion and watch the horse and rider pairs before the symposium started and all the auditors came, allowed Debbie to see each pair in a relaxing environment and notice what was happening (both good and bad) in each pair. Because of this, each rider and Debbie became more connected and therefore could work together Saturday and Sunday in a more united way.

Regardless of the level, Debbie designed lessons that helped correct weaknesses in horse and rider pairs, while emphasizing the necessity of a consistent connection. Her talent, wisdom and knowledge as a rider is evident by her international success with Brentina, as evident by their gold medal at the 1999 Pan American Games, along with team bronze at the 2004 Olympic Games and 2006 World Equestrian Games. In addition, the pair finished with an individual silver medal at the 2006 World Equestrian Games; and of course perhaps the pair's most memorable performance was their famous "Brick House" freestyle, which resulted in a third place finishing at the 2005 FEI World Cup in Las Vegas. I can also say, after having talked with

her, watched her teach and ridden with her that she is such an effective and positive coach. I was so impressed at the details she noticed in both horse and rider that she could not only identify, but aid each pair in correcting and improving. Debbie had a head set on that was broadcasted throughout the arena, barns and lounge areas. So no matter where anyone was at any particular moment, they could hear the lesson that was going on. This was such a great tool for both riders and auditors, as everyone could hear Debbie clearly, which allowed riders to be more accurate and allowed auditors to take notes and process Debbie's methodology clearly.

The format of the clinic was rather logical. The rides would begin at training level and throughout the day progress through the levels up to and including Grand Prix. After every two lessons (each lesson lasted 45 minutes), there would be a 10 minute question and answer session with Debbie. This time was an opportunity for auditors to ask Debbie about specific horse and rider pairs and why she did certain exercises with the pair or to just ask Debbie about anything (like her own experiences or saddle preference)! After the first 4 horse and rider pairs there was a lunch break, and then the final 4 horse and rider pairs rode.

I rode Reggie directly after the lunch break. Debbie helped me so much in terms of keeping Reggie straighter in every aspect of the ride. In every lesson, as she did in mine, Debbie showed how a constant connection, that was not too restrictive but at the same time not too loose, allowed a more unified and in sync horse and rider combination. With my horse, which is stiff in his neck, particularly in the right side, Debbie gave me exercises to loosen up his right side. Specifically, I would resort to haunches in right in the trot, if Reggie would come against my rein within that gait. Then as soon as he loosened up, I gave the right rein, through a pat on the neck with my right hand. If I was on the left rein and he became resistant in the bridle, I would counter flex him and if that was not enough (which in the beginning of the ride was not), I counter bent him, so that I could achieve suppleness in my horse. Again as soon as he supplied his right side, I gave the right rein by a pat on the neck with my right hand. Throughout my lessons, regardless of whether I was focusing on maintaining the straightness in the flying changes and then tempis or the bend and crossing over of the hind legs in the half-pass, I as the rider had to maintain a consistent but yielding connection with my horse.



The lessons that I learned from Debbie were invaluable. I know





*Clara on Reggie*

that the other 7 riders and over 200 auditors in attendance took away new exercises and different methods of working with their horses. The foundation of all of the issues in the horse and rider pairs depicted over the weekend was connection, primarily, how an overly restrictive connection can hinder a horse's desire to move forward or how a non-existent, floppy rein connection cannot possibly give the horse any idea of the riders desires. If a rider wants to communicate with their horse there must be a constant existing connection, which does not restrict the horse in any way but gives and rewards when the horse responds correctly to the rider's aids.



*Clara on Reggie*

The amount of effort cannot go unnoticed, which was required to put on this symposium. The level of professionalism conveyed by Debbie McDonald, George Halkett, Danielle Menteer, Carolyn Killewald, Albion College staff and volunteers, Sporthorse Saddlery and other vendors was so impressive. The Nancy G. Held Equestrian Center is an immaculate facility, which made the experience for all in attendance so enjoyable. In addition, the amount of enthusiasm and appreciation that existed the whole weekend was wonderful and very rewarding. All in all, riding with Debbie McDonald was an opportunity, that I am so grateful I was able to experience!

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*By: Cassandra Hummert-Johnson*

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10/30-31 & 11/1 DRESSAGE CLINIC WITH  
WATLER ZETTL Hosted by B.  
Aughenbaugh at 1115 Ridgewood  
Rd., Wadsworth, OH, 330-239-4923  
for Details

11/1 Chagrin Valley Farms Schooling Dressage  
Show, judge: Connie Wyatt 'L'

11/3 "SUCCESS FACTOR" SADDLE  
FITTING CLINIC With Mr. Peter  
Menet & Ms. Robin Moore,  
Presented by The Paddock Saddlery,  
Held at the Lake Erie College  
Equestrian Center, Everyone  
Welcome - Begins at 9 am

11/4 EDUCATION SEMINAR, AVNA  
RECOMMENDED EQUINE DE-  
WARMING PROGRAM, Conducted  
by "The Visiting Vet" at Rocky River  
Stables, Rocky River OH

11/6-8 LAKE ERIE COLLEGE DRESSAGE -  
USDF & USEF Recognized, Lake  
Erie College Equestrian Center,  
Concord Township, www.lec.edu

11/6-8 CHARLES DE KUNFFY DRESSAGE  
CLINIC, Registration Closes Oct. 5,  
Topline Stables at Walden, Aurora,  
OH, Janeen Langowski-Grava, 440-  
666-6182 or  
janeen@topline-stables.com

11/13-15 NANCY SMITH CLINIC, 11/13  
West side location Bridlewood  
Stables, 14-15 East side location

contact Cheryl Slawter at 330-805-  
1538 or CBridlewood@aol.com

11/7 DRESSAGE CLINIC WITH NANCY  
LEWIS-STANTON, GreyMack  
Stables, Canton, OH - Contact  
Olivia at owoods5249@gmail.com  
or 330-687-1422,  
www.GreymackStablesLLC.com

11/11 EDUCATION SEMINAR, AVNA  
RECOMMENDED EQUINE DE-  
WARMING PROGRAM, Conducted  
by "The Visiting Vet" at The  
Paddock Saddlery, Chagrin Falls, OH

11/14 SOUTH FARM - WINTER  
JUMPER SERIES, South Farm,  
Middlefield, OH, Contact Sarah  
at info@southfarm.net or 440-  
632-5501, www.southfarm.net

**11/14 NODA'S 40th ANNIVERSARY  
YEAR-END BANQUET BASH &  
CELEBRATION, Waldon Inn in  
Aurora**

11/27-29 DRESSAGE CLINIC with Jeremy  
Beale Clinic at "Bridlewood  
Dressage Farm" in Medina, contact  
Cheryl Slawter at 330-805-1538 or  
CBridlewood@aol.com

11/27-29 NANCY SMITH CLINIC, 11/27  
West side location Bridlewood  
Stables, 28-29 East side location  
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1538 or CBridlewood@aol.com

11/29 Chagrin Valley Farms Schooling  
Dressage Show, judge: Barbara  
Soukup 'L' Contact Chagrin Valley  
Farms at 440-543-7233 or  
cvf@chagrinvalleyfarms.com

## DECEMBER

**12/15 NODA membership  
expires — remember to  
renew!!**

## JANUARY

1/22 SOUTH FARM - WINTER JUMPER  
SERIES, South Farm, Middlefield,  
OH, Contact Sarah at  
info@southfarm.net or 440-632-  
5501, www.southfarm.net

1/31 Chagrin Valley Farms Schooling Dressage  
Dale Lappert (R) Contact Chagrin  
Valley Farms at 440-543-7233 or  
cvf@chagrinvalleyfarms.com

## FEBRUARY

2/13 SOUTH FARM - WINTER JUMPER  
SERIES, South Farm, Middlefield,  
OH, Contact Sarah at  
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5501, www.southfarm.net

2/28 Chagrin Valley Farms Schooling Dressage  
Judge: Jackie Smith (r) Contact  
Chagrin Valley Farms at 440-543-  
7233 or cvf@chagrinvalleyfarms  
.com

## MARCH

3/13 SOUTH FARM - WINTER JUMPER  
SERIES, South Farm, Middlefield,  
OH, Contact Sarah at  
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3/28 Chagrin Valley Farms Schooling Dressage  
Show: Judge TBA

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Business Card (3.5 x 2):	\$15.00	\$75.00

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\$5.00: Add photo: members & non-members

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State: \_\_\_\_\_ Zip: \_\_\_\_\_

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**For 1/2 lease:** Andalusian G, 8 yrs, (16H) for dressage, eventing, trail at beautiful Hinckley Equestrian Center, [www.hinckleyequestrian.com](http://www.hinckleyequestrian.com) \$250/month for 2 - 3 days per week including 1 day of weekend. Great temperament for advanced beginner to experienced rider, very comfortable gaits. Lessons and showing available. Contact Karyl at (440) 476-7511 or [getson\\_k@shaker.org](mailto:getson_k@shaker.org) 4/09

**For 1/2 lease:** Holsteiner, G, 11yr, exp. riders only, Karen Meade 216-696-3327 4/09

**For 1/2 lease:** Lipizzan, M, 21 yrs young, great for beginner rider. Lease is at Xhalt Equestrian Center. Contact Phyllis 216-299-3069 or email: [xxxhalt@yahoo.com](mailto:xxxhalt@yahoo.com) 4/09m

**For Lease:** Selle Francais, G, 16H, 15y, Super opportunity for the right individual to lease Noble, a lower level dressage gelding. He had a very successful career as a h/j & has transitioned very well to his new job in dressage. To be leased and kept at D and G Farm (corner of Fairmount Blvd & Countyline) & to be taught Kate Poulin. 386-624-3968 4/09

**For Lease or Sale:** National Show Horse, G, 11 yrs, liver chestnut. "Round-A-Bouts Legacy" aka as "Levi" shown successfully Hunt Seat, Saddle Seat (good in double bridle), 1st Level Dressage and halter classes, good under western saddle and trail riding, can jump 3', clips & ties. Needs confident, experienced rider because he is sensitive. Does leg yields, turn on haunches and forehand, renvers, travers, half pass at trot and canter. Canters easily from walk, trot or halt. Has simple changes. Rachel 440-429-0591 10/09

**For Lease or Sale:** TB G, 13 yrs, 16.2H, "Irish" is a beautiful bay, very athletic. Jumper show experience, Reserve Champion. Currently in dressage training. Dressage lessons and showing available through Michelle Walters at Noble Farm in Newbury. Contact Donna at 440-479-8334 or Michelle at 440-725-4828. nm11/09

**For sale or possible lease:** 1992 TB, 16.2H



Experience in the following: Horse trials/eventing at beginner novice level (includes training level dressage, stadium jumping & cross country -2'6" fences & obstacles including water). Would make a great horse for an experienced pony clubber. \$2,500 (neg.) or open to lease discussions Contact Jennifer at 216-406-7639 or [j\\_r\\_salo@yahoo.com](mailto:j_r_salo@yahoo.com) nm11/09\$

**For Sale:** American Sport Pony, 14h, registered, 5 yrs, bay M, Serendipity Skies is built like a German Riding Pony. She is sound safe and solid. She is not marish. She has been used in lessons. She ties, clips, loads, stands for vet and farrier. Ippy has been competing in dressage and combined tests/minitrials and winning. \$6500. Contact Kris Ropp @ 440-666 2532 or [krisropp@martintel.net](mailto:krisropp@martintel.net) 7/09

**For Sale:** Appendix, G, 3 yrs, 16+H. Quiet and willing with a big, bold stride. Going well under saddle-ready to start a career. Would make super

adult/children's horse in any discipline. Call or email for more info. 216-210-2023 or [faosborn@shadowfaxfarms.com](mailto:faosborn@shadowfaxfarms.com) 4/09

**For Sale:** Appendix, G, 2 yrs, 16+H. Fabulous mover, willing and sweet. Started under saddle. "Buzz" will be a star with his movements, agility, and confirmation. Call or email for more info. [faosborn@shadowfaxfarms.com](mailto:faosborn@shadowfaxfarms.com) or 216-210-2023 4/09

**For Sale:** Belgian Warmblood, "Verdict" is a 1995, 16.2h Bay competed 3rd Level, talented with nice trot, half-passes, passage and piaffe started. Personable, sound, no vices. Classically trained by Grand Prix rider. Contact Barbara Grove (330) 283-2007 or [bgrove28@aol.com](mailto:bgrove28@aol.com), Video on YouTube.com 4/09

**For Sale:** Friesian Sporthorse G, 16h, 4yr, Black bay., stunning conformation, spectacular gaits, athletic and has the sensitivity needed for a top FEI candidate. Perfect ground manners. He is being started under saddle and shows great promise. \$15,000 Firm. Price will increase with training. Fallon Walker Truly Dancing Dressage (330)-760-4921 4/09

**For Sale:** Friesian Sporthorse M, 6 yrs, 16HH, Original Kodak, lovely black/white Pinto with outgoing & inquisitive personality. Quiet & fun to jump (stadium or XC) Ideal confidence builder. Ties, clips, bathes, loads, hauls & is sound, no maintenance requirements. Excellent on trail rides, alone or in groups. Info & video at [www.meandercreek.com](http://www.meandercreek.com), Contact Rachel 330-533-2058 pr 330-397-9607, asking \$10,000 neg. to the right home only 4/09

**For Sale:** Georgian Grande G, 15.3h, 8 yrs, bay with lots of chrome. Uphill conformation. Expressive mover with a great personality. Has been to two schooling shows. Everyone stops to watch Farley. He has the charisma to shine in the ring. Very smooth ride. \$10,000, contact Kris Ropp 440-834-1285 or [krisropp@martintel.net](mailto:krisropp@martintel.net) 7/09

**For Sale:** Lipizzaner, S, 12yr 14.2h, No vices, easy to handle and ride. Schooling third level and piaffe. Approved home only. 386-624-3968 4/09nm

**For Sale: Lusitano Mares:** "Aloma", Bay, 16hh, 4 yrs Nicely started under saddle, lovely gaits. "Vogue", Light Bay 15.2hh, 8 yrs, Black mane/tail, 3 white socks. Wonderful temperament, beautiful gaits. Has had 3 foals, now back to riding. **Lusitano Fillies:** "Elegancia", Yearling, Chestnut with gorgeous curly mane and tail; lots of potential, sweetest temperament of any horse we've had. "Estrella", Yearling, Dark Grey with white star. Beautiful confirmation and movement, has what it takes to be a superstar, Grand Prix potential **Lusitano Geldings:** "Diego", 15.2hh, 2 yrs, Grey Roan Lots of potential. "Zar" 16hh, 3 yrs, Dark Grey started under saddle, unbelievably easy to train, extremely intelligent. Handsome with exceptional movement. "Royal", 16+hh, 12 yrs. Grey. Stunning, athletic, very smooth beautiful gaits. Contact Bob Weston 440-543-5698 or 440-829-8165. 8/09

**For Sale:** Oldenburg/TB G, 13 yr, 16.2h, Potential for upper level, needs good rider with light hand and quiet leg. Huge gaits, excellent temperament, really sweet horse. Good home very important, [kgwtia@yahoo.com](mailto:kgwtia@yahoo.com) or 216-849-5847. 4/09

**For Sale:** QH G 16h, 10yr. bay, very flashy, schooling 1L dressage with potential to go higher. Fantastic mover, long stride, supple. He loves to jump and has excellent form. Would make a great lower level dressage or eventing horse, very friendly, sweet, and outgoing. 13,000, Jessica (440)317-0058 or [bobalo09@yahoo.com](mailto:bobalo09@yahoo.com) 4/09

**For Sale:** QH, g, 10 y, 16h, very handsome, flashy bay, schooling 1st level with potential to go higher. Beautiful mover, loves to jump, very forward, excellent form, great on cross-country. Potential to make an excellent event horse! Wonderful outside; very sweet and quiet. No vices, great loading, clipping, ect. Asking \$12,000 neg., Jessica [bobalo09@yahoo.com](mailto:bobalo09@yahoo.com) or (440)317-0058 4/09

**For Sale:** RPSI Gelding: Beautiful 4 year old black and white paint, 16.1. Skyliner is green broke. Sky has 3 wonderful gaits and shows potential for FEI. For more information and to see pictures of this flashy young horse go to [www.sendonway.com](http://www.sendonway.com) or email [dressage@sendonway.com](mailto:dressage@sendonway.com) or call Nancy at 440-286-8036 7/09



**For Sale:** RPSI Sport horse, 5 yr old branded and certified with professional qualities and presence. Large solid build, correct confirmation, big beautiful gaits, great

temperament, loves attention. Travels extremely well, great ground manners. Demonstrates great potential for jumping. Accelerating to Level 1 and will make an adult or youth rider an exquisite companion and competitor, \$17,000, 724-738-0070 [www.risingranch.com](http://www.risingranch.com), or [risingranch@earthlink.net](mailto:risingranch@earthlink.net) 11/09 nm\$

**For Sale:** TB G, 9 y, gray, 16.1H. Schooling Training Level dressage, started over fences, and has been ridden on trails. Contact Jamy 216-650-3808 10/09

**For Sale:** Westfalen approved M, Farina, 2003 (Fiorino/Donnerhall), ready to compete First Level successfully, very friendly personality. Great for pro or amateur, Fallon Walker at (330)-760-4921 or visit [SchwungFarm.com](http://SchwungFarm.com) 11/09m

**For Sale:** Westfalen M, Free Reign, 2005 (Fiador/Florestan I/Matcho), going nicely under saddle. Will make a good FEI YH candidate with a solid future in the FEI ring. Very willing to work and a dream to handle, Fallon Walker at (330)-760-4921 or visit [SchwungFarm.com](http://SchwungFarm.com) 11/09

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Openings for two working students: Work 3 hours (pick stalls, feed horses etc.) in exchange



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#### APPAREL, TACK, AND STABLE NEEDS

**300 Gallon sprayer** for watering arena, \$900, 330-239-1997 or cbridlewood@aol.com 10/09

**Arthur Kottas Imperial** dressage saddle w/short flap, Black, 17", MW, lightly used, \$1600 obo. Getting out of horses so my loss is your gain. Best dressage saddle ever made! Lisa at 440-570-7099 or email lisai@zoominternet.net. Pictures available at [www.digitalhorses.com](http://www.digitalhorses.com) 7/09

**Barnsby Pro-Seat** Dressage Saddle. 17.5", narrow tree, black. Large knee block and very secure seat, adjustable stirrup bar, \$1,400, [www.schwungfarm.com](http://www.schwungfarm.com) 4/09

**Bates Isabell Saddle w/Cair:** Exc. cond. black, 17" w/ ALL adjustable gullets and measuring tool for Easy Change system. Removable thigh blocks. Great saddle, doesn't fit my horse anymore. Pic. avail., asking \$1900. Call Susan at (440) 338-6087 or email [susan.slotnick@gmail.com](mailto:susan.slotnick@gmail.com) 6/09

**Breeches** Several pairs of high quality breeches available from Schumacher, Kentucky, Golden Dress and Royal Highness. All are brand new or in perfect condition, sizes 26 or 28 (R and L). Reasonably priced, contact Fallon Walker 330-760-4921 11/09

**County Competitor** dressage saddle, black, 17", great overall cond., med. spring tree, knee blocks to help keep leg in optimal position, both leather keepers need to be stitched, Some cosmetic surface cracking on seat, very minimal. \$500, Linda 440-564-8118 or [webmaster@nodarider.org](mailto:webmaster@nodarider.org) 4/09

**County Competitor WB 2000** dressage saddle, 17.5" med/wide tree (4), black, like new, \$1,000, [mbrogan07@gmail.com](mailto:mbrogan07@gmail.com), 330-562-9753 Cathy 4/09

**County Dressage Saddle**, 16.5" seat, dark brown color, with matching 28" County girth No. 4 wide spring tree. Asking \$375 Excellent condition, [jennmilliner@me.com](mailto:jennmilliner@me.com) or call 330-538-0523 9/09

**Crosby Prix Des Nations**, 17" Close Contact Saddle w/plain flap, pencil knee rolls, med. tree, narrow twist seat. Leather is in exc. con., one repair issue: right side under panel needs to be restitched, but is good, Linda 440-564-8118 or [webmaster@nodarider.org](mailto:webmaster@nodarider.org), price reduced \$350 9/09

**Crosby Prix St George** dressage saddle, 17", med tree, brown leather, good cond., \$300 Charlene, [jtillyjr@msn.com](mailto:jtillyjr@msn.com) 4/09

**German hand made Fur Felt Top Hat**. Black, brim 1 1/2", crown 4", size 22 1/2, German 56, like new, worn less than 10 times, \$150 firm, 440-320-1442 09/09

**Legacy Dressage Saddle**, Grippy & durable black buffalo leather, 18.5", narrow tree, wide gullet, exe. cond. wonderful saddle, unfortunately it no longer fits my horse \$1,000, Charlene, [jtillyjr@msn.com](mailto:jtillyjr@msn.com) 4/09

**New Neumann Tackified Gloves**, men's small, one pair white, one pair black, \$20, contact JC 440-714-2309 11/09

**Pessoa Anky Dressage Saddle**, Wider flaps and soft knee rolls position the leg correctly. Extra wide tree, 17.5 seat. Made for a low wither horse or Draft horse. Like New, only rode in for one

year, doesn't fit horse anymore, \$1,550, contact Jackie Lipton at 216-385-3652 or [dressagegirl088@yahoo.com](mailto:dressagegirl088@yahoo.com) 10/09

**Petrie Anky Dress Boots** Ladies Size 9/Euro Size 6.5 and marked 49/38 in the boot. Measures 49/50cm up the back of the leg; 38 cm around widest point of the calf; 54cm on the outside of the leg; 45cm up the inside of the leg. Boots slightly cut down on inside for added comfort and ease of bending at the knee, \$250, contact Fallon Walker 330-760-4921

**Prestige Optimax** dressage saddle, 18" excellent condition, 34cm (W) tree/adjustable, deep seat & generous knee rolls, \$2,700, photo avail., [mbrogan07@gmail.com](mailto:mbrogan07@gmail.com) or 330-562-9753 Cathy 4/09

**Stebben Avalon Dressage** 17.5" Med. tree, 2 years old, \$850, Debbie Parker 330-421-1653 4/09

**Stebben Wotan** All Purpose M/17.5", 10 years old, \$350, Debbie Parker 330-421-1653 4/09

**Stubben Siegfried** 17", med. width (31 cm), very good condition, made in Germany, suede knee flaps, well cond. leather, solid tree, well cared for & stored indoors. \$490 obo, Suzanne 440-729-7331 4/09

**Warwick** dressage saddle, 17", brown, exc. cond., very gently used, quality construction. comfortable, \$249. Pics available at [glenellen@roadrunner.com](mailto:glenellen@roadrunner.com) 440-338-6875 06/09mm

**Wintec 250** All Purpose saddle, almost new, ridden in less than a dozen times, comes with extra wide gullet; tree sound and life time guarantee on Wintec tree. Very comfortable, saddle too small for me so must sell. \$200, Linda 440-564-8118 or [webmaster@nodarider.org](mailto:webmaster@nodarider.org) 4/09

**Wintec All Purpose** saddle, black, 16.5", M flexible tree (not adjustable), hard to find this style wintec, does not hurt your horses withers like the newer adjustable ones do. It will stretch to fit your horse and is flexible. \$200 firm. Lisa at 440-570-7099 or email [lisai@zoominternet.net](mailto:lisai@zoominternet.net) 4/09

**Winrec Isabelle w/Cair panels:** 17 1/2" M tree & extra wide gullets, girth & equisuede leathers included. This is a great saddle for a young developing horse, it is in very good condition, \$850, Sharon 440-423-1771 6/09

#### BOARDING, TRAINING AND CLINICS

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**Bauer Equestrian Center:** Brookfield, OH is open for board, training and lessons. Kristin Stein is head trainer/instructor specializing in dressage and eventing. Full care, large indoor with heating viewing area, outdoor arena with stadium course, cross country jumps and trails. Excellent farrier services. Trailering available. Many show opportunities. All for the Horse tack shop on site. 304-830-0529 [www.steinequine.com](http://www.steinequine.com) 09/09 till 11/09

**Cloverfield:** opening for board, training, and/or lessons in the Kirtland area. We do dressage and some jumping. Opportunities to go to clinics and shows. Provide lots of grass turnouts. Will also

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**English Oak Stables** in South Amherst - Full Service Boarding Facility, offering dressage training, lessons and clinics. Children and beginner lessons. Equine Massage Therapy. Friendly small barn atmosphere in a quiet setting. Easily accessible from Ohio Turnpike or Rt. 2 (I-90). Questions or Information? Call 440-258-0511, or visit [www.SabineWalkerDressageOnline.com](http://www.SabineWalkerDressageOnline.com) 6/09

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**Walnut Grove:** just over the Ohio border in W. PA. offers limited full service boarding. Dust free indoor, outdoor, 12 rotational pastures, outstanding care for your horse. Lessons and training available. Carrie at [cardamon23@aol.com](mailto:cardamon23@aol.com) or 724-272-8994 4/09

**Xhalt Equestrian Center:** We are an adult boarding and training facility for the dressage enthusiast. Located in Lorain county close to I-480 and the western Cuyahoga county area. We have indoor and outdoor arenas, large stalls, tack room, viewing room, wash racks and pastures. Phyllis 216-299-3096 or [www.Xhalteqcenter.com](http://www.Xhalteqcenter.com) 4/09

#### FARMS FOR SALE

Equestrian Facility for sale by owner. For details please visit our website, [bittersweetfarmonline.com](http://bittersweetfarmonline.com) for further information or contact Cathy at 216-702-3181, [abittersweetfarm@aol.com](mailto:abittersweetfarm@aol.com) 4/09



Northern Ohio Dressage Association

# Northern Ohio Dressage Association 2010 Membership Form

Birth dates are needed only for JR/YR



Date: \_\_\_\_\_  
New Member  Adding Family   
Renewal  USDF # \_\_\_\_\_

Have you ever received a NODA Handbook? Yes  No   
Handbooks will be on CD and online. CD/Online versions save \$\$\$  
If you are unable to access the web or utilize a CD, please check here

Member Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Birth Date: \_\_\_\_\_  
Amateur  Professional  Junior/Young Rider

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

City, State, 9 digit Zip: \_\_\_\_\_

E-mail Address: \_\_\_\_\_

Include in NODA Handbook Directory? Yes  No

Phone: (\_\_\_\_) \_\_\_\_\_

Barn/Trainer: \_\_\_\_\_

We're building our organization member rolodex. Would you tell us where and what you do? \_\_\_\_\_

Would you like to be involved in any NODA committee? Yes  No

*NODA membership runs 12/1 of current year through 11/30 of the next year. NODA is a United States Dressage Federation Group Organization. All NODA members are automatically USDF group members; \$17 of your NODA membership dues go towards your group membership in USDF. Benefits include a full year subscription to the official USDF magazine, eligibility for USDF Rider Awards and eligibility to audit many USDF programs. The Supporting Family Member will not get a personal copy of The USDF Connection magazine, nor be eligible for USDF Participating Member Discount. However, all other benefits will apply.*

<b>2010 Membership Dues</b>	<b>\$42.00</b>
<b>Juniors (18 &amp; under)</b>	<b>\$32.00</b>
<b>Each Family Member</b>	<b>\$17.00</b>
<b>Each Supporting Family Member</b>	<b>\$8.00</b>

### Additional Family Members

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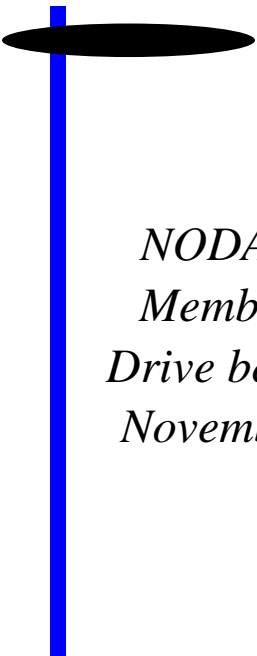
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