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Greetings from the President

ear NODA members,

Dee & Rens This month the Newsletter is celebrating the NODA 2011 Schooling Show Championships. This issue is full of wonderful pictures along with the show results. Despite the less than ideal weather, I think everyone had a good time and enjoyed the Saturday open show as well as the Sunday Championships. Saturday we were able to make use of the outside ring, but on Sunday, outside was out of the question. The weather is always a gamble in October. What I love about the opportunity to show outside is that we are able to have wonderful pictures. Indoors, the camera just doesn't do as good a job.

We had some really surprised and delighted winners on Sunday. I think Linda O'Keefe and Deb Winkler were two that I will remember for a long time. They were very excited. Linda's picture is on our cover this month, and I know she is going to be proud to see herself and her horse on display for all our membership to join in her celebration.

The year is almost over and the cold weather is working its way into our daily lives more than we would like. We have had some very nice fall days in October and November but we have also had some snow. We should use the colder weather to up our dressage game with increased education and, if we need it, work on getting more fit (I need to do this, as well). Maybe research local stables to see what clinicians might be coming in during the winter and make an effort to audit. What about a nice massage for those tight muscles for you and your horse, or setting a specific riding goal for the winter. Let your trainer know what you would like to accomplish and ask for his/her help in getting there.

Have you taken advantage of e-TRAK, the USDF's new Online Learning Center? Available to all current members through the USDF website, e-TRAK gives you access to hundreds of videos, articles, and other resources on equine health care, training, and more. e-TRAK is designed to

provide quality equine education materials and resources in one location - and it is searchable too.

Congratulations to Clara Etzel, Jenny Harding, and Noel Williams who have been selected to participate in the 2012 USDF/ USEF Young Rider Graduate Program in West Palm Beach, Florida in January of next year. We have many talented Juniors and Young Riders who have accomplished a great deal, and NODA is proud to have them as members. Clara has done a lot of writing for the NODA News. She and her family have always been active members and we appreciate their continued support. Jenny is a student of Lauren Tisdale and competed this year at the Young Rider Championship for Region 2.

We are excited and very pleased to congratulate Niki Sackman, who was selected as the Region 2 recipient of the 2012 Carol Lavell Gifted Fund Scholarship given by the Dressage Foundation. Niki will receive a \$1000 scholarship to put toward training, which she plans to use in April or May. She is required to write an article and give a verbal report at a NODA open meeting, after she completes her training. Niki's winning this scholarship is important because it reinforces the fact that this type of grant is available to anyone, no matter what level you're riding or what kind of horse you ride.

Don't forget to renew your NODA membership. You must be a member prior to earning scores that you might want to use for year-end awards for 2012. If you are a professional competing on a horse that you do not own, the owner must also be a member of NODA.

The results of NODA's election are in and following is the lineup of the Executive Board and Directors At Large for 2012-2013 term, elected by the membership.

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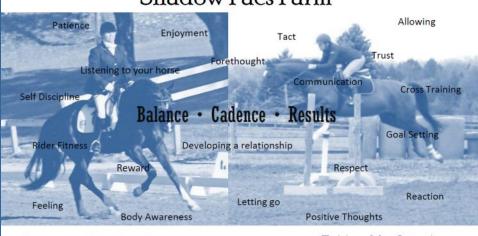
We welcome our new and returning officers. We have lots of ambitious plans for the next two years and I know everyone will work hard as always to accomplish our educational endeavors. If you wish to be involved, please let us know. We are eager to welcome new people and new ideas. If you're interested and would like to see what goes on at a board meeting, you are welcome to drop in any month. We meet the second Monday of each month at 7PM at Panera in Solon, and we can always find one more chair. The December meeting has been canceled due to busy holiday schedules, so the next NODA meeting will be January 9, 2012.

Happy Holidays to all,

Dee Liebenthal President



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NODA's Website Wins USDF Recognition

The Northern Ohio Dressage Association website has been recognized for excellence in design and layout at the 2011 Adequan/ USDF National Convention and Symposium in San Diego, California at the Board of Governors General Assembly. NODA's website won Honorable Mention in the category of GMO's with 175—499 members. Webmaster Linda Cooley has maintained the NODA website since 2006. As Webmaster, Linda coordinates closely on a daily basis with NODA's board and membership to ensure the information on the website is up to date including the home page which is changed regularly to highlight upcoming events and member achievements; a comprehensive calendar of interest to members and non-members alike; sponsor information; classified ads; as well as regularly updated show and award pages. NODA President Dee Liebenthal announced the award and recognized Linda at the 2011 NODA Celebration and Award Banquet.

Awards websites and newsletters are given annually by USDF to recognize outstanding achievement within USDF's GMO community. Recognition is given in the following categories: GMO newsletter and website layout and design, first person experience articles, and general interest articles. USDF also recognizes outstanding volunteers at the regional level along with the recipient of the Ruth Arvanette Memorial Fund grant.

For more information on the GMO award programs, please visit the USDF website at www.usdf.org, or contact the USDF GMO Committee liaison at gmoliaison@usdf.org.

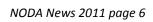
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NODA Schooling Show at Chagrin Valley Farms October 15, 2011

Photos by Dee Liebenthal







Above left: Jennifer Toth and Murphey.

Above center: Chris Goodall takes the time to make the NODA Schooling Show Series happen with help from volunteers.

Thanks to Chris for a great year!

Above right: NODA schooling shows are a place to enjoy friends and renew acquaintances.









Above left: Lynn Fry watches the show while grazing FMF Fabulous. Above center left: Spectators watch in the blustery wind. Above center right: Amanda Ghetto and Two Tall Jigs. Above Right: Sue Hines aboard Crash.







Above left: Linda Cooley and KnightHawke during their Second Level class. Above center: Mary Meehan and Gallop Home. Above right: Janeen Langowski-Grava lunges Davina with beautiful autumn leaves in the background.

NODA Schooling Show at Chagrin Valley Farms October 15, 2011 Results

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5	Kara Maruszak	Irish Cameo Rose		50.00	4	Linda O'Keefe	Illuminated Magic		63.200
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2	Cindy Gazley	Half Moon	58.929	2	Sue Hines	Stripe		66.216
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				4	Kate McGuinnes	Bravo		57.297
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1	Amy Sturdevant	Teddy	66.400	6	Patti Valencic	Carson		55.135
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Linda Cooley and KnightHawke take NODA Schooling Show Second Level Championship

By Mosie Welch

inda Cooley and her 12-year-old, 15.1 hand Friesian/
Appendix bay mare,
KnightHawke, rode a blue ribbon Second level test at the NODA Schooling Show Championships on October 16. The highest level contested at this year's Championships, Linda came out of the arena all smiles and awaited the call for the



Linda Cooley and KnightHawke with trainer Bob Weston. Photo by Mosie Welch.

awards ceremony astride KnightHawke. Her longtime trainer, Bob Weston, was standing by. When the ribbons were awarded, Linda and KnightHawke led the victory gallop.

Linda's lifelong dream of riding and competing horses could not be realized until she finished college and began working full time. "Riding lessons were expensive growing up and my family were not horse people, so opportunities were limited," she explained. Linda earned money babysitting and had paper routes and was "sometimes able to take advantage of lessons offered through the city community center, or enjoy an annual week long YMCA horse camp." She even joined a 4-H sewing club to earn free passes to the county fair so she could go every day to watch the horses. For the past 25 years of Linda's adult life she has put her heart and soul into making her equestrian dreams come true.

Linda's advice to others is to "find a trainer who understands you and your goals and can provide you with a solid foundation of riding. You cannot rush dressage." Linda found that foundation in Bob Weston of Cross Winds Farm. Bob has been her trainer since 1986. He has been instrumental in helping her compete very successfully from novice to preliminary eventing, and through Fourth level dressage. Linda knew very little about



Linda & KnightHawke schooling cross country. Photo by Casual Creation Photography.

the sports of eventing and dressage, so along with lessons and competitions Bob encouraged her to attend clinics and learn all she could. She has attended eventing clinics with Olympians such as Anne Kursinski, Jimmy Wofford, David O'Connor, and Karen O'Connor. She has also worked with numerous dressage clinicians including Betsy Steiner, Mary Werning, Miguel Tavora, and most recently rode in the

NODA/LEC sponsored Reese Koffler-Stanfield clinic.

Over the years Linda has learned that "dressage is the

foundation of ALL riding. If you have good dressage and flatwork, you and your horse can do just about anything...be patient with yourself and your horse as you work to achieve your riding goals." Linda is taking her time with KnightHawke and slowly moving her up the levels.

Linda has developed KnightHawke from working on a lunge and walk/trot in 2007 to confirmed Second level dressage. While she is looking forward to competing at Third level, Linda feels there is more to accomplish at Second level so she will take the time necessary rather than rush KnightHawke along. Her training program includes ring work, trail riding and galloping, as well as stadium and cross-country jumping. Linda has ridden KnightHawke in a Jimmy Wofford clinic, as KnightHawke is confident schooling over training level eventing courses and has even sailed over a 3'6" coop. Linda is considering Team Penning and they may compete at a mini trial. Along with cross training, she uses sports massage therapy and acupuncture as a part of her total maintenance program. Linda bought KnightHawke as a

resale project, but as they got to know each other better, "her potential and temperament changed my mind." Linda describes KnightHawke as "versatile, intelligent, athletic, and confident." She always greets Linda with a whinny of welcome, sometimes before Linda is even out of her car. Great with children, dogs, and riders gaining confidence, Linda says that KnightHawke is "not marish at all."



Competing at Grand Haven.
Photo by Fran Cverna.

A NODA member since the late 1980's Linda competed very successfully at many recognized eventing and dressage shows and mini trials with her horses from 1986 to 2007. Since buying KnightHawke, she has taken a break from recognized competition "to focus on training, schooling, and playing." Linda competes in the NODA Schooling Show Series Championships because horse and rider teams have to "earn the right to compete, the quality of competition is generally very good. The Championships are run like a recognized show and very well organized." In 2008 Linda and KnightHawke were the NODA Schooling Show Reserve Open Champions at Training level. In 2010 the pair were NODA First Level Reserve Champions, and this year Linda and her mare took the blue ribbon at Second level!

NODA Webmaster Linda Cooley also enjoys ballroom dancing with her husband, Doug. She is active in sports such as tandem bicycling, skiing, and rollerblading, and enjoys genealogy. They have a dog, Hawkeye, and a cat, Pug. Congratulations to the NODA Second Level Champions; Linda Cooley and KnightHawke.

Photos by Mosie Welch









Above left: Debi Smith and Aragorn win show high point and First Level AA Championship Class. Center Left: Rachel Bracker riding Sammy is the First level Junior Champions. Center Right: Three proud winners show off their ribbons after a class. Far right: Loreen Cobb schools Jill Voigt on Faith.









Above left: Ribbons waiting for Championship classes.
Center left: Watching the busy warm-up. Center right: Chagrin Valley
Farms welcomes NODA. Above far right: Clean tack and white show
pads await a blue ribbon ride by Linda O'Keefe.







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Above: The Valley Riding competitors and their support team gather and relax before the show begins.

Right: Rachel Ritter takes a break. before tacking to pose with Chantilly Lace. Below: Michele Vonk and Crusader Creek heading to warm-up.





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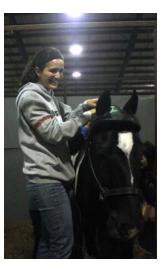




Above left: Deb Winkler and Morante celebrate their Training Level Novice Adult Amateur win with trainer Janeen Langowski –Grava. Center left: Lisa VanNieuwal and Absinthe are Reserve Champions for the First Level AA class. Center Right: Krista Zaharewicz and Fancy Little Rascal before their second level ride. Far right: Competitors drop off their numbers in the box following their last ride of the weekend.







Above left: Lusitano Royale with Kirsten Thomas and trainer Bob Weston after their ride.

Above center: Cindy Gazley aboard Half Moon await their turn to enter to ride the Training Level Novice Adult Amateur Championship.

Above right: Krista Zaharewicz braids Fancy Little Rascal in the temporary stabling at Chagrin Valley Farms.





Above left: Krista Zaharewicz gets congratulations from a very happy supporter after the Second Level awards ceremony. Above right: A horse and rider compete in the Championship at Chagrin Valley Farms

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Above left: Linda Cooley and KnightHawke along with husband Doug and Hawkeye await her second level ride.

Above right: An organized competitor leaves a pretty picture in the temporary stall aisle at Chagrin Valley Farms.



Kirsten Thomas uses a break to visualize her First Level test over







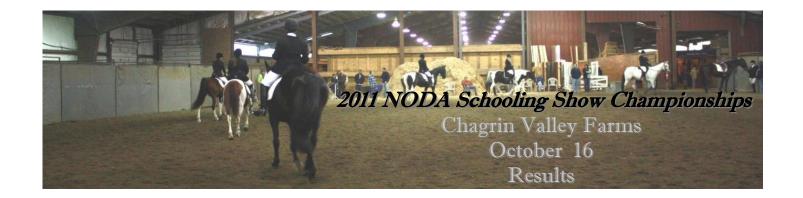
Above left: Midnight's Magic Rebel takes in the busy warm-up ring as competitor Christine Cook allows him to settle a bit. Above center: Stephanie Kiroff and Blue Joko take a break from their warm-up for their Training Level test. Above right: Lauren Ciarrone gracefully steps from the mounting block into the stirrup as she prepares to warm-up Lucky.

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Thanks to all the helping hands that assisted with ring set-ups, changes, carrying stuff, and anything else that needed done.

NODA Thanks Chagrin Valley Farms for graciously hosting our weekend show, October 15 and 16.



High Points:	Adult Amateur Junior	Debi Smith Andrea Avramovic	Arago Sally	rn		69.677% 63.750%
Introductory L	evel Novice Junior Champio	onship		Judge at C	Judge at H	Score %
Champion: Reserve: Third: Fourth:	Andrea Avramovic Meghan Sozio Richard Tyner Casey Hauck	Sally Honey Nut Cheerio Tenacious D Mary Poppins		101 100 89 90	103 88 91 86	63.750 58.750 56.250 55.000
Introductory L	evel Open Junior Champio	nship		Judge at C	Judge at H	Score %
Champion:	Caroline Hahn	Harlequinn Hero		91	101	60.000
Introductory L	evel Open Adult Champion	ship		Judge at C	Judge at H	Score %
Champion: Reserve: Third:	Peggi Ignagni Amy Craig Lauren Ciarrone	MRF Bello di Notte Jessica NHH Lucky		117 107 107	98 107 103	67.188 66.875 65.625
Training Level	Novice Junior Championsh	ip		Judge at C	Judge at H	Score %
Champion: Reserve: Third: Fourth: Fifth: Sixth: Seventh: Eighth:	Sierra Wick Stephanie Kiroff Amanda Ghetto Rachel Ritter Morgan Leitch McKenzie Miavitz Mary Meehan Becky Kirk	Miss Gypsy Blue Joko Two Tall Jiggs Chantilly Lace Snuffy's Ponderosa Serra Gallop Home Oreo Blizzard		161 155 146 146 148 149 136 122	154 153 152 141 136 134 138 127	63.000 61.600 59.600 57.400 56.800 56.600 54.800 49.800
Training Level	Novice Adult Championshi	p		Judge at C	Judge at H	Score %
Champion: Reserve:	Deb Winkler Amanda Kelley	Morante Electra		157 161	166 151	64.600 62.400

Third:	Crissteen Miller	Easy Swinger	164	142	61.200
Fourth:	Jennifer Toth	Murphy	159	144	60.600
Fifth:	Christine Cook	Midnight's Magic Rebel	148	136	56.800
Sixth:	Jill Voight	Faith	145	132	55.400
Seventh:	Michelle Vonk	Crusader Creek	143	131	54.800
Eighth:	Niki Sackman	Mercedes Colortyme	134	135	53.800+
Ninth:	Lauren Ciarrone	Lucky	129	140	53.800
Tenth:	Cindy Gazley	Half Moon	120	121	48.200
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Training Level C	pen Adult Championship		Judge	_	Score
			at C	at H	%
Champion:	Linda O'Keefe	Illuminated Magic	167	148	63.000+
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Reserve:	Patti Cifranic	Willameena	159	156	63.000
Third:	Barb Tuskas	San Andreas	156	154	62.000
Fourth:	Cynthia Hagan	Argostino	145	163	61.600
Fifth:	Kimber Mackenzie	Incandescence	138	148	57.200
First Level Junio	or Championship		Judge	Judge	Score
			at C	at H	%
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Left: Volunteer Ann McClintock handles paddock duties as she talks with a competitor . Above right: Chagrin Valley Farms snack bar is the perfect place to stay warm, watch the rides, and get a bite to eat.







Above left: Taya Workum-Byers gets the ribbons ready .

Above center: Crissteen Miller and Easy Swinger warm up for the Training Level Novice Ride. Above right: Janeen Langowski-Grava helps McKenzie Miavitz braid the forelock on Serra.







Above left: Barb Tuskas and San Andreas await their Training Level Open Adult Amateur Class by the in gate.

Above center: Caroline Hahn and Harlequinn Hero take a moment from grooming for their Championship ride to show off their ribbon from their October 15 ride.

Above left: With the competition in the background, competitors and supporters make good use of the Chagrin Valley Farm viewing room.

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Linda O'Keefe rides Illuminated Magic to the Training Level Open Adult Amateur Championship Blue By Mosie Welch

lluminated Magic, a 14-year-old Jockey Club registered
Thoroughbred, is a 16 hand dark bay mare that goes by the

barn name of Comet. Linda
O'Keefe purchased
Magic when she was a four-year-old from
Just Magic Acres in
Pleasant Plain, OH.
Not yet broke, Magic did know how to lead but that is about all she knew. "It's been quite a journey and a very rewarding one... so the first year was



Linda and trainer Michael Peters enjoying
Magic's neck ribbon! Photo by Mosie Welch

spent in ground work, getting her to listen to my voice and body language," Linda says. Linda followed the Down Under Horsemanship method by Clinton Anderson and "we progresses quite nicely." By the end of the first year Linda had acquainted Comet with tack, and backed her with the assistance of a friend "in case anything got wild...but it went smooth as silk." Linda and Comet walked and trotted that first ride. The voice commands were key, as Linda says that the mare "was so responsive to my voice and encouragement." A decade later, each year bringing its own challenges and rewards, Linda says Comet has taught her a lot. "We may not have always liked each other but we have worked through our differences of opinion and, as in any true relationship, we are better for it."

Linda rode as a child. Her parents bought Linda her first horse when she was nine years old. She remembers, "I guess it was because they got tired of me wishing for one at every birthday as I blew out the candles on my cake. From then on, I was hooked." She belonged to 4-H and showed her quiet paint mare at the Lorain County Fair. After awhile Linda thought she needed more of a challenge "so my mom and dad bought me a Morgan/Arab cross. He was definitely more challenging!" The horses were sold when Linda went to high school, and she did not own another one until she and her husband moved in 1983 to a small property in Wellington, OH. She had planned to participate in three-day eventing and bought a two-year-old Thoroughbred gelding off the track through a local newspaper ad. Her husband thought she was crazy after watching the horse run in a pasture, but Linda thought he was beautiful and she had to buy him. Her gelding is now 29 years old and enjoying his retirement. Linda says, "Unfortunately he and I never reached the goal of eventing, but he sure did teach me a lot."

Linda had her horses at home for quite some time but now boards at Topline Farm in Wakeman, OH, owned and operated by Cindy Scherry. Along with having a nice indoor arena, which is necessary in northeast Ohio, Scherry "is knowledgeable about horses, and I never worry about mine while they are there." Linda believes in love, attention, and turnout, along with a regular training program as her prescription for success. Linda feels strongly that as riders we need to "take time to really get to know your horse and don't be in a hurry to progress until you are both ready. Build a good foundation based on mutual trust and respect. Once that is laid, the rest will begin to fall into place."

Linda has trained with a few different people over the years but she is presently training with Michael Peters, and has been for about three years. Of Peters Linda says, "He is great with my horse and also with me. I think it is important to have a trainer that can relate to both. He holds me to a high standard and brings out the best in my horse and me. He is a trainer who is serious about you learning and being successful but also has a sense of humor." Linda and Comet are schooling Second level movements and planning to show First level in 2012. Along with regular lessons Linda audits clinics and finds watching other riders educational. She lists Christoph Hess, Kate Poulin, and Francesca Nicoletti among those from whom she has learned a lot from watching. Linda also feels that the support of not always "horsey" friends and family who support her passion and offer encouragement when needed have made a difference to her.

Over the last several years Linda and Comet have been active showing both recognized and schooling shows, and Linda is excited to say she and Comet have been in the ribbons in both. The NODA Schooling Shows have been important to Linda to gauge her training program and she says riding in them "brings to fruition all the hard work and training you and your horse have done for the year. It is so rewarding to end the year with an invitation to compete" in the Championships. Linda and Comet have been invited to the Championships for the last three years, winning top honors in Intro level in 2009 and Training level in 2010. Linda was elated to have clinched the blue ribbon for her Training level class in 2011 against stiff competition that came down to a tiebreaker, with the winner determined by the collective marks.

Linda focuses on dressage "because I think it develops a real partnership between horse and rider and there is nothing more beautiful than watching that partnership in action." Linda is hoping to attain that to a better degree as she and Comet continue to grow together. Linda's philosophy is simple: "Set your goals and stay focused on them no matter what happens or what people may say to you. Find yourself a trainer who helps you to reach your goals, but also have fun doing it. It's not about the ribbons although they are nice; it's really about enjoying your horse and becoming a team and if you can do that the rest is icing on the cake. Go out and have fun!" As Linda says, "It's better than seeing a psychiatrist!"

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Important Rules Changes to the Drugs & Medication Rules for Competition Horses Become Effective December 1, 2011

Source: USEF, Administration of NSAIDs

Motivated by its commitment to the welfare of the horse, the USEF Board of Directors voted to amend its Therapeutic Drug Rule and restrict use to a single NSAID beginning December 1, 2011. Both the American Association of Equine Practitioners (AAEP) and the American Veterinary Medical Association (AVMA) supported the rule change, and USEF now joins other organizations including the American Quarter Horse Association (AQHA) and Equine Canada in implementing this important rule change.

Beginning December 1, 2011, only ONE of the seven approved Nonsteroidal Anti-Inflammatory Drugs listed in the USEF Rule GR 410.4 will be permitted to be present in the same plasma or urine sample.

Revisions have been made regarding detection times of some of the therapeutic drugs used on competition horses. Most notably, the detection time for the seven NSAIDs currently approved for use with quantitative restrictions, has been reduced from seven (7) days to three (3) days, when administered according to the dose and time recommendations found on pages 12 – 14 of the 2012 Guidelines for Drugs & Medications.

Emergency Use of Flunixin (Banamine©)

Following the move to allow only one NSAID to be present in the same plasma or urine sample of a horse in competition, and acting on the USEF Veterinary Committee's recommendation, the USEF Board of Directors approved a rule provision allowing for the emergency administration of flunixin (Banamine®) by a veterinarian to treat colic or an ophthalmic emergency. Filing a USEF Medication Report Form is required if an NSAID listed in GR410 (a) through (g), other than flunixin, has been administered to the horse within the three days prior. It will additionally require that the Medication Report Form be signed by the veterinarian who administered the flunixin (Banamine®) and the same medication report should document a 24-hour withdrawal from competition following administration. It is important to note that compliance with this rule is dependent upon the flunixin (Banamine®) being administered by a licensed veterinarian following a physical exam.

Anabolic Steroids Re-Classified as Forbidden Substance

Also effective December 1, 2011, anabolic steroids will be considered a Forbidden Substance under the USEF Therapeutic Rule [insert Rule Reference here]. No anabolic steroid is to be administered to a horse or pony in the time before competition such that it, or any metabolite of it, might be present in the animal, or might be detectable in its blood or urine sample at the time of competition. This means that, if anabolic steroids are administered and/or any surgical implants are removed, the administration and/or procedure occurs sufficiently in advance of competing to ensure these substances are not present in the blood or urine at the time of competition. To comply with this new change, it is important to review HOW LONG DRUGS REMAIN DETECTABLE on page 15 and 16 of the 2012 USEF Drugs & Medications Guidelines.

FEI Banned Substances

The FEI Clean Sport initiative inspired changes to USEF GR 409, which affect the rules governing FEI discipline competition at USEF Licensed Competitions. It is important to carefully review the FEI rules at this link and the FEI Forbidden Substance list at this link: http://www.feicleansport.org/prohibited.html.

Please pay special attention to the FEI listing of **Banned Substances**. While alleged violations of USEF GR 409 will still be heard by the USEF, sanctions potentially imposed for violation could result in assessment of a \$15,000 fine **and** a two-year suspension (consistent with FEI Sanctions).

Be particularly cautious with respect to the use of medicinal preparations, tonics, pastes, and products of any kind (even those labeled "natural," "herbal," or "holistic," as the ingredients and their quantitative analysis are not specifically known. Many contain one or more banned substances under the FEI rules. There are therapeutic exceptions, however, which allow for the use of anti-infectious substances and the anti-ulcer medications ranitidine and omeprazole. It is important to note that these anti-ulcer medications are forbidden in endurance rides governed by AERC.

The new competition year begins December 2011. With all of these important rule changes taking effect, the USEF encourages every exhibitor, trainer, coach, and owner to take the time, prior to competing, to carefully review the Guidelines for How Long Drugs Remain Detectable which can be accessed by Clicking Here or by contacting the USEF D&M Program at 800.633.2472 to request a copy of the **2012 USEF Drugs & Medications Guidelines**.





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Thoughts on Reese Koffler-Stanfield

Photos and Clinic Report by Dee Liebenthal

onight, October 30th, I am inspired and encouraged after spending two days with a ball of energy, enthusiasm, got home from the Reese Koffler-Stanfield two-day clinic at LEC. WOW!! She is terrific. ty this was for our nine

and knowledge. I just What a great opportuniriders (AA, Professionals, and Juniors). This clinic, sponsored by Lake Erie College, NODA, and the Dressage Foundation, was dressage education at its finest and, unfortunately, few of NODA's members took advantage of it. I realize that not a lot of people may have heard much about Reese. After all,



Koffler-Stanfield demonstrating a technique to Regina Sasha on Arabella

she is only 32. But... she has amassed a resume that any rider/trainer/ coach should be envious of.

Reese has earned her USDF Bronze, Silver, and Gold Medals. In 2005



Auditors watching a ride.

she was the youngest candidate to become a USDF Certified Instructor through 4th level, going through a rigorous training and testing program that she emphatically attests to "as very difficult". She came up through the USDF Junior and Young Rider System. She has trained and ridden with many dressage greats in both the US and in Germany, including Conrad Schumacher, Christoph Hess, Scott Hassler, and Steffen Peters, to name only a few. The list of her accomplishments is extensive. With her youth comes so much enthusiastic, positive, and tenacious energy that one can't help but be inspired by watching and listening to her coach. Her experience and training have left her with many, many tools in her tool box which she expertly uses to help riders achieve their goals.

In her coaching sessions at LEC Reese was able to show improvements in the rides from the beginning to the end of each day as well as at the end of the two days. During her clinic sessions, no matter what the level, her emphasis was always on the training scale. She was able to work with riders while explaining to audi-

tors the purpose of the exercise(s) she was using. She continual-

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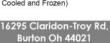
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Koffler-Stanfield instructing Karen Pikovsky on Tagai.

ly demonstrated the importance of the basics of the training scale in order to progress through the levels of competition

The nine riders each received two great clinic rides at reduced cost, plus a nice back pack from Lake Erie College and one of Reese's "Dressage Days Training Calendars." The calendar is full of tips that are based on the individual components of the Training Scale. As an example, January starts the year out with the definition and a training tip for "Rhythm". There is also a place to write in your own annual and monthly goal(s) and your evaluation.

Saturday after the clinic rides, Reese joined the riders and auditors in one of Lake Erie's classrooms, and the day continued with a lecture on the importance of each level of the scale, emphasizing the basics and using examples of each component of the scale. Each clinic participant left with valuable information to help them push forward toward their riding goals. As one rider left her session on Sunday, she said that she had had that "ah ha" moment



Heather Soones-Booher, Bordeaux, and Koffler-Stanfield share a fun moment.

she needed. Riders' comments after the two-day session were positive, and several added that they would love to ride with Reese again.

As I said earlier, I am inspired and couldn't wait to get back to riding my horse so I could use the valuable information gained from auditing the clinic to help me achieve my riding goals. Thank you to Lake Erie College and the Dressage Foundation for their support of NODA's efforts to bring new opportunities for Dressage riders to North East Ohio to teach our members.

Reese Koffler –Stanfield is an international high performance rider, trainer, coach, and clinician. She trains out of the state of the art, full service stable; Maplecrest Farms in Lexington Kentucky. Find out more about Koffler-Stanfield and the services offered by Maplecrest Farms by visiting www.maplecrestfarmky.com

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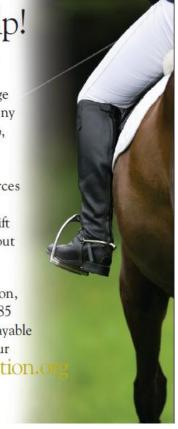
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NODA members Clara Etzel, Jenny Harding, and Noel Williams have been selected to attend the USDF/USEF Young Rider Graduate Program, which will take place January 14 and 15, 2012 in West Palm Beach, FL. According to the USDF, the program is an educational program for Young Adult equestrians (without horses) at the Crowne Plaza Hotel in West Palm Beach. It specifically targets 20 - 28 year olds transitioning from Young Rider to USDF Adult status. It is designed to develop leadership qualities as well as aid in the transition into the world of international competition, teaching, training, and business management.

Each participant must complete an application and be a current USDF PM, Youth PM or GM member. Participants must exhibit competence in the saddle at a minimum of USDF Third Level. The essay component of the application consists of five questions covering topics such as the applicant's short and long-term goals, and the applicant's involvement in their local dressage community including volunteer work, teaching, and training. The Young Rider Graduate Program will include presentations on sponsorship, fundraising, training, and grant opportunities. There are also programs on management of the high performance horse, legal issues, ethics, business management, goal setting, and leadership over the course of two days. This is an opportunity to networking with new people in the national and international dressage community.

The fees the participants pay for the program include all educational sessions, lodging, meals, and a reception with Christoph Hess at the conclusion of the program. Key USDF and USEF personnel will discuss the roles that both organizations will play in participants' future professional lives. Speakers will include Christoph Hess, Kathy Connelly, Lauren Sammis, Katherine Bateson-Chandler, Michael Barisone and more.

Additional funding support for the USDF/USEF Young Rider Graduate program is generously provided by The Dressage Foundation. For more information on the USDF/USEF Young Rider Graduate Program you may go to http://www.usdf.org:80/education/other-programs/yr-graduate/index.asp

Congratulations Clara, Jenny, and Noel for your selection to attend!



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NODA Board Meeting Minutes - October 10, 2011

Meeting Location: Panera Bread in Solon

Attendance: Carol Cassano, Linda Cooley, Fran Cverna, Marcia Doyle, Mary Lou Gallagher, Lisa Gorretta, Mary Jo Keptner, Jennifer Kick, Kathy Kirchner, Dale Lappert, Dee Liebenthal, Berni Moauro, Gail Patton, Mary Dana Prescott, Krista Warnick, Elizabeth Bross (by phone)

Call to Order: Dee Liebenthal, President, called the meeting to order at 7:07 PM.

Minutes: The minutes were approved as written.

Treasurer's Report: Jennifer Kick

- Checking account=\$17,897.81; Savings account=\$5010.95.
- This year's recognized show brought in approximately \$6200 profit.

Membership Report: Fran Cverna

- Total membership is 309 including 53 Jr/YR and 58 Professionals.
- Discussion on the revised membership form. Dale Lappert moved we use this form for this year, Kathy Kirchner seconded and the motion passed.
- Discussion on the contest for free membership.
- Fran moved that the club spend up to \$195 for Excel to create and mail membership form postcards. Mary Dana Prescott seconded and the motion passed.

Education Report: Marcia Doyle and Berni Moauro

- The recent Open Meeting was attended by only 10 members. Discussion on how to improve the open meetings.
- Reese Koffler-Stanfield Clinic. There will be 9 riders of various levels. Few auditors have registered yet.

Newsletter Report: Elizabeth Bross on Dee's speaker phone

- New format seems to be liked by those who have looked at it. It would be placed on the website in addition to the PDF one we've had. Fran Cverna moved to try the new format for 6 months. Jennifer Kick seconded and the motion passed.
- The new membership form will be placed in the Nov. edition.

Parliamentarian Report: Dale Lappert

The ballot has been sent to the printer for a quote.
 They must be sent back postmarked by Nov. 10, so they need to be mailed out next week. Lisa Gorretta moved that we mail out the ballots at whatever cost so they can be mailed out as soon as possible, Carol Cassano seconded and the motion passed.

Recognized Show Report: Robyn Ambrose by email and Mary Lou Gallagher

- Robyn has hired the 2012 officials: Judges Joan Humphrey, Lois Yukins and Lisa Hyslop with Cleon Wingard as TD. She was also able to secure three out of our four officials for 2013 including Debbie Riehl-Rodriguez, Dolly Hannon and Carolyn Borgert as the TD.
- Dee explained that the purpose of the proposed endowment fund is to give a place for members to give money to be used for scholarships for Juniors and Adult Amateurs. Lisa's sister is willing to help us with it. A committee is needed to explore the idea.

Schooling Shows Report: Krista Warnick

- The May schooling show may be changed to Stoney Ridge.
- Discussion on championship show judges' accommodations and transportation.
- Gail Patton still has a few volunteer jobs to fill for next weekend.

Banquet Report: Carol Cassano

- Volunteers are needed for the registration table.
- Hoping to have about 140 people. Invitations will be going out soon.
- Trophies are due back.
- Discussion on raffles.

Awards Report: Dee for Janeen Langowski-Grava

 A question from last year- Does the horse owner of a recognized show award have to be a member? The answer is yes. For unrecognized shows they don't have to be a member.

External Relations Report: Lisa Gorretta

- Our region has lost some smaller GMOs and therefore some delegates.
- USEF rule changes are on the website.
- Discussion of proposed rule changes.

Professional Liaison Report: Mary Dana Prescott

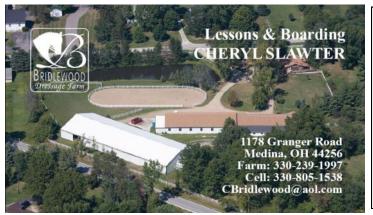
 Dee noted that Clara Etzel has written two articles for the newsletter about her experience for which she was given a NODA grant.

Old Business:

• The future of the video program needs to be discussed.

New Business: Tabled due to lack of time (Panera's closing)

Adjournment: Linda Cooley moved to adjourn, Carol Cassano seconded and the motion passed. The meeting was adjourned at 8:52PM. The next meeting will be held at 7:00PM on Monday, November 14, 2011 at Panera Bread in Solon.





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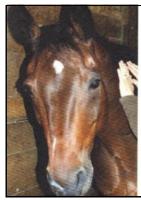


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