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A Valley Riding competitor well turned out for the 2011 NODA Schooling Show Championships. Photo by Mosie Welch

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Dee Liebenthal and Rens

ear NODA Members, I am going to start this letter out by saying how excited I was to get a response to my letter in last month's NODA News, where I asked for input from NODA members. The letter was posted on facebook by our webmaster and that's where it was read by one of NODA's professionals. The response was informative and contained good suggestions for NODA. Information of this sort really will help us make decisions that line up with what members want to see. I hope that more members will feel free to write and let us know what they want NODA to be for them. You can write to me at president@nodarider.org or to Kathy Kirchner, our Member Liaison, at MemberRep@nodarider.org.

I spent the weekend of May 18th through 20th listening to Charles de Kunffy give riders and auditors words of wisdom. He never ceases to amaze me. The rider and horse levels were varied but the lesson to all remained consistent: "The theory of riding has to be in your head before it can be in your body." A rider must understand the movement to be able to effectively ride **in** the horse, in the

Greetings from the President

horizontal flow of the horse. His lecture Friday evening stressed the fact that the horizontal movement of the horse is in opposition to the vertical rider "on the horse". The rider must be in the movement of the horse, in the horizontal flow of the horse.

Charles also talked about the triangular conversation among the rider, horse, and coach. It was a new way for me to look at the information that flows to and from all three participants in a lesson. When I stopped to think about it, I realized there were many times when my horse was discussing with my coach a particularly hard time I might be experiencing learning or perfecting a movement. It's good to know that when I don't remember the language, my coach does and can pass information from my horse back to me.

The three days Charles was here this past weekend was not a NODA event, but it is an example of a local barn bringing in an out of town "name," and it was advertised on the NODA calendar, with auditors welcome. A clinic of this sort is primarily focused on teaching the rider, not teaching to the auditors. However, that being said, many, such as Charles, Christoph Hess, and others who give clinics in our area are delivering the same consistent message, which is based on the same Classical background. Listening to the lessons you can get more of the theory in your head so it can then be applied to your body when riding your horse. The more I learn and see, the more it is so clear to me that this is a lifelong journey for

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everyone. If you have started on this lifelong journey, I hope you are committed to being the best rider you can be, not just for you but for the welfare of the horse, our beloved partners in the journey.

By the time you read this newsletter you should have received a letter and sponsorship/advertising form requesting that you sponsor a class or place an ad in the program for our Recognized Shows. We are offering enhanced advertising benefits along with class sponsorship opportunities. If you have a business, this is a perfect opportunity for you to draw attention to it. It doesn't have to be horse related, as all your fellow equestrians buy auto insurance, eat in restaurants, and shop for the other necessities of life. I know it is hard to believe but I have actually seen equestrians at the movies and in Heinen's! Please take the time to read the letter, and then fill out the form and return it with your check.

Another suggestion would be to ask your farrier or vet or a local retailer for an ad. What about that friend that owns or manages a business? Perhaps that might be an opportunity for an advertisement or class sponsorship. You can find additional forms in the Newsletter or on the website. <u>I challenge you to</u> <u>solicit one ad</u>.

Don't forget to sign up to audit the Region 2 Lilo

Fore Clinic. It's just four weeks away. I am excited about it and I hope you are too. We have heard wonderful comments coming from these clinics that have already taken place in other UDSF regions. You shouldn't miss this wonderful opportunity to learn from one of dressage's finest. While this clinic will have riders who will be coached by Lilo, it is designed to help educate the largest number of people possible, and the auditors are the primary audience. You will more than get your money's worth if you audit.

The first NODA/Grand Haven combined Schooling Show of the season was a big success. I am sure that attendance was helped by the early spring which gave many an early start in their preparation. The weather at the show couldn't have been better, and we had such a good turnout in entries that we added a Judge and a ring. Let us know your thoughts and

suggestions on this combined schooling show with Grand Haven.

We are still looking for a <u>volunteer(s) to help out</u> <u>with Sponsorships and Ads</u>. I am a little disappointed that we have not yet gotten one single inquiry for this open position. Perhaps someone out there really wants to do this but needs more information. Don't be shy, email me, <u>president@nodarider.org</u>.

We also need a couple of people for the Banquet

committee. Contact the Chair, Carol Cassano, at banquet@nodarider.org. Planning will begin in a month or so and we would love to have you on the committee. It's a fun position, and one that has a beginning and an end. Under Carol's direction no one is over burdened and it culminates in our fabulous Year End Awards Banquet event in November. This is a good way to get involved without an enormous time commitment.

Monthly reminders:

- Sign up to audit the Lilo Fore Region 2 Clinic June 30th and July 1st.
- Sponsor a class or solicit an ad in the Recognized Shows Program.
- You must renew your membership before you earn scores for year end awards.
- Do not wait until the last minute to earn your NODA bucks for year end awards.
- NODA bucks for year end awards must be earned in the current competition year.
- Time-strapped professionals -- coerce your students into volunteering for you.

Happy Summer!!

Dee Liebenthal President



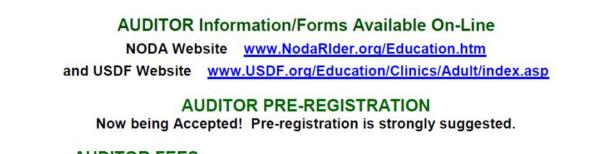




June 30 & July 1, 2012

Proudly hosted by NODA & Lake Erie College at the Lake Erie College Equestrian Center

This clinic will be open to eight riding participants, ages 22 and older, demonstrating various skill levels and riding backgrounds. Auditors of all ages and riding levels are encouraged to attend. Each clinic will offer a lecture, which will be open to all mounted participants and registered auditors, and will include a notebook. The lessons have a symposium style format, with explanations to the audience and Q&A time available.



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VOLUNTEERS NEEDED! Volunteers are eligible for savings on clinic auditing fees! If you want to volunteer, contact Berni Moauro <u>BEFORE</u> you send in your Auditor Form, by e-mail <u>Berni-edu@nodarider.org</u> or by phone (216) 389-2743.

Thank you! Berni Moauro & Marcia Doyle, NODA Education Committee

No One Has Won A Gold Medal In Equestrian Sports Without Their Horse By George Williams

s we gear up for a summer of shows, I have a few thoughts about competing:

The one thing I have learned from years of showing is that it really is all about the journey. Our successes depend upon our training, preparation and a lot of luck. Most importantly though we have to remember the obvious, we can't do our sport without horses. Our horses are our partners and we want our time together to be a mutually beneficial experience.

What seems to me to be a zillion years ago when I was young and people talked of a "real horseman;" they spoke with true

admiration. They made it sound like such a desirable quality that even at a young age I wanted to try to reach their ranks. Looking back on my early years, I have to say Pony Club was a good first step for the basic training. The beauty of it is being a "real horseman" has nothing to with whether one is an amateur or professional. It is a worthy dream open to all who love horses. In my opinion it should be the goal of all who ride horses.

Now that the summer competition season is approaching and there seems to be a little buzz in the air, it is a good time to reflect on why we do what we do. No matter what level one is showing - at schooling shows or USEF licensed and USDF recognized competitions - most of us look forward to seeing how we might have improved over the winter. Although to be brutally honest, we probably all also feel some trepidation about finding out how the others might have improved as well. There is no doubt that competitiveness is a main element of competition.



George Williams and Horizon, owned by Betsy Juliano, at the Markel/USEF National Young Horse Dressage Championships. Photo by Chuck Swan

When I was in my late teens riding in Germany with Egon von Neindorff, it was pointed out to me that one of the dangers of competition is believing our own results and thinking either we're good enough or even worse, better than we are. We can not lose sight of the fact that our main goal should be to improve our riding skills. This includes our ability to communicate with our horses and bring the most out of them in a manner that is harmonious and compatible with their temperament and ability. It also should reflect our desire to improve our own performance and create the feeling of being one with the horse. In other words the qualities needed to be a "real horseman."

The pluses of competing, especially when handled with the right attitude, far out weigh the negatives. Competitions do serve as an independent check of the quality and progress of our training. They provide us with incentives by allowing us to have measurable goals, such as obtaining a certain score or qualifying for GMO, Regional or National Championships. Perhaps earning "rider recognition" awards or even a year end award from a GMO, Breed association, USDF and/or USEF. However, keep in mind that in order to approach competing in a manner which is rewarding, it is important to set realistic goals.

A tremendous sense of accomplishment can come from the smallest of improvements in a mark, percentage or comments. Whatever your goal is; if it motivates you to be a better horseman and gives you joy, then it is a worthy goal and for that you should receive a score of "10."

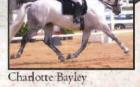
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especially the volunteers. Although competitions can provide them with other opportunities, dealing with unappreciative competitors should not be one of them. Their reward should be a positive experience. For the scribes, the insights that can be gained are immensely educational. For others, the feeling of being in the heart of it as a warm up steward or gate keeper is rewarding. If you're not able to compete this year but plan to next year, you may want to volunteer for what I refer to as selfish reasons: so the shows will be there when you're ready to compete.

I wish you the best of luck this season and hope to see you riding, volunteering, or just cheering your friends on at one of the shows! George Williams, along with wife Roberta and daughter Noel, owns and manages Williams Dressage, LLC; a training program known for its quiet, classical teaching style and integrity. The Williams' offer students a drama and stress free environment in which to train and enjoy their horses. With a long list of accomplishments, George is a USET member and the current President of the USDF.

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Dressage Equitation Classes for Adult Amateurs and Youth An open letter from NODA's Professional Liaison, Mary Dana Prescott

Attention Adult Amateur and Junior Riders - \$10 Voucher Available for riding in and winning Dressage Equitation classes!

It behooves all Adult Amateur and Junior riders who are NODA members to enter the Dressage Equitation classes in both recognized and schooling shows when they are offered. This will help you "fine-tune" your riding skills, including your seat, position, and correct use of aids for different movements, and develop a feel of your horse and what is happening under you. All these things will immensely help your horse execute movements and gaits with much more quality, while you are maintaining a correct position and regularity of the gaits. Only then will the horse be clear in his understanding of your directions to him and be able to achieve better and more accurate quality in his test. This should inevitably bring your scores up, too. Talk to your instructors and trainers to get help with this.

The big news is that NODA is offering \$10 vouchers for winners of Dressage Equitation classes which can be applied towards entries for another show.

Happy showing!

Mary Dana Prescott

USEF/USDF Dressage Seat Medal Program for Youth

The purpose of the Dressage Seat Medal ("DSM") Program is to promote and reward correct seat, position and use of aids in dressage for Junior riders.

USDF will administrate the qualifying system and the Semi-Finals of USEF/USDF DSM program. It is our intent to grow participation nation-wide, both in the number of competitions offering the classes and in the number of riders competing in these classes; while at the same time, creating an effective and efficient method of qualifying for the USDF DSM Semi -Finals.

In an effort to do so, USDF is making it simple to ride and qualify for both the competitor and competition management. USDF will record results of all dressage seat equitation classes held at all USEF licensed/USDF recognized Dressage Competitions, but not all classes are eligible to be counted for qualifying purposes. Any dressage seat equitation class held at a USEF licensed/ USDF recognized Dressage Competition during the qualifying period may be used for qualifying for that year's USDF DSM Semi-Finals, with the exception of classes restricted by criteria other

than normal dressage rider categories of open, junior, or junior/young rider. Management will not have to collect any qualifying fees; only submit the results of each class in the same manner as the rest of the results.

What do you need to compete in a Dressage Seat Equitation Class?

The minimum requirements for rider/owner and horse are as follows:

- Rider must be a USDF Group or Participating Member at the time of the qualifying ride.
- Owner must meet minimum competition eligibility requirements.
- The horse must have either a USDF Horse Identification Number (HID) or a USDF Lifetime Horse Registration (LHR) at the time of the qualifying ride and at the time of the USDF DSM Semi-Finals.
- Borrowed horses are permitted.
- If a rider competes in the USDF DSM Semi-Final competition, a Participating Membership will be required: no USDF memberships for owner or

horse beyond minimum competition requirements.

- Refer to the USEF Rule Book for all rules regarding USEF Licensed competitions.
- Refer to USEF DR133 for complete specifications of the USDF/USEF DSM program.

There are two age divisions in the USDF DSM Semi-Finals: 13 & under and 14-18. A rider is eligible for the 13 and under Semi-Final class until the end of the calendar year in which he/she reaches the age of 13. A rider is eligible for the 14 through 18 Semi-Final class from the beginning of the calendar year in which he/she reaches 14 until the end of the calendar year in which he/she reaches the age of 18 (DR 133.2 (f)).

How do I qualify for the USDF Dressage Seat Medal Semi-Finals?

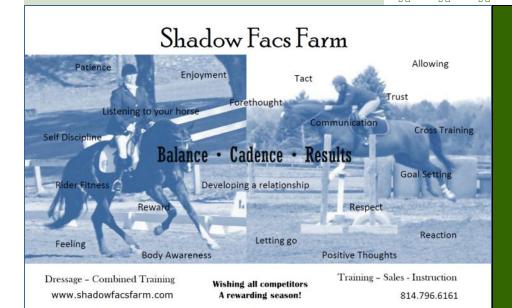
You can find information about how to qualify for the Dressage Seat Equitation Program by going to

www.usef.org/ IFrames/breedsdisciplines/discipline/ alldressage/dressageSeatEq.aspx Or

www.usdf.org/docs/ShowFlash/web/GeneralInfo/ Before/DressageSeatEquitationGuidelines.pdf

Looking forward to seeing NODA members in the Dressage Seat Equitation Classes and the Dressage Seat Equitation finals!





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Northern Ohio Dressage Association



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July 21, 2012 & July 22. 2012

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The Equine Mouth by Dr. Sandra Gebhart, DVM and Dr. Nicole Naso, DVM

he Veterinarians of Willow Creek Veterinary Service created this article to help horse owners understand the anatomy and physiology of the equine mouth. By understanding the importance of the horses' mouth, we can improve our care of their dentition creating a more comfortable horse that is more feed efficient and eliminate behavioral and performance problems associated with dental abnormalities.

Normal adult horses have 36-44 teeth, which replace the 24 baby teeth. Adults have 12 incisors; 6 upper and 6 lower, and 24 pre-molars and molars; 12 upper and 12 lower which are often referred to as the cheek A great question we hear a lot in our practice is "why teeth. Male horses have upper and lower canine teeth that erupt between the incisors and cheek teeth. Mares are less likely to have canine teeth, but occasionally have small, less developed ones. Some horses will have additional premolars that erupt just in front of the first large cheek tooth anywhere between 6 and 18 months of age, known as wolf teeth. Wolf teeth are adult teeth that serve no useful purpose. While the cheek teeth are very large and have deep roots making them very stable, wolf teeth are significantly smaller and have very short roots. If present, wolf teeth are located where the bit rests, and they can be a source of discomfort as they come into contact with the bit. Horses can have up to 4 wolf teeth, but it is most common to find 2 uppers if any at all. It is recommended that wolf teeth be removed prior to starting a young horse in training to eliminate oral discomfort as a cause of behavioral issues when bitted.

The horse's mouth is ever changing; the deciduous (baby) teeth erupt and are lost within the first 5 years of life and are replaced by the permanent teeth. The shape and alignment of the horses' teeth change over time as the horse ages. This gradual shift is different in every horse and is impacted by the angle of eruption, the type of feed ingested, the environment, including time spent on pasture, and the forces of mastication (chewing). Horses have continuously erupting teeth that that are slowly worn down over time. As a horse becomes geriatric, tooth loss is

common because the entire length of the tooth has erupted and the root is exposed and then lost. Incisors are used for cutting or shearing of forage (picking up bites of hay, grasping and cutting grass). Incisors should line up symmetrically and level. Pre molars and molars are used for grinding the feed before swallowing. The upper jaw (maxilla) is anatomically wider than the lower jaw (mandible). This difference in alignment leads to the formation of sharp enamel points that do not get worn down on the outside of the upper teeth and inside of the lower teeth.

does my horse need dental floating so often, when

wild horses have no dental care?" To answer that question it is necessary to compare the environment and activities of the wild and domestic horse. Wild horses spend up to 18 hours a day grazing and grinding rough forages. This causes a lot more even and consistent wear on their teeth, unlike most domestic horses that are stabled and fed a few times a day with much of that being grain or cut and dried forage. The other major factor is natural selection. When horses in the wild reproduce, it is



Dr. Gebhart floats a horse's teeth following a dental exam. Photo courtesy of Willow Creek Veterinary Service

generally the strongest and healthiest individuals that do so. Domestic horses are bred for other gualities such as temperament, beauty, and athletic potential. These qualities make for great pets and athletes, but

often leave them needing additional support from their owners to keep them healthy. This is why routine dental exams and floating are so important in maintaining your horse's overall health.

Oral exams should be an essential part of an annual physical examination by a veterinarian. Every dental



This horse has an under bite which can cause problems when chewing food and discomfort with a bit in the mouth. Photo courtesy of Willow Creek Veterinary Service

exam provides the opportunity to perform routine preventative dental maintenance. Mature horses should get a thorough dental exam at least once a year, and horses 2 –5 years old should be examined twice yearly. During the exam; sedation and a full mouth speculum is often required to visualize the entire oral cavity. The mouth is evaluated for symmetry and function and all areas are assessed for abnormalities, including; ulcers, masses, foreign bodies, periodontal disease, swellings, scarring, and tooth number and morphology.

It is important to catch dental problems early. If a horse starts behaving abnormally, dental problems should be considered as a potential cause. Waiting too long may increase the difficulty of remedying certain conditions or may even make remedy impossible. Look for the following indicators of dental problems from the American Association of Equine Practitioners (AAEP) to know when to seek veterinary attention for your horse:

1. Loss of feed from mouth while eating, difficulty with chewing, or excessive salivation.

2. Loss of body condition.

3. Large or undigested feed particles (long stems or whole grain) in manure.

4. Head tilting or tossing, bit chewing, tongue lolling, fighting the bit, or resisting bridling.

5. Poor performance, such as lugging on the bridle, failing to turn or stop, even bucking.

6. Foul odor from mouth or nostrils, or traces of blood from the mouth.

7. Nasal discharge or swelling of the face, jaw or mouth tissues.

The anatomy of the equine mouth coupled with the natural physiology provides the basis on which our dental exam is based. Understanding the dentition and taking preventative measures can elevate performance, lengthen the horse's lifespan, provide comfort and improve overall quality of life. We encourage you to seek expert veterinary care when it comes to your horse's dental health. Modern equine dentistry is creating a healthier population of horses that are living longer than ever before.

Dr. Sandra Gebhart and Dr. Nicole Naso provide individualized attention and care for all of your four-legged creatures in the comfort of your home or barn and at their office in Medina.

Dr. Sandra Gebhart, a graduate of The Ohio State University's College of Veterinary Medicine, has been practicing in the Medina area for 8 years. From Hinckley, she was an active member in Bath Pony Club and 4-H. Dr. Gebhart is an instructor with Stautzenberger College's Vet Tech program, and provides surgical services for One of a Kind Pets and Angels for Animals. Her veterinary interests include reproductive and neonatal care, surgery, general and emergency medicine. Willow Creek Farm is home to Sandra, her husband Brett, and children; Greg, Suzy, and Kaitlyn as well as all of the four-legged family members. When not working Dr. Gebhart enjoys family, cooking, and riding.

Dr. Nicole Naso is also a graduate of The Ohio State University's College of Veterinary Medicine. She lives at Willow Creek Farm with her husband Chuck, daughter Elli, 2 dogs and 1 cat. Involved with horses since her early childhood in Olmsted Falls, Dr. Naso was involved in Pony Club and showing hunter/jumpers. Her professional interests include equine and small animal dentistry, surgery, lameness, wellness and preventative care. She truly enjoys the opportunity to get to know her clients and help them. Dr. Naso also provides surgical services to Quick Fix, One of a Kind Pets and Angels for Animals. She enjoys time spent with her extended family, camping, and traveling in her off time.

The Doctors of Willow Creek Veterinary Service can be reached at 330-410-4899.

NODA & Grand Haven Stable Combined Schooling Show Results May 12, 2012

Intro/A AA (C) White

mu	U/A AA (C) White		
1	Deborah Klemencic	FM Kaswyn	63.125%
2	Lori Butt	Born A Two Timmer	57.813%
3	Janet Yosay	Dillon	55.938%
4	Colleen Welder	Owen	55.938%
Intr	o /A Jr/Yg (C) White		
1	Richard Tyner	Tenacious D	60.938%
Intr	o/B AA (C) Williams		
1	Deborah Klemencic	FM Kaswyn	71.563%
2	Janet Yosay	Dillon	60.625%
3	Colleen Welder	Owen	58.438%
4	Kathi Agens	Oliver Woodman	56.250%
5	Sally Grittie	Breezy	45.000%
Intr	o/B Jr/Yg (C) William	S	
1	Richard Tyner	Tenacious D	66.250%
2	Sydney Koenig	Brandee Artandra	65.625%
3	Ashton Yarosh	Hot Java	64.688%
4	Haylee Williams	Mollahala	56.250%
Intr	o /B Open (C) William	S	
1	Amy Craig	Jessica NHH	68.125%
2	Lauren Ciarrone	Sunday	67.813%
3	Chelsea Nau	CSF Classic Harley	66.875%
4	Chelsea Nau	Hershey	65.000%
5	Anne McClintock	Ghizmo	65.000%
Intr	o/C AA (C) Williams		

Intro/C AA (C) Williams

Schooling Show Prize List **Rule 8 Clarification**

Currently, page 7, rule 8, and Championship Rule page 13, rule 8, say riders must be in different divisions and horse must be in consecutive levels which makes it sound like the horse cannot be ridden in the SAME level.

The Board clarified rule 8 as follows: Rule 8 page 7, and Rule 8 page 13 are amended to say: Horses may compete with multiple riders in the same or consecutive levels only. (Riders must enter different classes or be in different divisions.)

As an example: "Horse can show and qualify with rider A in Intro Novice Junior AND with rider B in Intro Open Amateur."

1	Kathi Agens	Oliver Woodman	44.000%
Intr	o/C Jr/Yg (C) White		
1	Sydney Koenig	Brandee Artandra	66.750%
2		Hot Java	54.000%
Intr	o/C Open (C) White		
1	Janeen Langowski-Gr	ava Davina Caeli	66.250%
2	Chelsea Nau	CSF Classic Harley	65.500%
3	Chelsea Nau	Hershey	62.750%
4	Lauren Ciarrone	Sunday	62.250%
5	Linda Grose	His Majesty's Adagio	61.000%
6	Amy Craig	Jessica NHH	60.500%
U	Anne McClintock	Ghizmo	55.000%
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1	ining/1 AA (C) Knight Casey Palko	Opening Word	73.958%
2	Jessica Meredith	Dance Fevor	70.833%
2	Amy Craig	Jessica NHH	70.833%
5 4	Deborah Macomber	Kee Lime	68.750%
4 5	Lauren Ciarrone		67.917%
6	Laura Mikula	Sunday	66.458%
0		Nova Secret Avenger	
	Trisha Knight Susan Baker	Sorry Charlie Artemis	64.792%
			62.917%
	Peggy McAnlis Lisa Cardinale	AJ Zania Fangy Superstar	59.583% 56.667%
Trai	ining/1 Jr/Yg (C) Whit	Zan's Fancy Superstar	50.007%
1	Sydney Koenig	e Brandee Artandra	60.833%
2	Evelyn Tyner	Hall of Fame	57.917%
2	Chelsie Crate	My Happy Gilmore	57.500%
4	Kim Shepard	Casey's Artful Treasure	52.292%
5	Amber Sherman	Poco Blue Skylar Quest	47.292%
-	ining/1 Open (C) Knig	-	47.25270
1	Crissteen Miller	Easy Swinger	76.667%
2	Linda Grose	His Majesty's Adagio	70.007%
2	Linua Grose	Fascination Starr	70.833%
5 4		Siemper-Fidelis AKB	70.835%
4 5	Wendy Gruskiewicz Mary McKeon	Excimer	68.542%
6	Janeen Langowski-Gr		66.875%
0	Nancy Spiker	Koskoier	66.250%
	Sheri Israel	Phases and Stages	66.042%
	Carrie McCausland	Whitman	65.417%
	Gail Patton	Summer Breeze	61.667%
Trai	ining/2 AA (C) William	15	
1	Jessica Meredith	Dance Fevor	66.964%
2	Laura Mikula	Nova Secret Avenger	65.893%
3		R Yohan SLF	65.893%
4	Susan Baker	Artemis	64.643%
5	Trisha Knight	Sorry Charlie	64.464%
6	Deborah Macomber		63.036%
0	Lisa Cardinale	Zan's Fancy Superstar	55.893%
	Casey Palko	Opening Word	52.321%
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	ining/2 Jr/Yg (C) Willia		66 7969/
1	Grace Kellner	Mr. Peanut	66.786%
2	Evelyn Tyner	Hall of Fame	62.857%

Casey's Artful Treasure 62.500%

3 Kim Shepard

4	Chalcia Crata	Mullannu Cilmara	45 71 40/
4	Chelsie Crate	My Happy Gilmore	45.714%
	ining/2 Open (C) Whit		64.0040/
1	Shannon O'Hara	Balthazar CW	64.821%
2	Nancy Spiker Deb Winkler	Koskoier Moranta'	64.821%
3 4	Jacqueline Berger	Morante' Terroso	64.286% 63.393%
4 5	Crissteen Miller	Easy Swinger	62.857%
6	Sheri Israel	Phases and Stages	61.071%
U	Carrie McCausland	Whitman	60.179%
	Gail Patton	Summer Breeze	59.643%
	Karen Pikovsky	Dustproof	58.929%
Trai	ining/3 AA (C) White		
1	Cindy Poulson	Regalia	64.000%
2	Amanda Kelley	Electra	60.000%
3	Mary McKeon	Excimer	59.200%
4	, Stacy Guerra	R Yohan SLF	57.000%
5	Wendy Stabile	Mariah	56.600%
6	Peggy McAnlis	AJ	54.400%
Trai	ining/3 Jr/Yg (C) Knig	ht	
1	McKenzie Miavitz	Fabian	70.400%
2	Gracie Hall	Cookie Dough My Romeo	67.200%
3	Grace Kellner	Mr. Peanut	62.600%
4	Amber Sherman	Poco Blue Skylar Quest	46.000%
Trai	ining/3 Open (C) Knig	ht	
1	Shannon O'Hara	Balthazar CW	71.400%
2	Wendy Gruskiewicz	Siemper-Fidelis AKB	69.000%
3	Jacqueline Schafer	My Country Cowboy	67.000%
4	Jacqueline Berger	Terroso	66.400%
5	Deb Winkler	Morante'	66.000%
6	Karen Pikovsky	Taigi	65.000%
	Karen Pikovsky	Dustproof	64.400%
	Lauren Tisdale	Fascination Starr	64.000%
	Tracey Fronk	JC Ivy League	63.400%
	Ricki Bunkin	Dodi Ben Krushan	62.200%
Firs	t/1 AA (C) Williams		
1	Crissteen Miller	Easy Swinger	66.207%
2	Cindy Poulson	Regalia	63.793%
3	Tracey Fronk	JC Ivy League	62.931%
4	Amanda Kelley	Electra	60.862%
5	Ricki Bunkin	Dodi Ben Krushan	60.517%
		r Scheduling) (C) Knight	
1	Lisa VanNieuwal	Absinthe	64.655%
2	Christine Cook	Midnight's Magic Rebel	63.621%
3	Melissa Borror	Bootscootin Samor	63.448%
4 5	Jessica Knautz Chelsea Loub	Savannah Star	62.759%
-		Free Indeed	60.862%
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1	McKenzie Miavitz	Fabian Mr. Boaput	62.759%
2 3	Grace Kellner	Mr. Peanut	62.069%
_	Gracie Hall	Cookie Dough My Romeo	57.759%
	t/1 Open (C) White	Fuer Area 1	
1	Ron Kohlhoff	Free Agent	67.759%
2	Michael Peters	Illuminated Magic	62.759%
3 4	Jan Sharp Karen Pikovsky	Darker N Bey Taigi	62.586% 57.759%
	-	Taigi	51.15970
Firs	t/2 AA (C) Williams		

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1	Rhianna Hillyer	Vasha	67.432%
2	Chelsea Loub	Free Indeed	58.649%
3	Melissa Borror	Bootscootin Samor	58.243%
4	Wendy Stabile	Mariah	57.703%
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	t/2 Open (C) Williams		CE 0440/
1	Ron Kohlhoff	Free Agent	65.811%
2	Michael Peters	Illuminated Magic	64.730%
3	Wendy Gruskiewicz	WMF Premier Adventure++/	62.838%
4	Shannon O'Hara	Royal	61.486%
5	Karen Pikovsky	Taigi	58.784%
Firs	t/3 AA (C) Knight		
1	Rhianna Hillyer	Vasha	70.645%
2	Lisa VanNieuwal	Absinthe	67.097%
3	Christine Cook	Midnight's Magic Rebel	65.323%
4	Jessica Knautz	Savannah Star	59.516%
5	Chelsea Loub	Free Indeed	55.645%
Firs	t/3 Open (C) White		
1	Wendy Gruskiewicz	WMF Premier Adventure++/	59.516%
Sec	ond/1 AA (C) Knight		
1	Debra Smith	Aragorn	68.286%
2	Renee Sliviak	Isaiah	59.714%
3	Gail Patton	Frivolous Pursuit	50.857%
Sec	ond/2 AA C) White		
1	Renee Sliviak	Isaiah	53.289%
2	Gail Patton	Frivolous Pursuit	52.237%
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	ond/2 AA HC (C) Whi		
Julie	Weitzel	Speak Up Charlie	SCRATCH

Second/2 Open (C) Knight

2012 NODA Schooling Show Series					
June 23 (SATURDAY) Stoney Ridge Stables Wadsworth July 8 (SUNDAY) Grand Haven Stable	September 2 (SUNDAY) Rocky River Stables Rocky River October 13 (SATURDAY) Chagrin Valley Farms Bainbridge				
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Chris Goodall, Schooling Show Chair schoolingshow@nodarider.org Taya Workum-Byers, Show Secretary ss-secretary@nodarider.org					

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1 2		Quick Lee Broadway	70.132% 66.842%
Sec	ond/3 AA (C) White		
1	Debra Smith	Aragorn	58.571%
Sec	ond/3 Open (C) Willia	ms	
1	Nancy Lewis-Stanton	Quick Lee	63.810%
Thi	r d/1 Open (C) White		
1	Ron Kohlhoff	North Sea Brent	58.947%
2	Laura Viola	Lady Liberty	58.421%
3	Jacqueline Schafer	My Baby Girl	55.658%
4	Pam Hara	High Fidelity	54.737%
Thi	r d/2 Open (C) William	S	
1	Laura Viola	Leonidas	60.366%
2	Pam Hara	High Fidelity	60.244%
3	Bitsy Gascoigne	Aibrean	58.902%
Thire	d/3 Open (C) White		
1	Suzy Coleman	Brazen Beauty	67.179%
2	Bitsy Gascoigne	Aibrean	64.872%
3	Laura Viola	Lady Liberty	56.538%
Fou	I rth/3 Open (C) Knight		
1	Diana Miller	Rolex	65.250%
Wa	Ik Trot Equitation (C) \	Villiams	
	Richard Tyner	Tenacious D	TBA
	Lori Butt	Born A Two Timmer	SCRATCH
Dre	ssage Seat Equitation	(C) White	
1	Evelyn Tyner	Hall of Fame	64.500%
2	Kim Shepard	Casey's Artful Treasure	64.000%
FEI	Intermediate II Open	(C) Knight	
1	Kathleen Cronk	Ghambade'	56.316%



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Contact Nicole Van Dyke at 616-610-9652 or e-mail nvandyke@lec.edu.

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Thank you!

NODA NEEDS YOU! Volunteer Opportunities

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Dressage Arena/Ring Set-up, June 22 Dressage Arena/Ring Tear Down, June 23 If you can help set-up or take down the arena, please contact Chris at <u>SchoolingShow@nodarider.org</u>

July 21 & 22, 2012 Dressage 2012 & Dressage Encore 2012

NODA needs scribes, tabulators, runners, paddock masters/ring stewards, office assistants, and 'Welcome Tent' volunteers for morning and afternoon shifts, both Saturday and Sunday.

Scribe Positions: there are special conditions for scribing. Scribes must be people who are not showing (or are finished showing for the weekend). Additionally, scribes need to have some experience and willing to volunteer for the entire day, as judges generally request the same person for the whole day.

If you can help out this year, please contact Karen at <u>rs-vol-coord@nodarider.org</u>, 330-220-4705 (home) or 440-263-1944 (cell), with your preference of jobs and your availability.

NODA 2012 Schooling Show Series

A variety of volunteers are needed at each show. Contact Gail Patton at 440-442-5256 to sign up.

Ongoing Opportunities

Sponsorship and Ads Coordinator Recognized Show Committee

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For More Information:

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USDF News

News From the USDF

2013 Regional Championships Announced

The Great American Insurance Group/USDF Regional Dressage Championships, presented by SmartPak and supported by Merial, which recognize the outstanding efforts of riders in each USDF region as well as providing an excellent opportunity for spectators to view the top competitors in their respective regions, are announced for 2013. The following are the dates and locations for each region.

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Region 2 (September19-22) at Lamplight Equestrian Center, Wayne IL

Region 3 (October11-13) at Georgia International Horse Park, Conyers, GA

Region 4 (September9-11) at the National Equestrian Center, Lake St. Louis, MO

Region 5 September19-22) at Colorado Horse Park, Parker, CO

Region 6 (September19-22) at Donida Farms, Auburn, WA

Region 7 (September19-22) at Murieta Equestrian Center in Rancho Murieta, CA

Region 8 (September12-15) at HITS on the Hudson in Saugerties, NY

Region 9 (October17-20) at Brazos County Expo in Bryan, TX

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Youth News

USDF Dressage Seat Medal Semi-Finals For information on how to qualify www.usdf.org/docs/ShowFlash/web/GeneralInfo/Before/ DressageSeatEquitationGuidelines.pdf

Region 2 Youth Team Competition on September 7-9, held in conjunction with MSEDA Dressage at the Park at the Kentucky Horse Park in Lexington, KY. Contact <u>Anne Kuhns</u> at akuhns@atlasok.com for more details.

Looking for a fun team competition?

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The Award is to be given to the Junior, Young Rider or Adult Amateur, horse and rider combination, with the highest median score in Training Level Test 2 and/or 3. Three (3) scores from three (3) different judges, earned at NODA sponsored schooling shows only, must be submitted. NODA members may work towards earning the first Giving Spirit Award in 2012.

Sabine Walker spearheaded the inception of The Giving Spirit Award to honor the memory of her dear friend, Laura Wolf, and would like to thank Laura's friends; Mindy Brueggeman, Kathy Davis- Kime, Peggi Ignagni, Leslie Innocenti, Jane Miller, Maryellen Sasso, Rob Stone and Michelle Zintz for their contributions which made the Giving Spirit Award and trophy possible.

USDF "L" Education Program Information from www.Glass-ED.Org The Great Lakes Area Show Series – Educational Dressage Organization

GLASS-ED is proud to announce, we will be hosting the USDF "L" Education Program in West Michigan!

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NODA Board Meeting Minutes — April 10, 2012

Meeting Location: Panera in Solon

Attendance: Robyn Ambrose, Fran Cverna, Dale Lappert, Marcia Doyle, Kathy Kirchner, Dee Liebenthal, Mary Lou Gallagher, Mary Dana Prescott,, Mosie Welch, Linda Cooley, Berni Moauro, Chris Goodall, special appearance by Virginia Goodall, Jennifer Kick

Call to Order: Dee Liebenthal, President, called the meeting to order at 7:05 P.M.

Minutes: for March approved.

Treasurer's Report:

- Checking account balance: \$15,295.83.
- Savings account balance: \$5, 012.20.

Membership Report: Fran Cverna

 Total members: 233 (157 AA, 27 JR/YR, 49 Professionals). Fran presented us with a zip code distribution report. Membership cards to go out within a week.

Handbook: Fran Cverna

• Fran sent out Handbooks

Recognized Shows: Robyn Ambrose

- Marilyn Heath had to back out from her judging contract and is being replaced by Kristi Wysocki.
- Suzanne willing to do some of work for sponsorship/ ads. Kathy K. will handle monies received for sponsorships and ads and Mosie will take in the electronic ads.
- Board voted on first prize options. Options are now wine glass, old-fashioned glass and a coffee mug.
- Robyn will confirm that Katie Passerotti is putting together recognized show program.

Education: Berni – Marcia-Dee

- Two applicants have applied for USDF Lilo Fore seminar
- Jan Ebeling coming to Topline Aug. 17th and 18th. Might we want to sponsor a lecture? Perhaps preparing for a test that would include live demo. We voted to pursue this, motion passed.
- There is an "L" program in VA that begins in Nov. of this year and runs thru spring of 2013. One of our members is participating

 The roundtable forum may take place June 3rd. Marcia will contact, Lisa G. and Barb Soukup about the date. Mary Lou agreed to participate representing Show Management. Perhaps Barb will host event (she has wi-fi in barn) and participate - from an "L" judges perspective.

Schooling Shows: Chris Goodall

- There are two members who are interested in manager/secretary position.
- Chris may have a new photographer.
- Problems finding a decent food vendor. Dale suggested talking with some other local equine clubs to see if they might what to provide a food service as a fundraiser for their club.

Newsletter: Mosie Welch

• Nothing new to report, watch for the latest issue!

Website: Linda Cooley

- Member Handbook posted 4-3-12. Found on the "About US" and "Membership" pages of the website.
- Recognized Shows art contest info has been posted.
- USDF and USEA (eventing) E-News was posted.
- Check out Horse Fun for haiku, pics and cool videos.
- Facebook Website updates posted on NODA Facebook page.

Banquet: Dee

• Nothing new to report.

Professional Liaisons: Mary Dana Prescott

• Mary Dana will include in the next newsletter her letter to Professionals asking them to encourage their students to ride in equitation classes.

New Business:

- A newly formed Media Committee kick-off meeting was held prior to meeting tonight. Committee is putting together a media package for 2013.
- Mosie discussed her travels to Hilltop Farm to participate in a two day seminar with Hillary Clayton. She suggested that we look into having Hillary as an education event for next year, partnering with other GMO's.

Adjournment: meeting adjourned 8:25

NEXT MEETING is **Monday**, May 14 at 7 P.M. at Panera in Solon



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