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UPCOMING EVENTS:

**It's awards season!!!!
Come to the ESDCTA Awards Luncheon and celebrate everyone's accomplishments
February 10 - see page 8 of this issue for more information.**

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2012 USDF Convention Highlights

Submitted By Beth Ann Adams

It was a privilege to represent ESDCTA at the 2012 USDF Convention held in the exciting city of New Orleans, December 5-8. My travelling companion was Nancy Krail, the newly elected President of LVDA. We arrived a day early and immediately took to the streets. New Orleans offers museums for the history buff, a waterfront for watching oceanic ships, excellent shopping for the shop-a-holic, and Harrah's Casino. We especially enjoyed the lively and colorful side streets like Conti and Decatur Streets. At any time during the day you could come across street musicians playing every style of music. The dining was mostly Cajun or French. Most of the restaurants had open-air areas where you could choose from local cuisine such as Alligator Stew, Po'boys, Jambalaya, and of course, Gumbo. One evening we joined other Convention goers in a ghostly tour. Our guide passed along lore of New Orleans' past inhabitants with tales of ghostly love and murder. The evenings came alive with USDF conventioners devouring the sights and sounds of New Orleans.



ESDCTA Board Members Susan Lax, Lisa Toaldo, and Beth Ann Adams

Yes, a Convention does include meetings. The USDF Convention began with GMOs gathering in separate rooms with their Regional Directors. Region One Director, Lisa Schmidt, asked each GMO

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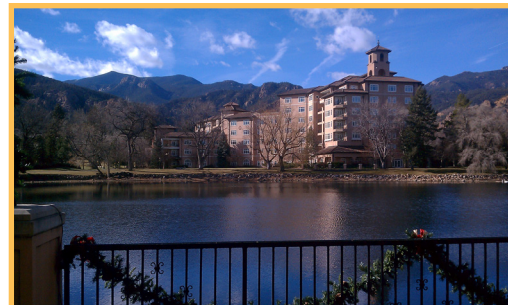
Convention Time!

Representing our membership at the national organization conventions

USEA Convention Summary, The Broadmoor, Colorado Springs, CO

By Dr. Carey Williams

The USEA Convention was held December 5-9 in Colorado Springs, Colorado. Talk about jumping into something (no pun intended) with both feet! The first committee forum I attended at the Convention on Thursday morning was the Eventing Technical Committee. It was pretty heavy material right from the start. I walked into a fairly heated discussion of the always controversial "one fall rule," which the USEA has been divided on since its inception a few years ago. The Safety Committee has no data saying that the rule has helped decrease the amount of injuries at the lower levels, therefore the Association is looking at revising the rule to allow Novice or Beginner Novice competitors to remount if "you land on your feet and are apparently uninjured". This would be at the



Broadmoor

cost of 65 penalty points and only if in relation to an obstacle. There was a long discussion about how to describe a fall on ones feet, if other falls should be described, or if it should be left up to the medical staff and officials at the individual event. In the end the motion was made to keep the above wording and take it to the Rule Change Committee, which in the end left the wording as is. However, this change is still highly debated. Later that day a presentation on joint health and the proper way to inject Adequan® was given by Allen Mann of Adequan®. Overall, it was a very

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PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

Another year. And what a year it was.

Our top ten list isn't in any particular order because we value each and every one of our top ten (sorry David Letterman)!

- The Awards Banquet
- The Memorial Day Weekend Show
- Five Education programs
- Cross-Country Schooling
- The Horse Trials
- The improvements to the Horse Park of NJ footing
- The Dressage Championships
- The Eventing Championships
- The Garden State Classic
- The Turkey Trot

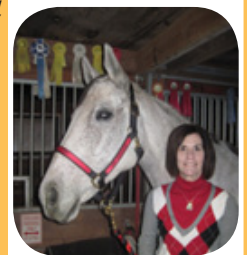
We had many successes throughout the year, as well as some not-so-successful undertakings. I believe that the successes come from one thing: listening to our membership and trying as best we can to provide the kinds of programs and services our members want. Even when we have had a stellar year, the true success is always that we move on, never resting on our laurels, always looking for improvement.

I wish to thank all of you for supporting our organization. Without you, there are no successes, no opportunity to set and achieve goals.

May you have an incredible new year with many interesting challenges, successes and most of all, the exciting adventure of traveling new roads.

"I dread success. To have succeeded is to have finished one's business on earth... I like a state of continual becoming, with a goal in front and not behind."

– George Bernard Shaw,
1856 – 1950, Irish playwright
and a co-founder of the London
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ESDCTA Statement of Purpose

Eastern States Dressage and Combined Training Association (ESDCTA) was founded in June 1969 and incorporated in 1970 as a nonprofit educational organization under the laws of the State of New Jersey. ESDCTA with membership open to all interested in dressage and combined training, has the following stated purpose: *"Whereas it is the desire among many equestrians in the United States to foster and stimulate interest in dressage and eventing in the hope that this may ultimately benefit the United States Olympic Team in its international competition, this organization is established as a nonprofit educational organization."* Its further purposes are to foster and stimulate interest in dressage and eventing in general, to educate, conduct clinics and hold dressage shows and combined training events.

FOALIN' AROUND Youth News, Activities, and Opportunities ESDCTA Youth Teams at Burgundy Hollow

While most of us were preparing for Hurricane Sandy on Sunday October 28, the ESDCTA had two tough teams competing at the Burgundy Hollow Horse Trials. They beat "Sandy" out and placed a very respectable 5th and 7th, especially considering it was a cumulative team competition encompassing three horse trials and we only competed in this one horse trial! The team members learned a lot and were wonderful representatives of the ESDCTA.

The final results were:

- Jessica Kuc and Against All Odds - Starter Division, 3rd place
- Rylee Gardiner and Mighty Mouse - Beginner Novice Division, 1st place
- Jessica Ruffa and Glory on High - Beginner Novice Division, 6th place
- Christy Pellegrino and Stornoway Bay - Novice Division 1, 1st place
- Alyssa Ruffa and Getty Man - Novice Division 2, 1st place
- Grace Lutfy and Flip a Coin - Novice Division 2, 3rd place

ESDCTA Nominee for the New Jersey Equestrian of the Year Contest, Sponsored by the New Jersey Equine Advisory Board

We are very excited to announce our nominee for the prestigious New Jersey Equestrian of the Year Contest:
Christy Pellegrino.

Christy is a very active member of the ESDCTA. She is the 2011 ESDCTA Good Sportsmanship award winner and at the 2011 banquet she presented a speech about helmet safety and concussion awareness. She has represented the ESDCTA on numerous eventing and dressage teams. She is currently

competing her two horses, Christmas Eve, at first level dressage and training level eventing, and Stornoway Bay, at training level dressage and novice level eventing. Christy is also serving as an active member of the ESDCTA youth committee.

Christy will need to write an essay, have a personal interview with the judging board, and give an oral presentation. This is a very competitive competition. Good Luck Christy!

CROSS COUNTRY... New Across our Region

COMMUNITY NEWS

The USDF, USEF, and ESDCTA have all been busy planning the shows, activities, and educational opportunities that will be offered throughout the new year. Check out USDF.org, USEF.org, and ESDCTA.org for all the information. Here's to an exciting 2013!!

USEF offers new Dressage Rider Tests for the 2013 competition year. These tests will help riders at Training, First, and Second levels chart their progress without the gait scores to detract from good and proper riding. Check them out at USEF.org and look for them at a show near you!

WHAT'S YOUR TALENT??

Let us know what you would like to help us with in 2013. All skills and interests wanted. Have an idea? We want to hear about it. Remember, this club is what YOU make it. Contact Susan Lax: chivalryhillfarm@aol.com

UPCOMING MEETINGS

TBA
Board Meeting

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Youth Committee

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COMMUNITY CALENDAR

January 8

First Tuesdays Lecture Series. New Bolton Veterinary Center offers a series of lectures on the first Tuesday of each month. In December learn about the critically ill foal and January hosts a presentation on metabolic diseases in horses. They have other educational events on a variety of topics, including dogs, cats, and even creepy crawly critters! Check out www.vet.upenn.edu/Calendarandevents for all of their offerings.

January 13

Edgar Hotz Memorial Roundtable. See page 7 of this issue for more information.

January 18-20, 2013

Dressage and BioCored Clinic at Steiner Dressage. Contact Jessie Steiner at JessieS731@aol.com or 561-358-6055 if you would like to participate.

January 20, 2013

Clinic with Marilyn Payne on the new Dressage Rider tests. See page 12 of this issue.

February 10, 2013

Annual Awards Luncheon at Copper Hill Country Club, Ringoes, NJ. For more information see pg 8 of this issue.

ESDCTA welcomes proposals
from vendors for goods and services.
Please contact the appropriate committee.

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Meredith Rogers, Diane Engler,
Susan Lax & Rebecca Kuc

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All submissions are due by the 10th of the month

Due to space considerations, the editors reserve the right to edit submitted articles. If possible, the articles will be returned for review of the editing.

2012 ADVERTISING RATES

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representative to speak about their 2012 season and its future plans. The representatives gave reviews of their GMO's 2012 events including competitions, educational symposiums, and 2013 agendas. I was proud to have the opportunity to brag about ESDCTA's accomplishments and gave rundown of our 2013 calendar. We moved on to voting for Region One Awards, Elsie Kellerman was given the coveted Contribution to Dressage Award. Lisa continued the meeting by requesting topics for discussion. The topics of 2013 Rider Tests, Dressage etiquette for new competitors, fund raising activities and ways to encourage volunteerism were touched upon. These hot topics were discussed at length throughout the Convention.

It was difficult to choose from the many informative Open Committee meetings and Educational Seminars offered during the Convention. My personal agenda included the Competitions Management meeting, the CDI Organizers meeting, and the USEF Open Forum. The USEF Open Forum presented by Gary Rockwell, Debra Reinhardt, and Lisa Barrett brought a huge crowd. Competitors and judges voiced their concerns on the new Rider's Tests. We were told by the panel that the tests were constructed for one major purpose, which is for competitors to receive constructive feedback on his/her riding skills, which should enable them to train their horses properly. The panel expressed the hope that riders would periodically take advantage of the new tests to help evaluate their training skills as they proceed up the levels. Another interesting question brought to Gary Rockwell was the best approach for a competitor to register a complaint about a judge who gave disagreeable comments or scores on a test. Gary began by saying "in no way would submitting a complaint reflect on your future tests". He adamantly requested that when submitting a complaint to sign it and give contact information. Several questions presented to the panel came from competition staff. The requirements for show managers and secretaries who apply to run upper level competitions were clarified. The subject of TD's requesting to be treated respectfully by staff and given fair compensation for hours devoted to the event was also mentioned. The Q&A went overtime, with many people staying to ask additional questions of the panel.

The Convention attendees converged into the main auditorium for "Looking Back At London". Steffen Peters, Gary Rockwell, and Akiko Yamazaki gave insights into their experiences during the Olympics. Gary reflected on his involvement as a Judge. He felt the high scores seen at the Olympics were a combination of proper training and the brilliant quality of the horses. He also felt the conditions offered at the London Olympic venue contributed to the superior performances. Steffen reflected on his feelings before and after riding his tests. Steffen advised competitors that while training your horses, discipline should be your priority, and not winning. He also said a rider must first become confident before she/he can become competent. Akiko represented her view as owner of Ravel, the popular equine athlete. It was easy to pick up on her pride in Ravel. We enjoyed their humorous stories and felt their disappointment of not bringing home the Gold. Steffen and Akiko, along with the other members of Team Ravel, accepted the USDF Hall of Fame Plaque presented to Ravel at the Awards Banquet. I noticed many tearful eyes in the audience as well as on stage while listening to the beautiful tribute to Ravel.

Saturday afternoon came too soon. The official business of USDF being conducted at the Board of Governors meetings ended early. The notebooks were closed, hugs shared, and friends began to drift apart. A mutual feeling of renewed enthusiasm towards our sport embraced the participants as we left the convention center, but of course, we already marked our calendars for the 2013 USDF Convention.



Debbie DelGiorno at a Roundtable Discussion



Beth Ann Adams attends the USEF Open Forum



Lisa Toaldo and her daughter, Lisa Mauriello, Winner of the American Morgan Association All-Breed Award

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productive and enlightening first day.

Friday started off with a fun and informative educational session titled "Horsemanship University," which featured two segments. The first one was "Management Solutions from Top Grooms and Barn Managers" the other was "Training Solutions from Top Riders". The first session featured grooms and/or managers of Karen O'Connor, Phillip Dutton, Michael and Natalie Pollard, Will Faudree, and Clark Montgomery (his wife actually). It was an open panel discussion and they covered topics that included a stable manager's daily routine (basically not their routine, but horses are who dictate the routine), barn rules and discipline (safety and neatness topped the list), daily and weekly communication (all loved the white board method for daily tasks, with weekly meetings), leg care after cross country (ice for prelim and up, but make sure to practice icing before the event), and a lengthy discussion of working student guidelines (some paid, some not, but ALL worked very hard). After the grooms and managers were finished we all stayed and the room filled up to hear Mary King (EU), Sinead Halpin, Buck Davidson, Will Coleman and Phillip Dutton answer questions. The questions ranged from training philosophy (Mary's was the best...Keep it - everything - simple!), bucking and naughty horses and how to deal with them (time, training, and moving on to something new when all else fails), finding upper level young horse prospects (one that does buck and has a good temperament was a good theme carried over from the previous question), each riders personal quality that has gotten them to where they are today (willingness to improve, learning from mistakes, and a good work ethic were the main ones), and how to put bad falls behind you and move on (learn from your mistakes and take a step back if necessary).



Mary King

Friday afternoon was full of more open forums including the Organizers and Affiliate meetings. The Organizers forum talked a lot about the new rules for FEI qualifications which won't affect all events, but quite a few of them. Also Rider Representative rules at the events (they need to be there to inspect the course 3:00 pm the day prior to competition) were discussed. They also mentioned there is some confusion between competitors and organizers with electronic entries like Xentry or Event Entries. Some events say they don't except them; however, USEA has said that ALL events will take Xentry. This has led to some competitors getting to an event only to find out that their entry was not accepted. The moral of this story as a competitor is to always make sure you receive a confirmation from the event secretary that your entry was received, or check entry status prior to the closing date to make sure you are on the competitor list and follow up if you are not.

Saturday was filled with more open forums (Adult Riders, Safety Committee, and Round Table Discussions about the sport of eventing) and the Annual Meeting portion of the convention. However, the highlight of Saturday's meeting was the keynote speaker, Mary King, a top event rider from England, spoke about her life as an eventer and how she got to where she is today. We then listened to a summary of the London Olympic Games from the US team and coaches. Overall, this entire meeting was highly informative (as always), and not only from the competitor perspective. As I grow my role more into helping volunteer and organize events and have a relationship with ESDCTA as the USEA Affiliate member, I gain even more from the meeting. If anyone has specific questions or would like me to clarify anything please contact me at careymickie@gmail.com. Thanks for reading and I look forward to going to Cincinnati, Ohio, next year!

ESDCTA EDGAR HOTZ MEMORIAL ROUNDTABLE

It's that time again!

This year's roundtable will be held on Sunday January 13, 2013 at 10:30 am.

Once again Larry and Amelia Ross have invited us to their home in Oldwick, NJ.

Marilyn Payne will lead a panel of "S" dressage judges.

This year's topics will include the new USEF rider's tests as well as Western Dressage.

The roundtable is offered free of charge and is open to all USEF and USEA licensed judges as well as USDF "L" graduates, "L" candidates and Eventing judges in training.

For more information please contact Jacquelyn Stapel at jastapel14@embarqmail.com

SALUTE...

By: Rebecca Kuc

Sixteen-year-old Jorgen Olijslager is a junior at Ridge High School in Basking Ridge, NJ, where he has been involved in the photography and video media club. Although riding is a main interest, Jorgen also likes hanging out at the lake fishing with his friends. Jorgen has been riding since he was 8 years old and trains with Heather Mason at Stone Horse Farm, where he was even able to serve as a working student with Heather this past summer.

Jorgen's first horse, Delgany Fight, truly brought him through the levels and taught him what he knows today. He was able to compete him through Preliminary Eventing and he is so grateful to have had him. Currently, Jorgen competes both Dressage and Eventing. He and his sister, Erika, own Northern Quest Lady's Man, aka Mac, who they backed November 2011. Together the pair has come very far and competed up to Novice Level Eventing. The pair also placed ninth in the 4-year-old Young Event Horse Championships. Mac also won the Stuart horse trials at BN and placed second at Millbrook at Novice.

In addition to Mac, Jorgen also competed Classic, owned by June Brody, a homebred 5-year-old Dutch Warmblood. Jorgen and "Chilly" placed 5th at the Stuart Horse Trials at Novice and 6th at Millbrook at Training. Also getting the chance to compete in dressage, Jorgen had the chance to ride Meredith Whaley's 7-year-old Oldenburg, Lincoln. Together they competed at First Level and placed 3rd at the Region 8 GAIG Championships. He also got to ride of few of the young sale horses owned by Heather Mason and Coleen Mitchell who furthered his education with the young ones.

In 2012, Jorgen competed on the ESDCTA Youth Team at the Stuart Horse Trials. He enjoyed getting to work with other riders his age who were also very devoted to Eventing. Jorgen already has his eyes set on the 2013 season, hoping to bring Mac up to Training Level and Chilly up to the Preliminary Level in Eventing. Long term, Jorgen hopes to be successful in the sport and to continue his career with horses. Although he is not yet sure where he wants to go to college, he is interested in Animal Science, Criminal Justice, or Agricultural Science. We wish Jorgen the best of luck with all of his goals and to congratulate him on a great 2012 season!

JORGEN OLIGSLAGER



Salute!



We cordially invite you to
ESDCTA's Annual Awards Luncheon
 Celebrating our Year-End Award Winners' Accomplishments
 for our 2012 Competition Year
Sunday, February 10, 2013
 at Copper Hill Country Club • Ringoes, NJ
 From 1 to 4 pm



Our Annual Awards Banquet will be held again this year in February as we did the past few years. Moving this celebration from an evening dinner to an afternoon Luncheon is to keep the affair affordable. A February date allows everyone more time to recover from the hustle/bustle of the holidays. This event is when ESDCTA Year-End Awards, ribbons, special awards and medals are presented to our well deserving winners – both juniors and seniors – for both dressage and eventing.

Please set aside Sunday, February 10, 2013, on your calendars and plan to join the celebration of all of our members' accomplishments at this annual festive affair. We will have a delicious buffet this year and a wonderful afternoon is being planned by the committee. Please help us by donating items/services for our silent auction. Our Annual Awards Banquet Committee and the Grant Committee with the help our recent grant recipients will also present a fabulous silent auction and have many desirable items available for our raffles.

This year's Luncheon will be held at the Copperhill Country Club. The afternoon will begin at 1 pm so there will be time to view the Silent Auction Items, meet and greet friends and fellow award winners. You may come early.

Tickets will be limited to the first 175 who reserve a spot. Tables can be set aside for groups who wish to sit together, just note on the form below. There will also be a cash bar available for those attending.

Please make your reservations by January 25th. Fill out the reservation form below (or copy it as needed) and send your completed reservation and check (made payable to ESDCTA) to:

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From South Jersey: - Routes 295, 195, or 95 to Route 31 North. Stay on 31 North until it joins with 202 North. Exit onto 202/31 North. Follow approximately 3 miles to light at Copper Hill Road. Take jug-handle on right. Cross 202/31 North onto Copper Hill Road. Follow road up to Clubhouse at top of hill on right.

From North Jersey: - Route 80 East or West to Route 287 South to the Somerville Circle. Follow signs for Route 202 South to Flemington. At the Flemington 202/31 Circle continue halfway around onto Route 202 South. Proceed approximately 3 miles through the traffic light at Stewart's Root Beer. Turn right just before the next light onto Copper-Hill Road. Follow road up to Clubhouse at top of hill on right.



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 Buffet, beverage, salad bar and dessert \$ _____

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 Buffet, beverage, salad bar and dessert

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ESDCTA AWARDS LUNCHEON SILENT AUCTION NEEDS DONATIONS!

The Silent Auction is a fun part of ESDCTA's annual awards luncheon. February 10th.

Donations to the Silent Auction fund ESDCTA education grants for out members and adult and youth teams.

Please continue to support this worthwhile effort in 2013!

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HORSE TREATS



By Meredith Rogers

Stuck inside due to weather?
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twist on the standard game.
Instead of the numbers 0-9, each
box/row/column must have the
letters that make up the words:
HORSEPLAY. Good Luck!

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CENTERLINE Dressage News



Announcing a New Region 1 Omnibus Format

In 2013, the Omnibus is going digital. On the Region 1 website, there will be a calendar of participating shows. The calendar listing will include the show name, web link, location, dates, open date, close date, and secretary. Additionally, each month, an e-blast will be sent out reminding people of show dates, opening dates, and closing dates for the next 30 to 60 days. Changes to prizelists can be communicated in the E-blast as well. To help with the transition, a PDF summary calendar will also be provided. Show managers can also put a 1-page show summary in the PDF Summary Calendar.

Advertising is available on both the web site and e-blast.

Go to www.usdfregion1.org for complete information about the new online Region 1 omnibus as well as the necessary forms to list your shows or purchase advertising.



2013 CAVALLETTI & JUMPING CLINICS

with Marilyn Payne

Applewood Farm, Oldwick NJ

January 25, 26, 27

Feb. 22, 23, 24

March 22, 23, 24

Cavalletti & Gymnastics

Gymnastics & Related Distances

Jumping Courses, including Liverpool,

Narrow Fences & Corners

Applewood's winter series of jumping clinics are a great opportunity to tune up your jumping skills and get ready for the spring season! Cavalletti-only sessions are perfect for dressage riders.

CAVALLETTI-ONLY SESSIONS FOR DRESSAGE RIDERS ARE AVAILABLE AT EVERY CLINIC.

Clinics are held in the Applewood indoor arena. Auditors observe at no charge from the heated viewing lounge, which is equipped with a sound system. Complimentary refreshments all day!

Each group includes 4 to 6 riders and runs 1 ½ to 2 hours. Enter the entire series at once, or enter individual clinics. Entry forms are available at www.marilynpayne.com, via email to ann@annforer.com, or call 908-995-4632.

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THE START BOX

Eventing News

We Were the Scramblers

By Gretchen Creesy

As an adult amateur eventer, do you ever wish that you could compete as part of a team, the way our junior riders do, not to mention our Pan American and Olympic eventers? Well, the Chronicle of the Horse knows your innermost desires and has established an event just for us older folks: the Adult Team Challenge (ATC). Here's how it works. Three or four riders at the same level (beginner novice through preliminary) declare themselves a team; after each phase, the team's three best (lowest) individual scores are added to get the team score; the team with the lowest combined score after stadium jumping wins.

I thought the ATC would be a fun way to end the show season, but I didn't know any beginner novice riders planning to travel to the Virginia Horse Park, this year's venue for the East Coast ATC. But Cindy DePorter, the assistant adult rider coordinator for Area 2, and organizers, Brian and Penny Ross, assured me that they would find a team for me. I still didn't know who my teammates would be when my husband and I arrived in Lexington on November 1, having left our home and our horse's barn without electricity that morning. I met Danielle Burton at the team dinner that evening, a delicious buffet sponsored by Area 2, where we drew our ride times.

The Scramblers, as the organizers named us, and our horses finally introduced ourselves Friday morning in the dressage warm-up ring: Danielle and her Hanoverian/Thoroughbred, S. S. Wimbledon (Wimbly), a 10-year-old she had started riding earlier in the year; Caitlin East and her 5-year-old Connemara/Thoroughbred, Class Action (Fred), making only his second appearance in a recognized event; and my 12-year-old Tigerlily (Lily), an experienced Thoroughbred/QH/Clyde cross. We faced the four Gutsy Gals, a beginner novice team sponsored by the Commonwealth Dressage and Combined Training Association. After very respectable tests, the Scramblers trailed the Gutsy Gals by just 5.4 points.

Back at the barns, team spirit reigned. The Heat-Seeking Missiles, for example, put up a poster with their pictures. And pink accessories were popular with the Pink Ribbon Girls and Guy, Race for the Cure, Pink Initiative, and Pink She Devils teams. The Tangerines had lovely creamsicle helmet covers. We, The Scramblers, not surprisingly, had nothing to display except our enthusiasm, and we cheered for each other as we set off on cross-country day. Danielle gave Wimbly a careful, confident ride and picked up some time faults. Young Fred showed how much he trusted the first person ever to sit on his back and posted a double clear. Lily knew her job and relished the opportunity to gallop up and down the hilly course.

At the end of the day, owing to an error on course and a stop for the Gutsy Gals, we were on top, and we kept our lead the next day with three double clears in stadium to claim the blue ribbons and fancy scrim sheets with the Chronicle of the Horse logo. We were three strangers who had come together for the fun of eventing, and we left Lexington as friends who will follow each other's eventing careers and hope to meet and ride together again.



Congratulations to Our 2012 Year-End Award Winners!

By Melissa Pribic

The results of our 2012 year-end awards are in! Congratulations to all of the riders and their horses who have worked so hard during the 2012 show season. Once again every category was filled and we hope to see you all in February at the Awards Luncheon. The results can be found on our website. Recipients who cannot pick up their awards, please contact awards@esdcta.com to make arrangements for award pickup.

2012 Year-End Award RESULTS: www.esdcta.org
ESDCTA awards have something for everybody. Categories include Dressage Medals, 60% Achievement Ribbons, and High Score Awards in: Horse Trials, Combined Training, Pas De Deux, Quadrille, Musical Freestyles, and Dressage Starter Walk-Trot through Grand Prix. Recipients include riders new to dressage and eventing to professional riders who have won national titles! Our club is always looking for new ways to give the best to our members, and currently we are working on new award categories to help recognize our members who do not compete. If you wish to help with awards or the awards luncheon please contact awards@esdcta.com.



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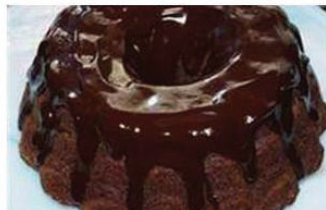
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SHOW RESULTS

HIDDEN CREEK EQUESTRIAN CENTER

September 2, 2012

Judges: Ash (L) & Schmidt (R)

LEADLINE - W *

C. Cyr Confetti 75.000
A. Roecker I Found Nemo 67.941

LEADLINE - W/T *

C. Cyr Confetti 74.737

USDF - A - STARTER RIDER

L. Ninivaggi Sensational Bid 62.500
M. Paucci Eve 61.875

USDF - B - STARTER RIDER

L. Ninivaggi Sensational Bid 65.313
M. Paucci Eve 63.125
A. Roecker I Found Nemo 62.500
E. Lotz Bella 60.625

USDF - A - STARTER HORSE

A. Newell Maija 59.375

USDF - B - STARTER HORSE

A. Newell Maija 65.000

TRAINING - 1 - STARTER RIDER

A. Bielinski Skip, Zip And Zap 70.000
O. Stettler Confetti 65.625
D. Corrente Starlight 65.417

TRAINING - 1 - O

M. Lane Honest Abe 66.042
L. Moyer Cali 65.833
R. Kuc High Hopes 65.000
K. John-Klein Impressive Sorcerer 56.875

TRAINING - 2 - J

R. Kuc High Hopes 63.571
L. Perweiler Starlight 60.893
H. Ahner Redford's Big Mac 60.179
E. Swartout Queen Of Hearts 59.821
K. John-Klein Impressive Sorcerer 56.250

TRAINING - 2 - S

M. Lane Honest Abe 62.500
L. Moyer Cali 61.607

TRAINING - 3

M. Lane Honest Abe 67.600
L. Perweiler Starlight 65.800
E. Swartout Queen Of Hearts 65.400
H. Ahner Redford's Big Mac 62.600
K. John-Klein Impressive Sorcerer 61.800

FIRST - 1

E. Swartout Queen Of Hearts 56.552

SECOND - 1

C. Mehnert Sharp As A Tack 65.142
S. Weisel Rising Sun 61.714
J. Kuc Against All Odds 60.286
M. Morehouse Ritonja 59.571
J. Barnathan Renodje 47.857

SECOND - 3

C. Mehnert Sharp As A Tack 65.476

FOURTH - 1

R. Kuc Ultimate 67.143
R. Kuc Rufus 60.286

PRIX ST. GEORGES

Ji. Kuc Ultimate 64.342

INTERMEDIAIRE - I

Ji. Kuc Grande I Am 59.342

MFS - QUADRILLE - BASIC

Nemo & Company 77.500

J. Kuc Against All Odds
L. Perweiler I Found Nemo
H. Ahner Redford's Big Mac
A. Bielinski Starlight

USEA - TOC *

L. Farrar (T-B) Possum 24.54
L. Farrar (T-A) Possum 32.27

CT - BABY GREEN *

M. Garner Duncan 32.18
A. Knudsen I Found Nemo 35.31

CT - STARTER

Je. Kuc Against All Odds 31.00
M. Schmedding Duncan 34.00
A. Coleman Duncan 34.50

CT - NOVICE

E. Kuc Just Takin' Chances 30.43

SADDLEBROOK RIDGE EQ. CENTER

October 13, 2012

Judge: Sullivan-Phillips (L)

USDF - A - STARTER HORSE

L. Gallagher Be Glorious 61.250

USDF - B - STARTER HORSE

L. Gallagher Be Glorious 61.562

TRAINING - 1 - J

S. Shabel MacGregor 55.000

TRAINING - 1 - S

S. Stocks Chief 61.875

TRAINING - 2 - J

S. Shabel MacGregor 57.857

TRAINING - 2 - S

A. Espinosa Tres Chic 78.392
E. Priori Marcus Aurelius 55.714

TRAINING - 3 - S

A. Espinosa Tres Chic 74.800
E. Priori Marcus Aurelius 63.000

FIRST - 2 - S

A. Espinosa Devonshire 71.621

K. Swenson Genuine Gold 68.243

FIRST - 3 - S

A. Espinosa Devonshire 76.129

K. Swenson Genuine Gold 65.645

MFS - FIRST LEVEL

S. Talpas Malibu 59.333

BUCKS COUNTY HORSE PARK V

October 20, 2012

Judges: Gimbel (r) & Mason (S)

*These are correct results for this show;
prior published results were incorrect.*

TRAINING - 1

K. Meyer Nereus 69.583

TRAINING - 2 - BLM

J. Karwacka Sting 72.143

S. Kimmel-Smith Delancey 70.536

K. Meyer Nereus 68.929

G. Pindar Lhauren 67.500

L. Bridgen Alert 58.036

TRAINING - 3 - GAIG

G. Pindar Lhauren 69.600

S. Kimmel-Smith Delancey 66.600

C. Burns Cantatrice 65.200
J. Karwacka Sting 63.400
L. Bridgen Alert 56.000

FIRST - 1

M. Detering River Runner 74.483
C. Burns Cantatrice 71.897
S. Hirosh Rosalyn 69.655
K. Keating Tattoo You 66.207
E. Sughrue Verdi 58.103

FIRST - 2 - BLM

J. Coleman Fhreelancer 73.108
T. Todorovic Aristoteles 69.730
M. Detering River Runner 66.757
C. Buckland Fabeltier 66.622
K. Keating Tattoo You 64.324
N. Bincarousky Rafiki 59.189

FIRST - 3 - BLM

C. Buckland Fabeltier 65.161

SECOND - 1

T. Spitzer Saffier 62.857
V. Ahlers Touch Of Grace 61.857
E. Sughrue Social Graces 61.000
B. Patterson Declaration 57.714

SECOND - 2 - BLM

T. Spitzer Saffier 65.526
M. Brandt Waldmeister 65.000
V. Ahlers Touch Of Grace 64.342
B. Patterson Declaration 61.447

SECOND - 3 - GAIG

M. Brandt Waldmeister 57.262

THIRD - 1

M. Cameron Safe Journey 57.105
A. Betz Ghimbal 56.842
A. Lenox Sinatra 51.842

THIRD - 2 - BLM

A. McBride Welcome 64.268
S. Rush Zephyr 61.220
M. Cameron Safe Journey 58.049
A. Lenox Sinatra 55.488

THIRD - 3 - GAIG

S. Rush Zephyr 63.590

FOURTH - 1

C. Cheret Avantino 67.143
C. Ireland Ufano 61.714
J. Fine Caruso 154 59.143

FOURTH - 2 - BLM

K. Allen Ossborne 61.757

FIRST - 3 - GAIG

J. Foulon Little Granny 65.625

PRIX ST. GEORGES - BLM/GAIG

M. Orlob Et Voila 66.974
C. Cheret Fioretto 65.789

J. Foulon Little Granny 63.289

A. Ellam Witchita 62.500

R. Munroe Tiramisu 60.132

W. Furlong Amazzing 59.211

T. Wilkinson Guinness 53.553

INTERMEDIAIRE - I - BLM/GAIG

M. Orlob Et Voila 69.079

BIT O' WOODS

November 11, 2012 Judge: Van Dyck (r)

USDF - A - STARTER RIDER

SHOW RESULTS

J. Millstead	Secret Agent	63.750
USDF - B - STARTER RIDER		
E. Zielinski	Secret Agent	64.688
USDF - B - STARTER RIDER		
A. Bierly	A Bit More	61.000
B. Gomes	Bacardi	54.250
D. McComb	Bentley	46.750
D. McComb *	Bentley	45.750
USDF - C - STARTER HORSE		
A. Speers	Prairie Creek	61.500
TRAINING - 1 - STARTER RIDER		
A. Bierly	A Bit More	61.042
TRAINING - 3		
J. Griffith	Jake	67.000
D. Burke *	Ice Nine	66.400
M. Muindle	Tell Me Why	65.400
J. Griffith *	Jake	64.200
M. Mundle *	Tell Me Why	63.400
D. Burke	Ice Nine	61.400
BEGINNER NOVICE - B		
J. Knecht	Simba	36.66
NOVICE - A		
A. Dobbs	Killian's Red	35.21
J. Knecht	Simba	38.69
NOVICE - B		
M. Kiessling	Tell Me Why	28.50
TRAINING - A		
J. Bull *	Hennessy	38.18
M. Bull	Masquerade Party	36.36
J. Bull	Hennessy	41.36
TRAINING - B		
M. Bull	Masquerade Party	35.00

HIGH POINT EQUESTRIAN CENTER
October 21, 2012 Judge: Hippie (L)

USDF - A		
L. Murphy	Prince	67.810
K. Lynch	O'Leary's Irish Touch	66.560
M. Murphy	Uppity Blues Boy	65.940
USDF - B		
L. Murphy	Prince	68.440
M. Murphy	Uppity Blues Boy	67.190
K. Lynch	O'Leary's Irish Touch	66.800
USDF - C		
B. Murphy	Star Crossed Wavu	64.250
TRAINING - 1		
C. McGarry	Uppity Blues Boy	70.420
B. Murphy	Star Crossed Wazu	65.210
E. Stastashyn	Leahy's Rocky Road	63.960
TRAINING - 2		
C. McGarry	Uppity Blues Boy *	69.820
B. Murphy	Star Crossed Wazu	65.000
TRAINING - 3		
C. McGarry	Uppity Blues Boy *	68.400
BEGINNER NOVICE - A		
B. Shields	Gracie	33.00
L. Santorella	Without Hesitation	45.50

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