



EASTERN DRESSAGE & COMBINED TRAINING SCHOOLING ASSOCIATION

September 2011

Upcoming Events

- Oct. 8th-9th Patrick Marley Dressage Clinic
Wind Drift Farms, Dover
Cathy Gould 252-229-2510
- Oct. 10 **EDCTSA Monthly Meeting**
TheraPlay Junction, Inc., New Bern
EDCTSA.org
- Oct. 15-16 Jean Luc Cornille Dressage Clinic
pamela.mcknight@prosperitymortgage.com
- Oct. 29 Victory Land Dressage & Horsemanship Clinic
Blossom Ferry Farm, Rocky Point
victoryland.dressage@yahoo.com
- Nov. 5-6 NCDCTA Harvest Moon Dressage Show
Sen. Bob Martin Eastern Agricultural Center, Williamston
<http://www.equestriansecretarialservices.com/>
- Nov. 12-13 NCDCTA Dressage for Everyone Clinic
Sen. Bob Martin Eastern Agricultural Center, Williamston
canterberrymeadows@gmail.com
- Nov. 12-13 Annie Lane-Maunders Dressage & Jumping Clinic
Equine Country, Jacksonville
lkachmor@charter.net

2011 Show Schedule

October 15 - The Preserve, Washington

Dressage

Wanda Morrow/Cathy Fletcher

October 29 - Wind Drift Farm, Dover

Dressage & CT & SHV

Shari Weiss-Riojas

November 19 - Wind Drift Farm, Dover

Dressage & CT

Tricia Hooten & Catherine Marks

December 3rd - Canterbury Meadows, Wmstn

Dressage

Susan Bothern

As time marches on it is inevitable that changes will happen. It is with highest regards and best wishes that we say goodbye to Clinton and Chrystal, who have diligently and creatively put together the club newsletter. I am humbly following in their awesome footsteps. Be patient with me, please. I am open to any suggestions. If you wish your ad to continue in the newsletter please drop me a note at edctsanewsletter@gmail.com. I am also looking for any pictures you have of Dressage 101 and for someone to write a summary. It is my goal to try to have the newsletter published a week after the monthly meetings. - Susan Bothern



Dressage at the Preserve

Hosted by Wanda Morrow and Cathy Fletcher

301 Wilderness Lane

Washington, NC

Saturday October 15, 2011

Closing Date: Post marked Monday Oct. 10, 2011

Judge: Janice Mumford

Tests: Intro A, B & C: Jr/Sr/Open, Training Level 1 & 2 (Jr & Sr), Training Level 3,
First & Second Level: Test of Choice, Dressage Equitation,

New addition: Prix Caprilli Tests 1 & 2

Fees: \$30/test plus \$2.00 number fee. \$5.00 late fee per test if \$ received after closing date
and not post-marked by closing date. EDCTSA member discount is \$2.00 per test.
\$10 Schooling rides/guest horse fee.

Ribbons: 1st-6th place, Grand Champion & Reserve Champion for Jr & Sr high scores

Negative Coggins within 1 year required for entry. Please enclose copy with your entry.

NCDCTA recognized...USEF rules will apply, except braiding and coats are not required.

Whips and leg wraps may be used during tests.

All RIDERS MUST WEAR PROTECTIVE HELMETS WHEN MOUNTED. All dogs
must be on a leash.

Times available Thurs. PM: Check website edctsa.org or call Cathy @ 252.702.9785

Ride: _____ Jr. or Sr. EDCTSA # _____ NCDCTA # _____

Phone Number _____ Email: _____

Horse/Pony Name _____ Tests: _____

Total Due (fees listed above) \$ _____

IN CONSIDERATION for the privilege of engaging in equestrian activities at The Preserve, The UNDERSIGNED agrees to hold harmless and indemnify Dressage at the Preserve, LLC (the "Producer"), The Preserve Association of Horse Owners, Inc, the Owners of property at the Preserve and any Sponsor (hereafter "The Principals and Sponsors") of events at the Preserve releasing them from any liability or responsibility for accident, damage, injury, or illness to the UNDERSIGNED or any horse owned by the UNDERSIGNED or to any trainer, family member or spectator accompanying the UNDERSIGNED while on the premises of The Preserve. And further, that except in the event of gross and willful negligence by the Principals and Sponsors, the UNDERSIGNED agrees to bring no claims, demands, actions or causes of action, and no litigation, against The Principals and Sponsors for any economic or non-economic losses due to bodily injury, death, and/or property damage sustained by the UNDERSIGNED, the horse of the UNDERSIGNED and to any minor child or legal ward of the UNDERSIGNED while engaged in activities involving horses owned by or in the care, custody or control of the Principals and Sponsors.

Rider Signature

(Parent/Guardian if under 18)

Mail entry Form and Coggins to: Cathy Fletcher @301 Wilderness Lane, Washington, NC 27889
252.702.9785 * Email: Cathyfletcher1@suddenlink.net

Make checks payable to Dressage at the Preserve (or DAIP)



NCDCTA HARVEST MOON DRESSAGE

NCDCTA 2011 Dressage Championships
November 5 - 6, 2011
Sen. Bob Martin Ag. Center
Williamston, North Carolina



NCDCTA and the NCDCTA Harvest Moon Dressage Show will be hosting
the 2012 Great American/USDF Region 1 Dressage Championships – Nov 1-4, 2012

Competitor Perks Include:

NCDCTA Pro-Am Challenge, DOUBLE 2011 HOY POINTS, Score TEXTING,
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Intro & MFS

A+ Saturday!

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All Training – Fourth Level Amateurs who ride 2 tests at a level on Saturday
and all FEI Amateurs who ride 1 test on Saturday
will be eligible for special prizes and ribbons and recognition.

No sign-up – no extra fees!

The 2 tests of the T-4th AAs will be averaged to find their A+ Saturday Score;
the FEI AA's will use the one test score for their A+ Saturday Score.

First place trophies and ribbons to 8th place will be awarded
at the Saturday Night Awards Presentation Dinner Party.

Full information, prizelist, entry forms and online entries at:
www.EquestrianSecretarialServices.com – martieh@cox.net – (352) 363-0085

Konnor Edward's Essay Scholarship

A week ago, I was very fortunate to travel to Chapel Hill with my horse trainer, Chrystal Garant, and my horse Bella for a clinic. This just wasn't a little clinic with beginner riders, this was a clinic for people who were serious and knew what they were doing when they rode. I had this scholarship from MH Gurganus, and I was so thrilled to know I'd be hanging out with one of my idols (her) all weekend.

When I had imagined this clinic, I had thought that I would probably be a little insecure when I rode, because I know I'm not even close to being as good as the Lady that was teaching me. I was very nervous; especially after I found out we'd be using headphones! In my mind I was thinking "this is a hardcore lesson, and it was all about being serious, I better make sure I know what I am doing. " We started my lesson, and the first thing I learned was that when they ask you what you and your trainer have been working on, you better know how to put it in words! Anyways, we started working, and right when we started, she already had told me something that was wrong, and it was my position, and all I could think was "OH BOY, HERE WE GO!", but to my shock, she was totally right. She told me that I was depending on the horse to pick me up from the seat, and I needed to be independent of myself. So, we went straight to work. We started with being able to stand in my stirrups and feel steady, and let me tell you, it was not easy! We worked on that, until I finally could go around and hold it, and it was amazing how this lady, Cathy Morelli, knew exactly my weaknesses already. I finally got it to where I could walk and trot, and we started adding on, with my hands. I tend to be stiff in my elbows, so Cathy thought of a great way to break that up, and it was called "drink the tea, where I keep my hands up and have a straight line to the bit without putting my hands down and clenching. It might sound crazy, but it worked so great! Not only was I learning, but all the auditors were amazed too!

So, that whole lesson was a major change for me, but all of it made perfect sense, and I could feel improvement at the end. After that, we got to watch MH ride, which was so cool! I never knew how much you could learn just by watching! I learned so much! That whole way to MH's mom's house, all me and Mrs. Chrystal could talk about was how neat it was and how much I will be able to achieve by learning to keep an independent seat and become "bendable" or flexible in my arms. I couldn't wait for the next lesson that morning, even if my legs were killing me! All my nervousness and insecurities had gone away, because I knew that this lady wasn't here to bring me down, but here to help me get somewhere in riding. SO the last lesson, we worked on the same things, but added sitting the trot and using our upper body strength, like my stomach and thighs, instead of my lower leg. By the end of that lesson, Bella and I were looking pretty good, and feeling great! Yes, I still had a lot to work on, but I actually knew what

I needed to work on for once! I am so happy I won this scholarship! It was a life changing experience not only in the horse world, but in my life too! I hope to meet Cathy again, and show her how much I've improved! I loved it! Thanks so much Mary Haskins Gurganus for providing me with the wonderful opportunity.



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Linda Sewall
Farmville, NC
October 22-23, 2011
Start time: 9:00AM



Join us for the day or the weekend and take your horsemanship to a new level.

SATURDAY - REFINED HORSE VERSATILITY OBSTACLE CLINIC

Join Linda Hoover, founder of Refined Horse Versatility, and learn about creating the *Ultimate Partnership ... refined and versatile.*

OBSTACLE I

Experience how working obstacles will enhance the training and partnership with your horse. Using a variety of obstacles, you will learn how to encourage curiosity and develop confidence in your horse. Riders are encouraged to ask questions and participate in discussions.

\$75/horse for a 3 hr. group session. Limited to 10 riders.

OBSTACLE II

This clinic is for those riders who are ready to take their obstacles skills to the next level. Work will be done in a small group over a variety of obstacles ranging from those requiring accuracy to those offering unique challenges including lateral movement. Linda will help you refine your skills and handiness over the obstacles using the Refined Horse Versatility competition standard as the benchmark. Riders will learn more about competing in Versatility. The prerequisite for Obstacle II is the completion of Obstacle I or prior approval.

\$125/horse for a 2 hr. group session. Limited to 5 riders.

SUNDAY - VERSATILITY SCHOOLING SESSION & MINI COMPETITION

See pg. 2 for details. Special discount to clinic participants.

For schedule and facility info, contact: Linda Sewall - email: lcsonion@aol.com
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For clinic and competition info, contact: Linda Hoover - phone: 910-639-9910
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Please email Linda Sewall lcsonion@aol.com for the complete flyer. My apologies to Linda and all others. I am still trying to figure out to work with PDF files in Word documents and could only get the first page to convert. - Susan

Dressage for Everyone

Clinic with Patrick Marley

sponsored by NCDCTA

November 12-13, 2011

at the Martin Ag Center, Williamston NC

Cross-train your horse with dressage fundamentals!

Clinician Patrick Marley of Burlington, N.C. is a U.S. Dressage Federation bronze, silver, and gold medalist who trained his AQHA mare Honey Bright Dream from green broke to Grand Prix. His passion is bringing horses up the levels, working with riders of all ages and horses of all breeds. As a popular clinician, Patrick is known for his abundant energy and enthusiasm which makes every lesson productive and motivational. In addition to giving clinics and teaching lessons at his farm in Burlington, Patrick also coaches Elon University's Intercollegiate Dressage Association team, which has won regional awards and competed nationally.

Private lesson: \$50

Semi-Private (2 riders): \$40

Stabling (day, overnight, or weekend, same price): \$40

Shavings: \$7 per bag with a 2 bag minimum purchase.

Day Parking fee (for horses not stabled): Free.



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50% advance deposit to reserve space, will be refunded only if scratch filled from wait-list.

Checks payable to NCDCTA, mail to Sue Bothern - 1056 Toba Bowen Rd, Williamston NC 27892

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