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A Charter Group Member Organization of the USDF

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IEO SCHOOLING SHOW SCHEDULE FOR 2014

May 18 at Spring Valley Park, York, PA
June 22 at Harmony Hill, York Springs, PA (team show)
July 20 at Wellsville Riding Club, Wellsville, PA
Aug 24 at Harmony Hill, York Springs, PA
Sept 21 at The Friendly Horseman's club, Denver, PA

VOLUNTEER OPPORTUNITY – LEARN HOW IT’S DONE!

We are looking for a volunteer to fill the show manager's position for the show in July at Wellsville Riding club in Wellsville, and a secretary for the August show at Harmony Hill and for the Sept show at Friendly Horseman's. We are looking for volunteers that are not board members to bring in more involvement of the membership. A member with secretary experience can work along with a member who would like to learn and help them along. Please contact Evelyn or Margaret Scarff (410) 692-6921 if you are interested.

Kim Hillyer has volunteered to do a training session for secretaries if anyone is interested. If there is interest please let me know so this can get set up before show season.

NEXT IEO MEETING – ALL MEMBERS ARE WELCOME

Next meeting is Sunday March 23 at 4pm at Baker's Diner. Please RSVP so Evelyn can give them a correct head count and they can be prepared.

IN THE WORKS

The Team Show has been changed to June to allow the pony clubbers to use it as a prep for their rally in August (which conflicts with our August show date). We want to encourage barns to form teams, show team spirit by wearing matching clothing and decorating their trailer/tent area. We will be inviting other local GMOs to join in as well. There will be fabulous new ribbons to win and if we get enough entries there might be the highest scoring barn award, the highest scoring state award, best team name, best team spirit, etc. Start planning now to get your teams ready!!!

AWARDS

Please let your friends know that non-members can earn Series End Awards again, in dressage classes as well as the WDAA class and USEA class. Participation in 3 of the 5 shows is required and we will take the 3 highest scores (from 3 different judges) and average them. Also, for the IEO members, we are going to bring out the IEO trophies and put them back to use. Come see the trophies which will be displayed at the shows and think about which one you could get your name put on!

THE IEO BOARD NEEDS YOUR INPUT

A survey will be coming out by e-mail in the next week or two. Please take some time to write your comments and send them back by March 20th so the board can start working on the things you would like to see happen. - Evelyn Pfoutz

MARCH 16, 2014 REGION ONE MEETING

Dressage enthusiasts are invited to attend the Region One meeting at 9:30am at Hassler Dressage at Riveredge 1455 Cayots Corner Rd, Chesapeake City, MD. The region will be voting on the venues for the 2015 GAIG Regional Championships and BLM Championships. Hotel rooms are available at the Hampton Inn Middletown, DE (302) 378-5656 at the USDF Region One rate of \$109. To book online use code "USD" or to book by phone use "USDF Region 1"

Breakfast snacks and lunch is available for \$20. Please make checks payable to USDF Region One and mail to

Lisa Schmidt
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USDF ANNOUNCES NEW PODCAST CHANNEL

Lexington, KY (February 18, 2014) - The United States Dressage Federation (USDF) is pleased to announce the launch of USDF's Official Podcast channel. These podcasts are designed to provide education and insight into our sport, as well as information about USDF programs and events.

Content for these podcasts will include excerpts from many of the educational activities held at Adequan/USDF National Conventions and Symposiums, interviews with dressage legends, information about USDF programs and events, and other dressage news from across the country. The Official USDF Podcast channel is free, and available through the USDF website and on iTunes.

"We are very excited to be able to offer another way for our members to keep in touch with USDF" said Cindy Vimont, USDF Senior Director of Member Programs. "We hope our members will find listening to USDF's podcasts both educational and informative while driving, working in the barn, or just relaxing. This is just one more way USDF is providing a connection to the dressage community, in a format that is geared towards today's busy equestrian."

To listen to our podcasts, or to get more information about USDF podcasts, visit the USDF website at www.usdf.org, or contact us at podcasts@usdf.org.

SYNOPSIS OF BOARD MEETING.

The February IEO meeting on the 23rd was very well attended. 18 IEO members were present. The 2014 Show season was discussed. All venues are in place and contracts have been signed and returned. In order to increase participation in the Team Show it was decided to switch the Team Show to June instead of August. This change will allow the show to be a qualifying show for the Pony Clubbers. Ribbons, trophies and high score awards have all been ordered. Some of our old ribbons will be donated to the Shining Stars program.

Show Schedule so far:

May 18 at Spring Valley with Janice Conlan as judge, Pammers Amende as secretary and Margaret Scarff as manager

June 22 at Harmony Hill with Joanna Gwinn as judge, Evelyn Pfoutz as secretary and Jessie Barker as manager

July 20 at Wellsville Riding Club with Kim Hillyer as secretary

August 24 at Harmony Hill with Cheryl Ash as Judge, and Margaret Scarff as manager

September 21 at Friendly Horseman with Tracey Bray as Secretary and Jessie Barker as manager

The Omnibus will be out soon and distributed to local Tack Shops and 4H groups.

Beth Major who oversees the Website and our Facebook page was present asking for suggestions on content for those sights. If you have any suggestions please contact her or her assistant, Hayley McKay.

We voted on continuing the payment of \$200 for the BLM so our members can qualify for those championships. We are also continuing the payment of \$25 for the Susquehanna Valley Horse Show association—this allows IEO members to qualify for points at their shows and gives us another venue to advertise in.

The board formally asked Leslie London for the IEO trophies so they can be placed with the rest of the IEO property. She and Jessie Barker will set up a mutually convenient time for the transfer of the trophies.

We discussed organizing a trip to The Festival of Champions in Gladstone NJ (June 12 thru 15). Other suggestions were a Devon Day in September and the Saturday Night Gala for the PVDA Ride for Life.

OMNIBUS FOR LICENSED COMPETITION 2014 WILL BE ON LINE

Most USEF dressage competitions in Region 1 will be listed on line. Get all your show info on your Smartphone, Ipad or Tablet. Region 1 now provides a page on the website that has all the same features of the old Omnibus such as show listings, access to dressage tests, Regional

Championship rules, information about NAJYRC, Developing programs, Dover Medal (second level adult amateur) etc. as well as general competition information.

IEO YOUNG RIDER FUNDRAISER T-SHIRT

“I Support Young Riders!” only \$20. Orders to Samantha Bray, 717-292-9924; 160 Pinewoods Rd, Wellsville PA 17365. See the IEO website for details.

DO FEED NUTRENA FEED? Save your feed labels to benefit the IEO. Proofs for Nutrena feeds can be mailed to IEO Young Rider, Samantha Bray, at 160 Pine Woods Rd., Wellsville, PA 17365

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SOUTHERN STATES FEED LABELS: BENEFIT FOR IEO

YES! We are still collecting these feed labels, too! Triple Crown, Legends, and Reliance feed. The IEO Dressage Organization, a non-profit club, can benefit from your feed labels, similar to the FUTRENA label program. If you can **cut off your proof of purchase labels on the back of your bags**, the club will receive cash! Send these labels, to: **Jessie Barker, 49 Milton Grove Rd N, Elizabethtown, PA 17022**

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NEW BOLTON CENTER FREE LECTURES

Please check the website, <http://www.vet.upenn.edu/FirstTuesdays>, for the most current information.

Penn Vet’s Hofmann Center at New Bolton Center is offering seven short courses on equine reproduction and behavior this spring, including stallion handling, horse behavior, and mare and foal management.

The continuing education courses are open to veterinarians, owners, breeders, trainers, stallion handlers, vet techs, behavior specialists, and vet students and residents.

“Our participants tell us that they particularly enjoy the combination of small group classroom presentations and discussions, along with hands-on labs and demonstrations,” said Sue McDonnell, founding head of Penn Vet’s Havemeyer Equine Behavior program at New Bolton Center. “Instructors can customize the material to each participant’s needs and interests.”

Courses:

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| Mare and Foal Behavior and Management | March 11-12 |
| Horse Behavior Modification | March 31-April 1 |
| Horse Behavior | April 28-29 |
| Natural Horse Behavior Field Study | Apr 30-May 4 |

ACTIVITIES COMING IN 2014

March 15-16, 2014 Instructor/Trainer Refresher Workshop hosted by Hilltop Farm in Colora, MD with Sarah Geikie. Contact Holly Fisher at holly@hilltopfarminc.com

March 16, 2014 Region One Spring Meeting at Hassler Dressage in Chesapeake City, MD

April 12 and 13, 2014 USDF/Nutrena Adult Clinic with Hilda Gurney at Wyndham Oaks Farm in Boyds, MD. Contact Jocelyn Pearson jpearson@erols.com

June 5-8, 2014 Festival of Champions at USET Headquarters Gladstone, NJ

July 15-20, 2014 NAJYRC in Lexington, KY

July 26 and 27, 2014 Youth Team Competition North hosted by VADA in Leesburg, VA

July 26 and 27 Sport Horse Seminar hosted by DVCTA at Iron Spring Farm, Coatesville, PA. Contact Anne Moss annemoss@verizon.net

October 2-5, 2014 USDF/GAIG Regional Championships in Williamston, NC

October 16-19, 2014 BLM Championships in Lexington, VA.

November 6-9 Dressage Finals Lexington, KY

November 13 Region One Web conference, 7pm

VISIT [e-TRAK](#); USDF'S ONLINE LEARNING CENTER

You can search for such things as "leg yield" and see written articles from past USDF Connection magazine articles as well as YouTube video selections from USDF produced DVDs. Available at *no cost* to all current IEO members. To access e-TRAK, IEO members just need to log in to the website at www.usdf.org/e-trak.

THE IEO LIBRARY NEEDS YOU!

The IEO library has over 40 horse-related titles ranging from training to novels - something for everybody. The titles are now posted on the IEO website (www.ieodressage.org) so you can see what is available. Is there something you would like to borrow? Something you would like to donate? Something you wish we had? Call or email librarian Beth Major. Phone: 717-432-7068 email: Beth.Major@ymail.com

CLASSIFIED ADS *IEO members advertise for free*

FIT RIGHT SADDLE SOLUTIONS - Saddle fit evaluations performed by Certified Saddle Ergonomist, Riding Instructor, Independent Saddle Fitter. For over 30 years, Terry Peiper based at Buck N Horse Hollow in Carlisle, PA has been "Helping Horses With Their People" through riding lessons and clinics. Recognizing the huge need for proper saddle fit Terry is a proud member of the Saddlesfit 4 Life network of equine professionals dedicated to preventing long term damage to horse and rider. Terry is also an Authorized Schleese Saddlery, Specialized Saddles & TW Saddlery Representative. Adjustable dressage, hunt seat, western performance, trail and endurance saddles are available for demonstration and trial rides. For a personal saddle fit evaluation, saddle fitting lecture or training session with your horse contact Terry at (717) 240-0723 tpeiper@aol.com or visit the web site & nbsp; www.bucknhorsehollow.com

Wintiec Isabel synthetic dressage saddle for sale: 4 years old, excellent condition, 18" seat, includes easy change gullet kit with all trees and gauges. Asking \$800.00 Contact Dane 717-919-2020

Beautiful Custom Saddlery Laguna dressage saddle for sale. mono-flap, deep seat, adjustable tree, wool flopped, buffalo hide flaps, 18" or 18.5" seat 3 years old and in almost

new condition. Currently set for a medium size horse. Asking \$3100.00 Contact Diane 717-919-2020.

Keiffer "Aachen" dressage saddle Lovingly Cared For, Competed In And Sadly Outgrown! 17" Medium Tree Keiffer Aachen – Black \$400.00 Can Be Seen And Tried At Any IEO Show! Kathy Weaver, Harmony Hill Farm Harmony-hill-farm@earthlink.net 717-991-8157

Bits for sale...5 3/4" KK Conrad Weymouth curb (square port for ergonomic comfort and helps with horses that get their tongue over the bit (\$100), Korsteel Kimberwicke 5 1/2", (\$15), Korsteel curb bit (\$20), and a stainless steel 6" thick curb bit (\$10) missing one curb chain hook. (photos available) Also, 3 black 16" English leather brow bands (\$10 each). The first 2 are black padded. coolbreezedressage@gmail.com or 717-422-6203.

30" Wintec elastic cair dressage girth. \$90.00, 17" Triumph Schleese saddle \$2950.00, both in excellent condition. Contact Karen 717-497-0923 or kypelton@centurylink.net

BOARDING:

SHINING STAR STABLE has a full care boarding openings in Dillsburg. Full care boarding, training and riding clinics. We focus on Dressage training, but all disciplines are welcome. Full board is \$275. We have large size sanded outdoor arena and a large round pen as well as private trails. No stallions, but well behaved horses are welcome! Call or text Oxana Maitre 717-756-4202 check out our site at: <https://sites.google.com/site/shiningstarstable/>

HARMONY HILL FARM – harmony-hill-farm.com Private 18 stall facility with an exceptional individualized boarding program. Amenities include: full-court dressage arena, 275 X 150 main jump arena, attached indoor arena, manicured hacking fields and paths with permanent cross country jumps, wooded trails, access to water at our "beach". Grass pastures and individual paddocks. Personalized instruction and training available in Hunters, Jumpers and Dressage. Professional references available upon request.

RIDE THRU THE WINTER! 65'x130' private indoor arena and large outdoor arena available for hourly rental. Indoor arena offers custom equestrian footing, extensive mirrors and a quiet environment, ideal for young horses. New Oxford, PA. Sue Smith 717-451-4726 or smsmith@mtholyoke.edu.

SPRING RIDGE STABLES is a full care boarding facility in Mt. Pleasant Mills, PA. 45 minutes from Harrisburg, we are easily accessed from either routes 11&15 or rt. 322. We offer 16 box stalls with daily stall cleaning, daily turn out in small groups in 7 spacious grass pastures, warm water wash bay, sand footed indoor arena and a large outdoor arena, and mowed riding trails, some wooded around the farm. Lessons available. We also have some good minded training level horses available for on farm lease, please call for availability. Boarding fee is \$350.00 per month. Please call for more information. 570.898.1050

NEED AN INDOOR ARENA FOR TRAINING? Cynthia (Cindy) Mattern, a USDF Bronze Medalist, has over 30 years of experience teaching riders and training horses in both Dressage and Hunt. She utilizes the pyramid for classical training. Cindy accepts trailer-ins at two (2) barns in the Dillsburg area, plus one (1) in Perry County. She will travel to you. See her ad in the IEO website. Call 717-796-0755 or kroniek1@aol.com References available.

If you would like to add or remove a classified ad, please call Kathy Nelson 717-235-6665 or email katherinnelson08@comcast.net. Non-member ad rates: Full page \$20. per issue; Half page \$15. per issue; Quarter page \$10. per issue; Classified ad or business card ad \$5. per issue. 'Camera ready' ad copy should be sent to Katherine Nelson, 9856 Holly Hill Lane, New Freedom, PA 17349.

Dues for December 1 – November 30

2014 IEO Membership Application

Name: _____

Address: _____

Telephone: _____ E-mail: _____

_____ Young Rider (under 22 years old) \$45.00 date of birth: _____

_____ Individual or Primary Adult \$50.00

_____ Additional Family Members \$35.00 each

One of the current membership benefits that IEO members enjoy is the ability to qualify and show at the Colonel Bengt Ljungquist Memorial (CBLM) Championships held every year. Are you interested in qualifying for this show in 2014? _____yes _____no

List participating family members: (Include date of birth for Young Riders)

Make check payable to I.E.O. and send to: Jessie Barker
49 Milton Grove Rd. N
Elizabethtown, PA 17022

