



CLOSE CONTACT

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President's Corner



Our 2015 Schooling Show Season is complete! Thank you to all who participated and volunteered to make this season a success. Congratulations to the series-end winners! Nearly 50% of our membership have qualified for year-end awards – this is an outstanding accomplishment – everyone deserves a round of applause. You have made your IEO an organization of engaged members who share a love of horses, dressage and fun competition, not to mention the friendships that have been found along the way!

Congratulations, your work and commitment this year is nothing short of championship quality!

A special shout-out to Margarett Scarff who braved the weather at Dressage at Devon to scribe! Now that is dedication, kudos Margarett!

This edition of *Close Contact* includes information on our upcoming awards banquet, membership sale, on-line mall opening and our October Schooling Show –first for the 2016 season! I hope you have your costume ready! As this show conflicts with our regular board meeting date, there will not be a scheduled board meeting, board business will be conducted via email if necessary or at the show if appropriate. See you at Harmony Hill!

It's gonna be a great year!

Lisa Acey
2015 IEO President

2016 LEADERSHIP BALLOT IS READY!

It is nearly time to select the leadership team for the 2016 club season. Maggie has received a number of nominations and as prepared our ballot that will be sent out to you shortly via E-blast. You may vote by US Mailing your completed ballot to Maggie Hawn or you may vote via scanning and return email. If you cannot attend the awards banquet we urge you to vote through one of these methods. Ballots will also be available at the awards banquet. . Stay tuned for a future E-blast including the ballot and more information regarding the candidates! The candidates are as follows:

2016 OFFICER Candidates:

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| President: | Lisa Acey |
| Vice President: | Cindy Mattern |
| Treasurer: | Tracey Bray |
| Secretary: | Maggie Hawn |

2016 Candidates for 5 BOARD Positions

Mary Washburn
Karen Schaale
Kim Hillyer
Ginger LaBarre
Jodi Van Sprang
Pammers Amende

MEMBERSHIP RENEWALS

It is nearly time to renew your IEO Membership and who doesn't love a sale!!!!!!! Yes, between October 1 and November 14th you may renew your full membership at a reduced rate- take \$5 off! Please see our website for more information: www.ieodressage.org , our interactive application is back and we have introduced a brand new PayPal feature!!!! Thank you to Cindy Mattern, Kathi Rickert and Beth Major for making both of these features available to our membership!

IEO ON-LINE MALL – It's up for browsing!

We have partnered with Elizabethtown Sports to provide our membership with IEO spirit wear and accessories. The mall is available for your viewing and browsing. It will go live for orders on November 14th and you can begin to place your Holiday orders. Check it out at: https://www.agpestores.com/ESGSports/groupproducts.php?prodgroup_id=8241&prodgroupbypass=true

You can also go to the Elizabethtown Sporting Goods website and scroll down till you see our logo: www.elizabethtownsportinggoods.com. We hope to have included lots of items that you will enjoy!

SILENT AUCTION – Awards Dinner

Our Year-end Banquet is coming up November 14th, with that comes our annual fundraiser... the Silent Auction! We have begun collecting items for the auction - if you are willing to donate, please contact Sue Smith at smsmith@mtholyoke.edu. Volunteering your services, artwork, gift certificates, etc. directly supports our club. THANKS!



AWARDS DINNER - November 14th

Our Annual Awards Dinner will be held on November 14th at Allenberry Playhouse in Boiling Springs, PA. Festivities will begin at 6pm with cocktails and cash bar. Jessica Steiner will be joining as a keynote speaker and perhaps give us some insight on what it was like to grow up in a dressage family rubbing elbows with many famous horsemen. Our dinner will include a selection to suit all tastes and the evening will culminate with our awards presentation. Tammy Murphy has chosen some outstanding awards and gifts this year, we think you will be pleased! The dinner invitation has been posted on our Facebook page, website, E-blasted and made part of this newsletter. I look forward to your response, it is gonna be a great night of camaraderie and celebration! Please join us!

Thank You Terry!

Our September meeting was held at Terry Peiper's Buck n Horse Hollow Farm. We held a brief meeting and then moved onto Terry's saddle-fitting presentation. This is truly a passionate subject for Terry and after just a few minutes you can see why! Thank you Terry and to all of those who attended! Please see Terry's website for more information about the value and necessity of a properly fitting saddle: <http://www.bucknhorsehollow.com/>

October Ghouling Show- it's frightful!

Our October 25th Show kicks off the 2016 Schooling Show Series, and its nearly Halloween to boot! So join us at the “October Ghouling Show” for some fun and adventure! Volunteers, judges and competitors are invited to wear your creepiest ride-appropriate Halloween costumes to this show – let your inner child soar!! LOL! Not only will high scores win you ribbons, but the best costume of the morning rides and the best costume of the afternoon rides will win a prize basket sponsored by Ginger LaBarre’s barn!!! Thank you Ginger! Please see our omnibus for more information:

www.ieodressage.org



IEO WEBMASTER BETH MAJOR SCORES A “10”

Congratulations to our very own Beth Major for her tireless work on our website this year! Beth spends many hours researching and developing the items listed on our website. She is very “click conscious” and strives to get us where we need to be with the information we need in the fewest number of clicks! Beth has integrated our interactive membership application, paypal, new omnibus listing and continues to keep our information fresh each month. In a recent USDF evaluation of our website Beth scored a “10” in : Information; clicks; links; and promotion of horse community! Thank you Beth!

New On the Levels Content Available

The *On the Levels* videos provide examples of the 2015 Introductory through Fourth Level dressage tests, with commentary from top U.S. trainers and judges, and segments geared toward improving difficult movements at each level. The videos available on the website have been recently updated to include scores and judge commentary by FEI 5* judges Gary Rockwell, Lilo Fore and Anne Gribbons.

USDF'S PODCAST CHANNEL

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. Visit the USDF website at www.usdf.org.

CONGRATULATIONS TO SHOW SERIES CHAMPIONS!

Introductory Level:

- 1st place- Tonda Lewis (Edelweis Levi) 64 points
- 2nd place- Kelsey Kitzmiller (Holly) 38 points
- 3rd place- Sarah Maneval (Easter Kat) 36 points...
- 4th place- Jodi VanSprang (Ytzen LSI) 35 points
- 5th place- Raegan Porter (Sid's Sweet Hero) 28 points
- 6th place- Delice Murphy (Wietske) 21 points

Training Level:

- 1st place- Mary Washburn (Without A Doubt) 58 points...
- 2nd place- Kim Hillyer (Ona Wild Goose Chase) 52 points
- 3rd place- Lauren Luthmann (Good Time Charlie) 50 points
- 4th place- Tammy Murphy (Versace) 50 points
- 5th place- Emily Harsomchuck (Menai Reflection) 32 points
- 6th place- Barb Bigham (Brilliantly Gold) 29 points

First/Second Level:

- 1st- Katie Patrick (DCF Cappuccino) 46 points
- 2nd- Emily Harsomchuck (Mister Mister) 42 points
- 3rd- Linda Colflesh (Second Chance) 41 points
- 4th- Emily Shertzer (Pistol) 40 points
- 5th- Ginger LaBarre (Ariba of Aslan) 19 points

USEA:

- 1st- Shelby Alwine (Kirkwood Ruari) 38 points
- 2nd- Julia Chain (Royal Clash) 34 points
- 3rd- Ginger LaBarre (Ariba of Aslan) 24 points
- 4th- Ginger LaBarre (Smoke it Over) 21 points

Western Dressage

- 1st place- Kim Hillyer (Bell the Cat) 43 points
- 2nd place- Mike Feister (Dancing til Dawn) 28 points
- 3rd place- Mary Washburn (Without A Doubt) 21 points
- 4th place- Ginger LaBarre- (My Spanish Breeze) 19 points

TWO JACKETS FOR SALE.

- 1) Black dressage Diana Pikeur, 100% polyester, size 12, gray lining, very little wear, \$225.00
- 2) Black melton wool hunt jacket from M.J.Knoud, Madison Avenue, New York. Top quality, size 12. \$250.00 *Montie Eagle* Phone is 717.243-7859 and web page is

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INSTRUCTOR WILL TRAVEL TO YOU AND HAS ACCESS TO SEVERAL INDOOR ARENAS from which to teach. Cynthia (Cindy) Mattern, a USDF Bronze Medalist, has over 30 years of experience teaching riders and training horses in both Dressage and Hunt Seat. She utilizes the pyramid for Classical Training and accepts trailer ins at barns from Gettysburg to Perry County. She will also 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.

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