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The Suncoast Dressage & Combined Training Association Monthly Newsletter



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Reflections on the 2011 NAJYRC in Lexington, Kentucky

This year after a season of fiercely competitive qualifying shows and CDIs, I was honored for the third year to have won a spot on the 2011 NAJYRC Region 3 Young Rider Team. The North American Junior Young Rider Championships is an annual prestigious international competition held every year over the course of a week in Lexington, Kentucky. Teams from all over North America, including Mexico and Canada compete in every equestrian discipline, including jumping, eventing, reining, dressage, and endurance.

My team of four young riders placed eighth in the team competition. I placed 12th overall in the Individual and was qualified to go on the Musical Freestyle. Experienced schoolmasters that ticked around the arena looking relaxed received the judges' higher marks and at the end of the day were in the medals. Renoir (my horse), has not quite made the rank of schoolmaster yet and I am looking forward to the wisdom and relaxation that will come when he matures a bit more! While I went dreaming of a medal, I was very proud of our Regions efforts, learned so much, and had an amazing time while making new friends. It is a huge honor to just make the team and be a part of this International Championship. The NAJYRC is the ultimate opportunity for any aspiring serious young rider and one that I hope to be a part of again in 2012. I am downplaying the 2012 plan till my trainer and mom recover from this year's excitement.

I cannot thank enough all of my SDCTA friends who have supported and encouraged me over the years. I was thrilled in June when a very young junior rider came up to me at our June show and asked me about competing. She was about to go into the ring and looked terrified. She shyly confided she was very, very nervous and wanted to know if I had ever felt that way before a test. "Of course - that's normal", I answered with big grin. I told her "just go have fun, think of it as YOUR ring for the next five minutes" I knew it was easy to say and hard to do. After her ride I explained that I believe I always learn far more from the difficult rides than those that come easy, so I have decided to enjoy them all.

Again, thank you all for your wonderful support, interest and encouragement. I am back to Florida State in the fall, and wish all of you the rides of your dreams in the coming year. Cheers, Bryn Cahill



SUBMISSION DEADLINE TO COLLECTIONS IS THE 20th OF THE MONTH

SDCTA is a Group Member Organization (GMO) & all members are automatically Group Members (GMs). For USDF Participating Membership, members must apply directly to USDF.



SDCTA Meeting—held at Elizabeth Campbell's house, July 12th, 2011

In attendance: Denise Clayton, Joan Potter, Angela Lytle, Susan Hartman, Kim Rose, Harvey Rose, Tate Baker, Elizabeth Campbell, Cherie Cunningham, Mireille Doffegnies, Alberta McEuen, Michelle Russell, Vivian Vetere, Sally Cahill, Lisa Yanchar, Heather Miller (guest), Amy Pouliot, Robbie Pouliot,.

The minutes were altered to change the wording re prizes at shows to members discussed an interest in upgrading class awards at 2012 shows. The treasurer's report was given by Sally Cahill after which Sally gave a detailed description of the revenues and expenses of rated shows. We also discussed the need for sponsorships both for the overall show and for individual classes.

There was discussion on the ability to get volunteer hours by doing things that are needed to be done both before and after shows.

We discussed the need to clean the trailer and to do an inventory of ribbons, test booklets, etc. A barbecue trailer cleaning party was suggested.

It is membership time again. We discussed sending out renewal forms and putting one person in charge of the overall effort.

We again discussed inviting a saddle fitter to speak at one of our upcoming meetings.

NOMINATING NEW OFFICERS

Joan Potter and Sally Cahill are on the Nominating Committee and would welcome anyone else who would like to serve on that committee to recruit and nominate anyone wishing to run for office positions in 2012. Please call or email them if you have any interest in being on the committee or running for the offices of President, Vice President, Secretary, Treasurer or Board Member at Large. The voting for next year's board members will be at our October Meeting. Sally Cahill's email - Cahillsally@gmail.com or Joan Potter's email - markpotter50@gmail.com or call 813-690-5607.

MEMBERSHIP RENEWALS

Vivian Vetere has graciously volunteered to take on the Membership Secretary job. Please download the forms off the website and mail them to her with your check to the address below or bring them to the September Meeting. Dues are due by September 30th. You do receive a discount by getting them in on time. The club must pay USDF in October for all our members. By getting your dues in on time this will make this process easy and only requires one roster be turned in to USDF. Please help Vivian by filing out all required forms and get them in on time! USDF requires all the information from every GMO member that we ask for on that form. Please be sure your forms include *name, address, birth date, email address, phone number and your USDF number* if you have one. The club updates our membership roster with the USDF once every month to accommodate those who join throughout the year. Download the forms with this link. <http://www.sdcta.net/Membership.htm> Mail to: Vivian Vetere, 324 Knollwood Rd., Tarpon Springs, FL 34688.



Presidents Message

Thanks once again go out to Elizabeth for the use of her home, not once but twice, in July; once for a regular meeting and once for a board meeting. The food was wonderful on both occasions. At the board meeting we decided to not have an August meeting. The last few months have been hectic so a break is welcomed by many.

I would like to thank Heather Miller who attended the meeting as a guest. Unfortunately for Heather this was just a business meeting without any additional entertainment. She is interested in Dressage and hopefully will become a member for the upcoming year.

Condolences go out to Alberta McEuen. Her 16 year old Quarter Horse, Romeo, had to be put down after an unfortunate pasture accident. He had a great personality and will be missed.

Best of luck and great riding to Bryn Cahill who qualified for the USDF/Platinum Performance FEI North American Junior and Young Rider Dressage Championships Team for Region 3. Brynn is one of only four young riders to qualify in our very large region.

It is time for membership renewal. Renewal forms are available at the website. There is a \$5 saving for renewals before September 30th. Please renew early and please encourage any dressage riders that you know, who aren't members, to join.

Our club is very important to dressage riders in the Tampa Bay area. We provide the only rated shows in the immediate area plus three schooling shows every year. Last year was not a good year for clinics. While in previous years we had two or three a year, this past year had only one scheduled. That clinic was cancelled due to lack of interest. Next year we hope to have more clinics with good subsidies provided. To do these things we need a vibrant membership. At the June show, the judge that I scribed for was very impressed by the quality of our volunteers; both in their knowledge and their courtesy. She was impressed with the riders and with the flow of the show. That all takes work and dedication. Many helped in between their ride times; many who helped weren't riding but gave up their time so others could ride. If you ride in any of the August shows around the state, please let us know so that we can give you kudos in the newsletter.

The next meeting will be at the home of Mary Anne Burns on September 13. I am looking forward to seeing you there.

Harvey

Happy Birthday to you!

Leslie Zieger	August 5th
Samantha Craddock	August 16th
Tracy Schlabach	August 26th

Year End Awards are right around the corner. Please download those forms and get them in as soon as possible. Any questions regarding awards and eligibility please contact Sally Cahill by email (as above or phone). The sooner she receives this information the better. Forms are due by October 15th with NO exceptions! Mail to: Sally Cahill , 4426 Ferncroft Ave., Tampa, Florida 33609

http://www.sdcta.net/year-end_awards.htm



IMPORTANT NOTES FROM THE BOARD:

VOLUNTEER VOUCHERS

Vouchers for volunteer hours from the two rated shows and the schooling show series will be handed out at our September meeting. If you have not turned in those hours to Sally Cahill please email her **asap** at Cahill.sally@gmail.com with your total number of hours documented by show, so you can receive the correct voucher amounts. Note: these hourly totals are separate and apart from your year end volunteer award totals and those who helped with our shows receive additional vouchers that can be redeemed for schooling and rated show entries, upcoming clinics, and club merchandise such as saddle pads, polo shirts, hats, and jackets. We will discuss ideas for specific club merchandise at the September meeting as well. Please come with ideas and even examples of what you would like to be able to earn as rewards for directly helping the club earn our yearly revenues. The Board wants to reward members who make putting on two recognized shows and three schooling shows a year possible with all their efforts. The Board realized that some members are not able to take advantage of just receiving discounts on clinics or shows and that the club needed to find an alternate way to reward everyone's efforts. If you have any other ideas regarding voucher awards specifically for show help please let us know.

WEBSITE / FACEBOOK / NEWSLETTER ADVERTISING

Don't forget to check out the club's Facebook page - this is a great spot to informally share information with other club members. The SDCTA website is designed to be used for official club business only. If you would like to advertise your business, members may contact Barbara Sutton by email and ask her to include this type of advertising in the classifieds of the our monthly newsletter. We do accept non-members classified ads for a fee as outlined in the newsletter, again contact Barbara Sutton about all advertising. Her email is barbaratom@a1du.net

CLINIC 2012 PLANNING

Many of you have asked about clinics - here are two choices to consider and we would welcome other suggestions as well:

Matt McLaughlin: Matt is located in St. Cloud Florida, He studied primarily with Chuck Grant, USDF Hall of Fame member and the recognized father of American Dressage. Matt was the Head Trainer for the Royal Lipizzaner Stallion Show and is presently in charge of training and new show productions for Arabian Nights in Orlando. He has extensive experience as an entertainer and loves to help with free-style productions. Please refer to his website for more information at <http://www.matt-mclaughlin.com/>

Ilse Swarz: Ilse has been in training with Steffen Peters for the past six years and is in charge of organizing all of Seffen's Florida Clinic schedule. Else teaches using Steffen's system which "works for every horse I have encountered". She is currently working towards representing Australia at the London Olympics. She is based out of Wellington Florida and travels extensively throughout the world to teach check out her website at <http://ilseschwarzdressage.com/>

Both of these clinicians are excellent but have very full schedules, so we would have to commit NOW for a 2012 date.



Classifieds

(member ads will run for 3 months unless editor is notified to continue)

INSTRUCTION

Joan Potter, USDF Bronze and Silver Medalist, instructing beginner to advanced, Pinellas County and Odessa/Lutz area. 813-855-3780.

Leslie O'Sullivan, USDF Bronze and Silver Medalist and USDF "L" judging graduate is offering lessons, beginner to advanced at Admiralty Farm in Odessa, FL, or will travel to you. 813-920-9041 or 727-510-2338.

Elizabeth Campbell, USDF Bronze and Silver Medalist offers lessons for beginners to advanced riders. Lunge lessons to improve their independent seat. School horse at Royal Blue Stables, Odessa. (813)-613-5775

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My Bejeweled Horseshoe: See them at www.mybejeweledhorseshoe.com
Or call **Mireille Doffegnies-Henkemans** 813-433-1213 or 727-251-4917

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Tampa Bay Area Information

As a free service for newcomers to the area, SDCTA has a list of area farms, trainers, and instructors.

NEWSLETTER AD RATES

(listings for 3 months)

	<i>Members</i>	<i>Non-Members</i>
Business Card	\$10.00	\$15.00
1/8 Page	\$20.00	\$25.00
1/4 Page	\$25.00	\$35.00
Half Page	\$40.00	\$50.00
Full Page	\$60.00	\$80.00
Classified Ad	<i>Free</i>	\$10.00

BOARDING/TRAINING

Full board and dressage training at **Royal Blue Stables** with 12 stalls on 6 acres. 8 very open stalls with rubber mats . 3 stalls open up to their own pastures. Separate small pasture available with 12x24 stall for horse with limited turnout. Owner/trainer lives on premises. Individual turnout and special care provided. Lighted 60x20m sand/clay boarded arena. \$650 per month. (813)-613-5775

Full-board / training **Nosara Farms** on Tyler Road. 12X12 stalls in cool barn on 9 dry acres. Morning grass turnout with hay and feed three times a day. Sand dressage arena with drainage. Trails off property. Owners on premise. Jane Whitehurst 727-254-3554

Full Board on 7 acres, very secure property. Individualized care and turnout. Grass pastures, jumps and lessons available. Owner lives on premises with over 20 years horse care, Full Board \$400.00 per month. Kallie Hilyard 352-464-2414 or smfhl@aol.com Located in Spring Hill, Pasco County.

Admiralty Farm, Odessa, FL. Regulation sand ring, eight acres of lush fertilized grass turnout. Must see. 813-920-9041 or 727-510-2338.

Full and partial board -Keystone/Citrus Park area, off Racetrack Rd. Over sized stalls, daily turn out, owners on premise, individual care; Call (813) 926-7822

CALENDAR OF EVENTS

(Club events are listed in Bold)

August 7th, 2011: Clinic at Half Pass farm with Stacy Parvy-Larsson . \$100 for a 45 minute session, auditing free. FMI Tracy Schlabach 813-545-6168.

September 18th, 2011: Schooling Show, Half Pass Farm. Closing date Sept. 7. Judge Pam Aide. FMI Tracy Schlabach 813-545-6168.

December 4th, 2011: Schooling Show, Half Pass Farm. Judge TBA FMI Tracy Schlabach 813-545-6168.

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2011 NAJYRC Region 3 Team Photo



SDCTA MEETING

The regular August general membership meeting is cancelled due to many members being out of town, rather the Board will meet instead to formalize some proposals for our 2012 plans for the members to consider at the September meeting.

Next Meeting
September 13th
Location—TBA