



MAY 2007 NEWSLETTER

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CLUB NEWS

Happy Spring to everyone! It's time to brush the mud and hair off those ponies and hit the road for show season. Good luck to all our members this summer in your activities whether it's shows, clinics, lessons, trail rides, or just plain old fun!

We had a good spring meeting and got lots accomplished. We have decided that for the first time in the club's history we will have to raise our dues by \$4 to \$8. We currently receive only \$4 from your local club (some of your membership fee stays with your club, and the rest goes to USDF). You will notice this increase on the 2008 membership forms from your clubs. This increase will help MDS to stay afloat due to ever increasing costs with our banquet, omnibus, and educational activities.

In other news, our membership rosters for USDF are sent in monthly so keep in mind you may see a one month delay in your membership processing from USDF. We will be updating our website with a list of names from each club as we get them so you will know that your membership is being processed.

Our omnibus was a huge success this year and is right on track for 2008. If any of our members are interested in advertising opportunities please let us know.

We are planning on another educational activity like the Judges forum held in Freeport for 2008. Please submit any ideas that you may have for an activity.

PRESIDENTS MESSAGE

Greetings!

Ahhh May... horses nearly shed out, pastures greening, fly masks, fly spray and baby birds in the barn. Horse manure even has a handy use in the garden but of course there is always more than you need!

We are looking forward to a strong 2007 year for our clubs and MDS. There are a few things to be aware of. One being a change in our Secretary and Treasurer positions. Becky Reed is our new secretary so please direct any new correspondence and newsletter info to her. Sandy Welsh has officially taken over the membership/treasurer duties. Thank you to both for being willing to take these busy positions for MDS, and hopefully we will have a fairly seamless transition for each of them.

MDS has been busy hammering out funding issues and trying to balance our budget. The result of our hard look will be some increases for 2008, MDS dues will be going from \$4 to \$8 and we will also be asking shows to add a \$2 trophy fee to their entry forms to

help us cover the costs of our banquet. We apologize for the inconvenience to our members but we cannot avoid it at this time. We are committed to being a viable GMO and we sincerely hope to be able to offer our members valuable educational programs.

Remember that you can use our website to download forms, check news, and even see classifieds. Send in your news, pictures or club notices! Bryn Redman is our website guru so please contact her with any questions or items to be added.

The 2007 show season has gotten underway. Good Luck to everyone!

Willette Brown, President

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News from EMDA

The key difference between people who ride for the love of riding and those who ride with professional expectations can be paralleled to those who enjoy sitting mainly on trained horses and those compelled to do the training themselves.
-Karl Mikolka



Not all people have such a bond with their horses that they also think about keeping the horse happy.

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EMDA Meeting April 5, 2007 6:30 at WIF

In attendance Boardmembers: B. Hudson, C. Elia, M. Zambrano, M. Lagerklint, G. McCormick, B. Redman, Guest B. Reed

Clinics: Gail McCormick is the newly appointed clinic chairperson after Kim Smith's resignation. The free clinic will be at Whispering Pines on May 13th with Cassie Elia. An email and hard copy of the clinic registration form will be sent out for the free clinic. Marianne offered to do the emailing and Bryn will include the registration form on the EMDA portion of the MDS website. The free clinic usually fills well with some riders being placed in semi-private or group lessons to ensure space for everyone to ride. A question arose about what to do if a rider who is scheduled does not show up and does not call - should that rider then have to pay a fee? This has not been the policy in the past as there are usually riders on standby or semi-private lessons can be split into private lessons. Gail will check with Whispering Pines to see if there is a facility fee for the free clinic. Betsy suggested a survey before scheduling clinicians to be sure of enough interest. Suggested clinicians were Elizabeth Feltmate, Suzanne Hamilton, Sue Jaccoma, Tanya Rennie, Carol Chambers and Gunnar Ostergaard. Gail will check into Elizabeth Feltmate (musical freestyle and dressage instructor) as a possible clinician. Puckerbrush may be available as a clinic host, they only require that each rider sign a release. Spring or Fall clinics were suggested because the Summer is so busy with horse shows. Week days were also suggested as clinic days because of horse shows on the weekends. Gail also expressed interest in arranging a lecture night before the

ridden clinic day to familiarize riders with the style and expectations of the featured instructor. There was also a suggestion made that there is a school horse available if a scheduled rider could not ride his or her own horse (due to lameness, trailering problems, etc...) but there was some concern over allowing valued school horses to be ridden by unfamiliar people with unfamiliar instructors.

Pointed Shows: Whispering Pines and East Ridge mistakenly did not add re-ride classes (portion of proceeds from these classes to benefit EMDA) to their class lists in the Omnibus. To allow their shows to be pointed it was agreed that they would be charged a flat fee of \$50 per show. USDF shows are pointed without a fee to encourage barns to continue to offer these shows. Proceeds from re-ride classes or the \$50 fee can be mailed to Kitty with the results from the shows. Michelle will email Whispering Pines and East Ridge about the fee. If the fee is not agreed to than the following year, we will not point shows from those stables.

Membership: There was a request from some members that they receive some confirmation that their membership had been received. A suggestion was made that a list of members be added to the website but then there was a concern of security. Possible a card can be mailed or an email sent from Kitty/ Sandy that the registration had been received.

Quadrille: How can Quadrille riders qualify for year-end awards if some riders on a four person team are not members of EMDA? A suggestion was made that only the riders who are members would get an actual award but it would need to be run by Janette to see what she thinks. One category would be offered (Quadrille) and all Quadrilles teams would be included regardless of level.

Newsletter: Any material needs to be sent to Betsy by the 15th for inclusion into the newsletter.

New Business: There was a request for an itemized Treasurer's Report that could be available to members so that they may see how much is spent on clinics, shows, awards...etc. and how much the membership costs bring in. And what funds are available for educational and promotional purposes. There is a possibility of merchandise with EMDA logo available for sale if there is interest.

East Ridge's Omnibus info is incorrect. There is no office fee for show entries unless they are received after the closing date. Class fees are \$20 each, not \$25.

The next meeting will be Thursday August 13th for board members and barn representatives to discuss pointed shows for 2008. Any EMDA member may attend.

Gail suggested an open meeting to all members to increase awareness and maybe get more of a volunteer pool. There was also a suggestion for a larger facility for the year-end banquet due to increased attendance. Bryn offered to look into cost and

organization of this. Bryn also requested more pictures for the website!

-Submitted by Cassie Elia

Important Announcement!!!

The first EMDA show will be June 24th at East Ridge Stable in Charleston Maine. All profits from this show go towards EMDA Year-End Awards. The show listed in the Omnibus for Saturday August 18th at East Ridge Stable incorrectly lists a \$10 office fee in addition to class fees. This \$10 will not be charged. The entry fee is a flat \$20 per class.

We are most fortunate that East Ridge and Starwalk have offered their facilities this year. Please support these shows.

Omnibus Change:

The Show Saturday August 18th at East Ridge Stable incorrectly lists a \$10 office fee in addition to class fees. This \$10 will not be charged. The entry fee is a flat \$20 per class. Also, add: Class 24- Quadrille - test of choice. This class will count towards EMDA year-end awards.

More on Shows!!!

(Please note, non-EMDA shows listed are EMDA pointed but are not EMDA affiliated)

Mark your calendars for the two EMDA Schooling Shows we have planned this season. Our first show is scheduled for Sunday, June 24th at East Ridge Stables in Charleston, Maine with Suzanne Hamilton as judge. We will be at Starwalk Stables, September 9th with Chris Joost. Details can be found in the Omnibus or by contacting Allison LaCourse. Please keep in mind that these shows are Rider Run. This is a unique opportunity learn how to put on a show. You can scribe, set up the arena, or help in many ways. It is fun! Entry forms can be found online at www.mainedressagesociety.org and selecting the 'form' link, then MDS Schooling Show Entry Form. Our shows had a huge response last season so be sure to get your entries in early!!!!!! (note judges that were TBA in omnibus)



April 1	Puckerbrush Dressage Schooling Show
May 6	Puckerbrush Dressage Schooling Show
May 27	Whispering Pines Dressage Schooling Show <u>Wadean Chadwick</u>
June 3	Puckerbrush Dressage Schooling Show
June 10	Whispering Pines Dressage Schooling Show <u>Carol Poulin-Taylor</u>
June 24	EMDA Rider Run Show at East Ridge Stable
July 7-8	Isaac Royal USDF/USEF Dressage Show
July 8	Puckerbrush Dressage Schooling Show

July 14 Sebasticook Schooling Show
 Carol Poulin Taylor, judge
 July 15 Whispering Pines Dressage Schooling Show
 August 5 USDF/USEF Dressage Show at Puckerbrush
 August 12 Whispering Pines Dressage Schooling Show
 Sandra Beaulieu
 August 18-19 Isaac Royal USDF/USEF Dressage Show
 August 18 East Ridge Stable Schooling Show
 September 1-2 Isaac Royal USDF/USEF Dressage Show
 September 2 Puckerbrush Dressage Schooling Show
 September 9 EMDA Rider Run Show at Starwalk Stables
 October 28 Puckerbrush Schooling

Puckerbrush Farm Dressage Show- April 1, 2007

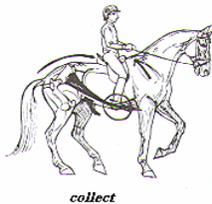
It couldn't have been a nicer day for the first show of the season. Sandra Beaulieu did a great job judging and we had wonderful food compliments of Equisine! Things went smoothly for most horses and riders! It was so nice to see all of our friends again and to see the progress that they've made over the winter months! We look forward to seeing you all in a few weeks!

Intro A

(C) Beaulieu,
 1 Jessica Dion-Buswell Accelare Comet 67.500%
 2 Brooke Collins Skye's The Limit 59.500%
 3 Bryn Redman Derby 56.000%
 4 Marnie Allain Simon Says 56.000%

Intro B

(C) Beaulieu,
 1 Jessica Dion-Buswell Accelare Comet 69.000%
 2 Amy Davis Springer 58.500%
 3 Emma Oppewall Puttin' On The Fritz 52.500%
 4 Marnie Allain Simon Says 52.500%
 5 Emily Dee Pistache 52.000%



Training Level Test 1
 (C) Beaulieu,
 1 Marilyn Smith Duncan 61.739%
 2 Debbie Stormann Tia 60.435%
 3 Sarah Wiltbank Silken Eikon 54.348%
 4 Emily Dee Pistache 53.478%
 5 Janette Giles Sigi's First Impression 53.478%
 6 Marie Robbins Diesel 53.043%

Training Level Test 2
 (C) Beaulieu,
 1 Kate Weatherbee Flyin' First Class 65.714%
 2 Susan Arthur Graceful Approach 61.429%

Training Level Test 3

(C) Beaulieu,
 1 Nicole Pollock Irish Melody 63.200%
 2 Kristin Brown Yankee Doodle 55.600%

Training Level Test 4

(C) Beaulieu,			
1 Nicole Pollock	Irish Melody		63.600%
2 Kate Weatherbee	Flyin' First Class		60.800%
3 Kathleen Bailey	Puttin' On The Fritz		58.000%
4 Danya Beliveau	Great Scott		57.600%
5 Kristin Brown	Yankee Doodle		55.600%

First Level Test 1

(C) Beaulieu,			
1 Danya Beliveau	Great Scott		65.667%
2 Wadean Chadwick	Imah Red Nekkurl		63.667%
3 Kathleen Bailey	Puttin' On The Fritz		62.333%

First Level Test 2

(C) Beaulieu,			
1 Wadean Chadwick	Imah Red Nekkurl		62.778%

First Level Test 4

(C) Beaulieu,			
1 Shelly Hamilton	No Name		59.737%
2 Jessica Dion-Buswell	Anonymoose		58.684%

RE-Ride Training Level

(C) Beaulieu,			
1 Susan Arthur	Graceful Approach		62.500%
2 Marilyn Smith	Duncan		60.000%
3 Debbie Stormann	Tia		57.391%
4 Sarah Wiltbank	Silken Eikon		55.652%

Re-ride Intro Level

(C) Beaulieu,			
1 Jessica Dion-Buswell	Accelare Comet		69.000%
2 Brooke Collins	Skye's The Limit		65.000%
3 Amy Davis	Springer		55.500%
4 Emma Oppewall	Puttin' On The Fritz		54.000%



Second Level Test 1

(C) Beaulieu,			
1 Jessica Dion-Buswell	Anonymoose		55.526%
2 Shelly Hamilton	No Name		54.211%

First Level Re-ride

(C) Beaulieu,			
1 Jessica Dion-Buswell	Anonymoose		57.632%

EMDA DUES FOR '08

USDF wants club registrations by November 1st, 2007. We will probably have to collect EMDA dues by September 1st, so that they may be forwarded to MDS in time. Be aware of that.

MDS WEBSITE:

It is up and running thanks to Bryn. Great Job! [mainedressagesociety.org]

FALL BOARD MEETING

The Fall EMDA meeting will tentatively take place on October 21st, Sunday, at 6:00 p.m. at 322 West Broadway in Bangor. EMDA Board meetings are held in February and October and are subject to rescheduling. Additional meetings are scheduled in the spring as necessary. Please call 207-942-5940 before the meeting to assure it has not been changed. They are open meetings.

DOUBLE A TACK SHOP IN HOLDEN

Remember to mention that you are an EMDA member and Double A will give a % of your purchase as a donation to EMDA.

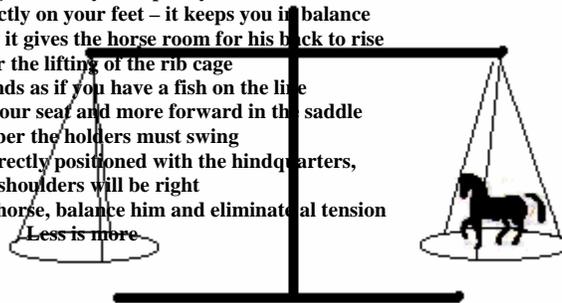
WANT TO RUN FOR OFFICE? CHAIR A COMMITTEE? BE ON THE EMDA BOARD? Let Betsy Hudson know by August Newsletter time!



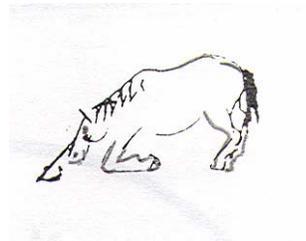
...even not very knowledgeable riders should be left in no doubt that the upper neck muscles do all the work: they support the head and neck.

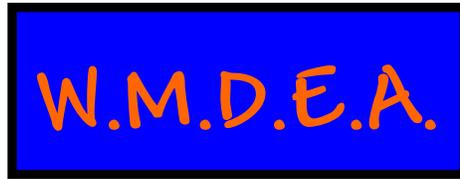
From Both Ends of the Reins

Smile – it relaxes your jaw and neck muscles
Place the thigh correctly – it opens your seat
Place the stirrup correctly on your feet – it keeps you in balance
Sit lighter in transitions it gives the horse room for his back to rise
Ride for the lifting of the rib cage
Feel in your hands as if you have a fish on the line
Sit more under with your seat and more forward in the saddle
Remember the holders must swing
When the heck is correctly positioned with the hindquarters,
the shoulders will be right
The key is to supple the horse, balance him and eliminate all tension
Less is more



We have a great board and a full show season ahead! Pitch in and saddle up!





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NOTICE from Isaac Royal Farm:

USDF/USEF Recognized shows to be held: July 7th-8th Judge: Joan Humphrey "S" August 18th-19th Judge: Betsy Berrey "S" September 1st-2nd Judge: Gabriel Armando "C" We pride ourselves in providing a competitor friendly atmosphere on a scenic mountain top with quality footing. A demonstration of our unique Equestrian Theater that attracts a nation wide audience will be held on these dates that you don't want to miss! If your GMO or business would like to sponsor a class at any of our Recognized shows, please contact us. Isaac Royal Farm 849 Range Road Dover Foxcroft, ME 04426 Manager: Carole Rose (207) 564-3499 Show Contact: Sandra Beaulieu (207) 343-0790 isaacroyalfarm@hughes.net
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Please visit www.mainehorse.com/smda for ride times and more information on SMDA events and shows.



Please note that all memberships for CMDA should go directly to CMDA secretary Jacqui Byron- NOT MDS as happened this year. Please take note of this to ensure your membership is handled correctly!!!

For all those young addicts between the ages of 10-18 interested in learning more about horses, training, riding, etc, CMDA is forming a youth group. You don't need to know anything about dressage. You don't need to be showing your horse! You don't have to want to learn to ride dressage! Did you know that the word dressage comes

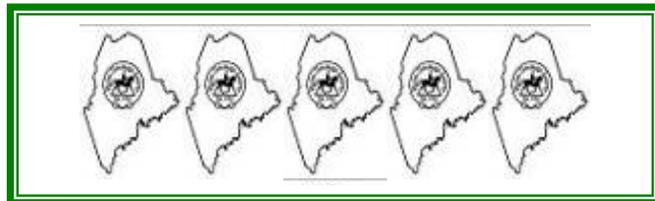
from a french word meaning "training?" Dressage is much more than people dressed like penquins riding their horses in "stiff and boring" patterns! The first meeting will start in January. For more information please contact Laurie Lee at 395-4986 and leave your name and address. You can also email her at heavenleeacres@earthlink.net- please make sure to put "Youth Group" in the subject line!

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CLASSIFIEDS

Dietmar



13 yo, 16 H, gray, imported Trakehner gelding out of Dixonia by Goerlitz. He has prior experience as a fox hunter but has recently been schooling first/second level dressage. He could easily make an accomplished hunter or equitation horse as well. He has soft transitions and gaits, is easily collected, and has a wonderful, puppy-dog personality! He is very solid in his lateral work and is starting work on flying changes. Dietmar would make a wonderful competitive horse for any rider wanting to progress! Priced conservatively at \$15,000. Please contact Bryn at Puckerbrush Farm for more information 207-234-2147 or www.puckerbrushfarm.com

2007 Fabuleux x Moosilauke

RH foal due June 1. Excellent dressage and jumping lines as well as outstanding temperament lineage. See other Fabuleux foals on line at www.warmbloods.com/bridlewood/home.php Offered for sale at 10,000. Contact Kitty Mitchell at 525-4435 or kittym@ime.net



Don't forget!! You can now purchase many types of clothing, cups, stationary and more with the Maine Dressage Society logo from <http://www.cafepress.com/MEDressage> ! Just click on the link (or enter it in your browser) and you will immediately be shopping for list of fun items! Even better, MDS will receive a portion of the price as a fundraiser! How much easier can it get?

