

TMDS Winter Newsletter 2020

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From the President:

Wishing warm greetings to the TMDS membership! What a winter it has been so far! I personally wish that mother nature would pick a theme and stick with it rather than changing her mind every other day! Despite our crazy temperature fluctuations so far this winter I do hope that you all had a great holiday season and that you are surviving this winter so far. The days are getting longer friends, the end is in sight!

Our TMDS annual meeting and year end award banquet was held on January 26th at the Senator Inn in Augusta. Congratulations to all of the TMDS year end award winners! Your hard work over the 2019 show season certainly paid off and TMDS is always excited to celebrate that at the year end banquet.

This year our guest speaker was Dr. Katrina Glaude of Heartwood Equine Veterinary Dental Services. Dr. Glaude gave us a very informative presentation on the importance of routine dental exams performed by veterinarians.

I'd like to thank Beth Brainerd for all of her hard work in organizing the banquet and all of the awards. Also, thank you to Pat Martin for organizing the silent auction. Thank you to Dr. Glaude for her presentation, and thank you to the entire TMDS membership including my fellow board of directors for being a part of our organization.

Membership forms for 2020 are available at our website www.mainedressagesociety.org, in addition to horse registration forms and the calendar of competitions. The 2020 TMDS Omnibus has been printed is available while supplies last so don't forget to renew your membership sooner rather than later!

USDF has announced the Regional Schooling Show Awards Program which will allow riders to gain national recognition from participation in schooling shows. The program requires schooling shows to submit an application to USDF and pay a fee per competition. If this is a program you are interested in we encourage you to talk to your local schooling show competition managers and your affiliated TMDS chapter clubs.

Let's start to get excited about show season, only a few months away!

See you at X,

Rebecca Reed your TMDS president

News From the Board of Directors:

The Board met just prior to the Awards Banquet at the Senator Inn on January 26, 2020. Our board of directors is a group that is dedicated to preserving and promoting our passion, and we are always striving to provide the best representation of our membership base. It is important to note that we experienced a financial loss on the 2019 Omnibus, due to a low number of ads and an increase in the printer costs. TMDS is fortunate to have people who worked to sell ad space and who put in the extra effort to produce this year's omnibus and thereby saved our organization a lot of money this year.

The Board would like to stress the importance of submitting forms that have been filled out completely, as an incomplete form can cause problems for organizers and competitors alike. This is important for Membership forms, Horse Registrations, and show registrations. Help us to help you be successful in 2020!

The board also discussed and approved the following change to our By-laws:

Section 6: Directors of the Society shall serve without pay, but shall be entitled to reasonable and necessary compensation for expenses incurred in the performance of their duties.

~~Directors of the Society are exempt from paying the MDS/USDF dues portion of their yearly membership if all three board meetings are attended.~~

It was determined that all of our board members were paying the MDS/USDF dues and we decided to strike this from the by-laws for the financial benefit of the organization.



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NMDA will host 4 shows for 2020 show season as follows:

Saturday June 27, 2020 Judge – Melanie Peabody

Saturday August 15, 2020 Judge – Bryn Walsh

Saturday September 12, 2020 Judge – Kristy Nordgren

Saturday October 17, 2020 Judge – Jane Tremlett





President: Michele Marden

Vice-President: Lauren Taylor

Secretary: Kathy Jolin

Treasurer: Kitty Mitchell

ATTENTION ALL 2020 COMPETITORS

EMDA would like to announce a change to the year-end score reporting requirements:

In order to qualify for EMDA year-end awards, members need to submit their top 4 scores from at least 2 judges at any EMDA show for Intro through First Level. Members need to submit their top two scores from at least two judges at any EMDA show for 2nd Level and higher. Competitors will no longer be required to submit all of their scores earned, only their top scores. This will hopefully encourage our members to attend more shows without fear of having a negative effect on their median score at the end of the season.

Along with our EMDA affiliated shows at Puckerbrush Farm and Infinity Farm, EMDA would like to announce that we will host two EMDA fundraiser shows at Peppergrass Farm and one schooling show at Peppergrass as well. Look for the dates in our 2020 Omnibus or on the website under Calendar of Competitions 2020.

Below: EMDA 2019 Year-End Award Winners at the TMDS Banquet in Augusta





The Central Maine Dressage Association's Year End Awards banquet was held at Mallet Hall in Pownal, on Saturday January 18, 2020. We always enjoy seeing our members during the off season, enjoying a fantastic potluck lunch, productive CMDA meeting, and beautiful ribbons and awards for our year end recipients! Our year end award recipients for the 2019 show season were:

INTRODUCTORY LEVEL - ADULT AMATEUR

1st	What's The Reason	Joanne Spiers	70.94%
2nd	Isar	Sarah Sweet	69.22%
3rd	Captain Jack	Linda Hitchborn	68.75%
4th	Fionna	Nicole Shipp	68.44%
5th	Life Of Reilly	Alyssa Vieira	66.41%

TRAINING LEVEL - OPEN

1st	DaVinci	Wadean Chadwick	72.04%
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TRAINING LEVEL - ADULT AMATEUR

1st	Bellboy Of Runchkin	Brittany Jacques	69.91%
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2nd	What's The Reason	Joanne Spiers	68.05%
3rd	Kennebec Elegance	Elizabeth Sanborn	66.61%
4th	Lets Go Impressum	Linda Hitchborn	66.41%
5th	Life Of Reilly	Alyssa Vieira	64.71%

TRAINING LEVEL - JUNIOR/YOUNG RIDER

1st	Agamemnon Da Raposa	Margaret Hamar	72.29%
2nd	Sherman	Phoebe Keliher	71.40%
3rd	What's The Reason	Sofia Mitchell	67.94%
4th	Oz Ruby Slippers	Elia Boulette	67.39%
5th	Nachu Peakin	Xavier Cummings	63.28%

FIRST LEVEL - ADULT AMATEUR

1st	Tommy Twotone	Katey Simpson	68.66%
2nd	Dandylion	Erin Luck	67.57%
3rd	Kennebec Avery	Nina Roth-Wells	63.13%
4th	Watch Me Go	Selma Powers	60.24%

FIRST LEVEL - JUNIOR/ YOUNG RIDER

1st	Sherman	Phoebe Keliher
2nd	Cajun Way	Abigail Gardner

SECOND LEVEL - OPEN

1st	Dynastie	Carol Poulin-Taylor
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SECOND LEVEL - ADULT AMATEUR

1st	Dandylion	Erin Luck
2nd	Octavius	Ann Grenier

SECOND LEVEL - JUNIOR/ YOUNG RIDER

1st	Phoebe Keliher	Scooby Doo
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INTERMEDIATE A - OPEN

1st View From Katahdin Nicole Pollock
 2nd Valdi's Majestic Bo Wadean Chadwick
 INTERMEDIATE 2 - OPEN
 1st View From Katahdin Nicole Pollock
 ELEMENTARY 2-PHASE - OPEN
 1st Nachu Peakin Xavier Cummings
 BEGINNER NOVICE 2-PHASE - OPEN
 1st Cajun Way Abigail Gardner
 GRAND CHAMPION - OPEN
 DaVinci Wadean Chadwick
 RESERVE GRAND CHAMPION - OPEN
 Dynastie Carol Poulin-Taylor
 GRAND CHAMPION - ADULT AMATEUR

What's The Reason Joanne Spiers
 RESERVE GRAND CHAMPION
 Bellboy Of Runchkin Brittany Jacques
 GRAND CHAMPION - JUNIOR/ YOUNG RIDER
 Agamemnon Da Raposa Margaret Hamar
 RESERVE GRAND CHAMPION - JUNIOR/ YOUNG RIDER
 Sherman Phoebe Keliher
 HIGH SCORE RIBBONS
 What's The Reason Sofia Mitchell 67.59%
 Deanerys Matt Baillargeon 73.71%
 View From Katahdin Nicole Pollock 73.82%
 Apollo Tara Morrison 69.38%

Our Show Schedule has also been set for 2020! Please join us in a fun, supportive environment for our Central Maine Dressage Schooling Show dates. See TMDS Omnibus for details:

Saturday May 2 at Safe Haven Farm, Secretary: Stephanie Hatcher; Judge: Laura Mitchell "L"
 Sunday July 5 at Esprit Equestrian Center, Durham ME; Secretary Elizabeth Owens, Judge: Patti Swan "L"
 Saturday August 1 at Scarlet Day Farm, Gray, ME; secretary Alicia Peters-Torrey, Judge: Wadean Chadwick "L"
 Saturday October 3 at Esprit Equestrian Center, CMDA's Kur for a Cure Fundraiser, secretarty Elizabeth Owens, Judge Krisy Nordgren "L"

Central Maine Dressage is also planning on hosting a few clinics this season: David O'Brien will be returning to Maine this summer and we hope to have him back to Esprit Equestrian Center for a clinic—stay tuned for details. Jennifer Mitchell, PT and Certified Practitioner thru the High Performance Program of the US Equestrian Federation, has offered an individual rider assessment clinic, as well as the option for an unmounted rider symmetry and biomechanics seminar (to be held in Falmouth, ME). Watch our Facebook Page for more details on these clinics throughout the season!



President: Matt Baillargeon

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For News and Events, visit our facebook page!

www.facebook.com/WesternMaineDressageEventingAssociation

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SMDA Presents:

WESTERN DRESSAGE SYMPOSIUM



SUNDAY APRIL 19, 2020

RIVER WINDS FARM

121 LOUDON ROAD, SACO, ME



SMDA is hosting a **Western Dressage Symposium!** The Symposium will include education on Western Dressage rules, expectations for gaits, and judging criteria.

Our Clinician: Ida Anderson Norris.

Ida is a USDF Senior Judge, dressage trainer, and licensed Western Dressage Judge.

Who should attend?

- Western Dressage riders interested in the Judge's perspective
- Classical (English) Dressage riders interested in learning about Western Dressage
- Western riders interested in trying dressage
- USDF L Graduates who are judging Western Dressage classes at schooling shows

Demo riders (\$25) will be critiqued and receive instruction and for improvement.

Auditors \$10 in advance, \$15 at the door.

A **Western Dressage Handbook** with rules and guidance has been prepared for this event and may be purchased for \$15. Advanced registration required to reserve a copy.

Auditors may register for this event at Eventbrite.com

<https://www.eventbrite.com/e/smda-western-dressage-symposium-tickets-93718543687>

Demo Rider and Auditor Registration application forms are also available on SMDA's website www.mainedressage.com.

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