



**ODS NEWSLETTER
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Dear Dressage Enthusiasts,

Recently ODS had their AGM at the Summit Club in Tulsa. Thank you, Danny and Amanda Edwards, for setting up the club, organizing and sponsoring the cash bar. ODS had fabulous attendance for both the meeting and dinner. Thank you for participating with your attendance and input. A delicious dinner was enjoyed while recognized and schooling show year-end winners received their awards. There were 48 recognized show awards given with champions receiving embroidered jackets while reserve champions received embroidered bridle bags. There were 25 Schooling show awards given bringing the total to 73 year-end award recipients. Schooling show champions received embroidered saddle pads and hay nets. A big thanks goes to Diane Smith for ordering the fabulous jackets and Stephanie Peck and Horse of Course for ordering the other items. Knistin Knutson received a gorgeous halter donated by Equiventure of Jenks for Horse of the Year. It will be beautiful on Vashti.

Diane put together a spring show video production of highlights from the ODS Spring Show. Check out ODS's FaceBook page to view.

Amanda Edwards gave us a composite list of activities (ODS and their Chapters), which is included in this newsletter. This list makes it very easy to plan and put dates into your calendar.

Pamela Byers is diligently working to organize the ODS Spring Educational Symposium. Stay tuned for information about the symposium along with rider applications.

Roberta Clark
ODS President

Congratulations to the new ODS Board Members. Robin Grain, Christina Harmon, Pam Rhodes are serving 3 year terms. Pam Byers will serve the remaining year of a vacated position.

ODS 2016 Officers Are:

President	Roberta Clark
Vice President	Amanda Edwards
Treasurer	Tamara Mayo
Secretary	Beth Circle

Next Board Meeting will be March 1 at 8:00 pm
It will be a teleconference call.

Call in number is 712-432-3900

Conference Access Code: 535614#

To MUTE: *6

To UNMUTE: *7(or use MUTE on your cellphone)

**Oklahoma City Area
February "Social"
Chili Cook - Off**

Tuesday, February 9 at 6:30 PM
DeDe Wasemiller's house
3412 E. Hefner Rd, Oklahoma City
Entry is \$20 and the winner gets half the pot and the other half goes to sponsor a class at the ODS show in May. Make enough for 4 servings as everyone gets to be a judge. Please call or text (405-627-9144) and let me know if you are coming. Come even if you are not entering. Let's Have Some FUN!!!



Great Plains Chapter of ODS

Congratulations to all GPC members who earned ODS year-end awards in 2015. It was fun to see your photos pop up on Facebook with your awards. We are proud of your accomplishments. In order to keep the momentum going, Great Plains Chapter is getting a jump start on Spring with a winter schooling show and clinic at Valley View Equestrian Center in Stillwater. The show, featuring Melissa Creswick "S" as judge and clinician, already has 12 horses entered and the clinic is completely full. To view the prize list, or to enter online, please visit www.greatplainsdressage.com or www.horseshowconsulting.com. Show date is February 20. Entries must be received by February 12. Please email Stacia at gtgray@aol.com if you have questions.

Stacia Wert-Gray
www.horseshowconsulting.com



Green Country Chapter News

The Green Country Chapter of ODS ended 2015 with a year-end awards banquet and Christmas party at The Horse of Course! GCC year-end award winners are as follows:

Intro Level: Kendra McDermott -Jr Under 11- Semper Fi: 62.499 CHAMP Sydney Berg -Jr Under 11- Paige Marie: 61.249 RESERVE Annie Houchin -Adult Amateur- Noah B.H.E.: 64.992 CHAMP Richal Flannery -Open- Leo Son of Lion King: 63.112 CHAMP Richal Flannery -Open- Asgaard: 62.695 RESERVE Training Level: Alaina Butler -Jr Under 11- Kaigenutt: 63.338 CHAMP Kendra McDermott -Jr Under 11- Blue Me Away: 63.259 RESERVE Ivy Orban -Jr Over 12- Kismet: 63.286 CHAMP Jami McKibbin -Jr Over 12- Imagine That: 62.03 RESERVE Hunter McConnell -Jr Over 12- Richnfree: 60.868 3rd Trista Milliman -Adult Amateur- Easily Uno: 64.347 CHAMP
First Level: Sara Scott -Adult Amateur- Valley Boy: 60.890 CHAMP

Second Level: Anne Furstenwerth -Adult Amateur- Jurgen Fan Bluffview: 65.316 CHAMP Audrey McKenna -Open- Jurgen Fan Bluffview: 65.718 CHAMP
Western Dressage Basic Level: Cathy Orban - Adult Amateur- Splash of Salsa: 64.597 CHAMP

Congrats to all of our riders! We look forward to a great 2016 show season!

Speaking of 2016, GCC has a full schedule of schooling shows, clinics, the Green Country Dressage Classic, junior camp, AND an adult camp! Our first schooling show is Saturday, March 12th at Bridle Creek Arena, located in Sperry. We are happy to welcome Vicki Sharp as our first judge of the season and hope you'll join us! For the complete list of our shows and events, please visit our website, www.greencountrydressage.com. You can conveniently download and print the prize lists from our site!

After a successful inaugural year, GCC will be hosting the Team Competition Show this year at the Rocking C on September 17th! We had a fabulous turn out for this event last year and it was an excellent way for members to meet each other and work together!

Another highlight to the 2016 schedule is the comeback of the Prix Caprilli test! GCC used to offer this test a few years ago and we are thrilled to be able to add it back to the line-up! For those unfamiliar with Prix Caprilli, these tests include two small jumps in the traditional dressage arena. You can find the tests on www.greencountrydressage.com.

In addition to a packed show schedule, GCC will be offering clinics from Susan Lang, Aaron Wilson, and Laurie Hedlund! Our first clinician is Susan Lang. She will be at Glenbrook Farm in Claremore on Sunday, May 1st, the day after she judges our schooling show on April 30th. This would be an excellent opportunity to get more insight and feedback about your tests from the day before! As always, clinic spots are limited. Please contact Rita Glen at glenbrook@cox.net or 918.630.6155.

Millennium Wind and Christina Harmon were named Arabian Horse Association 2015 Region 9 Champion Introductory Level Dressage! The placing was given for both classical and western dressage combined. The award was presented in Dallas last month.



North Central Chapter News

The North Central Chapter is back and we had a great year! Our year included new members, new judges, new young riders and amazing memories.

Our last schooling show of the year was held at Kim Kulczycki Sweet September Farm indoor arena. Marie Maloney was our judge and did a fabulous job with everyone. Marie was even kind enough to work one on one with each rider giving us tips of improvement before and after their rides. Doing this really gave great insight to the judges personal perspective on you, your horse and your riding.

The members of our club have had fun riding and working with one another this year. Some of the activities have included trail rides, lunches, meetings and shows. Due to everyone's hectic holiday schedules this month we have decided to move our educational session and new member recruitment and signing to January 9, 2016. On that day we will be discussing different levels of riding, where the horse needs to be at each level, and the exercises to achieve the best outcome, as well as meeting and welcoming old and new members. As a chapter we are elated to be ringing in the new year with friends, family, horses, and the thrill of more rides with one another! We hope everyone had a wonderful thanksgiving and are wishing you a fabulous Christmas and a happy new year!

Sincerely,
Jenna Wright
NCC President

USEF Announces Rule Change for DR122.5b-e From the USEF Communications Department Lexington, Ky. - Please take note of the rule changes effective February 1, 2016 for Dressage Test error calculation (DR 122.5b-e). These changes were made in order to keep USEF rules consistent with the FEI rules for Dressage Test error calculations. USDF Introductory Level tests and USEF Training Level through Fourth Level tests In National tests, every "error of the course" whether the bell is sounded or not, must be penalized, except as noted under DR122.5a:

- the first time by 2 points;
 - the second time by 4 points;
 - the third time the competitor is eliminated.
- However, at the discretion of the judge, the rider may continue to finish to test. If the competitor's continued

presence in the ring is about to interfere with the start of the next scheduled ride, then the judge must excuse him/her from the ring.

USEF and FEI Young Horse tests, and FEI Children, Pony Rider and Junior Tests

For these tests, the deduction for an error shall be:

- First error: -0.5% (1/2 percentage point) from total score received

- Second error: -1.0 % (one percentage point) from total score received
- Third error: Elimination

FEI Young Rider through Grand Prix Tests In FEI tests (except FEI Children, Pony, Junior, and Young Horse Tests), every "error of the course" whether the bell is sounded or not, must be penalized, except as noted under DR122.5a:

- the first time by 2 percentage points from the total score received;
- the second time by elimination; However, at the discretion of the judge, the rider may continue to finish the test. If the competitor's continued presence in the ring is about to interfere with the start of the next scheduled ride, then the judge must excuse him/her from the ring.

Rider Tests

For Rider test, the deduction for an error shall be:

- First error: Total Score reduced by 0.5 points
- Second error: Total Score reduced by 1.0 points
- Third error: Elimination

HORSE REGISTRATIONS

ENTERED JANUARY 28, 2016

- 1255 Oberon Nancy Burba
- 1256 Tony Nancy Burba
- 1257 Kit and Caboodle Janet Cagle
- 1258 Rebels Stolen Money Yolanda Gillmore
- 1259 Dot Yolanda Gillmore
- 1260 Rookie of the Year Trista Milliman
- 1261 Allegro Erin Tygart

**ODS Spring Show I and II
May 7-8, 2016**

Tulsa Expo Square

Lots of ways to get involved and have fun; details forthcoming.

Would whoever was drawn for the free membership at the AGM contact Lee Ann at leeannalf@gmail.com THANKS!

Stall in small private barn available to lease. 12x12 stall with pen - daily pasture turnout and outdoor arena (with limited lights for night time riding). Could exchange feeding/cleaning a nights or mornings each week for reduced rate. Pass this on to anyone you know that might be interested. Email or call for details. – susan@showsecretary.com – 405.760.0135

My Favorite Things

(submitted by Anthea Kin)

I have been a Dressage Trainer and Instructor for almost fifty years and for most of that time have run my own business, so over the years I have gathered some experience with what works well and what doesn't. My recommendation this month is for "Ex-Officio Give and Go bikini briefs". Yes, they are fairly expensive but you will agree that they are well worth the cost when you're riding in 100 degrees weather and your underwear stays dry! You will also find that these briefs stay where they are supposed to and the lace top version doesn't give an upper panty line, they also wash beautifully and dry very quickly. I work 12-14 hour days and ride 4-5 horses a day so my underwear gets a good work-out. I have had some of these briefs for at least four years and have not been able to wear them out yet. Ladies and Gentlemen this underwear is comfortable (they make boxers and briefs for the Gents which I hear on good authority from a student's husband are as great as the Ladies versions).



Next month the best bras or socks, let me know if you have a preference, antheakin@gmail.com

(Editor's Note: Anthea has volunteered to submit this as a monthly column. LA)

The Road to the US Dressage Finals

(Submitted By Anthea Kin)



I have been competing in the Region 9 Dressage Championships for over 30 years and it seems as though USDF has been talking about a Head to Head National championship for most of that time, so when it was finally announced that it would happen for the first time in 2013 I was definitely keen to qualify and go but fate would have it otherwise. In August of 2013 I was in the ICU with multiple broke bones and internal injuries and although I was riding again by the time of Regional's I was not doing so by the show closing date so I didn't want to risk entering. In 2014 I was healthy and Wandy (Wolkenwand) was going very well at GP so I paid the almost \$1,000 entry fee, then after the closing date Wandy came down with a virus, we were unable to go and I was out a lot of money. My two students Amanda Edwards and Erin Boone were however more fortunate as their mounts had already recovered from the virus and they both did brilliantly and were invited to Nationals. 2015 came around and I had two horses qualified in both open and freestyle classes at second level and GP so it was with much trepidation that I sent in my entry for both horses along with the \$1,600.00 entry fee. As luck would have it we all stayed healthy and the result was two Championships, one Reserve Championship, a third place, one gold medal and one bronze medal with the added bonus that I was invited to compete at the US Dressage finals on both horses along with my student Amanda Edwards on Allouette. Wolkenwand has had a long successful career starting off with the Young Horse Dressage

championships in Kentucky as a five year old so I expected him to qualify and to handle the experience well but my younger horse "Finian"



had just started his showing career earlier in 2015 with his first show ever at Valley View Equestrian Center, Region 9 Championships was his fifth show and Nationals his sixth. Since I bred, raised and trained Finian (by Frohwind) I was incredibly proud of him, he is not a confident horse and he tried very hard to be brave for me. Finian earned a sixth place in the second level freestyle finals class and Wandy was just out of the top ten with an eleventh place in the GP Freestyle and 13th in the GP open. I was very glad to be able to compete and very fortunate to be able to travel with my good friend Amanda. The road trip was uneventful which as anyone pulling a horse trailer on a long trip knows is wonderful and fairly rare however, settling in at the show and life at the campgrounds was not without a few hitches, but that's a story for another day!



ODS duties/responsibilities for 2016 (tentative):

- Membership – Fran Ferrari
- Newsletter - Lee Ann
- Attending USDF Convention and Region 9 Summer meeting – we'll see who's going
- Summer report to Region 9 – Roberta Clark
- Awards, schooling & recognized – Diane Smith
- Ribbons, schooling & recognized – Pam Rhodes
- Schooling Show Awards Coordinator -- Rainee Boyd. Robin Grain will serve as back-up to and be mentored for the future.
- Recognized coordinator show awards – Stacia Wert-Grey
- Chapter Coordinator – Pam Rhodes This primarily entails sending e-mails to chapters' board members after each ODS board meeting to convey any meaningful discussions or decisions by the board as they affect the chapters.
- Volunteer Coordinator – to be handled by each event
- Regional 9 summer meeting Hospitality Basket Coordinator – Diane Smith and Robin Grain
- Horse Registrations - Sherry Guess
- Bundling of Advertising – This will be added to October board agenda and announced at summer meeting. The committee will consist of Jeanie Eaton, Diane Smith, and possibly others who may have experience in this area. The committee will investigate pricing for and bundling of all the ODS advertising options.
- VOY Nominations – Roberta Clark
- VOY Plaque – This will fall under the awards category.
- Someone to send out directories and welcome packages to new members – Roberta will ask Christina Harmon. If Christina is unwilling, Pam Rhodes will do it.



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Changes to the 2016 Awards/different from those in the directory.

- x The awards year will run from October 1, 2015-September 30, 2016. This puts us in line with the national organization as well as making score tabulations easier and allows more time for organizing awards.
- x The following are changes to the awards categories:
 - o Musical Freestyle will be broken into three categories:
 - Training – Second Level
 - x A horse and rider team in this category is eligible to win three times, once per each level within the category. For example: if a horse and rider team wins in Training level, the following year they are not eligible again in Training Level but would be at First Level.
 - Third and Fourth Level
 - x A horse and rider team in this category is eligible to win two times, once per each level within the category. For example, if horse and rider team wins in Third level, the following year they are not eligible again in Third Level but would be at Fourth Level.
 - FEI
 - x A horse and rider team in this category is eligible to win multiple times, once in Intermediate, the following year they are not eligible again in Intermediate but would be at Grand Prix.
 - x Horses competing at Grand Prix are eligible for multiple wins.
 - o FEI will also be broken into two categories which will bring us more in line with the division USDF has placed between Intermediate I and Intermediate II.
 - PSG-Intermediate B (JR/YR, AA, Open)
 - Intermediate II and Grand Prix (JR/YR, AA, Open)

Key National Changes for Recognized Shows

- x At Federation licensed competitions, horses entering the grounds must be accompanied by documentation of Equine Influenza Virus and Equine Herpes Virus (Rhino pneumonitis) vaccinations within six months prior to entering the stables. See USEF rule GR845 for specifics.
- x With the introduction of Intermediate A and B, Intermediate 1 and Intermediate 2 are no longer consecutive levels. Therefore, Intermediate 1 (and Intermediate 1 Freestyle) and Intermediate 2 cannot be shown at the same show. And Intermediate 1 and Intermediate 2 cannot be ridden together at a Regional Championships. There is no plan to hold an Intermediate A/B championship class at this time. This is not new, but a reminder for those planning your qualifying year.

Summer Meeting

- Date of July 30, 10am-2pm at Remington (proposed location) Speaker Dr. Mark DePaolo on Horse Hair Analysis

2016 AGM and Awards Banquet

- Proposed date of January 21, 2017, 3:00pm (location to be announced.)

Show Committee Members:

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2016 Schedule of Events:

February 20	GPC Schooling Show
February 21-22	GPC Melissa Creswick Clinic
March 12	GCC Schooling Show, Bridle Creek
March 19	GPC Schooling Show
March 20-21	GPC Paula Lacy Clinics
April 2	GCC Schooling Show, Prairie Lane
April 9-10	ODS EDUCATION: Lee Tubman Symposium
April 16	GPC Recognized Show
April 17	GPC Mike Osinski Clinic
April 30	GCC Schooling Show, Joyful Noise
May 1	GCC Clinic, TBD
May 1	Gallery Farm Schooling Combined Test & Dressage Show, Noble, OK
May 14	GPC Arabian one-day Sport Horse Show
May 15-16	GPC Melissa Creswick Clinic
May 7-8	ODS RECOGNIZED SHOW, Tulsa State Fairgrounds
May 21	GCC Schooling Show, Joyful Noise
May 22	GCC Clinic, TBD
June 18-19	GCC Recognized Show, Claremore Expo Center
June 25	GPC Recognized Show
June 26-27	GPC Thomas Poulin Clinic
July 16	GPC Schooling Show
July 17-18	GPC Lurena Bell Clinic
JULY 30	ODS SUMMER MEETING: Dr. DePaolo, Horse Hair Analysis, Location TBA
September 3-4	GPC Recognized Show
September 5-6	GPC Debbie Riehl-Rodriguez Clinic
September TBA	GPC Schooling Show, State Fairgrounds of Oklahoma
September 10	GPC Recognized Show
September 11-12	GPC Sue Kolstad Clinic
September 17	GCC Schooling Show, Rocking C
September 18	GCC Clinic, TBD

2017 Schedule of Events

(These events will count towards 2017 awards.)

October 2	Gallery Farm Schooling Combined Test and Dressage Show, Noble, OK
October 8	GCC Schooling Show, Bridle Creek
October 15-16	GCC Junior Rider Camp, TBD
October 29	GPC Schooling Show Championship
October 30	GPC Recognized Show Championship
October 31	GPC Paula Lacy Clinic
November 5	GCC Schooling Show Championship, TBD
November 12-13	GCC Adult Rider Camp, TBD
JANUARY 21	ODS AGM & AWARDS BANQUET, Location TBA



Brambletye Farm Dressage
Anthea Kin

We are an 80 acre equestrian facility catering to the dressage enthusiast. Located just south of Tulsa, OK. We offer a variety of amenities including:

- Well maintained arenas, indoor has GGT footing and mirrors, outdoor with sandy loam footing
- Daily turnout in large paddocks with shelters & heated water tanks
- Master Farrier, Olaf Balt, attends to horses every other week
- Regular clinics with International Trainer
- Owner lives on property



Oldenburg gelding "Rousseau" bred, trained and ridden by Anthea. 76% at Training Level, Great Plains and Open Training level Champion.



Anthea's Credentials

- 3 years full time professional training and certification in England
- Chief instructor at several prestigious Equestrian Centers in England
- USDF Gold Medalist
- CLS Five Star Rider
- USDF L Program Graduate "with distinction"
- Many of her students have earned USDF Bronze & Silver medals
- 48 years experience teaching & training
- Two Students in 2014 and 2015 invited to compete at the US Dressage Finals

Anthea & Wolkenwand's Recent Achievements

- 2005 Champion Prekm 5 year old test World Championship Selection Trials
FEI 5 year old Championships 5th in the Nation
USDF HOY 5th at 1st level & 4th at 2nd level
USDF All Breeds Champion 2nd level & Reserve Champion 1st level
- 2006 FEI 6 year old National Championships 11th in the Nation
USDF All Breeds Champion 3rd level
- 2008 National Developing Horse Championships 6th in the Nation P&G
National Developing Horse Championships 9th in the Nation
- 2010 Gold medal Int I SWDC and Region 9 Champion
- 2015 Region 9 Res Champion GP Freestyle, 3rd place GP Open,
SWDC bronze medal GP open, 11th place US Dressage Finals



Oldenburg Gelding "Fisban" bred, Trained and ridden by Anthea pictured at the US Dressage finals where he placed 6th, Region 9 2nd level freestyle Champion and SWDC Gold Medalist scoring 73%

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