



Summer is half way over. Yeah!

Summer meeting and education was a huge success! Thanks to all who came. Those in attendance received a lot of great information about horse health from Brett Burke from Zoetis. Wow did we learn a lot about horse health, vaccines, deworming, and many other topics. Several members are already asking us to bring him back for more. We could have gone all day. Then Dr. Burba from the OSU Veterinary School took us into the world of large animal rescue and emergency care for injured horses. He talked about what to do in the event you have an accident while trailering you horse and what we should focus on in an emergency situation like a tornado. Planning was big part of the discussion.

Zoetis provided us with a great lunch from Red Rock Bakery in Stillwater. Bylaw changes were passed unanimously with a couple of grammatical changes.

I know some of you have heard we had a financial manager at our last Board meeting and are wondering why. As many of you know, Lyn Francik donated some money years ago to create an endowment. Her intent was to help create a fund that generated interest that we could depend on for future needs, mostly education. That money has been sitting idle with only a small amount of additional donations being added. Endowments are how The Dressage Foundation and many other nonprofits fund their programs. Money is put into an account of some kind; there are many types, that pays interest. The original amount is usually not touched but can be added to. We are trying to determine how to proceed with this idea.

Your President

Pamela DeVore

ODS, President

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Horses newly registered with ODS:

- 2425 Horse Feathers Penelope Malia Cockrell
- 2426 Rocky Cass Hobbs
- 2427 Apache's Pride-Western Rose Susan Mohler
- 2428 Forbidden Talent Susan Stoker
- 2429 Caspian Delios Cheryl West
- 2430 Dalwhinnie Dune Cheryl West
- 2431 Orions Green Onion Cheryl West

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Upcoming ODS Board Meetings:

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Calling all tech-saavy members!

ODS is looking for a webmaster to begin ASAP.

Janet Cagle has resigned and we are now desperately looking for someone to help us out.

(This would also help qualify you for ODS educational scholarship application status!)

If you are interested, please contact [Pam Devore](mailto:pamelad68@aol.com), ODS President, at pamelad68@aol.com

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ODS is looking for someone to help with the membership directory and to fill the open membership position on the ODS board.

Looking for a way to give back to your nonprofit organization?

Want to have a say in how it is complied, designed, and delivered?

Here's your chance!

Email [Pam Devore](mailto:pamelad68@aol.com), ODS President, at pamelad68@aol.com

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Attendees at ODS Summer Meeting:

The ODS board wants to say thank you for attending!

Veronica Moody

Jennifer Brittain

Liz Logan

Marta Koenig

Sherry Guess

Judy Zivko

Jacob Sanderson

Nancy Burba

Lindsay G.

Nancy Trait-Lira

Lyn Francik

Brian Rogge

Bud Patterson

Pamela Byers

Bailey Harris

Peggy Sue Blair

Patty Couch

Cathy Orban

Jana R.

Frankie Craig

Kathi Porter

Claire Porter

Laurie Hedlund

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USDF COMPETITION NEWS

2018 Great American/USDF Regional Championship Qualifying Fee Increase

Effective starting with the 2018 Great American/USDF Regional Championship qualifying season, eligible competitors must be given the option to enter an applicable class as “USDF qualifying”, for an additional **fee of \$15**, which must be paid to the show secretary prior to riding in the class. Half of each qualifying fee will continue to be deposited into the regional championship prize money fund. Please ensure that the updated qualifying fee is listed in your prize list.

Non-Member Fee Changes

Effective October 1, 2017, the USDF non-member fee is **increasing to \$35** per rider/owner/lessee, per competition. Please ensure that any prize lists and entry forms for competitions, held after October 1, 2017, are updated accordingly.

USDF/Dover Saddlery Adult Amateur Medal Program Discontinued

Effective October 1, 2017, the USDF/Dover Saddlery Adult Amateur Medal Program will be discontinued. Please remove any and all information about this program from prize lists and programs, for competitions to be held on or after October 1, 2017.

Now Taking Applications for \$150.00 ODS Educational Scholarships



The ODS Scholarship Committee is now taking applications for the Fall (2nd round) of the Educational Scholarship Award. Eligible candidates are encouraged to apply by November 15th 2017. Information about this scholarship is on the ODS website http://dressageoklahoma.org/?page_id=2758.

Congratulations! - Deryn Stewart & Nancy Trait-Lira

These ladies were each awarded \$150.00 educational scholarships for the spring (1st round) this year.

Your Board of Directors is looking for your input on our yearly educational programs. ODS is here to serve you, our members. Without your input it is difficult for us to provide the programs you would like. We realize the survey is long and will take you some time to fill out. We have tried to make it as easy and quick. <http://dressageoklahoma.org/?p=3146>

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Saddle for Sale:

I have a Custom Saddlery 17.5 inch Wolfgang saddle for sale. Buffalo flaps, French calf seat, medium tree. \$2500.00.

Contact Chris Cashel, chris.cashel@okstate.edu

405-747-6733

Saddle in Stillwater



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Chapter News:

Great Plains Chapter of ODS News



GPC and GCC teamed up to present a working equitation seminar at the GPC summer meeting in Stillwater on July 22. The program began with a pot luck lunch and informational session provided by Tamera Mayo. She discussed the goals of the sport and how to begin. Tamera provided an excellent handout which included homework for those interested in trying the sport. A demonstration of the discipline followed with Tamera riding her mare Clair NAF through the obstacles to illustrate the principles behind working equitation. Lidia Taylor rode her gelding Ivan to demonstrate work with the 11 foot pole. After the demonstration rides, Tamera and Lidia worked with groups of 3 riders as they introduced their mounts to the obstacles. Twelve riders tried the mounted session and all were able to complete many of the obstacles. The general conclusion was reached that working equitation can seriously strengthen the seat of the rider and the trust between horse and rider. A follow-up session is planned for late fall.

GPC fall shows are open for entry. The Labor Day show with Melissa Creswick "S" is almost full with over 6 hours of rides and still two more weeks that entries are open. The September 9 show with Lilo Fore "S" judging is also filling fast. If you plan to ride in either of these shows, please get your entries in or enter online. Show information is available at www.horseshowconsulting.com. Both shows will live stream. A clinic with the judge will be held on Sunday and Monday after the show.

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Green Country Chapter News



No news reported. More information can be found at www.greencountrydressage.com/news.

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OKC Metro Dressage News

The OKC Metro August 12th show was postponed due to a variety of conflicts. It will be rescheduled for some time in November.

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North Central Chapter News



No news reported.

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ODS Academy Awards Sponsored by Cheryl West and West Equestrian

Mission Statement: To find the ultimate lesson student who is capable of riding multiple horses, and to find the ultimate school horse who willingly carries and teaches all riders. **ODS Academy Horse Award Requirements:**

- A minimum of 5 scores with 3 different riders
- Must be ridden in USDF test at Intro level or above
- The rider cannot be the owner of the horse
- Horse can be un-papered, but must have an ODS registration number
- Horse must be part of an active riding or lesson program
- Horse must be 5 years old or older
- Recipient is determined by median score
- Award will be presented to the program that owns the horse
- Scores can cross all levels

ODS Academy Rider Award Requirements:

- A minimum of 5 scores on 3 different horses
- Must have ridden a test at USDF Intro level or above
- Rider must be a member of ODS
- Scores can cross all levels above Intro
- Recipient is determined by median score
- Rider cannot be the owner of the horse
- Horse must have an ODS registration number

A line will be added to the schooling show entry forms to indicate that the horse is an Academy horse so that the horse and rider are eligible for the award.

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2017 OKLAHOMA DRESSAGE SOCIETY MEMBERSHIP

ODS is a Group member organization (GMO) of Region 9 of the United States Dressage Federation (USDF).

New Membership _____ Renewing Membership _____ Information Change only _____

Last Name _____ First Name _____ USDF ID# _____

Address _____ City/State Zip _____

Daytime Phone _____ Evening Phone _____ Cell _____

Email _____

USDF membership year is Dec 1 through Nov 30. Membership dues are late after November 30th.

ODS Membership – Select One Category. For family memberships consisting of more than two family members, please check both boxes for that section (Family and Add third family member).

- \$50 Adult Please check any that apply. Open _____ Amateur _____ Vintage (50+) _____
- \$20 Charter / Life (for ODS founding members and those members who have lifetime memberships)
- \$40 Junior, under 18 as of Dec 1 of the current membership year _____ Birth date _____
(For example, must be under 18 Dec. 1 of 2015 for 2015 membership)
- \$60 Family (for two family members) Name of second family member _____
- \$10 Add third family member Name of third family member _____

Please include birth dates for junior family members

Chapter Membership – Check which chapter you would like to join. Chapter membership is not required, but is required to participate in the Chapter awards programs. Chapter membership cost is the same for an individual or a family.

- \$10 Green Country Chapter (GCC)
- \$10 North Central Chapter (NCC)
- \$10 Great Plains Chapter (GPC)

_____ OPTIONAL donation to ODS. ODS is a tax exempt 501.c organization.

_____ **\$5 DISCOUNT for memberships received before November 30th.**

_____ **TOTAL AMOUNT ENCLOSED**

Please tell us about your USDF/USEF accomplishments by checking any of the following boxes that apply. We plan to publish a list of member accomplishments on the website and in the directory.

____ Gold Medal ____ Silver Medal ____ Bronze Medal ____ USDF Rider Performance (training, 1st, 2nd)
____ “L” judge ____ USDF Instructor Certification

ODS membership is an opportunity to promote Dressage in your community. The club is ONLY as good as it's most ACTIVE members. We need your help! What are your skill sets? Please circle all that apply.

Scribing Scoring Organization/Management Accounting Spreadsheets

Arena Set-up/Tear-Down Photography Fund Raising Other _____

I hereby release the Oklahoma Dressage Society, it's officers, members, employees and agents from any liability and all claims of every kind, including costs, expenses, or attorney fees that might result from damages, injuries, or losses resulting directly or indirectly from the negligent act or omissions of the officers, members, employees or agents of the Oklahoma Dressage Society Club. I agree and sign below:

Signed: _____ Date _____ (Parent/guardian must sign for Junior Rider.)

Mail this form, with check payable to “Oklahoma Dressage Society” to: Marta Koenig, P.O. Box 1101, Kellyville, OK, 74039. Please allow 4 to 6 weeks for processing by USDF.