



Fall 2021 Newsletter

Issue #101

Happy fall to my fellow TMDS members!!

I hope you have all been enjoying the gorgeous colors and cooler weather with your equine partners!

We've had a busy season this summer that is quickly winding down. How wonderful to have had such a nice show season after 2020!

Please remember to renew your TMDS membership for 2022! The new membership form is now available on the website at www.themainedressagesociety.org

It's also that time of year to be thinking about the omnibus for 2022. Reminder e-mails have been sent for show listings and advertisements. Please contact me with any questions!

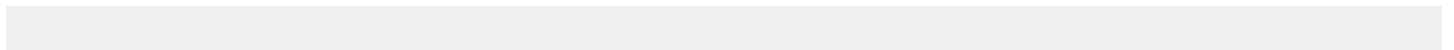
The TMDS year-end award banquet will be virtual again for this year due to Covid restrictions. We will again have a slide show of our award winners and awards will be delivered in your area.

Don't forget to submit your year-end scores to Beth Brainerd to be included in the awards program for 2021.

Scholarships are available to TMDS members!! Please visit the website for more information and scholarship application forms, it's easy to apply!

All my best,

Rebecca Reed, your TMDS President



News From the Board of Directors

It's that time of year to start thinking about show listings for the 2022 Maine Dressage Society Omnibus!!
We have had slight price increases from last year, please see prices below.

Deadlines for the 2022 Omnibus

In order to publish the 2022 Omnibus on time, with quality advertisements, shows and tests, we need to adhere to the following deadlines:

Camera Ready Ads (Emailed or CD) and Show Listings (Old & New) November 15, 2021

Final Edits and Judges December 1, 2021

Omnibus to printer January 1, 2022

SHOW LISTING INFO:

Please submit all show listings as a .doc or .docx file.

*****Please note that if the only changes needed are dates and judges from last year's listing, you can send me just the changes and not the whole file!*****

Show listings are \$40 for the first listing and \$30 for each additional listing. ***Late show listings submissions will be accepted up to 11/20/20 with an added \$25 late fee per organizer (not per show)***

AD RATES:

Business card \$30

1/4 page \$40

1/2 page \$60

Full page black & white \$110

Inside back cover \$150

Show listings and Ad's may be e-mailed to me at b_girl52@hotmail.com or rebeccareed52@gmail.com, and payments may all be submitted to:

The Maine Dressage Society

PO Box 564

Hampden, ME 04444

Please call or text Becky at: 207-478-0954 or e-mail with any further questions, thank you!!



United States Dressage Federation

Region 8

Connecticut Maine Massachusetts New Hampshire New York Rhode Island Vermont

Our most recent regional meeting was done by zoom call on October 5th and was very productive in our discussions. Thank you Lendon Gray for providing the zoom! Since this report is mainly about the meeting, here are the minutes:

7:05pm - Call to order!

Director Report: Virtual convention – not what the delegates from Region 8 wanted. They did request to have zoom calls for various groups ie. competition management or regional championships. Debra will take it to the EB. The agenda for the convention should be out shortly. Only one Regional Meeting during the convention for one hour and 30 mins where the presidential candidates speak.

At this point we are not going to schedule another meeting before the convention but if we don't finish business in that time allotted, we will schedule one later in the month.

2021 Show season – COVID-19 had a much less impact on our region's show season this year. Many shows found their numbers up and riders were out showing. NEDA Spring show was a huge success with some impact on other shows. We will keep close watch in 2022.

2022 Show Season – Beland's is dropping their recognized show, ie Memorial Day weekend and Labor Day weekend. They have been long standing show for the region.

US Dressage Finals – They are expected to happen and to be huge as not only 2021 qualified riders, but also the 2020 qualified riders are invited. JrYR will be their first year to be able to participate in the US Dressage Finals.

EB- Are there any issues from our region to bring to the Executive Board – Only issue was the one above regarding zoom 'cocktail' hour.

Financial Report – Sally reported the only income came from NEDA members donating to Region 8 on their membership application, and a small amount of interest. No other activities for the year. This brought up discussion about the JrYR account being down and did we need to invoice the riders the difference. Debra and Bobbi will look into the difference.

Reports

GMO Nominations – Kate not available

NAYC – Bobbi reported the teams were excited and happy to be at the competition. They had one large donation for the entire transportation of the team to MI. They also fund raised over \$6000 which will nearly pay for the entries.

Raising Funds - Kate, Tabled as the convention will be virtual again.

Competition Management – Anita reported that the committee had been very active putting together an educational webinar to be presented in February on various types of contracts.

Regional Championships – Beth reported that the 2021 Regional Championships were successful and that NEDA volunteers did a great job. They had 553 entries which is down from the 633 in 2019. All in all, great time for all.

Debra reported for 2022 Regional Championships were a go at Saugerties with Debra as manager, Steve Reinhardt as Secretary and HITS as the licensee.

GMO – Cindi reported on the new volunteer incentive program and how it was changed slightly so GMO board members can include their hours as well. The committee also did a survey about future educational topics and outreach.

Normally the Region dresses in a color for the Board of Governors, but with this convention being virtual that will not have the impact. Do we all still have Region 8 background?

New Business – None at this time

Spring Meeting date – I will let the new Regional Director schedule this.

Adjourn at 8:15pm with thank you to Lendon for allowing us to use her zoom account.

REALLY GREAT news is that every USDF member can and should attend the USDF Convention. It is virtual!!! Go to <https://www.usdf.org/convention/agenda.asp> to find the agenda and schedule your week. There are many educational events, round table discussions and YES of course...Board of Governors. You will be able to participate from your home. What a wonderful opportunity for all!

Next month's newsletter will be a very short report as not much is happening from now until then.

See you on the Centerline...

Debra Reinhardt, USDF Region 8 Director



Northern Maine Dressage Association

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2021 Year-End Score Report Form

Eligibility

Only scores received at EMDA-pointed shows count towards EMDA Year-End Awards. EMDA pointed shows include those listed in the current TMDS Omnibus and designated as TMDS/EMDA. For 2021 awards, these include all dressage shows held at Infinity, Puckerbrush, and Peppergrass Farms.

You must be an EMDA member by the date of the first EMDA-pointed show for which you are reporting scores in the current year. Riders are only eligible for awards at two consecutive levels. If you qualify for three, you will forfeit your eligibility at your lowest level.

Directions for reporting scores

Only list **one horse/rider combination per level per form.**

Intro-First Level: Submit your top 4 scores from at least 2 shows with at least 2 judges.

Second Level & above: Submit your top 2 scores from at least 2 shows with at least 2 judges.

If you have questions about reporting scores or submitting your report, please contact Gabby Jolin at gabriellejolin714@gmail.com

[Score report form is due by November 10th!](#)

EMDA 2021 Year-End Score Report Form

One form per horse/rider combination per level.

Please email or mail this form along with pictures/scans/copies of your tests to Gabby Jolin at gabriellejolin714@gmail.com or 11 Mack Hill, Dover-Foxcroft, ME 04426. You will receive an email confirmation once the report form and scores have been received.

Rider Name: _____

Horse Name: _____

Level: _____

Email: _____

Status (Circle one): Junior/Young Rider Adult Amateur Open

*Please list scores in order from **highest to lowest** in the section below:*

Date	Show	Judge	Test	Score

For organizer use only:

Division _____ Median score _____ Place _____



Volunteer Scholarships

For the 2021 show season, EMDA will sponsor three separate \$100 scholarships that will be awarded to a volunteer from each of our three venues!

Puckerbrush Farm

Infinity Farm

Peppergrass Farm

We realize that we could not have all of these shows without the help of our volunteers, and so we wanted to say “Thank you!” Every time someone volunteered at one of our EMDA shows, their name was entered into the drawing. The scholarships can be used for lessons or other expenses related to dressage education. We are so excited to pick the winners at our year-end celebration!



2021 CMDA YEAR-END AWARD REQUIREMENTS

Rider must be a current CMDA member at the time scores are earned.

Re-ride tests do NOT count toward year end awards.

All scores must be earned at shows listed in the current year's TMDS Omnibus, and be given by a judge with a rating of "L" or higher ("r", "R", "s") Horse and Rider combinations are eligible for awards at two (2) consecutive levels. Should a combination qualify for three, the scores at the lowest level will be forfeit.

Year-end scores will be calculated by the level. If four (4) scores are submitted, the two middle scores will be averaged for a final score. If two (2) scores are submitted, the two scores are averaged for a final score. A final score of 55% or higher is required to qualify for an award.

To qualify for Grand Champion, or Reserve Grand Champion, one (1) of the scores submitted must be from the highest test of the level ridden.

Riders are required to submit a CMDA score report form, as well as a copy of the front of each test. Score submissions must be post marked by November 30th of the current competition year, for award consideration.

Introductory, Training, First and Second Levels: To qualify at each level, the horse & rider combination must submit four (4) scores earned at two (2) shows from two (2) different judges. One score must be from a CMDA show.

Third and Fourth Levels: To qualify at each level, the horse & rider combination must submit two (2) scores earned at two (2) different shows from two (2) different judges. One score must be from a CMDA show.

FEI (Prix St. Georges, Intermediate, Grand Prix): To qualify at each level, the horse & rider combination must submit two (2) scores earned at two (2) shows from two (2) different judges. One score must be from a CMDA show.

Western Dressage: To qualify at a level, the horse & rider combination must submit four (4) scores earned at two (2) different shows from two (2) different judges. One score must be from a CMDA

show. Separation of divisions by junior/young rider, amateur, open and by levels will be at the discretion of the awards program manager.

Freestyles: To qualify, the horse & rider combination must submit two (2) scores earned at two (2) different shows from two (2) different judges. One score must be from a CMDA show.

Combined Test: To qualify, the horse & rider combination must submit two (2) scores earned at two (2) different shows from two (2) different judges. Due to only one CMDA show holding Combined Test classes, both scores can be from any show listed in the 2020 MDS Omnibus.





President: Matt Baillargeon

Vice-President: Amanda Flanders

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WMDA Year End Awards Guidelines for Competition Year 2021:

Due to Covid-19 concerns and restrictions WMDA will follow TMDS Options:

A box will be made up for each barn or group so that we can all still have a small version of an awards ceremony with our own barn family. Of course, please continue to follow the recommended guidelines, mask, social distancing... Each box can be picked up at a designated location or delivered depending on the situation. If you are "on your own", please choose the barn where you would be comfortable picking up your award or make arrangements with Cassi. Please make a note on your Score Report Form which barn or group with which you want your awards included.

All the awards will be ready to be picked up or delivered by January 31, 2021.

Modified Requirements:

Intro through 2nd Level: You will need at least 4 scores from two shows and two different judges.

3rd Level and above: You will need to submit at least 2 scores from 2 shows and 2 different judges.

Medal requirements have not changed. Specials Categories have also been revised to match the above new requirements.

Thank you, hope you all had a great show season, and hang in there while we all navigate this new world. HAPPY RIDING!!

The Maine Dressage Society

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