TMDS Spring Newsletter 2019

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From the President:

Summer seems to have finally arrived here in Maine. Grass is growing, rain is slowing, allergies and insects are abundant! I hope everyone is drying out from the rainy start to the season and able to get out and enjoy early summer weather in our beautiful state!

Shows and clinics are off to a good start! Please send us your show results, clinic reports, and photos as we'd love to share them in our newsletter and on the facebook page.

TMDS gives 3 scholarships per season up to \$250 each. Application forms are available on the TMDS website www.mainedressagesociety.org under the forms and resources tab.

It's not too late to join TMDS for 2019! Membership forms and horse registration information for year end awards is all available on the website.

New for 2020 TMDS will be offering an online payment option through paypal for memberships! TMDS is co-sponsoring a clinic with JJ Tate September 7-8 at Puckerbrush Farm in Newburgh. Auditing will be available, please contact Puckerbrush Farm or Susan Oakland (organizer) on facebook for more information!

TMDS is planning a spring 2020 clinic with Arthur Kottas. Watch the TMDS facebook page for more information!

The next TMDS meeting is proposed for Tuesday September 24th at 6PM at the Maine Farm Bureau in Augusta. At this meeting we will be holding elections for officers. Nominations can be made prior to the September meeting. Officers are elected by the board from the directors of the board. Please contact me for more information at rebeccareed52@gmail.com or info@mainedressagesociety.org

Wishing you all straight centerlines and square halts!

Rebecca Reed TMDS President



Puckerbrush Farm, TMDS, NEDA and Eastern Maine Dressage Association are incredibly excited to announce that JJ Tate will be coming to Puckerbrush Farm in Newburgh, Maine for a clinic on September 7th and 8th, 2019. Among her many accomplishments JJ has most recently finished an exceptional 2019 winter show season in Wellington where she was awarded the Custom Saddlery Most Valuable Rider Award at Grand Prix. JJ has also ridden and shown internationally, has been a World Cup Reserve finalist, has been long listed for the World Equestrian Games, finished as runner up for Robert Dover's "Search for the Next American Equestrian Star", was the highest scoring American at the World Breeding Championships for Dressage Horses in Verden, Germany and in 1999 had the distinction of being the nations top young rider at Grand Prix, leading her team to a Silver Medal in the North American Young Rider Championships. JJ will be offering two full days of lessons at Puckerbrush Farm. The lesson spots have already been filled but we are taking names for a wait list and are accepting auditors as well. The Maine Dressage Society has generously supported this clinic both financially as well as through advertising. As a member of TMDS you will be eligible for a discounted auditing fee (members are eligible to audit this clinic for \$15 a day or \$20 for the weekend. Non members of a sponsoring organization will need to pay \$20 for the day or \$30 for the weekend). We are very pleased to have food provided for this event by Gracie's Farm to Wagon Food Truck. This vendor specializes in providing fresh, home made, directly off the farm food to its customers. If you would like to reserve an auditing spot or have questions about this event please text Susan Oakland at (207) 322-9111

News From the Board of Directors:

The TMDS Board of Directors met at the Maine Farm Bureau in Augusta on April 16, 2019. The memberships as of that date were:

CMDA: 52 Individual members 1 Supporting member

EMDA: 50 Individual members, 3 Supporting member

NMDA: 22 Individual members, 1 Supporting member

WMDA: 50 Individual members!!

It's certainly seems that our organization is doing well and we are proud to represent all of you! 2019 is shaping up to be a fabulous year with shows, clinics and opportunities throughout the season!

TMDS Board members will be soliciting ads for next year's omnibus throughout the show season. Any business or individual can place an ad in the Omnibus, so promote your business, encourage your rider, brag about your pony. Whatever your message, get it out there for all to see!

Ad prices are:

Business card 3.25" wide x 2" tall \$25

1/4 page vertical 2.125" wide x 3.625" tall \$35

1/4 page horizontal 4.625" wide x 1.625" tall \$35

1/2 page 4.625" wide x 3.625" tall \$55

full page 4.625" wide x 7.5 tall \$105

Northern Maine Dressage Association

President: Michelle Zambrano 564-8992

Vice-President: Robin Brittelli 949-1950

Secretary: Laurie Harvey 343-1197

Treasurer: Kathleen Fox 668-6007

Show Chairs: Kaley Benner & Grace Jordan

NMDA will host 4 shows for 2019 show season as follows: We

are still lining up judges for next season

Saturday June 29, 2019

Saturday August 10, 2019

Saturday September 7, 2019

Saturday September 28, 2019



NMDA's first schooling show is coming up, with Bryn Walsh judging. Get those entries in to Grace Jordan PO Box 167 Hampden ME 04444. Isaac Royal Farm's show field is amazing!





President: Michele Marden

Vice-President: Lauren Taylor

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Treasurer: Kitty Mitchell

Vincent Flores Clinic at Peppergrass Farm!

EMDA is excited to announce a new clinic opportunity July 6-7 at Peppergrass Farm in Dixmont, ME. Vincent Flores is a USDF Gold, Gold Bar, Silver & Bronze medalist rider, horse trainer & coach, available for any student passionate about the art of dressage Lessons are \$110, auditing \$10. Please visit EMDA's facebook page or contact Rebecca Reed on Facebook or at 207-478-0954 for more information!





Susanne Hamilton Ride-a-Test Clinic Infinity Farm~ July 13th

EMDA will be sponsoring & co-hosting a clinic and symposium with Susanne Hamilton at Infinity Farm on July 13th. For the clinic portion, riders will each receive a 45 minute lesson with Susanne. After lessons are done for the day, each rider will ride a test of their choosing twice in front of Susanne who will give verbal feedback and discuss the horse &rider's performance with the audience. For more information, visit our facebook page or the Infinity Farm facebook page.

News from Central Maine Dressage Association



2019 CMDA Show Schedule

- Saturday May 4@Safe Haven Farm, Durham
- Saturday July 6@Esprit Equestrian Center, Durham
- Saturday August 3@Esprit Equestrian Center, Durham
- Saturday October 5: Kur For A Cure Show@Esprit Equestrian
 Center, Durham

Please note the location change for the July 6 Show

CMDA will once again plan on hosting David O'Brien for a clinic at Esprit Equestrian Center in July, specific dates to be determined soon. David is an enthusiastic instructor, beneficial for all levels of riders. He has worked with

some of the greatest names in Eventing and Dressage such as Mike Plumb, Wash Bishop, Captain Mark Phillips and Sandy Phillips. He was able to expand his dressage training with Walter Christensen in Germany. David was the farm manager and also an instructor at Denny Emerson's Tamarack Hill Farm in the 80's. In 1988, he was chosen to work with Jack LeGoff in the USET developing rider program. He has successfully competed up through the advanced level of Eventing at events such as Fair Hill and Rolex and is a Level 4 ICP certified instructor through the USEA. In 2009, he coached USEA Area II Young Riders to CCI* Team Gold, and CCI** Team Silver, at the North American Junior & Young Rider Championships. David has also served on the USEA Board of Governors as well as the Adult Rider Committee, the USEA ICP Committee, vice president of competitions, and chairman for the competitions committee. *CMDA will keep you posted on the dates for this clinic as soon as they are confirmed!*

Save the Date!!

CMDA's Kur For A Cure and Dressage Schooling Show
Saturday October 5

Esprit Equestrian Center

Judge: Paula Foote

CMDA is partnering with The Dempsey Center for Cancer Hope and Healing to raise money in support of local cancer patients! Kur riders should feel free to experiment with choreography and music; costumes are allowed and encouraged for Class 1, the Kur for a Cure. Costume awards will be made, including the "Pretty in Pink" Award. Other competitors are encouraged to show their support by adding a touch of pink, purple, or any other "cancer color" to their show outfit! There will be opportunities for online fundraising for this event, thru The Dempsey Center—please watch our Facebook Page Events for

more information! This is a fun show, raising money for a great cause, so please Save The Date!



President: Matt Baillargeon

Vice-President: Amanda Flanders

Secretary: Marcie Hilden

Treasurer: Beth Brainerd

For News and Events, visit our facebook page!

www.facebook.com/WesternMaineDressageEventingAssociation





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The Maine Dressage Society

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