

Marcie Gordon CDA Year-End Awards Program Criteria for 2009

CDA's goal is to provide a variety of programs, activities and competitions during the 2009 calendar year. CDA strives to involve our members in the organization and we encourage active and eager participation in our programs.

This year there are many opportunities for current members of CDA to compete and earn scores in schooling shows throughout the state. Another choice for competition is the recognized show arena where current CDA members can compete and earn scores.

The Marcie Gordon CDA Year-End Awards are a distinct honor. Winners receive ribbons for champion, reserve champion and third through sixth places. Champions and Reserve Champions will also receive customized commemorative gifts. We hope that all CDA members who make the time, effort and expenditure to compete in 2009 will participate in our Year-End Awards Program!

GENERAL AWARDS CRITERIA FOR 2009

CDA defined "membership year" and "competition year" dates:

CDA MEMBERSHIP YEAR: November 1, 2008 thru October 31, 2009

CDA COMPETITION YEAR: November 1, 2008 thru October 31, 2009

All the following criteria apply to schooling shows and recognized competitions.

You are a **current member** of CDA if your 2009 membership dues are paid in full **prior** to earning the scores that you will submit for Year-End Awards consideration.

Riders **must be current CDA members before** entering the show. Riders may join CDA the same day of a show but **before** riding in their first class. Scores earned prior to becoming a current CDA member **will not be considered**.

Riders must submit their scores at the end of the competition season. **The deadline for submission will be November 7, 2009.** Any and all submissions postmarked or emailed after this date **will not** be considered. Hand deliveries of submissions to the awards coordinator **will not** be accepted.

- The official CDA score submission form **must** be used to document show names, dates, level/test within the level, judges, scores, etc. The required submission forms for Schooling Show and Recognized Show will be printed and included in CDA's newsletter *CENTERLINE* in early spring and again in the September and October issues. When using printed submission forms please print information **clearly**.
- Electronic submission may also be used via CDA's website at www.ctdressageassoc.org. The appropriate submission forms will be available online in September 2009.
- We **do not** require the show secretary to sign the form. **We will require the rider to attest via his or her signature (or a parent's signature if the rider is a Youth) that the scores submitted are genuine.** Electronic submissions include a statement of truth upon filing.
- All scores submitted are subject to auditing for accuracy.

Schooling Show Competition Awards Criteria for 2009

- Open to all current Youth and Adult Amateur CDA members who compete between November 1, 2008 and October 31, 2009 in:
 - 1) CDA-sponsored schooling shows.
 - 2) Schooling shows whose prize lists appear in this 2009 CDA OMNIBUS.
 - 3) Or, Schooling shows that are published in the CDA Newsletter “Centerline” or on CDA’s website.
- **All scores submitted must be a minimum of 55%.**
- All scores must come from schooling shows listed in this Omnibus or in the CDA “Centerline” or on CDA’s website. At least **one score must be from a CDA sponsored schooling show**. The other scores may come from schooling shows whose prize lists appear in this 2009 CDA Omnibus or in the CDA “Centerline” or on CDA’s website.
- If the schooling show is in a “ride-review-ride” format, the rider will submit the **score earned prior to the judge’s review**. For example: You earn 55% on your first ride in a class and the judge suggests improvements. You then re-ride the test and earn 62%, you **must submit the 55% score** for awards consideration.
- **Three scores from at least two different shows** must be earned. Scores from at least **two different judges per level**.
- Awards will be given in both Youth and Adult Amateur divisions. Please be sure to specify your division on the submission form.
- Awards for levels Introductory, Training, First, Second and above will be based upon the **average of the three scores submitted**.
- Awards will be awarded only to the **same horse/rider combination**.

Recognized Show Competition Awards Criteria for 2009

Open to all current CDA members who compete in USEF recognized dressage shows between November 1, 2008 and October 31, 2009.

CDA membership requirements apply to **riders and horse owners**. Both must be current members prior to earning scores for submission.

The rider may count as “owner” if he or she is competing with a leased horse.

Awards will go only to the **same horse/rider combination**.

All scores submitted must be a minimum of 55% for Training through FEI.

Five scores at the same level from at least **three different shows** must be earned for Training through Fourth Level. Scores must be from **at least three different judges per level**.

Three scores at the same level from at least **three different shows** must be earned for FEI. Scores must be from **at least three different judges per level**.

Note: Scores from FEI and Regional Championship tests with more than one judge will be averaged.

Awards for Training through Fourth Level will be based upon the **average score of the best five tests**.

Awards for FEI will be based upon the **average score of the best three tests**.

For FEI Freestyle and USDF Freestyle 1st – 4th will be based on the average of the best three tests.

Awards will be given in Youth, Adult Amateur and Open divisions. Please be sure to specify your division on the submission form.