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Dressage Education to be Presented at USDF Annual Convention

Lincoln, Nebraska (October 10, 2001) – Over 16 hours of dressage education is planned for the United States Dressage Federation's (USDF) 29th Annual Convention to be held November 28-December 1 in Orlando, Florida at the Peabody Orlando hotel. With an expected attendance of over 600, the convention offers opportunities to learn through the "USDF University" sessions.

Featured speakers are Olympian Sue Blinks, and USET competitors Tom Noone and Kay Meredith who will speak about their experiences with musical freestyle dressage in an international arena.

Olympic trainer Conrad Schumacher, of Germany will present three sessions, including "Basic Dressage Training," "Education of the Rider," and "Advanced Dressage Training."

Offering a glimpse of the 2003 USA Equestrian (formerly AHSA) tests and USDF Introductory tests will be a six-member panel including Janet Brown, Kathy Connelly, Anne Gribbons, Hilda Gurney, Axel Steiner, and Lois Yukins.

"Footing and Arena Construction for the Dressage Exhibitor" is the title of the presentation by footing expert, Jennifer Buchanan, and engineer Brad Thatcher.

Tony Hitchcock, successful promoter and manager of many competitions including the Hampton Classic, will present "Sponsorship and Marketing for Events and Competitions." He will also present "Sponsorship and Marketing for GMOs" with USDF Marketing Committee member, Johnny Robb.

Amy Mann, American Horse Council's Director of Health and Regulatory Affairs, will present the very latest on the West Nile Virus and Hoof & Mouth Disease.

The staff from USA Equestrian, Inc. will present "Demystifying the FEI Competition", a seminar for organizers, officials, and competitors.

A special session for leaders of local dressage clubs will be presented by Barbara Tuohino Funk, tax accountant and USDF Treasurer, titled, "Tax Issues for Group Member Organizations."

In addition to these public sessions, two private sessions will be organized for participants meeting the requirements. USDF will present a Technical Delegate Apprentice Workshop, and the USA Equestrian will present a Technical Delegates Forum, which is part of the continuing education requirements of USA Equestrian Technical Delegates.

To learn more about the 2001 Annual Convention or to register, log on to www.usdf.org, or call USDF at 402/434-8550.

Dec 12

Board Meeting
Fern Feldman
203-272-0711

Feb. 9, 2002

CDA Awards Party

Barn Mom Notes: The Rewards of Good Riding

As a Human Resources consultant, I help managers develop reward and recognition programs. In addition to paying wages and benefits, organizations look for ways to encourage employees to achieve high performance. I subscribe to the theory of 'discretionary effort': Employees know what they need to do to meet standards. In order to make an effort to go the extra mile, something has to be in it for them. Something that is meaningful in a personal way.

The most obvious 'carrot' available to managers is cold, hard cash. This often takes the form of bonuses or gift certificates. However, once the money is spent, its' motivational power decreases. Like horses, people soon forget the carrot they have just consumed.

To sustain high performance, most people need to have some internal satisfaction. This satisfaction may come from learning new skills, feeling a part of something larger, or knowing they can make things happen. Creating this sense of internal satisfaction is much harder than designing a bonus program.

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As a Barn Mom, I observe these same dynamics with my young rider. She has spent an enormous amount of 'discretionary effort' over the past ten years. No ribbon or award could have inspired her to battle horse allergies, learn to partner with a green horse or forgo social time with friends. (Not to mention dragging her Barn Mom along for the ride.)

True, she has received her share of 'carrots'. For the past six years, she has been bestowed with ribbons and prizes (coolers, bridles, etc.) at our breed's Annual Banquet. Most corporate functions can't beat these formal dinner/award ceremonies that brighten up the bitter month of January.

This January, however, will involve cheering for friends versus accepting an award. By diversifying the show season between breed events and dressage, she is not 'the best' in any category. The paradox is that Kate rides better than ever, and her horse has finally decided to join the civilized world. We had to make more room on the ribbon wall, and judges' comments show steady progress. At fourteen, she has achieved a level of accomplishment that can be built on throughout her life.

At this early age, Kate has the opportunity to differentiate between short-term rewards and long-term development — between external recognition and internal satisfaction. Now, if only I could get some of my clients to develop a similar mind-set!

Georgian Lussier  
October, 2001



**CONNECTICUT DRESSGE ASSOCIATION**  
**2002 Omnibus Advertising**

Dear Fellow Equestrian,

In preparation for the coming season, we are soliciting advertising and prizelist space for our 2002 Omnibus to help you publicize your club events or business and to help us defray the cost of printing and mailing this member publication. You will benefit from placing your prizelist in the Omnibus since CDA members are always looking for alternate schooling shows where they can earn enough scores to compete in our Annual Awards Program. The Omnibus will be mailed free to more than 350 dressage enthusiasts and will contain listings of competitions from several organizations. It will also be available to other GMO's.

You can repeat your ad from last year or submit a new one. Please send 2 camera-ready copies. You can also submit you ad on disk or by email.

Full page size: 7.5 x 4.5  
Half page size: 3.75 x 4.5  
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**Early Bird Special: Ads postmarked before December 25, 2001 will receive a 10% discount.**

**Deadline: January 15, 2002.**

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## 2001 Connecticut Dressage Association Recognized Competition Awards Score Report

**Qualification Criteria (Please refer to 2001 CDA Omnibus for complete details.)**

- Eligible Shows: 2001 AHSA Recognized Dressage Competitions.
- Rider AND owner must be CDA members prior to earning scores. Leased horses eligible.
- Same horse/rider combination per level. Championships may not be earned by the same horse/rider combo more than twice at the same level.
- Five scores at same test level from three different shows. Three different judges and at least five tests. Tests need not be highest tests in level, but scores from different levels may not be combined for the same award.
- Minimum score must be at least 55% for Training through Fourth, and FEI. Only the top five highest scores will be averaged to determine award placing. FEI classes or Regional Championship classes with more than one judge may have scores averaged to count as one score.

Rider's Name \_\_\_\_\_ Adult Amateur( ) Junior( ) Open( )

Address \_\_\_\_\_

Telephone/Fax/e-mail \_\_\_\_\_

Horse's Name \_\_\_\_\_ Breed \_\_\_\_\_ Sex \_\_\_\_\_

Competition Level for Award Purposes (e.g. Training, First, etc.) \_\_\_\_\_

| Show Name And Location | Date | Level/Test # | Score Percent | Judge's Name |
|------------------------|------|--------------|---------------|--------------|
|                        |      |              |               |              |
|                        |      |              |               |              |
|                        |      |              |               |              |
|                        |      |              |               |              |
|                        |      |              |               |              |

**Average of top five scores:** \_\_\_\_\_

***Certification that this is a true report:*** Your signature (or your parent's if you are a Junior) attests that these are accurate scores earned in accordance with CDA's Year-End Recognized Competition Award criteria.

Signature \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_

***Please submit this form to Patricia Sheeran, 6 Gale Road, Bloomfield, CT 06002 by November 1, 2001. Please do not send copies of tests!***

***The above information may be submitted by email to Pat Sheeran at the following email address: [patdave@home](mailto:patdave@home) or the above form sent via fax at 860-242-8866.***

## 2001 Connecticut Dressage Association Year-End Schooling Competition Awards Score Report

### Qualification Criteria (Please refer to 2001 CDA Omnibus for complete details.)

- Eligible Shows: CDA Sponsored Schooling Shows; USDF League Competitions; Other Schooling Shows whose Prize Lists are published in the 2001 CDA Omnibus.
- Rider must be CDA member prior to earning scores.
- Same horse/rider combination per level. Championships may not be earned by the same horse/rider combo more than twice at the same level.
- Three scores at same test level from two different shows. Two different judges. One score must be from a CDA Schooling Show.
- Minimum score must be at least 55%. Only the top three highest scores will be averaged to determine award placing.

Rider's Name \_\_\_\_\_ Adult Amateur( ) Junior( ) Open ( )

Address \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_

Telephone/Fax/e-mail \_\_\_\_\_

Horse's Name \_\_\_\_\_ Breed \_\_\_\_\_ Sex \_\_\_\_\_

Competition Level for Award Purposes (e.g. Intro, Training) \_\_\_\_\_

| Show Name<br>and Location | Date | 2001 CDA Omnibus<br>page # | Level/Test # | Score Percent | Judge's Name |
|---------------------------|------|----------------------------|--------------|---------------|--------------|
|                           |      |                            |              |               |              |
|                           |      |                            |              |               |              |
|                           |      |                            |              |               |              |

**Average of top three scores:** \_\_\_\_\_

***Certification that this is a true report:*** Your signature (or your parent's if you are a Junior) attests that these are accurate scores earned in accordance with CDA's Year-End Schooling Competition Award criteria.

Signature \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_

***Please submit this form to Patricia Sheeran, 6 Gale Road, Bloomfield, CT 06002 by November 1, 2001. Please do not send copies of tests!***

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Sunday, September 23, 2001

## Connecticut Dressage Association Schooling Show

## Once Again Farm

750 Allen Ave, Meriden, CT 06451

Judge: Bill McMullin "L"

Secretary: Pam Bilodeau

145 Mine Road

Bristol, CT 06010

860-585-8693

E-mail: takhads@aol.com

## Results

## Training test 1

| <u>Rider</u>       | <u>Horse</u>       | <u>Score</u> | <u>Place</u> |
|--------------------|--------------------|--------------|--------------|
| Stephanie Sittnick | I1 Cavallo         | 60.45        | 1            |
| Beth Clyne         | Marmaduke          | 58.18        | 2            |
| Kate Lussier       | Greenwood Quintana | 58.18        | 3            |
| Erin Stanton       | Breeze             | 57.73        | 4            |
| Heidi Nottleman    | Sweet T Amber      | 56.36        | 5            |
| Ramona Dimatteo    | Jurat              | 47.73        | 6            |

## Training test 2

| <u>Rider</u>       | <u>Horse</u> | <u>Score</u> | <u>Place</u> |
|--------------------|--------------|--------------|--------------|
| Elizabeth Marek    | China Doll   | 61.25        | 1            |
| Diane Morrison     | Puppy Lord   | 60.83        | 2            |
| Beth Clyne         | Marmaduke    | 60.83        | 3            |
| Erin Stanton       | Breeze       | 60.83        | 4            |
| Sarah Warzecho     | Kalahari     | 60.42        | 5            |
| Stephanie Sittnick | I1 Cavallo   | 60.42        | 6            |

## Training test 3

| <u>Rider</u>    | <u>Horse</u> | <u>Score</u> | <u>Place</u> |
|-----------------|--------------|--------------|--------------|
| Diane Morrison  | Puppy Lord   | 61.54        | 1            |
| Robin Cassella  | Holiday      | 61.15        | 2            |
| Beverly Karako  | Smudgie Bear | 58.46        | 3            |
| Elizabeth Marek | China Doll   | 58.08        | 4            |
| Holly Hansen    | Pantera      | 57.31        | 5            |

## Training test 4

| <u>Rider</u>   | <u>Horse</u> | <u>Score</u> | <u>Place</u> |
|----------------|--------------|--------------|--------------|
| Holly Hansen   | Pantera      | 59.60        | 1            |
| Sarah Warzecho | Kalahari     | 58.80        | 2            |
| Robin Cassella | Holiday      | 58.40        | 3            |
| Beverly Karako | Smudgie Bear | 57.60        | 4            |
| Cathy Setzer   | Jake         | 57.20        | 5            |

## First level test 1

| <u>Rider</u>   | <u>Horse</u> | <u>Score</u> | <u>Place</u> |
|----------------|--------------|--------------|--------------|
| Joan Iaderesta | Zeena Star   | 57.86        | 1            |
| Holly Hansen   | Pantera      | 57.14        | 2            |

## First level test 2

| <u>Rider</u> | <u>Horse</u> | <u>Score</u> | <u>Place</u> |
|--------------|--------------|--------------|--------------|
| Meegan Horan | AF Debussey  | 49.35        | 1            |

## First level test 4

| <u>Rider</u>   | <u>Horse</u> | <u>Score</u> | <u>Place</u> |
|----------------|--------------|--------------|--------------|
| Nancy Esposito | Zeena Star   | 61.76        | 1            |
| Meegan Horan   | AF Debussey  | 50.00        | 2            |

## 2nd level test 1

| <u>Rider</u>        | <u>Horse</u>      | <u>Score</u> | <u>Place</u> |
|---------------------|-------------------|--------------|--------------|
| Carolyn Denton Reed | Diamonds Pleasure | 60.26        | 1            |

## 2nd level test 2

| <u>Rider</u>        | <u>Horse</u>      | <u>Score</u> | <u>Place</u> |
|---------------------|-------------------|--------------|--------------|
| Carolyn Denton Reed | Diamonds Pleasure | 62.5         | 1            |



All articles are to be submitted by the 15<sup>th</sup> of the month. They can be mailed to me at:

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**Attn. CENTERLINE**  
**24 Darren Court**  
**Waterbury, CT 06708-3903**

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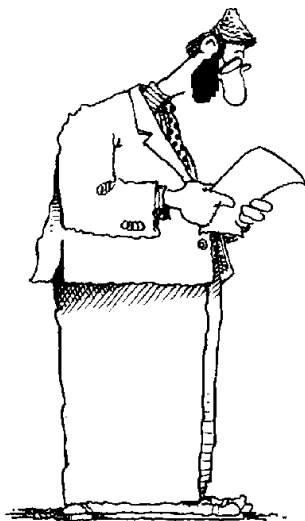
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Attention Show and Clinic Organizers, Trainers, Stables and Organizations:

Don't forget to send us information about your activities for the 2001 CDA Calendar of Events!!! Send a one-line description, dates, locations, and contact person's name and phone number. We'll be delighted to include it in Centerline's regular calendar at no cost.

Thanks,  
 John



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