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USDF TO HOLD CLINIC SERIES FOR ADVANCED YOUNG RIDERS

Lincoln, Nebraska (August 30, 2001) – The United States Dressage Federation (USDF) and Sundowner Trailers will provide an opportunity for the nation’s top young equestrians to study dressage with one of the most accomplished European trainers through a series of five clinics in October. Riders age 16 through 21, who are riding at Fourth Level or above, can apply to work with famed German trainer and coach Conrad Schumacher.

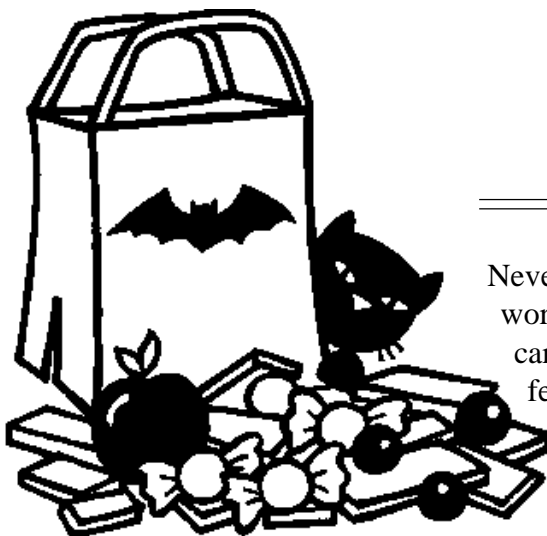
Conrad Schumacher has trained European young rider champions, European adult champions, world championship medalists, and Olympic medalists. He is the USDF official Advanced Young Rider clinician as well as the 2002 USDF Trainers Conference clinician, and will be a featured speaker at this December’s USDF annual convention.

“The riders are really looking forward to these clinics. To accommodate the riders, we have extended the application deadline from September 4th to September 13th,” explained Sheila Forbes, USDF Advanced Young Rider Council Liaison.

Clinic location and dates:

- 1) Highland, California, Shadow Ridge Equestrian Center, October 6-8, 2001
- 2) Sherwood, Oregon, Devonwood Equestrian Center, October 9-11, 2001
- 3) Wadsworth, Illinois, Tempel Farms, October 13-15, 2001
- 4) Blythewood, South Carolina, One Wood Farm, October 20-22, 2001
- 5) Bedford, New York, Gleneden Dressage, October 26-28, 2001

Auditors are strongly encouraged to attend the clinics. Both juniors and adults are welcome to audit for a fee of \$30 per day or \$70 for all three days. Auditors may sign up at the door or may register with USDF in advance. Auditor registration forms, rider application forms, and directions to the facilities are available on the USDF web site at www.usdf.org.



Never let his fire die out, but kindle it with words. Let him know that you are honored to be carried along on his strong shoulders and swift feet.

*Carl Raswan
Drinkers of the Wind*

2001 CALENDAR

October 14

CDCTA sponsored AHSA/USDF
Recognized Dressage Competition at
Hearthstone Farm, Franklin, CT.
Contact Kari
(860) 535-0152
allenkl@groton.pfizer.com

October 14

Litchfield Hills Equestrian Centre
Dressage Schooling Show
Penny Hawes
860-567-1441
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2001 Year End Award Program

CDA's objective is to make our members happy they're involved in the organization and eager to participate in our programs. The Year End Awards program is more inclusive, the qualification criteria are easier to interpret and follow, and the score reporting process is less cumbersome.

We recognize it's difficult for most of us to compete all over the state or region for an entire show season. Work, family and other commitments mean some CDA members can only do a handful of shows. Also, recognized show scoring, even at lower levels, has become more demanding and many amateur and junior riders who compete successfully in tests one or two at a particular level may not be ready for the higher tests, but nevertheless are the true stalwarts of our competitions. You deserve to be recognized.

CDA Year End Awards are a distinct honor. Winners receive ribbons for champion, reserve champion and third through sixth places. Champions also receive customized commemorative gifts. We hope all CDA members who made the time, effort, and expenditures to show in 2001 will participate in our new, improved program!

Here are guidelines for 2001:

Schooling Competitions

Open to all CDA members who compete in: (1) CDA-sponsored schooling shows, (2) USDF League shows and (3) schooling shows whose prize lists appear in the CDA Omnibus. ***Please note: Shows listed only as part of advertisements will not count toward CDA awards. The prize lists must be separately published as well.***

Riders ***must be CDA members before*** entering the show, or they can join the same day ***before*** their first class.

Awards may go only to the ***same horse/rider combination***. Championship awards cannot be earned by the same horse/rider combination more than ***twice*** at each level.

Three scores from at least two different shows must be earned. Scores from at least ***two different judges per level and at least three tests***. At least ***one score must be from a CDA schooling show***; the others may come from USDF league or schooling shows whose prize lists appear in the CDA Omnibus. *For example, a rider can submit two scores from two tests of the same level from one judge at a CDA schooling show, and one score at the same level from a different judge from a schooling show whose prize list is published in the CDA Omnibus.*

SCORES MUST BE A ***MINIMUM OF 55%***.

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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

Business Card: standard size

Early Bird Special: Ads postmarked before December 25, 2001 will receive a 10% discount.

Deadline: January 15, 2002.

----- cut here and send -----

Name: _____

Street: _____

City, State and Zip: _____

Phone: _____ Fax: _____ Email: _____

- I would like to repeat last year's advertisement.
- I am submitting a new camera ready advertisement or prizelist.
- I am enclosing my ad on disk or sending an email attachment.

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| <input type="checkbox"/> Full page in Omnibus \$100 | <input type="checkbox"/> Full page Early Bird Special \$90 |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Half page in Omnibus \$50 | <input type="checkbox"/> Half page Early Bird Special \$45 |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Business card in Omnibus \$25 | <input type="checkbox"/> Business card Early Bird Special \$22.00 |

Please send this form and a check made out to CDA to:

Kim Lombardi
23 Daniel Road
Bristol, CT 06010
860-585-8278
kimberly.l@rcn.com

Awards will be based on the *average score of the best three tests*.

Awards will be divided by Junior, Adult Amateur and Open. **PLEASE** be sure to specify your category! Categories are: (1) Introductory, (2) Training, (3) First, (4) Second Level and Above.

Riders should submit their scores *at the end of the competition season*. The score submission form **MUST** be used to document show names, dates, level/tests within the level, judge, score, etc. Write or type all information **CLEARLY**.

We will *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 junior) that the scores are genuine.*

Recognized Competitions

Open to all active CDA members who compete in AHSA recognized dressage shows.

Riders and horse owners must be CDA members *at the time of the show*. (The rider may count as owner if he or she has a leased horse.) Scores earned prior to this will not count.

Awards may go only to the *same horse/rider combination*. Awards cannot be earned by the same horse/rider combination more than twice at each level.

Five scores at the *same level* from at least *three different shows* must be earned. Scores from at least *three different judges per level and at least five tests*. The rider does *not have to compete at the highest test in the level*.

Scores from tests at different levels cannot be combined (e.g. a rider may not submit three scores from Training level and two from First level for one award), although riders who meet all the criteria at more than one level can receive awards at both levels.

Scores must be a *minimum of 55% for Training through Fourth levels and for FEI*. For FEI and Regional Championship tests with more than one judge, the scores will be averaged and count as one score.

Awards will be based on the *AVERAGE SCORE OF THE BEST FIVE TESTS*.

Awards will be divided by Junior, Adult/Amateur and Open categories. **PLEASE** be sure to specify your category!

Riders must submit their scores at the *end of the competition season*. The score submission form **MUST** be used to document show names, dates, level/tests within the level, judge, score, etc. Write or type all information **CLEARLY**.

We will 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 junior) that the scores are genuine. Riders also may submit copies of their official show results summaries as provided by the USDF.



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 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 and Location	Date	2001 CDA Omnibus 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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