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Young Dressage Riders Selected for International Competition

Lincoln, Nebraska (August 3, 2001) – Through a series of qualifying competitions organized by the U.S. Dressage Federation (USDF), 33 of the nation's best young dressage riders were selected to compete in the FEI North American Young Riders Championships (NAYRC), presented by State Line Tack which will be held August 7-12 in Wadsworth, Illinois. The NAYRC draws the top young equestrians, ages 16 through 21, from the U.S., Canada, and Central and South America to compete in the Olympic disciplines of dressage, show jumping, and eventing.

Governed by international rules, this championship is a training ground for riders who may one day represent their countries at senior-level international competitions and at Olympic Games. Riders at the NAYRC will compete in teams that represent their USDF regions and will vie for team and individual medals.

Competitors will ride the FEI Young Riders team and individual tests, which are equivalent in difficulty to Fourth Level and Prix St. Georges. Movements include trot and canter half-passes, extended trot, flying changes every fourth and every third strides, and canter half-pirouettes. The top riders in the team and individual tests will ride musical-freestyle routines of their own design, to decide the individual gold, silver and bronze medals.

The following riders will be competing at the 2001 NAYRC:

REGION 1 (DC, DE, MD, NC, NJ, PA, VA)

Mary Alice Malone, Jr., 18, Coatesville, PA, riding Fresco, 14-year-old chestnut Dutch gelding, sired by Wolfgang, owned by Iron Spring Farm

Kerri Sowers, 19, Egg Harbor, NJ, riding Kazan, 9-year-old brown Dutch gelding, sired by Voltaire, owned by Kerri and Louise Sowers

Catherine Malone, 16, Coatesville, PA, riding Ivan, 11-year-old bay Dutch gelding, sired by Amulet, owned by Iron Spring Farm

Camilla Goodchild, 16, Greensboro, NC, riding Fox, 14-year-old chestnut Dutch gelding, sired by Astronaut, owned by Camilla and Dianna Goodchild

REGION 2 (IL, IN, KY, MI, OH, WV, WI)

Jacqueline Paxton, 20, Batavia, OH, riding Cinbad, 14-year-old bay Holsteiner gelding, sired by Celebrio, owned by Jacqueline Paxton

J. Reese Koffler, 20, Lexington, KY, riding Joery, 10-year-old bay Dutch gelding, sired by Zeoliet, owned by Dr. and Mrs. Bruce Koffler

Kathryn Fleming, 17, New Berlin, IL, riding L.A. Baltic Mariner, 13-year-old liver chestnut Swedish/Arabian gelding, sired by Serr Maariner, owned by James and Kathryn Fleming

Lindsay Koffler, 17, Lexington, KY, riding Daveed, 17-year-old chestnut Dutch gelding, sired by Meridiann, owned by Lindsay Koffler

REGION 3 (AL, FL, GA, SC, TN)

Bethany Peslar, 19, Palm Beach, FL, riding Iwan, 11-year-old bay Dutch gelding, sired by Rossini, owned by Bethany Peslar

Lesley Eden, 20, Longwood, FL, riding Picasso, 9-year-old bay Dutch gelding, sired by Zuidhorn, owned by Lesley Eden

Courtney Raiser, 19, Lilburn, GA, riding Our Conversation, 12-year-old chestnut Thoroughbred gelding, sired by Verzy, owned by Courtney Raiser

Gwen Poulin, 20, Deleon Springs, FL, riding Pik Cachet, 10-year-old bay Dutch gelding, sired by Pik Cachet, owned by Marcia Boles

2001 CALENDAR

September 9

Litchfield Hills Equestrian Centre
Dressage Schooling Show
Penny Hawes
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September 23

CDA Dressage Schooling Show
Once Again Farm
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October 14

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USDF Announces Dressage Instructor-Certification Testings

Lincoln, Nebraska (August 1, 2001) – The United States Dressage Federation (USDF) will host three instructor-certification examinations this summer and fall. The examinations are designed to recognize those dressage instructors who have a deep understanding of dressage theory, as well as an outstanding ability to demonstrate and teach the concepts and techniques of dressage.

Exam dates and locations are as follows:

- Cazenovia, New York, hosted by USDF Region 8, August 7-9 (Results - see below)
- Longmont, Colorado, hosted by USDF Region 5, September 8-9
- Sherwood, Oregon, hosted by Oregon Dressage Society, October 13-14

The exam will test the candidates on their skills in riding, teaching and longeing. Oral and written exams further test the thoroughness of the candidates' knowledge.

USDF currently offers two levels of instructor certification: through Second Level and through Fourth Level. Ninety-two instructors throughout the U.S. have passed the rigorous testings, which are administered by a faculty of certification examiners who themselves are among the top dressage trainers, instructors, and riders in the U.S.

Although it is not required, previous participation in USDF instructor-education programs is highly recommended. For more information about the USDF Instructor Certification Program, contact USDF at 402/434-8550 or www.usdf.org.

USDF Certifies Instructors through Rigorous Testing Process

Lincoln, Nebraska (August 17, 2001) - The United States Dressage Federation (USDF) hosted an instructor-certification examination at Cazenovia College in Cazenovia, New York on August 7-9, where five instructors achieved USDF Certification status. The USDF roster now includes 97 dressage instructors throughout the U.S. who have passed the rigorous testing.

As a result of this testing, USDF is pleased to add the following instructors to the roster of USDF Certified Instructors:

Training through 4th Level:
Courtney King, New York

Training through 2nd Level:
Donna Canfield, New York
Gretchen DeMone, Massachusetts
Alice Petersen, New York
Catherine Sutton, Virginia

In addition to those that were certified, a large number of candidates completed many sections of the testing, requiring only one or two sections to be re-tested to complete their Certification.

“The New York testing proved to be larger than expected,” said Melanie Tenney, USDF Instructor Program Liaison. “All of the candidates who tested had participated in the USDF Instructor Workshops or USDF Instructor Pre-Certification Clinics, which were hosted in Region 8. Participating in USDF certification programs helped the candidates to prepare for the testing.”

The excellent equine facility at Cazenovia College provided the perfect setting to accommodate ten candidates, thirty demo horses and their riders, and three USDF Examiners. Upcoming testings will be held in Longmont, Colorado, hosted by USDF Region 5, September 8-9, and in Sherwood, Oregon, hosted by Oregon Dressage Society, October 13-14.

USDF currently offers two levels of instructor certification: Training through Second Level and Third through Fourth Level. The examinations are designed to recognize those dressage instructors who have a deep understanding of dressage theory, as well as an outstanding ability to demonstrate and teach the concepts and techniques of dressage. The exam tests the candidates on their skills in riding, teaching and longeing; oral and written exams further test the thoroughness of the candidates' knowledge of dressage theory. The test is administered by a faculty of certification examiners who themselves are among the top dressage trainers, instructors, and educators in the U.S.

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Classifieds

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Opening Date: August 23, 2001

Closing Date: September 17, 2001

Sunday, September 23, 2001

Connecticut Dressage Association Schooling Show

Once Again Farm

750 Allen Ave, Meriden, CT 06451

Judge: Ann Marie Gregorie "L"

Secretary: Pam Bilodeau

145 Mine Road

Bristol, CT 06010

860-585-8693

E-mail: takhads@aol.com

Class List: USDF 1996 Introductory Tests 1-2.

AHSA 1999 Training 1-4.

AHSA 1999 First 1-4.

AHSA 1999 Second and above--State test to be ridden.

AHSA 1998 Combined Novice Tests A & B

AHSA 1998 Combined Training Tests A & B

AHSA 1998 Combined Preliminary Tests A & B

AHSA 1998 Combined Intermediate and above--state test to be ridden.

Dressage Equitation.

Fees: CDA members \$20 per class.

Non-members \$30 per test.

Number deposit: \$1

Checks payable to CDA.

No refunds after closing date.

Awards: Up to six ribbons awarded in each class.

Rules: Number of rides per horse/rider combination may be limited to two. State two preferred tests first on application. Current negative Coggins within 12 months is mandatory and must accompany entry. All competitors must wear hard hats. Classes may be combined, split, or canceled at the discretion of management. Family pets not allowed on the premises. CDA thanks Once Again Farm for the use of its facility. Please treat the grounds as you would your own property. Place all trash in designated containers; no alcohol, please.

Times: Call the show secretary the Friday evening before the show between 6 - 9 P.M. or email takhads@aol.com to have the schedule emailed to you.

Directions: From I-91 North: Take exit 17 to 691 West. Take Exit 4 off 691W. Turn left at the end of ramp. **Turn right onto third residential street, Gwen Road. At the end of Gwen Rd. turn right onto Johnson Ave. Take the first left onto Finch Ave. Go 7/10 miles on Finch to Allen Avenue, turn left. Once Again Farm is 100 feet ahead on the right. From I-91 South: Take Exit 18 onto 691 West. Then follow directions from I-91 North. From I-84 East and West: Take Exit 27 onto 691. Take Exit 4; at end of ramp, turn right. Then follow directions from I-91 beginning with **

“It’s only a name.”

by Alan F. Balch

AHSA president

Anyone who thinks that a name is not important has never owned or named a horse. Has never thought about naming a child. Has never been called a name because of a name. Has never attended a meeting where an organization’s name is considered. And has no ego.

The very word, “name,” is among our most ancient. It’s easy to understand why when you stop to think that the first words of language by our cavemen ancestors were probably to indicate some thing by expressing a sound. That thing was probably food, or something else that threatened to make food of the caveman! Or perhaps another caveman. Or, more likely, a cavewoman.

After what I wrote last month about smoking, I have to be careful. I am not suggesting that the first words were uttered by a man. I am happy to admit that I have no idea, and that there is a 50/50 chance either way.

So much for being politically correct this time. Whenever an organization like ours, which has been around for over 80 years, considers a change of any kind, and especially a name change, there’s bound to be passion.

The fact is that the AHSA has considered changing its name countless times over the last 20 years or so, since we ceased being an organization composed of member competitions. I was privileged to be a member of the Planning Committee in those days, appointed by then-President Richard E. McDevitt, working to transform the AHSA to a broad-based member organization from an association of shows.

Lest we forget, no competition exists without exhibitors, and the exhibitors foot all the bills. To be sure, the organizers of competitions are also an essential and fundamental part of the sport, existing synergistically with competitors and all the other myriad of components of a successful, vibrant sport like ours. They invest in the sport too, and without organizers, there would be no place for exhibitors to compete. Even so, the wellspring of this sport’s finance is the individual who buys a horse and then looks for a place to compete. That’s the way it works, not the other way around.

Virtually every penny of revenue flowing to this organization at present comes ultimately from the exhibitors, who pay their membership fees directly to us, and, by entering sanctioned competitions, enable the sanctioned competitions to meet their own obligations as well. These obligations include transferring significant additional revenues from competitors to us as well, plus relatively minor dues and other fees of the competition itself. Yet those revenues, plus payrolls and other investments which organizers make, ultimately are covered by expenditures by exhibitors, too. Even current sponsorship dollars are generated from the exhibitors who patronize those sponsors and advertisers.

Organizers point out that they take significant financial risks, up front, in producing sanctioned competitions. They certainly do, and these often include important capital investments that take years of successful competitions to justify. This is a fundamental reason for our organization sanctioning competitions, and developing a calendar of events, to provide a potential organizer a reasonable expectation of a return on that investment.

So the point is that our enterprise is now not just an association of like-minded individuals who wish to organize equestrian competition, nor is it only an association of those who love to compete with their horses, or to breed them, or any one such simple thing. It is, and has historically been, the national equestrian federation of the United States, and its National Governing Body as recognized by federal law. It is ever more inclusive of all activities relating to equestrian sport in the United States: from breeding to owning to competing to organizing to marketing to regulating to overall administration of any program that can advance the sport.

Our Board of Directors has determined, in fact, in a meeting on July 10, that it is not “merely” the national equestrian federation, with the implications of governance the word “federation” implies. It is even more than a federation, should that descriptor be perceived to have certain limiting international or governance implications; we handle much, much more than those responsibilities.

We also want to indicate our openness anew, to all those millions of people in our country who love horses of any description, and just enjoy them in competition. Whether or not they compete, or just want to compete, or just want to enjoy the spectacle of our favorite animal in our favorite sport. In short, everyone.

Our new name and mark signal that openness. That inclusion.

Our new name describes us to the public, and to potential members and sponsors, suppliers, and licensees without any limits, particularly those we have lived with as merely an association of horse shows.

To put it bluntly, after a couple of decades of evolution, it’s about time we had a name that fits what we really are.

We are the National Equestrian Federation of the United States, as we always have been. And we are much more than that, as we always have been.

We are USA Equestrian.

Sunday, August 5, 2001

Connecticut Dressage Association Schooling Show, Jr/YR Fundraiser

Once Again Farm

750 Allen Ave, Meriden, CT 06451

Judge: Ann Villani "L"

Secretary: Alix Szepesi

101 Jackson Lane

Bethlehem, CT. 06751

(203) 266-5834

Results

Intro Level Test 2

<u>Rider</u>	<u>Horse</u>	<u>Score</u>	<u>Place</u>
Andrea Marin	Arioso	72.631	1 ST

Training Level Test 1

<u>Rider</u>	<u>Horse</u>	<u>Score</u>	<u>Place</u>
Andrea Marin	Arioso	66.818	1 ST /A
Cheryl Matthewson	Zilbergeist	64.545	1 ST /B
Dina Berlyn	Devereaux	62.272	2 nd /A
Heidi Nottleman	Sweet T Amber	62.272	2 nd /B
Desire Bilodeau	Shine On	60.454	3 rd /A
Kate Lussier	Greenwood Quintana	60.000	3 rd /B
Beverly Karako	Smudgie Bear	59.090	4 th /B
Erin Stanton	Breeze	59.545	4 th /A
Stephanie Sittnick	II Cavallo	58.182	5 th /A
Cathy Setzer	Jake	58.182	5 th /B
Danielle Silvester	Hobson	53.636	6 th /A
Yvonne O'Brian	Marvel's Mariah	52.727	6 th /B

Training Level Test 2

<u>Rider</u>	<u>Horse</u>	<u>Score</u>	<u>Place</u>
Andrea Marin	Arioso	67.083	1 ST /A
Cheryl Matthewson	Zilbergeist	65.000	1 ST /B
Stephanie Sittnick	II Cavallo	62.500	2 nd /A
Kate Lusier	Greenwood Quintana	62.500	2 nd /B
Corrie Harreys	Poncho	61.666	3 rd /A
Heidi Nottleman	Sweet T Amber	60.417	3 rd /B
Desiree Bilodeau	Shine On	60.417	4 th /A
Erin Stanton	Breeze	60.000	4 th /B
Beverly Karako	Smudgie Bear	59.583	5 th /A
Yvonne O'Brian	Marvel's Mariah	59.167	5 th /B
Cathy Setzer	Jake	58.333	6 th /A
Danielle Silvester	Hobson	56.250	6 th /B

Training Level Test 3

<u>Rider</u>	<u>Horse</u>	<u>Score</u>	<u>Place</u>
Robin Cassela	Holiday	62.692	1 ST
Cathy Grundmann	Zonin	59.231	2 nd
Sarah Warzecho	Kalahari	58.846	3 rd
Anna Perreault	Twice Shy	58.462	4 th
Kristin Deluca	E.E.A. Escudero	55.769	5 th
Mariah Rasmussen	Buck's Bar Warning	53.077	6 th

Training Level Test 4

<u>Rider</u>	<u>Horse</u>	<u>Score</u>	<u>Place</u>
Peter Howe	Windsor Lad	66.400	1 ST
Sarah Warzecho	Kalahari	62.400	2 nd
Cathy Grundmann	Zonin	60.400	3 rd
Anna Perreault	Twice Shy	58.800	4 th
Robin Cassela	Holiday	58.400	5 th
Corrie Harreys	Poncho	58.000	6 th
Kristin Deluca	E.E.A.Escudero	53.200	7 th

First Level Test 1

<u>Rider</u>	<u>Horse</u>	<u>Score</u>	<u>Place</u>
Joan Iadaresta	Zeena Star	62.857	1 ST
Erin Brown	Fitzwilliam	61.786	2 nd
Kari Bradshaw	Briar Bay	60.357	3 rd
Linda Walker	After Dark	59.643	4 th

First Level Test 2

<u>Rider</u>	<u>Horse</u>	<u>Score</u>	<u>Place</u>
Jacqueline Cloud	Starks Tegwech	64.194	1 st
Mary Beth Bain	Hartford	62.258	2 nd
Erin Brown	Fitzwilliam	61.935	3 rd
Linda Walker	After Dark	60.000	4 th
Kari Bradshaw	Briar Bay	60.000	4 th

First Level Test 4

<u>Rider</u>	<u>Horse</u>	<u>Score</u>	<u>Place</u>
Nancy Esposito	Zeena Star	62.941	1 st

Second Level Of Choice

<u>Rider</u>	<u>Horse</u>	<u>Score</u>	<u>Place</u>
Jaqueline Cloud	Starks Tegwech (2/2)	65.833	1 ST
Mary Francis Denton	Maxime (2/1)	56.316	2 nd
Mary Francis Denton	Maxime (2/2)	53.889	3 rd



REGION 4 (IA, KS, MO, MN, NE, ND, SD)

David Marcus, 19, Lincoln, NE, riding Catalina, 8-year-old bay Holsteiner mare, sired by Cabaret, owned by Judy Marcus

Amanda Johnson, 21, North Liberty, IA, riding Glissade, 11-year-old chestnut Westfalen gelding, sired by Guarantor, owned by Amanda Johnson

Philesha Chandler, 19, Wichita, KS, riding Marsel, 9-year-old gray Trakehner gelding, sired by Abdullah, owned by Philesha Chandler

Allison Farlow, 20, Harrisonville, MO, riding West Point, 16-year-old gray Hessen gelding, sired by Waldgeist LDB, owned by Janet Smith

REGION 5 (AZ, CO, E.MT, NM, UT, W.TX, WY)

Jennifer Diamond, 20, Colorado Springs, CO, riding Zantos, 11-year-old bay Holsteiner gelding, sired by Zuenftiger, owned by Cariellen DeMuth

Sarah Scott, 20, Evergreen, CO, riding Won and Only, 9-year-old bay Oldenburg gelding, sired by Werther, owned by Sarah Scott

Sara Lindbloom, 20, Fort Collins, CO, riding Adjutant, 17-year-old chestnut Danish gelding, sired by Avanti, owned by Sara Lindbloom

Sara Hare, 19, Salt Lake City, UT, riding Kashmir, 12-year-old bay Danish gelding, sired by Kawango, owned by Sara Hare

REGION 6 (AK, ID, W.MT, OR, WA)

Nicole Charbonneau, 21, Olympia, WA, riding Cabare ´, 15-year-old chestnut Swedish gelding, sired by Ganesco, owned by Lyn and Beth Anderson

Brooke Irving, 21, Gig Harbor, WA, riding American Graffiti, 16-year-old chestnut Appaloosa/Thoroughbred gelding, sired by Supreme Domo, owned by Brooke Irving

REGION 7 (CA, HI, NV)

Karen Robinson, 19, Saratoga, CA, riding Shane, 17-year-old bay Thoroughbred gelding, sired by Satellite, owned by Karen Robinson

Ashley Smith, 17, Malibu, CA, riding Al Cantara, 10-year-old bay Hanoverian gelding, sired by Al Copone, owned by Ashley Smith

Natalie Hamilton, 20, Los Flores, CA, riding Donnerwerth, 10-year-old chestnut Oldenburg gelding, sired by Donnerschlag, owned by Natalie Hamilton

Andrea Morillas, 18, Agouraltills, CA, riding Angelino, 15-year-old chestnut Dutch gelding, sired by Voltaire, owned by Andrea Morillas

REGION 8 (CT, MA, ME, NH, NY, RI, VT)

Jessica Rizzi, 19, Bedford, NY, riding Jamboree, 10-year-old bay Dutch gelding, sired by Consul, owned by Louis and Alexandra Rukeyser

Alison End, 20, South Freeport, ME, riding Babette, 14-year-old bay Hanoverian mare, sired by Bolero, owned by Alison End

Nyssa Wittliff, 19, of Tulsa, OK (attends school in NY), riding Entertainer, 15-year-old bay Dutch gelding, owned by James Wittliff

Judea Franck, 19, New Market, NH, riding Monterey, 14-year-old gray Brandenburg gelding, owned by Horses Unlimited.

REGION 9 (AR, LA, MS, OK, TX)

Chad Bohne, 19, College Station, TX, riding Arabesque, 14-year-old bay Hanoverian mare, sired by Abundance, owned by Chad Bohne

Dana Gilbert, 19, Southlake, TX, riding Prometheus, 19-year-old white Oldenburg gelding, sired by Prinz Gaylord, owned by Dana Gilbert

Katie Tharp, 18, Folsom, LA, riding Bandalero, 13-year-old chestnut Westphalian gelding, sired by Bandoliero, owned by Katie Tharp.



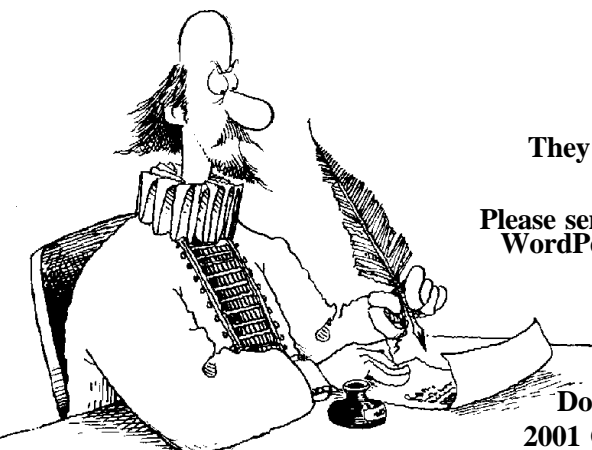
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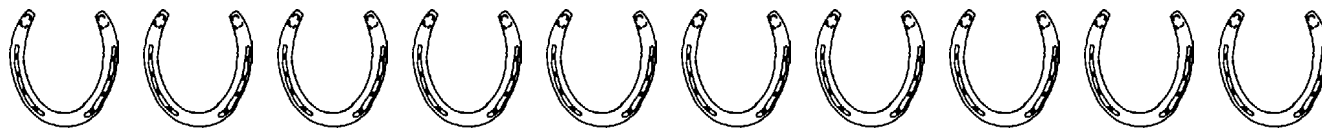
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Thanks,
 John

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