



ODS NEWSLETTER
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Dear Members,

October was a quick month. For those of us showing at the Regional 9 Championships, we were basically gone for a week in Houston. This year the weather was perfect. The horses and riders from Oklahoma won numerous awards at almost every level. (See the enclosed information.) I even heard someone from another state share that she did not realize that there was so much "dressage in Oklahoma." What a hoot. The ODS riders and horses certainly made an impression.

Many of ODS riders with their horses received nominations to show at the National Head to Head US Dressage Finals at the Kentucky Horse Park in Lexington. We wish the best of luck and great rides to Amanda Edwards, Anthea Kin, and Kristin Knutson who accepted their nominations. They will represent themselves and Oklahoma well!

We are accepting nominations for the ODS board. The nominating committee composed of Lee Ann Alf, Lyn Francik, and Clydette Womack desire to have interested parties contact them for a 3-year term. The majority of the board meetings are held via phone conference so you, a board member, do not even leave your home. Of course, whether you are a board member or not, remember all meetings are open and all members encouraged to participate.

ODS follows the same calendar year as USDF and USEF, December 1st to November 30th. For all of us, our membership is expiring, but ODS has an incentive. There is a discount for renewing November 30th or before. You will find the membership form within this newsletter.

Mark your calendars for January 16. ODS is having their annual meeting and banquet at Tulsa's Summit Club sponsored by Amanda and Danny Edwards. The meeting will be followed

by happy hour and our awards banquet. Again information is enclosed in this newsletter.

Happy Thanksgiving and how grateful we are to have horses in our lives.

Roberta Clark

ODS President

ATTENTION MEMBERS

There will be three 3-year Director positions coming up at the AGM in January. Please consider running for the Board. It is a wonderful way to get involved and help direct the future activities of ODS. Most of the meetings are by teleconference and very easy and convenient. Younger members are encouraged to participate and contribute. Contact Lee Ann Alf, Lyn Francik, Clydette Womack, or any Board member to submit your interest and name.

Good Luck to the ODS
Members traveling to Kentucky
to compete in the USDF
Championships.

Amanda Edwards on Allouette
Anthea Kin on Finian
Anthea Kin on Wolkenwand
Kristin Knutson on Casaro

May all of you enjoy a safe and
successful experience.



Great Plains Chapter News

Great Plains Chapter wrapped up the 2015 season with a huge schooling show championship on October 31. The show featured "S" judge Debbie Riehl-Rodriguez, USDF "L" graduates continuing education, \$1,000 WDAOK futurity, GPC Schooling show championship classes and plenty of open show rides. In all, we had 91 rides and almost 50 horse/rider combinations. The weekend continued with a jammed full clinic with our judge. For complete results please visit the chapter website www.greatplainsdressage.com.

A 2015 year-end celebration is being planned. It will feature an potluck dinner, awarding of year-end prizes, a silent auction and maybe a visit by Santa. Check back to the chapter website for date, time, and location. Cost will be a covered dish to share. GPC will cover all other costs.

Stacia Wert-Gray
www.horseshowconsulting.com



Green Country Chapter News

Green Country Chapter has had an exciting fall show season, beginning with its inaugural team competition on October 3. Eight teams of riders from both classical and western dressage competed against one another; the winning team members brought home \$124 each in prize money! Green Country Chapter also offered cash prizes for the second and third place teams. The event was a huge success, and Green Country hopes to offer it again next year.

From October 16-18, Green Country Chapter held its annual Junior Rider Camp at Prairie Lane Farm in Collinsville, OK. Eighteen junior riders from a variety of riding backgrounds attended and received twice-daily, semi-private instruction from clinicians Claudia Misner and Aaron Wilson. Riders also attended educational lectures on horse care and health, the sport of dressage, and equipment maintenance.

Green Country Chapter's show season will draw to a close with its Schooling Show Championships on Saturday, November 7 at the Claremore Expo Center in Claremore, OK. Championship eligibility is determined by scores received at schooling shows held by Green Country, Great Plains, or West Equestrian. An open schooling show is held in the morning, with the Championships following in the afternoon. Many riders have already received one qualifying score and can possibly receive their second in the morning's open show. If you're unsure of your eligibility, please check our list at at

<http://bit.ly/SSCqualifiers> and see www.greencountrydressage.com for additional details about the show.

Year end awards will be presented at Green Country Chapter's annual holiday party and awards banquet; to qualify, a rider must be a GCC member, have received 5 scores from 3 different judges (with at least two received at a GCC show), have a score at the highest test of the level, and have completed at least 6 hours of volunteer work at a GCC event. The application for year end awards can be found on www.greencountrydressage.com, along with results from GCC shows.



North Central Chapter News

None Reported.

Attention OKC Area Dressage Enthusiasts

The next get-together will be November 10 from 6:00pm-8:00pm at Lee Ann Alf's home in NE OKC. The address is 8310 NE 122nd. Call or email Lee Ann for directions. Tentative plans are for a Purina Feed rep to speak to us about new feeding ideas. Door Prizes? Light appetizers, wine, and soft drinks will be served. All dressage enthusiasts are welcome and encouraged to bring a friend (ODS membership not required). RSVP not required but it would be helpful to give Lee Ann a call (771-5571) or email (leeannalf@gmail.com) to let her know how many are coming.

A huge thank you to Tamera Mayo for doing such a wonderful job of organizing the ODS area and competitors at the Region 9 Championships in Houston in October. It was a great show. Tamera has also agreed to take over the ODS treasurer position—again, thanks!

(ODS Regional results follow)

Region 9 Champs

GAIG/USDF Region 9 Championships

CH: Marty Hunt & Daphne - Grand Prix, AA
CH: Marie Maloney & Lazulite - Intermediate II, AA
CH: Anthea Kin & Finian - 2nd Level Freestyle, O
RS: Anthea Kin & Wolkenwand - GP Musical Freestyle, O
RS Ch: Kristin Knutson & Casaro - Intermediate I, O
3rd: Anthea Kin & Wolkenwand - Grand Prix, O
3rd: Robin Hessel & Waterfront - Intermediate II, O
3rd: Roberta Clark & Divino - Intermediate I, O
3rd: Kristin Knutson & Casaro - Intermediate I Freestyle, O
3rd: Kailey Devore & Fauston NAF - 2nd Level, JR/ YR
3rd: Tamera Mayo & Mantreh - 1st Level Musical Freestyle, AA
4th: Amanda Edwards & Allouette - Prix St George, O
4th: Kristin Knutson & Vashti - 3rd Level, O
5th: Roberta Clark & Divino - Prix St George, O
6th: Traci Jackson & Nessesity - Intermediate I, AA
7th: Erin Boone & Wolkantar - Intermediate I, AA
7th: Tamera Mayo & Clair NAF - 2nd Level Freestyle, O
7th: Kailey Devore & Fauston NAF - 1st Level, JR/YR

Southwest Dressage Championships

Gold: Marty Hunt & Daphne - Grand Prix, AA
Gold: Marie Maloney & Lazulite - Intermediate II, AA
Gold: Anthea Kin & Finian - 2nd Level Musical Freestyle, O
Gold: Patty Couch & Gallant Prince von G - Tr. Level FS, O
Silver: Tamera Mayo & Mantreh - 1st Level Freestyle, O
Bronze: Anthea Kin & Wolkenwand - Grand Prix, O
Bronze: Erin Boone & Wolkantar - Intermediate I, AA
Bronze: Kristin Knutson & Casaro - FEI Musical Freestyle, O
Bronze: Kristin Knutson & Vashti - 3rd Level, O
Bronze: Tamera Mayo & Clair NAF - 2nd Level Freestyle, O
4th: Kristin Knutson & Casaro - Intermediate I, O
4th: Traci Jackson & Nessesity - Intermediate I, AA
5th: Anthea Kin & Finian - 2nd Level, O
6th: Kailey Devore & Fauston NAF - 1st Level, JR/YR

Western Dressage

The WDAA is hosting a Para-Western Dressage demonstration Saturday evening, November 7, at their World show in Tulsa at the Expo Built Ford Tough Arena. Three para-equestrians will ride a test of choice starting at 6:10pm Saturday evening before the awards ceremony. Come watch or volunteer to help behind the scenes. The riders are Roxanne Trunnell Grade 1a 2014 WEG competitor, Lara Oles Para-Dressage Nationals 2015 Third Place National Championships competitor and Marsha Cullen 2014 recipient of the Richard Brown Memorial Sportsmanship trophy at Nationals in Gladstone, New Jersey. Contact Marsha Cullen at marshagcc@gmail.com or [918-805-3760](tel:918-805-3760) if you would like to be a volunteer.

Oklahoma Dressage Society
Spring Dressage Show
May 7-8, 2016
Tulsa Expo Square
Tulsa, OK
USEF Level 2 Competition - SWDC Qualifier
Judges
Sue Mandas "S"
Dorie Viatten-Schmitz "S"
Joyce Hardesty - TD
Featuring:
Premium Facility
2 - Warm Up Rings
\$1000 Freestyle Competition
Friday Night Welcome Party
Champion & Highpoint Awards
Saturday Evening Competitors Party
Silent Auction
Proudly sponsored by
Nutrena
Nutrition for a Lifetime
The park has previously hosted by the 2011 USDF World Young Rider (YR) Level Bids. www.springdressage.com

Horse Woman
A person who is envied because they are a fabulously unique individual that can kick ass and has no need or desire to follow the flock

Motivation is what gets you started. Habit is what keeps you going.



Annual General Meeting & Awards Banquet

Saturday, January 16, 2016

Tulsa Summit Club

15 W. 6th Street, Tulsa, OK
30th Floor



3:30 pm	Registration
4:00 pm	Annual Meeting
6:00 pm	Dinner and Silent Auction
7:30 pm	Year End Awards Presentation

Don't miss this opportunity to help shape ODS and socialize with other dressage enthusiasts! Learn what ODS achieved in 2015 and what we have in store for the membership in 2016. We need your input and participation to continue making ODS a success.

This year's event will be held at the Summit Club located in downtown Tulsa atop the Bank of Oklahoma Tower. We will be serving a Chef's choice buffet dinner (\$30) with cash bar and door prizes. Our host hotel is Aloft, located at 200 Civic Center, Tulsa OK, 918.947.8200.



Registration Form

RSVP by January 2, 2016

Name: _____

Current Member (2016): Y N

Number attending dinner: _____ x \$30 = \$ _____

Amount Enclosed: \$ _____

Number attending meeting only: _____ (no fee)

Make checks payable to ODS and mail reservation form and payment to:
Amanda Edwards, 14534 S. Florence Ave., Bixby, OK 74008

Any questions can be directed to Amanda at rideforward@icloud.com



2015 ODS AGM & Awards Banquet

January 16, 2016
Tulsa Summit Club
15 W. 6th St., Tulsa OK

Join us for an evening of fun! Our annual meeting at 3:30 pm will be followed by a cocktails, dinner, awards presentation and silent auction. Spouses, friends and significant others are welcome and encouraged to attend!

We are pleased to announce that Equiventure Tack and Apparel will not only be sponsoring our HOY award but they will also have a booth available for shopping!

Finally, our host hotel is Aloft Tulsa Downtown at 200 Civic Center, (918) 947-8200. They are offering two queen beds or a single King bed for \$89/night. Please reference the Oklahoma Dressage Society AGM when you make your reservations.

Questions? Contact Amanda Edwards at rideforward@cox.net