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From Your President

CDCTS Christmas Party, December 2 was a blast! Thank you Rita Dunn for hosting and to Spice and Brody for being official greeters and lapdogs! We had good food, adult libations (!) and lots of laughs with the “dirty Santa” game. If you missed it this year, plan on attending in December 2024.

Annual Banquet, January 27, 2024, Bearden Banquet Hall. You don't want to miss this event! The e-vite will be coming out shortly, so make sure you RSVP. Remember you can use any vouchers you have as this is the last chance to use those vouchers. Those vouchers expire after the 2024 annual banquet. Jose Hernandez has agreed again to talk about his riding/driving adventures. Those of you that came to the banquet a couple of years ago know how wonderful he is. We are still working on getting items for the silent auction. Talk to your vet or farrier or instructor to see if they will donate items or services to our silent auction. Horsey (or people) massages, farrier work, vet services, gently used, but no longer needed tack are all popular auction items. Melissa Feinbaum is in charge of getting silent auction donations organized. The Whinny Whimsy Wine raffle will be back as well. Bring cash for the Wine raffle and your checkbook (or we PayPal) for the auction items you win.

We will also be having our elections at the banquet. A slate of nominees will be presented to serve as board members. The membership votes for the board nominees and the board decides who will fill each position.

The CDCTS board welcomes any ideas our members have for shows, seminars, clinics, and other events you would like to see us present. We have the Spring Schooling Show scheduled May 4 at The Stables at the Main; Summer Schooling Show is June 15 at Walnut Grove Stables; Fall Schooling Show is September 28 at a location to be determined and Fall Fun Day is October 26 at River Glen. We have also discussed a “Not Ready for Prime Time” show for beginner riders with show classes such as leadline, WT/WTC or WJ/WJL, showmanship and maybe a very small jump

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From Your President - CONTINUED

class in the morning and then games classes in the afternoon. What other interests do YOU have? What would you like to see us provide for the members? And of course, would you be willing to help out at events? Let us know!

Hoping everyone is having a good holiday season and is looking forward to 2024.

Happy Holidays

Carolyn Ordal,

CDCTS President

CDCTS BOARD DID NOT MEET DECEMBER 2023 (NO MINUTES)

CDCTS CHRISTMAS PARTY



THE HORSEMANSHIP IN DRESSAGE



My name is Sloan Adams and I am a horse trainer located in Greenback, TN! I have been training horses for approximately eight years. I got my start training horses when a local rescue asked me to gentle four feral yearlings. This was a big ask for a 10-year-old who knew nothing about training a horse, but I was down for the challenge!

One thing led to another and all four yearlings were gentled and adopted out. This sparked my love for working with feral equine. I continued to work with rescues in the area, gentling their feral/unhandlable intakes to make them more adoptable.

This has since become a specific area of focus in my program. A few years later, I decided that it was time to take my training to the next level and educate myself on the proper development of a horse under saddle. I worked with other trainers in the area, attended clinics, and studied trainers whose morals and training methods aligned with mine. I learned so much but, as all true horsemen and women know, you can never stop learning in the equine world!



Dressage is a discipline I always wanted to try when I was younger, not for any reason other than I thought it looked cool. As I began learning about developing horses under saddle, I was drawn to the dressage discipline even more, not just because it looked cool, but because dressage develops a foundation that I believe every horse should know: relaxation, balance, suppleness, rhythm, etc.

So, in December of 2022, I decide to begin taking dressage lessons with Susan Hill! Learning the discipline has helped me as a trainer and has helped each horse that comes through my program. Every horse has some form of dressage in their training to create a more relaxed, balanced, and strong equine under saddle. Not only did dressage help me as a trainer but it has helped me tremendously as a rider. It showed me my weaknesses so I could strengthen them. I have learned much about myself as a rider since starting. Dressage has truly bettered my horsemanship and I feel it can benefit many other riders and trainers as well.

I am very excited for my future in the discipline and am so fortunate to have found an amazing instructor to help guide me through learning dressage. I can say from experience, if you've always wanted to try dressage, do it!! And if you want to learn new ways to become a better rider and horseman, do dressage. You won't regret it!



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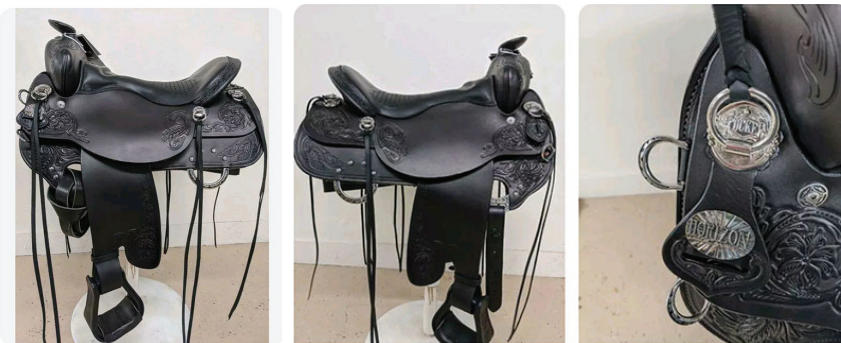
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ARTICLES FOR THE CROSSING

Please submit articles for your monthly CDCTS newsletter, *THE CROSSING*. Deadline for articles is the 20th of each month. Send your article by email to: cdctsnews@gmail.com.

JANUARY & FEBRUARY 2024 CALENDARS

CDCTS Banquet Photos

If you have photos to provide for the slide presentation, that runs during to the Banquet Dinner, please send them before Monday, January 22.

Email them to: cdctsnews@gmail.com

January 2024

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
	1	2	3	4	5	6
7	8	9 CDCTS Board Meeting	10	11	12	13
14	15	16	17	18	19	20
21	22	23	24	25	26	27 CDCTS Annual Banquet
28	29	30	31			

February 2024

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
				1	2	3
4	5	6	7	8	9	10
11	12	13 CDCTS Board Meeting	14	15	16	17
18	19	20	21	22	23	24
25	26	27	28	29		

EVENTS

2024

- **CDCTS Annual Banquet:** January 27, 2024 at Bearden Banquet Hall, Kingston Pike, Knoxville, 6:30 p.m.
 - **Spring Schooling Show:** May 4, 2024 at The Stables at the Main, Greenback, TN
 - **Summer Schooling Show:** June 15, 2024 at Walnut Grove Stables, Talbott, TN
 - **Fall Schooling Show:** September 28, 2024 location TBD
 - **Fall Fun Day:** October 26, 2024 at River Glen, New Market TN. (TBD)
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Next Meeting

January 9, 2023

Calhoun's Restaurant

(Pellissippi/Kingston Pike Intersection)

10020 Kingston Pike, Knoxville, TN

6 p.m. for dinner, 7 p.m. for meeting



Region 3 USDF GMO #0319

CDCTS is a USDF Group Member Organization that caters to dressage and combined training (eventing) riders and enthusiasts in the Knoxville area and throughout East Tennessee.

By joining CDCTS, you will be on the fast track to learning about shows, clinics and other great educational opportunities in our area. You will get to meet other like-minded, horse loving people, and you will become part of a group that is continually working to promote dressage and eventing in your area.

In addition, by joining CDCTS, you automatically become a Group Member of USDF, which provides you with many additional benefits in the dressage arena.

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Crossroads Dressage and Combined Training Society 2024 Membership Application



CDCTS membership year is 1 Dec 2023-30 Nov 2024. After 1 Dec, the effective date of membership begins the day the form and correct dues reach the CDCTS Secretary at the address below. CDCTS is a USDF GMO and its members are automatically USDF Group Members. For Participating Membership, members must apply directly to USDF. \$24.00 of your primary GMO membership fee goes directly to USDF for your Group Membership. Electronic copies of CDCTS applications will be held until funds are received.

First Name: _____ Middle Initial: ____ Last Name: _____ USDF#: _____
Street Address: _____
City: _____ State: _____ Zip Code: _____
Primary Phone: () _____ Secondary Phone: () _____
Primary Email address: _____
Birth date: _____ (required by USDF for all riders under 21 years of age, and requested for those over 21 years old to assist in limiting doubled entries at USDF)

I would like to Join: ____ /Renew: ____ Crossroads Dressage and Combined training Society for the membership year 1 December 2023—30 November 2024 in the following category:

- a. Charter Member (Founding member of the club whose membership has not lapsed) _____ X \$23.00 _____
- b. Adult Member (Over 21 years old as of January 1, 2023) _____ X \$52.00 _____
- c. Junior/Young Rider Member (21 years old or younger as of January 1, 2023) _____ X \$28.00 _____
- d. Family Membership (\$52 Primary Member + \$13.00 per each additional member) _____ X \$52.00 _____
_____ X \$13.00 _____
- e. Early Bird Discount (Payment before November 10, 2023) **deduct \$5.00** _____ -\$5.00 _____

ARE YOU PAYING WITH PAYPAL? **IF YES, ADD \$2.00** _____
(cdctsort@gmail.com) Total: _____

List the Additional Family Members below:

Name: _____ Phone #: () _____

I would like to volunteer to support the club in the following areas:

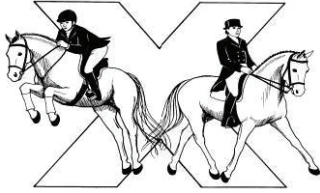
Horse shows: ____ Scribe, ____ Scorer, ____ Runner, ____ Ring Steward, ____ Concessions, _____ Set up and Tear Down, ____ Hospitality

Other: ____ Phone Contacts, ____ Committees, ____ Board Member, ____ Write for Newsletter, ____ Publish newsletter, ____ Website, ____ Sell Advertising _____, Other: _____

Please make your check payable to CDCTS and return to:

Carolyn Ordal
2100 Harris Road
Knoxville, TN 37924
(Carolyn.Ordal@YouthVillages.org)

Office action: Date Received: _____
Check #: _____
Amount: _____



**Crossroads Dressage and Combined Training Society
2024 Professional or Business Application**



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Primary Contact: First Name: _____ Middle Initial: ___ Last Name: _____

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City: _____ State: _____ Zip Code: _____

Primary Phone: () _____ **Secondary Phone:** () _____

Primary Email address: _____

I would like to Join: ____ /Renew: ____ Crossroads Dressage and Combined Training Society for the membership year 1 December 2023 - 30 November 2024 as a **Professional or Business Member (please select one)**

- a. I/we wish to provide a lecture or training series with the following details:

- b. I/we wish to sponsor a class in a CDCTS Schooling Show for the following amount _____ or with the following goods and/or services _____. *Please select Spring or Fall Show or both.*

- c. I/we wish to sponsor a _____ (trophy, ribbons, neck sashes, etc) in a schooling show. *Please select Spring or Fall Show or both.*

- d. I/we wish to sponsor a year end award. Please specify which award and amount.

- e. I/we wish to support the club in another manner. Please specify below:

Please fill your form out and mail it to:

Carolyn Ordal
2100 Harris Road
Knoxville, TN 37924

Office action: Date Received: _____