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The IaDCTA Annual Meeting and Award Presentation will be held late afternoon on January 24, 2021 via Zoom. Debbie Rodriguez, eventing and dressage "S" judge, will be our speaker on the topic of "Dressage for Event Horses". In addition to Ms. Rodriguez's presentation, there will be a brief business meeting, the Year-end Awards Program and lots of "door" prizes. This meeting is free for IaDCTA members. Look for registration details in January.



It's Membership Renewal time!

Thank you to our members who have renewed their IaDCTA membership for 2021! If this has slipped off your to-do list, please go to our website <https://iadcta.clubexpress.com> and renew your membership. Don't forget to nominate your horse for the 2021 Year-end Awards Program. We look forward to an active year of dressage and eventing and want to help support your riding goals. To help do that, IaDCTA will offer an educational series via Zoom this winter. We are lining up three clinicians to present different topics in February and March. **This series will be free to members!**

Vote on Bylaws Amendment

The IaDCTA Board will recommend to the membership a small amendment to the Bylaws. This small amendment will allow the Board of Directors to consist of a **minimum of** six members of the Association, **at least** two of whom shall be elected by a plurality of the membership each year. (Bold type indicates the proposed change). This amendment would allow flexibility in the number of Directors elected in a year. A vote by members on this bylaws amendment will take place electronically beginning January 4.

IaDCTA is a USDF Group Member Organization (GMO), and all members are automatically USDF Group Members (GMs). For USDF Participating Membership, members must apply directly to USDF.



Snow flakes on whiskers !!!

2021 USEA RULE CHANGES And PROPOSALS

Submitted by Nena Denman

The 2020 United States Eventing Association annual convention was held virtually in early December. One on-line session was held by the Licensed Officials Committee as an open forum conducted by Cindy De Porter and Tim Murray assisted by Nancy Knight. The main topic of discussion covered rule changes and proposals. The following is a report from that meeting.

Several rule changes went into effect on December 1, 2020. All updates rules are highlighted in red in the United States Equestrian Federation rule book and should be reviewed by all competitors and officials. A listing of the rule changes follows.

- ◆ GR 1039 – Licensed Officials Conflict of Interest
 - No financial benefit can come from working with apprentice officials.
 - Officials cannot stay in the home of a competitor.
 - The event manager may not be related to any officials.
- ◆ EV 113 – Medical Requirements
 - All competitors must include the telephone number of an emergency contact on the entry form.
 - Declaration of medical condition. Competitors with medical conditions that may be relevant in case of a medical emergency must wear a medical data carrier or a medical armband at every event while riding.
- ◆ EV 114 – Dressage Dress- Competitors should use good judgement.
 - Beginner Novice through Preliminary-
 - Any color helmet may be worn.
 - Coats can be pinstripe or tweed.
 - Sleeved shirts may be any color or design but must have a collar and be tucked into breeches.
 - No tailcoats are allowed.
 - Gloves, if worn, should be dark, tan, beige, or white.
 - Jodhpurs or breeches should be light or white.
 - Boots should be dark.
 - Beginner Novice through Modified –
 - No jackets are required
 - Horse Trials – Intermediate and Advanced may follow the same guidelines as BN through Prelim, but gloves and coats are required.
 - Tailcoats are permitted.
 - Armed Force and Police uniforms with gloves are permitted.
- Beg. Novice and Novice levels: Water crossings will be flagged and numbered, and subject to penalties but will not be counted in the total number of course efforts.
- ◆ EV 141 – Faults at Obstacles –
 - Disobediences - Activating frangible fences will count as 11 penalties in addition to any riding faults, such as a refusal.
- ◆ EV 108.3 Exercise Areas
 - Grounds poles are to be under or no more than 1 m. in front of a jump. No ground poles may be on the landing side.
 - X poles must be in cups.
 - X poles may only have a horizontal bar higher than the ends of the X pole cups.
 - Only flagged fences may be jumped.



There are several proposed rule changes for 2021. These will be open for discussion and will have to go through the approval process.

- ◆ EV 112 – Dangerous Riding – The course designer may be added to the list of officials who can determine dangerous riding.
- ◆ EV 113 – Medical Requirements – If a person is involved in an accident and appears apparently concussed or injured and refuses examination, a \$100 fine and a yellow card will be administered.
- ◆ EV 134 – Dressage – Judges must be given 30 minutes for lunch break and a 10-minute break every 2 hours. Judging must be limited to 8 hours while present on the grounds for no more than 10 hours.
- ◆ EV 153 – Compulsory Retirement – In Stadium Jumping, at Training Level and above, 5 rails knocked down will be judged as a compulsory retirement from the competition.
- ◆ EV 171 – Ground Jury – No family members of the course designer may serve on the ground jury. Family members consist of spouse, parent, step-, sibling, half sibling, aunt, uncle, niece, nephew, grand-, and in-law, etc.

While every attempt was made to communicate these rule changes and proposed changes accurately, it is the responsibility of the competitors and officials to read through the current rulebook for further clarification.



Nominate Your Horse for 2021 Year End Awards



There are only two steps to qualify for the IaDCTA Year End Awards.

First step– be a member!

Second step – nominate your horse.

Log into the IaDCTA website iadcta.clubexpress.com with your membership name and password. Then click on the Nomination Page. You can nominate your horse in any of the disciplines listed – dressage, western dressage, sporthorse or horse trials. Each nomination costs \$15. Submitting your scores during the show season is easy, too – just an email with show info. We are all looking forward to a robust show season!



The Road to Regional Championships

The year, 2021, will be an exciting one for dressage riders in Iowa because once again the Region Four Championship show will be held near Des Moines. Maffitt Lake Equestrian Center is hosting this event for the second time during the weekend of September 23-26. Those involved in 2019 enjoyed seeing competitors from several states at a beautiful setting with lots of shopping. What could be better! The event is sponsored by the Great American Insurance Group and is a Level 4 competition. If the Covid 19 Pandemic is under control by September 2021, we can expect the same quality of riding and a fun-filled weekend.

You may be asking yourself how a horse and rider combination can participate at this great venue and competition. There are several ways. One way is the non-championship route. The second involves the championship competition. Information for each is included below.

Rider/Owner Memberships

USDF GMO members may compete in Open (non-championship) classes at the show. These regular classes help pay the expense of holding the championship competition, so participation is important. Riders, owners, and trainers who are GMO members already have a USDF membership number. In addition, at United States Equestrian Federation (USEF) recognized shows, except for Introductory or Opportunity Level classes, all rider, owners, and trainers must be USEF members or must pay the Show Pass fee. Those who are not USDF or USEF members will have to pay a non-member participation fee. However, membership can be applied for at the competition.

GMO members may receive awards in several programs. However only riders, and owners with Participating USDF memberships may enter the Regional Championship classes or USDF Year-End awards. The competing riders, and horse owners, also need to be USEF members.

Horse Registration

All horses in any USDF/USEF recognized competition must have either a USDF Horse Identification (HID) number or a USDF Lifetime Horse Registration (LHR). These are obtained through the USDF website. The only exclusions are for Dressage Sport Horse Breeding (DSHB), Opportunity, or Introductory level classes. Horses that are entering championship classes or USDF/USEF award programs must have an LHR and a USEF (Annual or Lifetime) Horse Recording. Horses with LHRs do not need HID numbers as well. HID numbers can be elevated to LHR status with an additional fee. Leased horses must be registered by the owner.

Qualifications to Compete at Regionals

There are no qualifications to ride in the Open (non-championship) classes at Regionals. To qualify for championship competition, two qualifying scores at the appropriate level (e.g., Training, First, Second) must be earned before entering the show. These scores must be for the highest test at a level and earned in Championship Qualifying classes at recognized USDF/USEF shows. The scores must be from two different shows with two different judges. There are minimum qualifying scores for each level. Riders and owners must be USDF Participating members and USEF members prior to the scores being earned.

For additional information and details, please refer to the USDF Member Guide for 2021. Information concerning all the USDF awards is included. This booklet is sent to all GMO members annually. Or go to the USDF website for Regional Championship rules at: <https://www.usdf.org/docs/ShowFlash/web/RegionalChamp/RCRules2021.pdf?t=12/16/2020%201:11:37%20PM>

The effort on the Road to Regionals is worth the reward of an exciting accomplishment. If competing is not possible, there are other ways to be involved in this active weekend. Many volunteers are needed to serve as scribes, runners, supervisors, hosts, and more. Information about opportunities can be found through the Iowa Dressage and Combined Training Association or Maffitt Lake Equestrian Center websites.



Stay Safe! Be Seen! Respect Others!

**DEADLINE FOR SPRING
COLLECTION MARCH 15, 2021**

IN OTHER NEWS

FOR ALL YOU IOWA PEEPS LOOKING FOR SOME COOL THINGS GOING ON!

IaDCTA Members Showing and hunting their horses this fall at Heritage Park Horse Trials, Windermere Horse Trials, Powder River Ranch Schooling shows, Bent Creek Farm Schooling show, and North Hills Hunt.

Photos courtesy of MM Photography at PRR, KC Photography at Bent Creek Farm, Janet Novotny at Windermere, Chloe DeYoung at Heritage Park, and North Hills Hunt.



Tracy O'Dell on Spot at Powder River Ranch Schooling Show Series



Lizzie Sauter McClain on Piper at Windermere Horse Trials





Lizzie Sauter McClain on Piper at Bent Creek Farm



Chloe Speck on Joey at BCF



Britini Taylor at BCF



Amanda Towery on Mercy at BCF



Lizzie Sauter McClain on Piper at BCF





Laura Rietveld on Mario Kart at Heritage Park Horse



Alex Novotny-Pasker and Tracy O'Dell at Windermere Horse Trials



Mary Curran on Hendrix at Windermere Horse Trials at Preliminary Level



Alex Novotny-Pasker and Iris at Windermere Horse Trials at Preliminary



Amber Garthwaite on Wilbur at Windermere



Alex Novotny-Pasker and Mary Curran with Iris and Hendrix at Windermere Horse Trial





Molly Foley on Remington at Powder River Ranch Schooling Show Series.



Michelle King on Bragai at PRR Schooling



Maleah McGrew on Opus at PRR Schooling Show Series.



Mary Curran on Winter Anthem at PRR Schooling



Britini Taylor on Clifford at PRR Series



Chloe Speck on Joey at PRR Series



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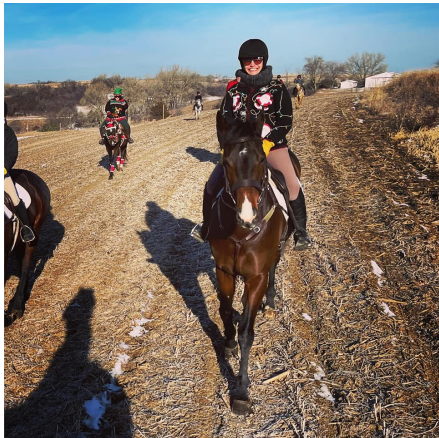
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Amber Garthwaite and Jax at PRR



Amanda Towery on **Joey Flew Past Them** at PRR Series



Alex Novotny-Pasker at Boxing day North Hills Hunt



Britni Taylor on **King** at PRR Series



Britni Taylor on **Clifford** at Informal NHH



Amanda Towery on **Mercy** at Informal NHH





Amber Garthwaite on Ralph at Tipton NHH



Mary Wood at Tipton NHH



Mary Curran on Spot at Cumberland NHH



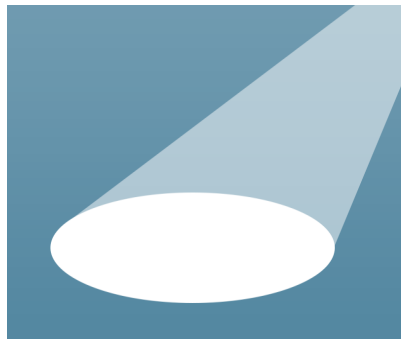
Have any news you want to share? Photos?
We hope you enjoy the Collection for it's
balance of information, articles, and images.
Suggestions always welcomed. Really!

Message your friendly board member, drop a
note to Facebook, or ...

Probably not pony express since we are still
trying to social distance!

Member Spotlight on

Evan Fleck



I was asked, “Why horses?” Well, it all started when my grandma got me a wooden rocking horse or Christmas when I was about or 4 years old. Since then, I have always loved horses. I started lessons at Greenbriar Riding Academy in Springville Iowa when I was about seven years old and carried on with them for about six years. Trough that time, Greenbriar taught me all the necessary basics of riding and caring for multiple horses. I started seeing other kids leaning to jump and thought how much fun it must feel to fly on a horse. My mom and I started looking for places to lean how to jump. We wanted to find the right trainer and barn that understood my style of riding and how I learned. When we met Hannah Jungling, I instantly knew she was my trainer and friend. The first time I went over a jump, was the feeling of magic. I learned on the best spotted pony ever– Olivia. I started to learn the basics of jumping and dressage work, like my position in the in the saddle and how to use power and energy in the right way. Hannah really changed me in a huge way and is an incredibly amazing coach, just as Olivia is an amazing horse.



As time went on with my riding, I started going to my first schooling shows and events with my teammates and their horses. The car rides to and from the shows are always a blast! We sing and laugh the whole way! It is truly a super feeling to travel with my team and help with as much as I can. Seeing everyone work together and have a great time just makes my heart happy.

Before I knew it, Olivia was mine! My parents felt the strong bond Olivia and I had and they saw we were meant to be together. Olivia is truly my heart horse. I think she really understands me and knows how I learn. I think she needed a little girl to take care of and teach all of the important stuff to. She is a little on the chunkier side but that's what makes Olivia Olivia. I have the most amazing rides on her that I probably have ever had. I will never have another horse like her. She is so patient and gentle. She has the most willing heart of any horse that I have ridden. She always wants to learn more and accomplish what I ask of her, even if I am still learning and telling her to do something that's really hard. She always tries her heart out for me.

My goals with Olivia are to go as far as she feels comfortable going. I bet I will be running Novice with her and call it good. I don't plan on going any further with her and I'm in no rush to move up the levels. That's not what is important. I want to learn as much as I can and accomplish all the little things. As long as Olivia is not in any pain and is enjoying her job, I am happy. I know I will eventually have a different horse that can do more and teach me higher level riding. And I bet we will go a long way! That's what I plan on anyway. But that's not for awhile. Olivia is the perfect first horse and she does her job incredibly well and I could not ask for anything more out of her. I would not be where I am today without my amazing trainer, teammates, horses and parents. They have been a huge impact on my life and I can't thank them enough for that. I can't wait for what is coming next on my journey.



TREASURER'S REPORT

November 2020 US Bank

Beginning Checking Acct. Bal.	\$4,872.70		
<u>CREDITS:</u>	This period:	Prior period	Total To Date
Horse Nominations -Cash	\$30.00	\$330.00	\$360.00
Membership Dues - Cash	\$45.00	\$595.00	\$640.00
Club Express - Horse	\$0.00	\$90.00	\$90.00
Club Express - Membership	\$605.00	\$1,675	\$2,280.00
Sponsorships	\$155.00	\$400	\$555.00
Silent Auction	\$0.00	\$711.00	\$711.00
Award Fund - Raffle	\$0.00	\$147.00	\$147.00
Annual Banquet	\$0.00	\$1,900.00	\$1,900.00
Show	\$0.00	\$1,685.00	\$1,685.00
Clinic	\$0.00	\$25.00	\$25.00
Misc. Advertising/Arena Rental	\$0.00	\$100.00	\$100.00
Misc.	\$0.00	\$74.00	\$74.00
TOTAL CREDITS	\$835.00	\$7,732.00	\$8,567.00
<u>DEBITS:</u>			
Operations: Printing	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
Banquet DMGCC	\$0.00	\$1,071.00	\$1,071.00
Bank Fees - Club Express	\$79.20	\$309.70	\$388.90
Banquet Misc.	\$0.00	\$140.41	\$140.41
Championship Awards	\$0.00	\$164.30	\$164.30
Education - Clinic	\$0.00	\$100.00	\$100.00
Shows	\$0.00	\$530.00	\$530.00
Insurance	\$150.00	\$0.00	\$150.00
Membership dues-USDF	\$24.00	\$1,300.00	\$1,324.00
Conference, Convention, Meeting	-	\$0.00	\$0.00
Misc. -	\$0.00	\$97.02	\$97.02
TOTAL DEBITS	\$253.20	\$3,712.43	\$3,965.63
NET INCOME	\$581.80	\$4,019.57	\$4,601.37
RESERVES/DESIGNATIONS:			
Betsy Coester Grant	\$0.00	\$769.97	\$769.97
Clinic/Educational/Convention	\$0.00	\$501.00	\$501.00
ITBOA	\$0.00		\$0.00
TOTAL RESERVES/DESIGNATIONS			\$1,270.97
SAVINGS	\$0.00	\$2,201.37	\$2,201.37
Checking Acct Balance- current	\$5,454.50		
Total Reserves/Designations	\$1,270.97		
Outstanding Debits	\$0.00		
Daily Operating Balance	\$4,183.53		
Checking			\$5,454.50
Certificate of Deposit	\$5,000.00	\$6,284.73	\$11,284.73
Savings			\$2,201.37
Total Bank Balances			\$18,940.60



USEF Eventing Youth Team Challenge

By [USEF](#) - Edited Press Release

US Equestrian is pleased to announce the development of a new youth team competition format for eventing athletes competing at the CCI* through CCI3* levels, set to be introduced during the 2021 competition season. Eventing athletes between the FEI ages of 14 and 25 are invited to apply for the USEF Eventing Youth Team Challenge for the upcoming competition season, with competition opportunities spanning from early spring through late fall. This new concept will serve as an evolution of the North American Youth Championship for eventing and will provide opportunities for more athletes to represent their USEA Area in team competition throughout the year, culminating with two bi-coastal championships. The Challenge will include three levels with the following age requirements:

- CCI* for FEI ages 14-18
- CCI2* for FEI ages 14-21
- CCI3* for FEI ages 16-25

The series will consist of four to six CCI-S competitions hosted at locations across the country to make the program accessible to as many qualified youth athletes as possible. It will conclude with two CCI-L competitions, one on the East Coast and one on the West Coast, at the end of the competition year. The bid process for host competitions is open through December 15, 2020, and locations will be announced at the end of January 2021.

“We are very excited about the increased opportunities this new Youth Team Challenge series will provide to youth athletes. Whereas youth athletes were aiming for one summer team championship with NAYC, athletes will now have the opportunity to compete in a team for the full season leading up to a final team championship on both coasts,” said Leslie Law, USEF Development and Emerging Athlete Coach.

“The U.S. does not currently have the opportunity to compete in FEI Pony, Junior, and Young Rider Championships like in Europe, so we must continue to seek new ways to give our youth athletes more opportunities to compete in a team. The Youth Team Challenge will also give athletes up to the age of 25 the opportunity to gain this valuable team experience. This is an exciting and critical new initiative in further strengthening the Eventing Pathway, which aims to develop athletes to one day represent the U.S. on the world stage.”

Each team will consist of three to four horse/athlete combinations to be chosen from qualified applicants by the USEA Area Selectors based on performance, soundness, experience, and suitability for the competition. All interested athletes must submit an Area declaration and a one-time application for the upcoming competition year. The deadline for area declarations and team applications is January 29, 2021. Log in to your athlete dashboard to access the application.

Note to applicants*: FEI age is defined as the age the athlete will turn during the calendar year of the competition. Athletes born between January 1 and December 31, 2007, will be considered FEI age 14 for the entire 2021 competition year. Additionally, athletes who intend to move up to the CCI* level in the upcoming season are invited to apply, even if they have not yet competed at the level.

For More Information visit the [Adequan® USEF Eventing Youth Team Challenge FAQ](#).

For questions regarding the USEF Eventing Youth Team Challenge, contact Christina Vaughn, USEF Director, Eventing Performance and Program Support, at (859) 225-6917 or cvaughn@usef.org.



Dressage for the Masses

A book review by Nena Denman

Not everyone is able to go shopping and purchase a gorgeous 16.2 hand Warmblood trained to Fourth Level to begin their dressage experience. Most riders start with common stock of unknown background which was available at the right price and time. Erik F. Herbermann, in his book, The Dressage Formula, offers guidance in methodical training that, if followed, promises to “prolong the animal’s usefulness and make it a pleasure to ride” and helps riders with the “backyard” horse.

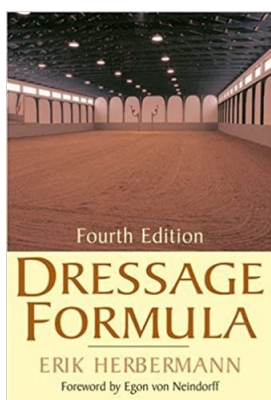
In his text, Herbermann (a student of Egon Von Neindorff and the Riding Institution in Karlsruhe) provides pictures, exercises, as well as advice on the rider’s seat and aids involving three different horses. Atlantis, a Percheron-Thoroughbred cross with heavy gaits, develops more activity and obedience. Meteorite, a Standardbred Cross with lame-rein issues, becomes less tense and more athletic. An Arab Pony cross, Hawthorne’s Bargel, with short gaits learns to stretch forward and down while using his back to connect. Do you see your horse as one of these, perhaps? If not, the advice provided is still useful for all horses and riders.

Throughout the book, the Basic Five are explained. These include Heads Up, Chest Out, Fists Vertical, Knees Closed, and Heels Deep. They are explained in chapters focusing on the rider’s seat and position, the aids, the horse, the exercises, general observations, and photography. The book’s clear concise language is easy to read and understand. Subheadings clarify the focus of each section. Numerous pictures and lists clarify ideas. The book is short (111 pages) and text is limited, making it a quick read.

When I first read this book, I felt I had been given a gift. I have shared ideas from it with many other riders and have asked students to read (and return!) my copy. If you read only one book about riding and training using dressage methodology, make The Dressage Formula, by Erik F. Herbermann, the one! This book says it all!

Herbermann, Erik F. The Dressage Formula. J. A. Allen and Co. Ltd.. London. 1980. ISBN: 0-85131-348-5. 111 total pages.

Available through Amazon Books used from \$18.99-\$987.25 (Really! Not kidding!) and Barnes and Noble, Paperback and Nook \$7.99. Hardcover \$19.99. Costs are estimated and may change.



“An extra pressure, a silent rebuke, an unseen praising, a firm correction: all these passed between us as through telegraph wires.” Christilot Hanson Boylen



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Above : Amanda Towery at Powder River Ranch. On Top Shelf Mercy

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