



THE COLLECTION

Monthly Newsletter
For Members By Members
March 2010





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Materials for The Collection are due by the 15th of each month.

Publishing Rates, CLINICS and SHOWBILLS

Clinics and Shows put on by an individual IaDCTA member

Clinics and Shows put on by groups other than IaDCTA

* MAXIMUM 20 words per Change of Hand item, and two items/person/month.

**** Horsin' Around Column: event name, date, contact information only

LOCALLY RECOGNIZED SHOWS/SCHOOLING SHOWS:

Showbill rates include recognition by IaDCTA for year-end awards.

The words, "*Recognized by IaDCTA for Year-End Awards*" Must Appear on Show Bills

	Members	Non-Members
Full Page	\$30.00	\$45.00
Half Page	\$25.00	\$35.00
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Change of Hand	Free	\$5.00
Horsin' Around	Free	\$5.00

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Please send payments by the **25th of the month.**

Materials will not be printed until payment is received.

NEXT DEADLINE: MARCH 15, 2010

Calendar of Events

March 20th 9a.m. till noon Show Prep 101 and Tack Swap

March 26th 6pm Juniors meeting and Tack Cleaning party

SAVE THE DATE! April 11 Volunteer Show Training Emery Training Center
This event is still being planned, for more information contact Vicki Gatter 515-221-9725

April 16 and 17 Clinic at Canterbrooke Equestrian Center. Contact Dana McCullough for more information www.canterbrooke.com

April 18 First Locally recognized IaDCTA show at Canterbrooke Equestrian Center

IaDCTA Mission Statement:

*to encourage and support interest in
Dressage and Combined Training by providing:*

- *Educational Opportunities*
- *Competitions*
- *Information*
- *Acting as a liaison with USDF and USEA along with Marketing of all activities of the IaDCTA throughout the state and region.*



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*IS THIS YOUR
LAST
ISSUE?*

If you haven't renewed your membership it is

We're On the WEB:
<http://iadcta.tripod.com>

Cover: Heather McCauley

IaDCTA 2010 Membership Application and Renewal (and Donations)

Membership Year Runs December 1, 2009 to November 30, 2010

Member Information:

Name: _____

City/State/Zip: _____

Home Phone: _____ Fax: _____ Email: _____

Work Phone: _____ Cell Phone: _____ Barn Phone: _____

Family Membership - 2 votes - \$45.00 (must designate one USDF member)

(additional family members are \$8.00 apiece)

ADDITIONAL FAMILY MEMBERS: \$8.00 _____

\$8.00 _____

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Adult Membership - 1 vote - \$40.00

Junior Membership (18 years & under) - no vote - \$25.00 / Age: _____ Birthdate: _____

An Adult, Junior, or Family Member automatically becomes an **Individual Member*** of USDF and will receive the IaDCTA Collection and the USDF Connection magazines. For each **individual member** of IaDCTA, \$17.00 is paid to USDF for your Group Membership

Newsletter Only — subscription - \$25.00 / IaDCTA Collection newsletter only. / No vote or year-end awards.

Please **MAIL** The Collection to me Please **E-MAIL** The Collection to me (Please circle one of the choices)

Year-End Award Nominations: \$5.00 per horse/rider combination

Rider: _____

#1 Horse & Breed: _____ Blanket Size: _____

#2 Horse & Breed: _____ Blanket Size: _____

#3 Horse & Breed: _____ Blanket Size: _____

#4 Horse & Breed: _____ Blanket Size: _____

IaDCTA Betsy Coester Memorial Grant Donation:

All donations go to the Betsy Coester Memorial Grant Fund for Education. Grants are awarded to individuals for tuition for educational events. See your Membership Directory for details. Make a donation as a special GIFT or MEMORIAL to a person, pet, or horse.

Donation Amount: _____ Memorial to: _____

IaDCTA General Donation:

All donations will be used to further IaDCTA educational programs.

TOTAL ENCLOSED: _____ Check #: _____ Date: _____

Mail this form with check, payable to "IaDCTA" to: **Trudy Tatum, 16631 563rd Avenue, Ames, Ia. 50010**
IaDCTA is a 501 (c)(3) non-profit organization. All donations are tax-deductible



Junior Members

Save the date!

March 6th at 6p.m.

Highland Park Presbyterian Church
321 Euclid Ave. Des Moines, Ia.

Tack cleaning pizza party! Be sure to bring dirty tack, tack cleaning supplies, a saddle stand if you have one and lots of friends; both IaDCTA members and non-members alike with your appetite. We will be cleaning tack, eating pizza and planning activities for 2010. Please bring \$5 to cover the cost of food.

For more information contact Heather at dressage2003@yahoo.com



New USEF High School Equestrian Lettering Program

Attention all you high school equestrians! Have you ever wished that you could earn recognition for your equestrian endeavors? Well, USEF is now offering a new program to honor high school equestrian athletes! Specially designed emblems and pins will be given to equestrian athletes in grades 9-12. These emblems and pins are designed to be worn on a jacket of choice or on existing high school letter jackets.

This program is open to equestrian athletes in grades 9-12 who are members of USEF. It is open to all breeds and disciplines. The program will run June 1-May 31 of each year. Participants must document their training and competition involvement and submit this information to USEF.

For detailed program information and enrollment forms visit the USEF website and select 'Youth Programs' or go to the following link:

www.usef.org/documents/Youth/HighSchoolAthlete.pdf Questions may also be directed to Lauren Fahey at lfahey@usef.org The USEF membership application is also available at www.usef.org The current USEF Junior membership is \$55.00 annually.

This is a wonderful way to earn recognition for your equestrian athletic accomplishments! Check it out!

FASHION SHOW

This year at the Iowa Horse Fair, IaDCTA member Sherie Vermeer, owner of Equispa along with the people of The Bridle Suite have been given the opportunity to educate the horse community about what we can expect to see at shows this year both in and out of the ring. The apparel showcased will be for both hunter jumpers and dressage riders. Some of the great brands featured are: Irideon, Goode Rider, JPC, Cowgirls Don't Cry, Tasha Polizzi, RJ Classics, Dansko, Ovation, Charles Owen, and many more!



Calling all models

Models of very shape, size and age are needed for this show! Little girls need to have their own paddock boots or tall boots, garters and braids. If you're interested in modeling for this great opportunity to help teach the rest of the horse world what is acceptable in the show ring and on the show grounds please contact Sherie Vermeer by phone 515-770-3517 or email at equispa@aol.com.



Dressage Show



PREP 101

GET READY FOR SHOW SEASON!

Join us for education, brunch, and tack swap on Saturday, March 20, 9:00 AM - noon!

West Des Moines Community Center
217 - 5th Street (Valley Junction)

Barbara Zukowski, our delegate to the USDF annual meeting, will speak about USDF Rules, Regulations and filling out the entry form.

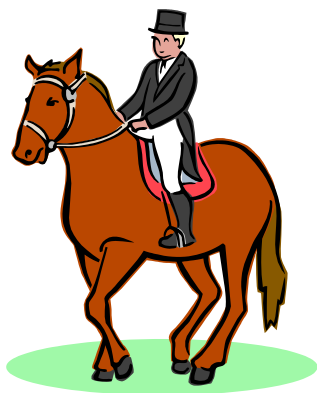
Missy Fladland of La Riata Ranch, with over 20 years experience in showing, training, and coaching, will speak about proper dressage attire, etiquette, and preparation on show day.

We will also have a tack swap - bring items that you no longer need (please label them with your name so interested people know who to talk to).

Please also bring something to share for brunch!

(Drinks, cups, plates, silverware, napkins will be provided.)

Questions? Contact Vicki Gatter at 515.221.9725 or vgatter@networkiowa.com



President's Corner

We Asked and You Answered: 2010 IaDCTA Board Priorities

By Laird Nossuli, President

On behalf of the new 2010 IaDCTA board, I'd like to thank all of you who responded to the membership survey we sent through email in mid-January. You certainly provided us with plenty of invaluable feedback, which we discussed over a bunch of pizzas for nearly 4 hours at our first board meeting. The opinions, new ideas and concerns we gathered from your responses gave us exactly what we needed to establish our priorities for the coming year. We are excited about IaDCTA's plans for 2010 and we hope you will be, too.

As we reviewed all of the feedback from the surveys, some very common themes emerged. It was very clear that you thought we needed to improve in fulfilling these very integral parts of our mission: *"to encourage and support interest in dressage and combined training by providing **educational opportunities, competitions and information.**"* When you read the summary of the survey, you will see that there were many great ideas about how to do that. Yet, as we all know from our own personal, professional and "horsey" lives, it is not always possible to implement every idea or fix every problem all at once. Thus, we determined that the following initiatives will be our top priorities for the coming year:

Developing a well-organized, comprehensive and affordable schooling show series that upholds the same training and horsemanship standards as the recognized shows. When you review the tentative calendar for this year's schooling show series, you'll see that we have chosen facilities with adequate parking, good footing, stabling, warm-up areas and regulation-size competition arenas for our shows. Although IaDCTA will still be managing a few of the schooling shows, including the "Warm-Up to the Classic" on May 8 at MLEC and a Championship show at the end of the season, we decided to partner with Canterbrook Equestrian Center, Maffitt Lake, Winds Reach, and Catalpa Corner to recognize their dressage shows and horse trials as part of our schooling show series. In addition, we are creating stricter guidelines for our schooling show judges, competitors and spectators that will reflect many of the same standards followed by the USDF, USEA and USEF.

Providing members more opportunities to learn about dressage and combined training through an established educational calendar, including clinics, lectures and symposia. The first lectures/discussions for the year will be about show preparation and etiquette, and a volunteer training session that will explain tasks and duties of various volunteer positions. Board member Vicki Gatter will be the chairperson of the Education Committee. She welcomes your ideas for potential topics and suggestions for clinicians.

Improving communication through our website and *The Collection*. We are in the process of creating a new website – www.iadcta.org – which will allow for more interaction from and between members, including a discussion forum, the ability to submit feedback electronically, and an online membership directory accessible only by members. The survey provided a wide range of interesting opinions about the content, design and delivery method of *The Collection*. We still plan to make it available in print, electronic and web-page editions. However, we are developing an editorial calendar and standardizing the format to make sure that the information (articles and photos) we're providing is relevant to our mission and our sport. We also intend to better utilize the *Collection* and the website for educational purposes, and to improve the timeliness of all of our communication, including the event calendar, news from the Board and results from shows.

Creating more opportunities for member involvement. One of the most positive themes revealed by the survey feedback was a strong desire among all members to have more opportunities to interact and support each other. To help build that camaraderie, we plan to provide more social opportunities and to focus on building an organized, knowledgeable team of volunteers that truly involves all of our members. Whether you are a boarder or own your own farm, want to show only at recognized shows or prefer to do your dressage training in your backyard, are new to the sport or have many years of experience, we want YOU to be involved.

You will learn more about the specifics of these initiatives as they continue to evolve throughout the year. In addition to these four broad initiatives, we are dedicated to making the 2010 Iowa Dressage Classics one of the best recognized shows in our region. As a board, we take our responsibility for leadership seriously. We asked your opinions and you answered. While we can't please everybody, we hope that these priorities reflect what the majority of you think and want for the future. Remember this: the only way that the club can continue to grow in the right direction is for you to stay involved – by giving us your feedback, by volunteering and by participating in our events. We are all members of IaDCTA because we love our horses and our sport. Let's build on that shared interest to make the most out of 2010.

Send any comments or concerns to Mypenny21@aol.com. I'd love to hear your thoughts!

Note on the Survey Summary

The Board is going to be providing all members with a summary of the 2010 Membership Needs Assessment Survey responses, so that you have visibility to what other club members think of and want for the future of IaDCTA. Due to the length of the document, we are not going to be publishing it within the pages of the *Collection*. Instead, we are going to be sending all of our members an email with the summary attached, as well as a link to where the same summary will be available for viewing or downloading on our new website. If you would like to have a physical copy of the summary mailed to you (through the good, old US postal service), please send Laird an email at Mypenny21@aol.com, or call 301-461-9451.

The following committees are recruiting members to help shape their 2010 goals and initiatives. I welcome all of you to contact the chair- people listed below if you have questions or ideas to share.

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Iowa Dressage Classic I & II
Level 2 Dressage Show
June 19, 2010 USEF/USDF #825

Sponsored by Iowa Dressage and Combined Training Association

Recognized by USEF, USDF, and IaDCTA

Venue: *Maffitt Lake Equestrian Center – 3297 105th Street, Cumming, Iowa*

Opening Date (postmark) March 1, 2010 **Closing Date** (postmark) June 1, 2010

Great American/USDF Regional Championship Qualifier USDF/Dover Adult Medal Qualifier

Manager: Ms. P.J. Koehler 636-577-1449 Pamela.J.Koehler@wellsfargo.com
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Licensee: Iowa Dressage and Combined Training Association
Judges: Dr. P. Chopra, WI (S) and FEI 'T'
Mr. William Solyntjes, MN (S)
Other judges may be added if entries warrant
Technical Delegate: Mr. Joe Coleman, KS 'r'
Veterinarian: On Call – posted on grounds
Farrier: On Call – posted on grounds

Every class offered herein which is covered by the rules and specifications of the current USEF rule book will be conducted and judged in accordance therewith.

Important: Each day is a separate show. Use current entry form. Exhibitors showing both days must complete two separate entry forms and pay two separate USEF and office fees. Stabling fees need only be paid once. Rides may be scheduled from early morning through evening each day. Entries taken based on postmark and may close early if shows are full. Remaining entries received will be placed on a wait list based on postmark.

Fees:

Intro & Equitation:	\$25.00
Training & First:	\$35.00
Second, Third, Fourth, FEI, Freestyle:	\$40.00
GAIG/USDF Qualifier:	add \$10.00 to appropriate class fee
Jackpot (see requirements):	\$10.00
Post entries taken if schedule allows (add per class):	\$20.00
Office Charge (per horse/rider combination per show):	\$25.00
Returned Checks:	\$50.00
Non-competing Horse – stall and office fee	
Opportunity Classes:	\$35.00
Materiale Classes:	\$35.00

Stabling and Tack: Permanent 10 X 12 stalls with half doors in open barns on grounds. Exhibitors with horses requiring more confinement are responsible to provide their own- stall guards, etc. No bedding included.

Friday Noon through Sunday (stall or tack)	\$95.00
One day/night (5 PM- 7 PM)	\$50.00
Bedding if ordered on entry (wood shavings, per bag)	\$ 9.00
Bedding if purchased on grounds	\$ 9.50
Jump-out fee, per horse per day	\$25.00

Accommodations: For the best hotel rates contact CONNECTION TRAVEL 1-800-262-0074 or www.equestriantravel.com

Camping is available on the grounds. \$40.00 per night

Draw checks to and mail with entry to IaDCTA c/o Anne Sushko 1942 Clifford Street, Dubuque, Iowa 52002-0445.

Refunds: Before closing date, all fees minus office charge. After closing date, entry fees only refunded if original veterinary or doctor certificate is received by the secretary prior to the start of the show. No refund of stabling or office fees after the closing date.

Awards: Ribbons to 6 places and prize for classes with 3 or more entries per division.

Divisions: (JR/AA/Open) may be run concurrently as one class. Divisions will be pinned separately. No separate awards for Qualifying classes. Special awards such as breed and member will be given- proof of registration will be required. All awards will be given at the show. **Jackpot classes:** Jackpots will be offered for First Level Test 4 (112) on Saturday and Training Level Test 4 (208) on Sunday. Additional fee (see FEES) applies and requirements are as follows:

Enter and ride at least one other test of the level on either Saturday or Sunday.

Enter and ride in the designated test. Payback will be 100% of the fees collected. Jackpot divisions are JR/AA and Open. Highest score awarded 50%, 2nd highest 30%, 3rd highest 20%

Arena: Outdoor s and mix show arenas and warm up. Intro through Training 3 may be in the small arena (20m X 40m). Training 4 and higher will be in the large arena (20m X 60m). Schooling may be permitted in the competition arena weather permitting until approximately 9 PM Friday and Saturday evenings. Longing is allowed only in the designated longing area.

Directions: I35 to Exit 65 at Cumming/Norwalk. Head West on Cumming Road for 1 mile. Turn North on Woodland Ave. Drive 2 miles North to dead-end of Woodland, MLEC is on the corner of 105th and Woodland.

Policies: A negative Coggins (EIA) Report within 12 months is required for all horses on grounds. The state of Iowa mandates horses transported from another state must have a valid Certificate of Veterinary Inspection.

Dogs must be leashed at all times.

Trailer and vehicle parking in designated areas only – violators may be towed at their own expense.



“Q” indicates GAIG/USDF Qualifier, fee applies

Class 112 (Saturday) and Class 208 (Sunday) – Jackpot class – fee applies

USDF Dover Medal Class – Class 115 (Saturday) and Class 215 (Sunday)

USDF Freestyle Entries must include copy of appropriate test to confirm eligibility.

IA Dressage Classic I

Saturday Classes- separate entry

- 155 Opportunity Training Test 1 (Open)
- 156 Opportunity Training Test 2 (Open)
- 157 Opportunity First Test 1 (Open)
- 158 Opportunity First Test 2 (Open)
- 101 USDF Intro Test A (JR-YR/AA/Open)
- 102 USDF Intro Test B (JR-YR/AA/Open)
- 103 Dressage Equitation (18 and Under)
- 104 Dressage Equitation (over 18)
- 105 Training Test 1 (JR-YR/AA/Open)
- 106 Training Test 2 (JR-YR/AA/Open)
- 107 Training Test 3 (JR-YR/AA/Open)
- 108 Training Test 4 (JR-YR/AA/Open) *Q
- 109 First Test 1 (JR-YR/AA/Open)
- 110 First Test 2 (JR-YR/AA/Open)
- 111 First Test 3 (JR-YR/AA/Open)
- 112 First Test 4 (JR-YR/AA/Open) – Jackpot / *Q
- 113 Second Test 1 (JR-YR/AA/Open)
- 114 Second Test 2 (JR-YR/AA/Open)
- 115 Second Test 3 (JR-YR/AA/Open) – USDF Dover Medal
- 116 Second Test 4 (JR-YR/AA/Open) *Q
- 117 Third Test 1 (JR-YR/AA/Open)
- 118 Third Test 2 (JR-YR/AA/Open)
- 119 Third Test 3 (JR-YR/AA/Open) *Q
- 120 Fourth Test 1 (JR-YR/AA/Open)
- 121 Fourth Test 2 (JR-YR/AA/Open)
- 122 Fourth Test 3 (JR-YR/AA/Open) *Q
- 123 Prix St. Georges (JR-YR/AA/Open) *Q
- 124 Intermediare I (JR-YR/AA/Open) *Q
- 125 Intermediare II (JR-YR/AA/Open) *Q
- 126 Grand Prix (JR-YR/AA/Open) *Q
- 127 USDF/FEI Freestyle (Open-state level) *Q
- 128 3 Year old Fillies Materiale
- 129 3 Year old Colts/Gelding Materiale
- 130 4 & 5 Year old Mare Materiale
- 131 4 & 5 Year old Stallion Materiale

IA Dressage Classic II

Sunday classes – separate entry

- 255 Opportunity Training Test 1 (Open)
- 256 Opportunity Training Test 2 (Open)
- 257 Opportunity First Test 1 (Open)
- 258 Opportunity First Test 2 (Open)
- 201 USDF Intro Test A (JR-YR/AA/Open)
- 202 USDF Intro Test B (JR-YR/AA/Open)
- 203 Dressage Equitation (18 and Under)
- 204 Dressage Equitation (over 18)
- 205 Training Test 1 (JR-YR/AA/Open)
- 206 Training Test 2 (JR-YR/AA/Open)
- 207 Training Test 3 (JR-YR/AA/Open)
- 208 Training Test 4(JR-YR/AA/Open) – Jackpot / *Q
- 209 First Test 1(JR-YR/AA/Open)
- 210 First Test 2(JR-YR/AA/Open)
- 211 First Test 3(JR-YR/AA/Open)
- 212 First Test 4(JR-YR/AA/Open) *Q
- 213 Second Test 1 (JR-YR/AA/Open)
- 214 Second Test 2 (JR-YR/AA/Open)
- 215 Second Test 3 (JR-YR/AA/Open) – USDF Dover Medal
- 216 Second Test 4 (JR-YR/AA/Open) *Q
- 217 Third Test 1 (JR-YR/AA/Open)
- 218 Third Test 2 (JR-YR/AA/Open)
- 219 Third Test 3 (JR-YR/AA/Open) *Q
- 220 Fourth Test 1 (JR-YR/AA/Open)
- 221 Fourth Test 2 (JR-YR/AA/Open)
- 222 Fourth Test 3 (JR-YR/AA/Open) *Q
- 223 Prix St. Georges (JR-YR/AA/Open) *Q
- 224 Intermediare I (JR-YR/AA/Open) *Q
- 225 Intermediare II (JR-YR/AA/Open) *Q
- 226 Grand Prix (JR-YR/AA/Open) *Q
- 227 USDF/FEI Freestyle (Open –state level) *Q
- 228 3 Year old Fillies Materiale
- 229 3 Year old Colts/Gelding Materiale
- 230 4 & 5 Year old Mare Materiale
- 231 4 & 5 Year old Stallion Materiale

For entry forms please go to: <http://www.dressageshowinfo.com/Entry%20Form%20Fields.htm>



