

Shasta Chapter of the California Dressage Society – General Meeting

Meeting Date: 02/24/2026.

Location: Good Times Pizza, Palo Cedro, CA
6:00-7:00 p.m.

In Attendance: Allie Figura (Chair), Maria Chamberlin (Co-Chair), Connie MacGregor (Secretary), and Tom Richards (Board Member)

Notes Prepared By: Connie MacGregor, Chapter Secretary

Agenda

General Meeting

Our first chapter meeting of the year was a little light on attendees, but given the major rainstorm that was occurring and the winter doldrums common to horse activities this time of year, we look forward to rolling into spring with renewed enthusiasm. And what better way to kick off the 2026 chapter activities than to launch a duo dressage show championship, right?



ANNOUNCING – THE NORTHSTATE DRESSAGE DUO CHAMPIONSHIP

In an effort to get the existence of our chapter out to a wider audience, we have partnered with the Butte Valley Pony Club and Camelot Park to create a championship award for the highest cumulative scoring horse and rider teams (Adult and Junior) competing in both shows. Fliers have been posted to our Facebook page with a link to our website, where details can be found.

<https://shastachapterdressage.org/events-shows-clinics-1>

You are encouraged to check out our website and participate as a rider, volunteer (we can always use the help to make things happen), or as an audience member showing your support for these two great show opportunities right here in the north state.

The board has been working hard on this to support and grow local dressage. Shout out to Allie, Karen, Tom, Heather, Maria, and Connie who have been instrumental in making this a reality by working with the respective show managers and coming up with a plan to make it happen.

Fundraising

Fundraising is an ongoing conversation, since it will determine the types and number of activities that we can offer to our chapter members and friends. A number of ideas were brought up – keep 'em coming! Here are the highlights of the meeting.

- **Educational Events** – Allie shared the educational opportunities that are available through the U.S. Pony Club, from the most basic introductory information about horses to advanced articles on riding and horse management. Most of the online learning units are short duration, so we may start incorporating a video or two into our general meetings. There's always something more for even the most experienced of us to learn.

We also want to hear from you. What are chapter members' goals and interests? Instructional videos? In person clinics? Take a minute and let Maria know your interests and ideas (mchamberlin2001@gmail.com)

- **Bake Sale** – Much of the meeting discussion was spent discussing the logistics of a bake sale fundraiser. The consensus of those in attendance was that we would set up a Shasta Chapter CDS booth at a local community event (e.g., Iron Man, Doggie Dash, Cottonwood Spring Fling, etc.) and offer baked goods for a donation. Allie is researching what sort of permits may be required and will report back at the next meeting.
- **Redding Rodeo Beer Booth** – Last year's participation in the Redding Rodeo beer booth was an astounding success for our chapter. If you would like to volunteer your time to pour in a fast-paced and fun, fun, fun environment, keep your eyes open for an email from the Chapter in March asking for volunteers. The Redding Rodeo is May 15, 2026. We need six volunteers to staff the booth. If we have more (hopefully!!), we can work in shifts.

We would love to hear your ideas about these and other possible fundraising opportunities.

Facebook

- Shasta Chapter CDS FB page can be found at:
<https://www.facebook.com/people/ShastaChaptercnds/61574207287614/>
It's a handy way to stay up to date on what is happening within our chapter and surrounding areas.

Website

Our website continues to just get better and better. Thank you to Heather for your work monitoring and updating the site. Check it out: <https://shastachapterdressage.org/>

Membership

California Dressage Society 2026 membership dues are coming up for renewal in December.

- Renewal period: December 1 to November 30
- For new members: If you join after October 1st, your membership is valid for the next calendar year and will expire on December 31st of that year.
- When to join/renew: To get the most out of your membership for the current year, renew before December 31st.

For more info, check out the CDS website: <https://www.california-dressage.org/how-memberships-work>

Area Chair Report

- **March 8** Butte Valley Pony Club fundraiser Dressage schooling Show at Coalcyn equestrian Center in Oroville entries on foxvillage.com
- **March 21** Palo Cedro Riders English/Western Schooling Show on PCR Arena, 8244 Millville Plains Rd, Millville, CA
- **March 28, April 25, May 23, June 27, July 25, August 29 September 26 and October 31** Schooling dressage shows at Woodbridge Farms in Petaluma
- **March 29, April 26, May 24, June 28, August 30, September 27, October 25, November 22 and December 13** Erica Jansen Cavalletti clinics at Woodbridge Farms
- **March 28** CDS Adult amateur clinic with Patti Moyer at Star Vaughn
- **May 21 through the 24th** -Sac. Valley CDS Adult amateur Dressage camp at Brookside equestrian Park in Elk Grove (note this camp is no longer held at Camelot) information for this can be found on the Sacramento chapter's website

- **April 14, 15, and 16** Jenny Veenstra Dressage clinic at Pacific Equestrian Center, Information for this can be found on Pacific Equestrian Center's website.
- **March 29 April 26 May 17 August 2 September 6 and October 4** Pacific Equestrian Center's Dressage schooling shows information and entries can be found on pacific equipment equestrian centers website or on foxvillage.com
- **May 2 and July 3** Pacific Equestrian centers rated Dressage shows are. Another show on **July 4 and one on October 24** information can be found at Pacific Equestrian Center's website or on foxvillage.com.
- **August 15** Pacific Equestrian Center's Cavalletti clinic with Erica Jansen information for this clinic can be found at Pacific Equestrian Center's website
- **Events at Camelot**
 - - March 28 egg hunt
 - - April 11 and 12th equine Trail, SPORTS
 - - April 25 through the 29th Julie Carpenter Horsemanship Clinic
 - - May 2 Dressage schooling show
 - - May 3, Butte Vally, Pony Club Hunter Jumper schooling show
 - - May 1 through 3 Julie Carpenter Horsemanship Clinic
 - - May 31 Butte Vally 4H open youth Horse show
 - - June 6 and 7 CSHA region two Trail trial
- Rated shows can be found on CDS website

Other Interesting Things

California Dressage Society Rider Recognition Program: *celebrating dressage competition in any form, anywhere. Do you love working equitation, western dressage, cowboy dressage or eventing? Do you show in schooling shows or recognized shows? CDS wants to hear about it and reward your accomplishments! No membership needed!*

Attached is more information.

Training and Lessons

- **Josh Albrecht** is an Oroville-based dressage trainer who is currently working with several of our members. He is highly qualified for all levels, recently winning the Brentina Cup FEI Intermediate II win at the recent US Dressage Festival of Champions. Check out his farm's Facebook page, <https://www.facebook.com/coalcyn.equestrian> for more information.
- **Kim Smith** is an eventer and hunter/jumper trainer teaching at Blue Oak Farms in Cottonwood (many of you may recognize this location as the van Sweden's farm on Bowman Road). If you are interested in contacting Kim, text Allie or Connie and we'll get you her contact information (Allie 530.515.8378 or Connie 530.355.9145).

Next Events

What: Event: Butte Valley Pony Club Dressage Schooling Show. This is a great opportunity to enjoy the show and help volunteer at our New Member Drive table!

When: Sunday, March 8, 9:00 am to 4:30 pm, at Coalcyn Equestrian Center, Oroville.

What: General Meeting

When: Tuesday, April 28, 6:00 – 7:00ish pm, at Good Times Pizza, Palo Cedro. Hope to see you there!

North State Dressage Duo Championship

Would you like to be the next Shasta Chapter California Dressage Society (CDS) Champion or Reserve Champion of the upcoming North State Dressage Duo one-day dressage schooling shows? Shasta Chapter CDS encourages you to dust off the winter cobwebs and give competition a try in these **two low -pressure and fun schooling shows** . Friendly and fun settings in the beautiful north valley offer an opportunity to test your skills, further your relationship with your horse, and strive to improve both yourself and your mount in this two-athlete partnership.

As encouragement to enter both shows, Shasta Chapter CDS will use the combined scores awarded at both shows to determine the top two scoring Adult Amateurs and top two scoring Juniors (under 18 years old) for the first ever North State Dressage Duo awards.

Mark your calendars now and get your entries ready for these two fun filled shows:

Butte Valley Pony Club Dressage Schooling Show
Sunday, March 8th
Coalcyn Equestrian Center, 606 Coal Canyon Road, Oroville
For more information and to enter, visit entry.foxvillage.com
Entries closed on March 1

Camelot Equestrian Park Dressage Schooling Show
Saturday, May 2nd
Camelot Equestrian Park, 1985 Clark Road, Oroville
For more information and to enter, visit www.camelotequestrianpark.com

How You Can be a Part of the Championship Fun

To be in contention for awards you will

- ★ Be the same horse-rider pair competing at both shows
- ★ Ride the same tests or consecutive-level tests at both shows
- ★ Have earned the highest combined average score after having participated in both shows. The highest combined scoring horse and rider pair for your age group (amateur or junior) will be the show series Champion, and second highest combined score will be the Reserve Champion.

- ★ Shasta Chapter CDS membership is not required.
- ★ There is no fee to participate.
- ★ No separate entry is required to be a part of the championship. Competitors entered in both shows will automatically be in the running.

- ★ Scores will be tallied and winners announced after the end of the second show at Camelot. You do not need to be present at that time to win (we will mail awards if winners are unable to stick around). However, it's much more fun to get your award in person. 😊

Be sure to visit our great partners who make this all possible!

- Butte Valley Pony Club
"US Pony Clubs Members stand for the best in sportsmanship as well as in horsemanship."
<https://buttevalley.ponyclub.org/>
- Camelot Equestrian Park
Discover the magic of Camelot Equestrian Park, where riders of all levels can experience top-notch training, state-of-the-art facilities, and a strong sense of community.
<https://www.camelotequestrianpark.com/>
- Terrie Douglas
<https://rana-epona.com/ridinglessons/>
Riding Foundation: instruction from basics and seat through 4th level, based on classical method and biomechanics. Find harmony and that centaur feeling in your riding!

Enter the North State Dressage Duo today and show your support for dressage in the north state!

Have questions?

Contact Allie Figura, 2026 Chair, Shasta Chapter CDS. allisonfigura@gmail.com

Do you love working equitation, western dressage, cowboy dressage or eventing? Do you show in schoolin shows or recognized shows? CDS wants to hear about it and reward your accomplishments! No membership needed!

California Dressage Society Rider Recognition Program celebrating dressage competition in any form, anywhere



California Dressage Society Dressage Accomplishment Club

Who is Eligible:

Anyone showing “dressage” tests outside of USEF/USDF. CDS only shows, WDAA, Pony Club, IEA, IHSA, Working Equitation, Schooling Shows, Online Shows, CDW, USEA are all eligible

Award Structure:

Tiered recognition based on total percentage scores from all tests submitted:
200 Percent Club 300 Percent Club 500 Percent Club
(sample 65% + 62% + 68% + 61% + 63% = 319% Percent Club)

How it Works:

Score Reporting Form will be sent to all nominated riders October 31.
Participants self-nominate at any time during the program year (Nov. 1 to Oct. 31) with payment of a nomination fee (\$35 per horse).
Riders may win the same award multiple years in a row and riders may win multiple awards with different horses (horse/rider combo wins the award).
Participants notify CDS October 31 with their scores when they have qualified for a specific tier (200, 300, 500 percent) with supporting test results
Nomination fee is for horse/rider team. A rider can qualify on multiple horses but needs to pay a nomination fee for each horse.

Awards:

Awards sent after the end of the program year (Nov 1) for all tiered recognition levels (200, 300, 500 Club winners)

Nomination:

Sign up here URL:

<https://lp.constantcontactpages.com/ev/reg/ntvkh3w>



2026 Shasta Chapter CDS Calendar (SUBJECT TO CHANGE)

Green = Board Meeting Coral = Chapter Meeting Purple = Chapter Event Blue = Email

- **January**
 - 13 - Board Meeting (Virtual), 6:00 p.m.
 - 27 - Board Meeting (Virtual), 6:00 p.m.
- **February**
 - 10 - Board Meeting (Virtual), 6:00 p.m.
 - 24 - Chapter Meeting - Good Times Pizza, 6:00 p.m.
 - Plan for the Schooling Show Series Champion/Reserve Champion Awards Project
 - Discuss opportunities at the Butte Valley Pony Club Schooling Show in Oroville on March 8th.
 - Review the 2026 Chapter Calendar
 - Educational Component
- **March**
 - 8 - Chapter Event: Butte Valley Pony Club Schooling Show, Oroville
 - The chapter is encouraged to volunteer, participate, or watch. The chapter needs to learn how a dressage schooling show is put on.
 - 10 - Board Meeting (Virtual), 6:00 p.m.
 - ? - Email Communications
 - Gather volunteers to help with the Rodeo Beer Booth Fundraiser - we'll need 6 people.
 - ? - Email Communications
 - Gather volunteers to help prepare for and deliver the Show Series Award (If needed).
- **April**
 - 14 - Board Meeting (Virtual), 6:00 p.m.
 - 28 - Chapter Meeting - Good Times Pizza, 6:00 p.m.
 - Plan for the Obstacle Play Day on June 27th
 - Discuss opportunities to volunteer, participate in, or learn at the Camelot Dressage Schooling Show on May 2 in Oroville.
 - Prepare for the Rodeo Beer Booth Fundraiser
 - Educational Component
- **May**
 - 2 - Chapter Event: Camelot Dressage Schooling Show, Oroville.
 - The chapter is encouraged to volunteer, participate, or watch. Opportunities will include presenting the Champion and Reserve Champion Show Series Awards if the winning riders are present at the show's end.
 - 12 - Board Meeting (Virtual), 6:00 p.m.
 - 15 - Chapter Event: Redding Rodeo Fundraiser - limited to 6 members
 - ? - Email Communications:
 - Gather volunteers to help with the Obstacle Play Day setup and event on June 26 and 27 (tentative)

- **June**
 - ? - Email Communications:
 - Gather volunteers to help with the Spaghetti Feed Fundraiser in July or August (tentative)
 - ? - Email Communications:
 - Gather volunteers to help plan for the Dressage Schooling Show at Tri R Ranch in October (tentative)
 - 9 - Board Meeting (Virtual), 6:00 p.m.
 - 26 - Chapter Event: Evening Set Up for Obstacle Play Day Fundraiser - Tri R Ranch (tentative)
 - 27: Chapter Event: Obstacle Play Day Fundraiser - Tri R Ranch (tentative)
- **July**
 - 14 - Board Meeting (Virtual), 6:00 p.m.
 - 28 - Chapter Meeting - Good Times Pizza, 6:00 p.m.
 - Plan for Spaghetti Feed Fundraiser in July or August (tentative)
 - Plan for Dressage Schooling Show in October (tentative)
 - Educational Component
 - ? - Chapter Event: Spaghetti Feed Fundraiser (tentative)
- **August**
 - Vacation Month - skip - or...
 - 16 - Chapter Event: If not done in July, perhaps a Spaghetti Feed Fundraiser to coincide with the Redding Iron Man race(?) when lots of people will be gathered (tentative)
- **September**
 - 8 - Board Meeting (Virtual)
 - 22 - Chapter Meeting - Good Times Pizza, 6:00 p.m.
 - Plan for Dressage Schooling Show in October (tentative)
 - Educational Component
- **October**
 - 3 - Chapter Event: Dressage Schooling Show - Shasta Chapter Fundraiser - sell food or merchandise? (tentative)
 - 13 - Board Meeting (Virtual)
 - ? - Email Communications:
 - Coordinate Chapter Trail Ride and Picnic (tentative)
- **November**
 - 7 - Chapter Event: Trail Ride and Picnic (tentative)
 - 10 - Board Meeting (Virtual)
 - ? - Email Communications:
 - Coordinate Chapter Lighted Christmas Parade (tentative)
 - ? - Email Communications:
 - Coordinate Chapter Holiday Party (tentative)
- **December**
 - 5 - Chapter Event: Redding Lighted Parade (tentative)
 - ? - Holiday Party (tentative)