



Alpha Dressage News

October 2019

Editor's Note

Hello everyone! The last show of our current competition year is coming up fast. We are light on entries, so Suzi has agreed to accept late entries. Please try our new on-line entry system <https://www.equestrianentries.com/main/>.

Ronnie DeWitt's Donation to Cover Participation in the New USDF Schooling Show Regional Awards Program

ADA is thrilled to announce that Ronnie DeWitt has graciously offered to donate \$500 to the club to support our shows and ensure that every show during our upcoming competition year will be registered with the new USDF *Regional Schooling Show Awards Program*. The first show this applies to will be held on January 26, 2020. As this amount is greater than needed for the first year, we will be allowed to use the excess funds to support our awards program and volunteers. We may also roll over the funds into the next competition year, assuming the program continues.

Ronnie hopes that her gift will encourage all members to participate in showing, and hopefully, attract more riders to our shows next year.

Thank you, Ronnie!

October 8th Meeting

The Silk and Sable Mounted Drill Team, Western Quad, will give a demonstration of their latest "Magical" routine at 7 pm. We will have a short meeting at 6:30 pm, followed by a brief introduction by Suzi. The performance will start at 7:00 pm.

Location: Suzi Jennings place, 21209 69th Ave E, Bradenton, FL 34211 (Panther Ridge). Her contact information is 256-657-5950 or suzi@flyingchangefarm.biz.

Directions:

From State Rd 70, turn into Panther Ridge onto 197th St, E,
At the stop sign, turn right onto 69th Ave E, follow 69th around left bend, (becomes 205th St E)
Turn right onto 67th Ave E,
Turn right onto 213th St E,
Turn right onto 69th Ave E,
21209 is the first house on the right. Yellow house.

Drive around the house to the barn. Parking is all on concrete.

Please bring a chair for your viewing comfort!

"The rider must listen into the horse, in order to judge when the moment for an aid has come, which aid is needed and how intense it must be. He must know how to create or wait for the right circumstances, to prepare the horse."
~ Gustav von Dreyhausen

"It is important in training to always start with easy exercises and also to end with easy exercises that the rider and horse understand. This helps build confidence in both horse and rider." - Klaus Balkenhol

On-line Show Entries

ADA has selected Equestrian Entries as the software provider for handling electronic registration for our future shows. Many of you may already have an account with them. If not, it is easy to set one up with them. Click here to get started: <https://www.equestrianentries.com/main/>.

Before entering a show for the first time you will need to set-up an account/profile with them. You also need to set up records for the horses you wish to show and identify a trainer (usually yourself). The “trainer” you lesson with and who may join you at shows should be set as your “coach” for show entry purposes. These set-up steps take a little time initially, but it is only done *once*. Any shows you wish to submit entries for will remember and import this information as necessary.

You will also be able to upload electronic copies of your Coggins, and the release forms needed by ADA, Triple J, and any other venues we may use in the future.

Entrants: There are two options for entering a show with Equestrian Entries:

- 1) It costs **nothing** to create entry online, print it out, attach a check and snail mail it to the show secretary.
- 2) If you want to submit and pay online by credit card (and get miles/points), there is a 5% online submission fee. and handling. This covers our costs so we can continue to offer this service to everyone.

The benefit to the club is that our shows and clinics are now available on-line for everyone to see and enter. We hope this will increase our entries and allow us to promote our events to a wider audience. It also makes scheduling for our Show Secretary ***much easier*** as there are options to download entries and build a ride time schedule quickly. Help support our club by trying our new system and paying on-line. If you have any questions, please email Suzi at adaentries@gmail.com

September 10th Meeting Minutes

Present: Robin Sego, Meredith Rees, Betty Brown, Jeanne Brundage, Donna Sloben, Deb Herbert, Danielle Ammeson, Dan Mohl, Martha Koehnlein

Since only 2 board members were present, we didn't discuss too much business. However, we did discuss having a memorial class for Buff Betz. Robin suggested having the class be Training Level test 3. The winner of the class will receive a free class. The memorial will be perpetual.

The service for Buff will be in the grand foyer and on the back terrace of the Van Wezel Performing Arts Center. (Open house style, come and go as you please) Saturday, September 28, 2019 at 6 PM – 10 PM EDT.

The following changes were suggested to the officers:

Ulrike Bschorer, Donna Sloben, Deb Herbert and Danielle Ammeson will be members at large. Suzi Jennings will become Show Manager and therefore a Board Member.

Deb Herbert will look into when Carol Bishop will be available for lessons. Betty would like to have Matt McLaughlin for lessons again.

The correct show dates are: October 6, 2019, November 17, 2019, January 26, 2020, February 23, 2020, and March 22, 2020. All will be held at Triple J.

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See us at:

www.alphadressage.org

Upcoming Events...

Sep 21: SWFDA schooling and GMO show (Schooling show scores count toward our current year ADA awards)

Oct 6: ADA Schooling Show at Triple J – Judge: Bill Woods

Oct 11-13: USDF Regionals in Conyers, GA

Nov 9-10: WDAA Finals

Nov 17: ADA Schooling Show at Triple J

Dec 7: ADA Banquet/Holiday Dinner at Robin Segó's home

Jan 26: ADA Schooling Show at Triple J

Feb 23: ADA Schooling Show at Triple J

Mar 22: ADA Schooling Show at Triple J

Apr 11: Easter





Alpha Dressage Association
Membership application for 2019
Membership runs from Dec. 1, 2018 – Nov. 30, 2019

NAME: _____
Adult _____ Junior (18 & under) _____ Date of birth for juniors _____

EMAIL ADDRESS: _____

STREET ADDRESS: _____

CITY: _____ STATE: _____ ZIP: _____

PREFERRED PHONE: _____

ANNUAL DUES

Adult: \$40.00 \$ _____

Junior \$30.00 \$ _____

Please enclose \$10.00 for a group subscription to HORSE & PONY \$ _____

(If wanted) TOTAL \$ _____

Please make checks payable to *Alpha Dressage Association*.

Alpha Dressage Association is a USDF Group Member Organization; its members are automatically USDF Group Members.

APPLICANT SIGNATURE _____ DATE _____

GUARDIAN SIGNATURE OF JUNIOR APPLICANT _____

Mail to:

Martha Koehnlein
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Nokomis, FL 34275

ALPHA DRESSAGE ASSOCIATION RESOURCE DIRECTORY PROGRAM

ADA WILL POST YOUR BUSINESS CARD ON OUR WEBSITE FOR \$50 PER CALENDAR YEAR.

THE BUSINESS CARDS WILL BE GROUPED ACCORDING TO THE FOLLOWING CATEGORIES:

1. **Barns/Boarding**
2. **Lessons/Trainers**
3. **Retail:** Tack stores, Feed stores, Equipment, etc.
4. **Equine Professional Services:** Veterinarians, Farriers, Chiropractor or Massage, Clipping, Hauling, Property Maintenance, etc.
5. **Other Professional Services/Businesses:** Insurance, Entertainment, etc.
6. **Miscellaneous:**

ADA SPONSORSHIP FORM

NAME OF BUSINESS: _____

NAME OF CONTACT PERSON: _____

PHONE NUMBER OF CONTACT PERSON: _____

E-MAIL OF CONTACT PERSON: _____

SPONSORSHIP DATES: _____ TO DECEMBER 31, 2019.

Please submit this form, a business card, and a check made out to Alpha Dressage Association for \$50. Mail to Linda Roberts at 7526 Trillium Blvd, Sarasota, FL 34241. If you have any questions, please contact us at info@alphadressage.org or call Linda at 941-773-4936.

ALPHA DRESSAGE ASSOCIATION

PRESENTS

A DRESSAGE SCHOOLING SHOW

Show Date: Sunday, October 6, 2019

Judge: Bill Woods (R)

Closing Date: Tuesday, October 1, 2019

Location: Triple J Farm

861 Sinclair Drive
Sarasota, FL

Manager & Secretary: Suzi Jennings

21209 69th Avenue East
Bradenton, FL 34211
(256) 651-5950

(Please do not contact Triple J regarding the show.)

CLASSES

1. USDF Introductory Level Test A
2. USDF Introductory Level Test B
3. USDF Introductory Level Test C
4. USEF Training Level Test 1
5. USEF Training Level Test 2
6. USEF Training Level Test 3
7. USEF First Level Test 1
8. USEF First Level Test 2
9. USEF First Level Test 3
10. USEF Second Level Test 1
11. USEF Second Level Test 2
12. USEF Second Level Test 3
13. USEF Third Level and up (indicate Test(s) you will be riding)
14. USDF Musical Freestyle (indicate test(s) you will be riding)
15. FEI Prix St. George
16. Introductory Level Prix Caprilli
17. Training Level Prix Caprilli
18. WDAA Intro Level, Test of Choice
19. WDAA Basic Level, Test of Choice
20. WDAA Level 1 and above, TOC
21. Gaited Dressage, Intro Test of Choice
22. Gaited Dressage, Basic Test of Choice
23. Gaited Dressage, Level 1 TOC
24. USEA Test of Choice
25. USDF Sport Horse in Hand
26. USEF Rider Test of Choice
27. Dressage Equitation

PRIX CAPRILLI

Prix Caprilli Tests are for horses with jumping experience. They are offered in Introductory, Training, and First Level. We will NOT offer first level at this show.

Introductory: Maximum height of fences 2' cross rails. All trot work will be performed rising. The horse should be asked to change through the trot. The quality of the change will be evaluated. Tests may be called. Movements include 20 meter circles in the trot, free walk on the diagonal, medium walk, and two jumps at the trot.

1. A Enter working trot

X Halt. Salute. Proceed Working Trot.

2. C Track right

3. B Circle right 20 meters.

B Straight Ahead

4. E Half-circle right 15-meters and over Fence #1, then straight ahead (dbl coefficient)

5. A Medium walk

6. KXM Free walk on a long rein

7. C Working trot

8. E Circle left 20 meters

E Straight ahead.

9. B Half-circle left 15-meters and over Fence #2. (dbl coefficient)

B Straight ahead toward A, track left

10. FXH Change rein.

11. B Half-circle to X. straight ahead

12. G Halt. Salute. Leave arena on long rein

Training Level: Maximum height of fences 2'6". All trot work will be performed rising. The horse should be asked to change through the trot and the quality of the change evaluated. Jumps are in the trot and canter. Movements include 20 meter circles in the trot, a stretchy circle, free walk, and medium walk. Three jumps are performed.

1 A Enter working trot. Halt. Salute. Proceed working trot

C Track right.

2. MXK Change rein over fence #1. Return to working trot.

3. A Circle left 20 meters.

4. After A Turn onto quarter line and jump Fence #2. Return to working trot.

5. C Medium walk

6. HB Free walk (dbl coefficient)

7. B Medium walk

8. F Working Trot

9. A&K Between A & K, working canter right lead
10. KXM Change rein and jump Fence #1, landing in working canter
11. M Working trot (dbl coefficient)
12. C&H Between C & H, working canter left lead
13. E Half 15-meter circle and jump Fence #2, proceed straight ahead
14. Opposite M Working trot, track left.
15. C Circle left 20 meters letting the horse gradually take the reins out of hands at working trot rising. Before C, gradually take up reins.
16. HXF Change rein and jump Fence #3. Return to working trot before F
17. A Down center line.
18. X Halt, Salute, leave arena at a freewalk.

RULES AND GUIDELINES

Entries: Entries for competing and non-competing (schooling horses) must include a current Coggins, entry form, liability releases and fees. We now accept on-line entries as well as our standard 'snail mail' entry process. *We encourage everyone to try the new on-line process.* Once your key paperwork (Coggins, etc.) is uploaded, it won't need to be sent again until it expires.

Option 1- Online Entries

Online entries and payment will now be accepted by Equestrian Entries. Follow this: <https://www.equestrianentries.com/login>. Sign yourself up to be a new member. You must also sign up your horse and your trainer. If you do not have a trainer, sign yourself up as trainer. Then look for the show dates and click on Oct. 6. You then pay through the same website.

Option 2- US Mail:

We will still accept entries by mail, so you may send your entry (made out to Alpha Dressage Association) by US mail to Suzi Jennings, 21209 69th Avenue East, Bradenton, FL 34211. We will not accept any entries that are phoned or e-mailed in. Entries received after the closing date will be accepted at the discretion of the management. There are no refunds of any fees after 5 pm on Thursday prior to the show.

Fees: Fees are \$30.00 per horse/rider combination, per class, for Alpha Dressage Association and SWFDA members, and \$35.00 per horse/rider combination, per class, for non-members. There is a \$15.00 office fee per horse/rider combination. The fee for non-competing (schooling horses) is \$15. If your check is returned for non-sufficient funds, you expressly authorize your account to be electronically debited or bank drafted for the amount of the check plus any applicable fees. The use of a check for payment is your acknowledgement and acceptance of this policy and its terms and conditions. If you have any questions regarding this service and your rights pertaining to the regulations governing automatic check recovery, you may contact ChecXchange at www.checkxchange.com or 1-888-740-9288.

Stabling is available: An overnight stall is \$40 and a day only stall is \$30. Stalls will be assigned as completed entries (entry form, liability release, Coggins and payment) are received. Stall assignments will be posted at the show. You must provide your own feed, hay, shavings and water buckets. If your horse will be staying overnight, you must make your own provisions for feeding at night and the next morning.

Schooling: There is no schooling in the show arena on the day of the show.

Footing: Covered sand arena 20m x 60m for training level and above tests. Arena will be 20m x 40m for all introductory tests if entries warrant the change.

Approved helmets MUST be worn by all riders while mounted.

Riders under the age of 18 years must be accompanied by an adult while on the show grounds.

Correct tack will be required as defined by USEF – i.e. smooth snaffle bits – no twisted, wire, roller or Pelham bits. Martingales, side reins, draw reins, horse boots and bandages are not allowed. Dressage whip maximum length is 47.2" (120 cm) including the sash.

Hot weather show attire is allowed. This means any color breaches and polo shirts. T-shirts are not allowed. Age appropriate boots are also required.

Ride times will be emailed to each entrant and posted on the ADA website on Thursday prior to the show. Classes will NOT run in order.

Awards: Ribbons through sixth place. A high point award will be presented to the highest scoring rider of the day. Scores will count toward ADA Year-End Awards for the show season 2018-2019.

Directions to Triple J: From I75, take exit # 210, go east on Fruitville Road for 4.5 miles, turn left onto Sinclair Drive. Triple J will be on the right approximately 2 miles from Fruitville road.

Any topics that are not specifically addressed in the above guidelines or any exceptions to the guidelines must be discussed with and approved by the show manager. Any violation of the show rules can result in your exclusion from this and future ADA events.

DOGS MUST BE LEASHED AT ALL TIMES.

ENTRY FORM

Name, address and phone number of rider: (include your email address)

Horse Information: (age, sex, name, breed, color, etc.) _____

Classes entering: (include number and name) _____

Fees:	First class : # _____	\$ _____
	Second class: # _____	\$ _____
	Third class: # _____	\$ _____
	Fourth Class: # _____	\$ _____
	Office Fee:	\$ _____ 15.00 _____
	Stabling: day (\$30 x number of stalls)	\$ _____
	Stabling: overnight (\$40 x number of stalls)	\$ _____
	Total:	\$ _____

Member of ADA _____ SWFDA _____ None _____

Open _____ Adult Amateur _____ Junior _____

How did you hear about this event? (Circle One)

Newsletter Website Horse & Pony Other _____

Emergency Contact Number _____

RELEASE OF LIABILITY

ALPHA DRESSAGE ASSOCIATION

I, the undersigned, wish to participate in the Alpha Dressage Association event on Oct 6, 2019. I understand that during portions of this event I will be in close proximity to one or more horses under circumstances which may expose me to some risk of injury, because of the nature of horses, the facility, and the activities in which I will be engaged.

In consideration of the Alpha Dressage Association allowing my participation in this event, I, on behalf of myself, and my heirs, administrators, personal representatives, assigns and children and spouse, if any, do hereby agree to hold harmless, release and discharge Alpha Dressage Association, which includes its officers, directors, members, agents, representatives, affiliates and insurers, of and from all claims, demands, causes of action and legal liability whether known or unknown, anticipated or unanticipated, due to the ordinary negligence of Alpha Dressage Association. I shall not bring any claims, demands, legal actions or causes of action against Alpha Dressage Association for any damage or loss due to bodily injury, death or property damage arising out of my participation in this event.

WARNING

Under Florida law, an equine activity sponsor or equine professional is not liable for an injury to, or the death of, a participant in equine activities resulting from the inherent risks of equine activities.

Signature of Participant

Date

Signature of Parent of Guardian
(If participant is a minor)

Date

Jay Holmes Performance Horse LLC.

861 Sinclair Drive Sarasota, Florida 34240
941-378-0388 Ranch 941-378-8455 Fax

WAIVERRELEASE AND OF LIABILITY, ASSUMPTION OF RISK AND INDEMNITY AGREEMENT.

By signing this agreement, you are giving up certain rights, including the right to recover damages in the case of injury, death, or property damage

**READ this agreement carefully before signing it*

**Your signature indicates your complete understanding of and full agreement to all the terms.*

I, _____ hereinafter the "undersigned"

Reside at _____

(If my child is a minor, I hereby execute this agreement as my minor child's responsible party and execute the last portion of this agreement.)

Desire to engage in ANY and ALL equine related activity as described by Florida Statutes, Chapter 773, at Jay Holmes Performance Horses LLC. Located at 861 Sinclair Drive Sarasota, Florida 34240.

FOR AND IN CONSIDERATION OF ANY FEES PAID, or in the event of no fees being due, participant and his/her guests and/or family hereby remise, release, acquit, satisfy, and forever discharge the said second party, Jay Holmes Performance Horses LLC, Jay Holmes, Rhonda Holmes, Jay and Rhonda Holmes LLC, Morgan Holmes and its affiliates, or employees, of and from all, and all manner of action and actions, cause and causes of action, suits, debts, dues, sums of money, accounts, reckonings, bonds, bills, specialties, covenants, contracts, controversies, agreements, promises, variances, trespasses, damages, judgments, executions, claims, and demands whatsoever, in the law or in equity, which said first party ever had, no has, or which any personal representative, successor, heir or assign of said first party, hereafter can, shall or may have, against said second party, for, upon or by reason of any mater, cause or thing whatsoever, from the beginning of the world to the day of these presents, which may arise from any equine activity pursuant to FL. STAT. 773, or other activities related to showing, training, riding, driving, boarding, owning, seeking to purchase, or simply enjoying the sight of the equine.

This waiver is meant to be a full and complete release from any and all liability that may arise from any Equine activity on or involving the above premises.

WARNING

UNDER FLORIDA LAW, AN EQUINE SPONSOR OR EQUINE PROFESSIONAL IS NOT LIABLE FOR ANY INJURY TO OR DEATH OF A PARTICIPANT IN EQUINE ACTIVITIES RESULTING FROM THE INGERENT RISH OF EQUINE ACTIVITIES.(Whenever used herein the terms "first party" and "second party" shall include singular and plural, heirs, legal representatives, and assigns of individuals, and the successors and assigns of corporations, wherever the context so admits or requires.)

Signature of participant: _____

Signature of witness: _____

ALPHA DRESSAGE ASSOCIATION
VOLUNTEER PROGRAM

1. Five ADA dollars will be awarded for each hour of volunteer work performed. You will be responsible for reporting these hours to the volunteer coordinator.

2. These points can be used in the following manner:
 - A. As partial payment for class fees at ADA schooling shows (up to \$10 per class and up to \$30 per show).
 - B. As partial payment toward clinics offered by ADA (up to 30% of the cost of the clinic).
 - C. You can donate them to a pool and we will decide how the money will be used at the end of the year. (ie sponsorship of a young rider).

Volunteer opportunities for our shows are listed below. If you are interested in volunteering, please fill out the form and send it in to the show secretary. You can do more than 1 shift. Times are approximate and will depend on the scheduling requirements of the show.

1. Ring set up (Saturday at around 12)_____
2. Scoring: AM shift (8-12)_____ PM Shift(1-5) _____
3. Scribing: AM shift (8-12)_____ PM Shift (1-5)_____
4. Gate/Runner: AM shift (8-12)_____ PM Shift (1-5)_____