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## From Your President

I hope everyone had a good Thanksgiving holiday! Mine was yummy!

### CDCTS Calendar – Mark your calendars with this information!

1. **December 1** is the due date for all submissions for year end awards. Send to Rita Dunn. Rita will be tallying the score for the winners in each category.
2. **December 1** is also the start of the USDF and CDCTS calendar year. Get your renewed memberships in.
3. **December 9** Board Meeting has been cancelled as we are having our annual Christmas party on December 13.
4. **December 13** is our annual Christmas party. Invitations have been emailed to all members and we need your **RSVP by December 10**.
5. **January 31, 2026** is our Annual Meeting and Year End Awards Banquet at Buddy's BBQ Bearden Hill Banquet facility. Check your emails for the Evite the first week of January 2026 and RSVP with your banquet payment. We are coming up with some fun new awards and will let you know how to nominate horses and/or riders for them. Watch your emails as this will probably have a short turnaround time to get your nominations in!

Please respond to the banquet Evite when it comes out. We will also send out information on how to share pictures of your 2025 riding adventures for our slide show. Coy Jo does a great job of putting them together in a slide show shown on the big screen.

**Please consider volunteering for a position on our Board.** We will need a secretary (especially as Kacy and I have been sharing this duty in addition to our regular duties as treasurer and president respectively). The Member at Large and Alternate positions are for one year. You earn 11 hours of volunteer time for being a member of the board.

**Future of Crossroads Dressage and Combined Training Society** – The club has been troubled with a lack of volunteers for our shows, clinics and other events. We have been pondering the future of the club and what we can do to encourage members to participate. To that end, we decided to operate the club as usual through July 2026 and then reassess where we go from there. (First person to send the president an email that you read the newsletter will win a prize). This will give us time to host the Spring and Summer Schooling Shows and a July clinic with Dr. Emily Rose. Where do you see the club going in the future? What would you like to see the club offer? How can YOU support the club? Should we still maintain our position as a GMO under USDF? Or recharter as just a riding club? Please send your ideas to any Board Member.

Until next month, Happy Riding!

*Carolyn Ordal*, CDCTS President

CDCTS is a USDF Group Member Organization and all members are automatically USDF Group Members. For USDF Participating Membership, members must apply directly to USDF.



# CDCTS MEETING MINUTES, NOVEMBER 18, 2025

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**Call to Order:** President Carolyn Ordal called the meeting to order at 7:05 p.m. Present were board members, Carolyn Ordal, Rita Dunn, Lynn Holtman, Kacy Schnake, Julie Noe, Sloan Adams and Danielle McKensey. Guests were Coy Jo Bays, Julie Hall and Danielle's daughter, CeCe.

**Approval of the Minutes:** Minutes for October were unanimously approved.

**Treasurer's Report:** Kacy Schnake gave treasurer's report.

**Approval of Treasurer's Report:** The treasurer's report for October was approved.

## **Old Business**

**Christmas Party:** Rita Dunn has graciously offered to host it again this year. CDCTS usually provides a ham and drinks—wine, sodas, etc. Everyone who attends is asked to bring a side dish or dessert. The “dirty Santa” game is popular. If one wants to participate, you bring a wrapped gift (up to \$25 in value) and place it under the tree (anonymously). Everyone draws a number. Person #1 picks a gift and opens it. Person #2 can pick a gift from under the tree or “steal the gift from Person #1. Person #1, then picks another gift. Person #3 then can pick a new gift or steal the gift from Person #1 or Person #2. If a gift is stolen a 3rd time, that person owns it and it cannot be stolen again. Once the last person has a gift, it goes back to Person #1 who can keep the gift they have or steal one by trading the gift they have with another person. That ends the game. The board voted to cancel the December 9 meeting and if needed a short meeting will be held at the Christmas party.

Kacy Schnake will send out Evites with RSVPs due by December 10.

**Annual Banquet:** January 31 at Buddy's Banquet Hall on Bearden Hill. We can be in the hall at 5:30 to set up the silent auction, the slide show, etc. Pictures for the slide show need to be to Coy Jo Bays ([cdctsnews@gmail.com](mailto:cdctsnews@gmail.com)) by January 15. Scores need to be in on December 1. Rita Dunn volunteered to assess the scores for year-end awards. Time to start getting donations for silent auction. The Evite for the Banquet will be sent out the first week of January 2026.

Susan Hill will get the award prizes for the winners. She also said she is working on getting a speaker.

**Future of the Club:** Last month we talked about the continuing difficulties in getting volunteers for shows. Many suggestions were made by different people. I asked those who made suggestions to “flesh them out,” make them more concrete for the November meeting. Sloan Adams had previously mentioned talking with FFA teachers at local High Schools. Names and phone numbers are needed. Paying people to set up/tear down was also mentioned. This discussion also included getting High School teams, example - such as Greenback HS girls soccer team to help and then provide a donation to their team. Danielle McKensey offered to obtain more information about doing this. There was also a discussion about the possibility of 2026 as being our last year as a GMO with USDF and maybe just being a “regular” club with no affiliation. The idea of 2026 possibly being our last year as a club. If so, what do we do with the club's money? This will be the focus of Carolyn Ordal's address to the club members at the banquet in January. Lots of discussion about what to do about the future of the club and promoting more discussion for consideration. Approved was a motion to see how things go through July 2026 and reassess at that time.

## **New Business**

**Next Year's Shows and Clinics:** Do we want to bring Cathy Zappe back in the Spring and/or other dates? October did not work out well as we had limited entries—there are a number of conflicting events in October. What about Emily Rose? Any other clinicians? Shows are normally the 1st Saturday in May, 3rd Saturday in June and last Saturday in September, with Fall Fun Day the last Saturday in October. Carolyn Ordal will check with Dene Masengill about hosting our Spring Schooling Show and what dates would work well for that. The suggestion was made that the June Schooling Show be at Jennifer Bolen's as she has a covered arena. The decision was made to contact Emily Rose and enlist her to do a clinic with us when she is at UTK in July 2026. Kacy Schnake volunteered to make that contact.

**USEA News:** Effective December 1, 2025, Tennessee will move from Area III to Area VIII. This change will better align eventing calendars and competition styles within the region. Area VIII will now include Tennessee with current Area VIII states Kentucky, Ohio, Indiana, Michigan, and West Virginia.

## **2025 CDCTS Events**

**Annual Banquet:** January 31 at Buddy's Banquet Hall on Bearden Hill

## **Other Local Events**

**Jim Koford 2025 Dates:** December 4-7.

**River Glen:** Shows have concluded for 2025.

# Join Us for a CDCTS Merry Little Christmas Party



Saturday, December 13th, 6:30 at Rita Dunn's  
(265 Lancaster DR, Lenoir City, TN 37771)

Email invitations have been sent out to members.  
Please RSVP by December 10.

**Bring a side dish or dessert.**  
(The club provides a ham and drinks (wine, soda, etc.))

*If you want to participate in the Dirty Santa game of gift exchange bring a wrapped gift (less than \$25).*

## SAVE THE DATE!! Saturday, January 31, 2026

CDCTS will hold their annual Year End Awards Banquet at Buddy's BBQ Bearden Banquet Hall, 5806 Kingston Pike, Knoxville, TN 37919. The doors open at 6:30 p.m. and dinner will be served starting at 7 p.m. **Contact [cdctssecretary@gmail.com](mailto:cdctssecretary@gmail.com) to reserve your spot!**

If you have been actively showing this past year, please take a moment to review your scores for December 1, 2024 to November 30, 2025, and see if you can qualify for a year end award.

The 2025 Year End Awards Submittal Form, along with the awards guidelines are included in this newsletter, and will be periodically sent to the membership via email. Please be sure to carefully read the guidelines.

The deadline to submit your scores is December 1, 2025.

**Congratulations on a successful 2025 to all competitors!**

# US EQUESTRIAN RIDING STANDARDS FOR DRESSAGE

BY US EQUESTRIAN COMMUNICATIONS DEPT. | 11/12/2025

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**Lexington, Ky.** - Earlier this fall, US Equestrian released a series of Horse Welfare Guidelines to members, including those based on the familiar concept of a stoplight guidance recently published by USEF. In addition to this work, the USEF Dressage Equine Ethics and Wellbeing Task Force led by Betsy Juliano and Lisa Gorretta, has been meeting regularly to discuss changes needed nationally within the discipline of dressage.

As a result of the Task Force discussions Riding Standard Guidelines have been drafted for the consideration of dressage athletes looking to progress up the levels in a harmonious way with their horses. We encourage athletes, trainers, and our dressage community to share these guidelines and implement them into their daily practice and review before competing.

## **Anatomy of a Successful Experience - Determining If You Are Ready to Move Up to the Next Level**

Basic questions to ask yourself as a baseline as to whether you're ready to compete at the next level:

- If you practice a movement included in the next level of competition, are you able to consistently meet the requirements of that movement and the directives stated in the test?
- On average, are you and your horse reasonably confirmed at the current level you are competing with a score reflecting competency, such as 63% or higher?
- Does your horse willingly perform the movements required for the level at which you are considering competing?
- Are you familiar with the new movements to be asked at the next level and the characteristics defining each of them? Consequently, are you and your horse proficient and confident in performing the movements as they are required in the test?

## **Strategies for a Successful Experience**

- As a general rule, follow the adage of competing at the level below you are currently training.
- Read the test directives to ensure you understand the factors the judge(s) will be using for consideration when determining a score for each movement.
- As you move up the levels, it can feel like the movements come very quickly in succession during a test. Before competing at a higher level, practice the test at home enough times so you feel you have time to prepare for each movement.
- Know the core movements “define a level.” These may be underlying what is described in the Purpose listed in the test. For example, at First Level Test 3, the 10m circles and broken lines are intended to test acceptance of the aids used for bending and turning. Second Level introduces collection and the movements which help to develop it, such as shoulder-in and turn on the haunches.
- At the end of your show season, first make sure you can answer yes to all of the questions posed above and then make a thoughtful evaluation of your competition experiences. Consider both you and your horse’s strengths, as well as the areas in need of improvement. The next level will not only include new movements, but heightened expectations of your horse’s balance, engagement, and self-carriage, which requires time, training, and the building of strength and fitness.
- Make a training plan which takes advantage of educational and observational opportunities such as ride-a-tests and schooling shows.
- When you feel your horse is confirmed in the daily work and they fulfill the “Purposes” defined in the test, you can be confident you are ready to begin competing at the new level.

# US EQUESTRIAN RIDING STANDARDS FOR DRESSAGE

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## Are You and Your Horse Ready to Move Up?

Additional topics being discussed by the USEF Dressage Equine Ethics and Wellbeing Task Force include:

- Review of tack and equipment permitted in competition, including double bridles, whips, and spurs
- Review of training methods and equipment used out of competition
- Warm-up behaviors
- Frequency of showing
- Blood rules
- Coach certification

Updates and further expansion of the above areas will be communicated to membership throughout the 2026 calendar year.

For more information on the work of the USEF Dressage Equine Ethics and Wellbeing Task Force, please contact [dressage@usef.org](mailto:dressage@usef.org).



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**Crossroads Dressage and Combined Training Society**  
**2025 Year End Awards Submittal Form**  
**December 1, 2025 – Deadline to submit scores**

OWNER NAME: \_\_\_\_\_

RIDER NAME: \_\_\_\_\_

HORSE NAME: \_\_\_\_\_

RIDER USDF NUMBER: \_\_\_\_\_ RIDER USEF NUMBER: \_\_\_\_\_

EMAIL: \_\_\_\_\_ PHONE: \_\_\_\_\_

STATUS: Adult Amateur \_\_\_\_\_ Jr/YR \_\_\_\_\_ Open \_\_\_\_\_

Please answer the following questions:

1. Is the Owner a member of CDCTS? Yes \_\_\_\_\_ No \_\_\_\_\_
2. Is the Rider a member of CDCTS? Yes \_\_\_\_\_ No \_\_\_\_\_
3. Are the Owner and Rider the same person? Yes \_\_\_\_\_ No \_\_\_\_\_

If no, the Owner must designate who is to get the award and must sign below.

4. I want the award to be presented to: (check one) Owner \_\_\_\_\_ Rider \_\_\_\_\_

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Signature

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Date

\*\*\*For all Schooling Show Awards, you must submit copies of your tests signed by the judge.

\*\*\*For all WDAA Recognized Show Awards, you must submit copies of your tests signed by the judge.

\*\*\*For all USDF/USEF Recognized Show Awards, a copy of the USDF Rider Scores from usdfscores.com is acceptable in lieu of test copies signed by the judge.

**SCHOOLING SHOW** (designate): Classical Dressage: \_\_\_\_\_ Western/Gaited Dressage: \_\_\_\_\_  
(A separate awards submittal form must be presented if applying for awards in both categories.  
General rules apply for each category.)

Level Shown \_\_\_\_\_ Show/Judge \_\_\_\_\_ Score \_\_\_\_\_

Level Shown \_\_\_\_\_ Show/Judge \_\_\_\_\_ Score \_\_\_\_\_

Level Shown \_\_\_\_\_ Show/Judge \_\_\_\_\_ Score \_\_\_\_\_

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### **USDF/USEF RECOGNIZED SHOW – Classical Dressage**

Level Shown \_\_\_\_\_ Show/Judge \_\_\_\_\_ Score \_\_\_\_\_

Level Shown \_\_\_\_\_ Show/Judge \_\_\_\_\_ Score \_\_\_\_\_

Level Shown \_\_\_\_\_ Show/Judge \_\_\_\_\_ Score \_\_\_\_\_

### **WDAA RECOGNIZED SHOW – Western Dressage**

Level Shown \_\_\_\_\_ Show/Judge \_\_\_\_\_ Score \_\_\_\_\_

Level Shown \_\_\_\_\_ Show/Judge \_\_\_\_\_ Score \_\_\_\_\_

Level Shown \_\_\_\_\_ Show/Judge \_\_\_\_\_ Score \_\_\_\_\_

### **USDF/USEF RECOGNIZED SHOW – Combined Training**

Level Shown \_\_\_\_\_ Show/Judge \_\_\_\_\_ Score \_\_\_\_\_

Level Shown \_\_\_\_\_ Show/Judge \_\_\_\_\_ Score \_\_\_\_\_

How did you earn your volunteer hours? (4 hours minimum required)

Please list the event or activity you helped at and the person in charge for verification or any donations, you made to the club.

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Signature

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Date submitted

**Submit your application with supporting documents via regular mail or email to:**

**Carolyn Ordal**  
**2100 Harris Rd, Knoxville, TN 27924**  
**[carolyn.ordal@youthvillages.org](mailto:carolyn.ordal@youthvillages.org)**  
**[cdctssecretary@gmail.com](mailto:cdctssecretary@gmail.com)**

**BEFORE SUBMITTING THIS FORM: Please review the AWARDS GUIDELINES to make sure you are providing the correct information.** The Awards Guidelines, and Submittal Form, are included in this newsletter and can be found on the Crossroads website, <https://cdcts.org/awards>

Revised 11/3/2025

**2025**  
**Crossroads Dressage And Combined Training Society**  
**Year-End Awards Program**

**Classical Dressage Qualifying Scores and Categories**

<b>Test Level</b>	<b>Adult Amateur</b>	<b>Jr/Young Rider</b>	<b>Open</b>
USDF Intro Level	62%	62%	66%
Training Level	60%	60%	65%
First Level	60%	60%	65%
Second Level	59%	59%	63%
Third Level	57%	57%	60%
Fourth Level	57%	57%	60%
Prix St. Georges	57%	57%	60%
Intermediaire I	57%	57%	60%
Intermediaire II	58%	58%	60%
Grand Prix	58%	58%	60%
FEI Young Rider		58%	
Musical Freestyle (1st-3rd)	65%	65%	65%
Musical Freestyle (4th-Grand Prix)	65%	63%	65%

**Western Dressage Qualifying Scores and Categories**

<b>Test Level</b>	<b>Adult Amateur</b>	<b>Jr/Young Rider</b>	<b>Open</b>
WDAA Intro Level	62%	62%	66%
WDAA Basic Level	62%	62%	66%
WDAA Level 1	60%	60%	65%
WDAA Level 2	60%	60%	65%
WDAA Level 3	60%	60%	63%
WDAA Level 4	60%	60%	63%

## **General Rules:**

- Awards for Rated and Schooling Shows will be divided into the following categories: AA, JR/YR, and Open. At each level one award will be issued in each category. Minimum qualifying scores apply at each level (see chart above).

**For Rated Shows:** Intermediate I and II will be considered 1 level. Musical Freestyles 1st – 4th will be considered 1 level, and FEI Musical Freestyles will be considered 1 level for awards purposes. All other levels, Training thru Grand Prix, will be considered separately for awards at Rated Shows.

**For Schooling Shows:** All FEI tests will be considered 1 level for awards purposes. All other levels, Intro thru 4th, will be considered separately for awards at Schooling Shows. Musical Freestyles from all levels will be considered 1 level for awards purposes.

- AA and JR/YR status MUST be stated on the front of the score sheet or it will otherwise be considered Open.
- Awards are based on percentage, not placing in the class.
- Awards are based on horse/rider combination. The rider must have been a CDCTS member at the time of the show. Riders who submit a membership application on the date of the show will also be eligible for year-end awards.
- The horse/rider combination must submit at least 3 scores from 2 different judges at 2 different shows. At least 1 score must be derived from the highest test of that level.
- Tabulation of scores shall be based on the average of the scores submitted for each level.
- All riders are responsible for mailing or emailing in copies of their tests. A copy of the USDF Rider Scorecard from usdfscores.com will be accepted in lieu of a test copy. Original tests will not be returned. Photocopies of tests or the USDF Rider Scorecard must be received by December 1, 2025 and test copies MUST SHOW TEST SIGNED BY THE JUDGE.
- At Combined Test competitions, only horses designated “Dressage Only” will be allowed to send in scores.
- Horse and rider combinations showing at more than one level during the awards year will only be eligible for awards at one level. The rider may choose which level they would like to be eligible for awards, and only submit scores for that level. If scores are submitted for more than one level, only shows scores earned at the highest level will be considered for year-end awards purposes.

- Horse/rider combinations are not eligible to win an award at the same level in consecutive or subsequent years with the exception of the FEI levels (Prix St George thru Grand Prix) which will allow eligibility to win an award at the same level more than one time in consecutive or subsequent years.
- Only scores from the current competition year (Dec 1 – Nov. 30) will count towards year-end awards.
- A member must have four volunteer hours to qualify for CDCTS Awards. There will be a sign-up sheet at each event that has volunteer opportunities. You will have already been contacted to volunteer at an event, but it is up to the individual to sign in and out on that particular event's volunteer roster to get the required four hours. See Volunteer Requirements for additional information.
- Combined Training Awards will be presented at each level, Novice through Prelim, for both schooling shows and rated events to a rider in each category: Open, Adult Amateur, Junior/Young Rider. General rules apply.
- Western Dressage/Gaited Dressage Awards will be presented at each level, Intro through Level 4, for both schooling shows and rated events to a rider in each category: Open, Adult Amateur, Junior/Young Rider. General rules apply.
- Working Equitation Awards will be presented at each level, Level 1 through Level 7, for both schooling shows and rated events to a rider in each category: Open, Adult Amateur, Junior/Young Rider. General rules apply.

## NON-RIDING AWARDS

**MERRY HOUR AWARD** – created to honor Carol Grau, as the founding member of the club and her legacy of service to our equestrian community. This award is intended to recognize an outstanding, long-time CDCTS member who has embodied the mission statement of the club, with a long history of service to the club.

**LAUREL ANN CROWE AWARD** – a perpetual trophy presented each year to the club member with the lowest combined training score at a schooling show.

**JACK FOSTER PERPETUAL AWARD** – given each year to the club member with the highest point score at Training Level or above from a schooling show sanctioned by CDCTS. The Jack Foster Award was conceived by the club in the 1990's as a memorial to the husband of Karen Foster, a past president of the club. At one time the club put on 3-4 rated shows in Harriman. Jack volunteered to announce all day long at every one of them. He died suddenly of a heart attack in his mid-forties. It is a perpetual trophy, and each year a new plaque is added to the base to display the name of that year's award winner. The winner keeps the trophy until the following year, when another plaque is added, and another winner takes the trophy home for a year.

**ALECE ELLIS VOLUNTEER OF THE YEAR PERPETUAL AWARD** – This award was converted to a perpetual award beginning in 2022, in honor of Alece Ellis who passed away in December 2021. Alece was the epitome of what a volunteer looks like. She was always silently in the background and could be found at almost every local horse show or event where dressage or working equitation was present. Alece was often found beside the judge as a scribe, tallying up scores in the show office, learning to become a Technical Delegate in WE, or just on the sidelines cheering the participants on. This award is designed to recognize the member who has helped the club by volunteering personal time and talent throughout the year. Each year a new plaque is added to the base to display the name of that year's award winner. The winner keeps the trophy until the following year, when another plaque is added and another winner takes the trophy home for a year.

**WALNUT GROVE PERPETUAL TROPHY** – Will be awarded to the individual with the High Point Western/Gaited Dressage score.

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18" adjustable

\$500 or best offer

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**email: [sloanliza@gmail.com](mailto:sloanliza@gmail.com)**  
**or call: 865-258-8373**



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Black field boots, pristine condition, only worn twice. Size 5 1/2, 14" tall.

**\$200**

(New price \$1100 plus tax.)

Contact Rita Dunn  
865-548-6325.



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## DECEMBER 2025/JANUARY 2026 CALENDARS

# December 2025

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
	1 <b>Scores Deadline for Awards</b>	2	3	4 <b>Jim Koford</b>	5 <b>Jim Koford</b>	6 <b>Jim Koford</b> River Glen, Hunter Jumper
7 <b>Jim Koford</b> River Glen, Hunter Jumper	8	9	10	11	12	13 <b>CDCTS Christmas Party</b>
14	15	16	17	18	19	20
21	22	23	24	25	26	27
28	29	30	31			

# January 2026

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

### 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](mailto:cdctsnews@gmail.com).

## EVENTS

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### 2026 CDCTS Events

**Annual Banquet:** January 31 at Buddy's Banquet Hall on Bearden Hill

### 2025 Local Events

**Jim Koford:** December 4-7.

**River Glen:** Hunter Jumper, December 6-7

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### Next Meeting

**December 13, 2025**

Note Change from Regular Date & Location

**Rita Dunn, 265 Lancaster DR, Lenoir City, TN**

*(Short meeting after Christmas party)*

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**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.

Visit us on the web for more information and downloadable content at [www.CDCTS.org](http://www.CDCTS.org)

Find us on Facebook at [www.facebook.com/CDCTS](https://www.facebook.com/CDCTS)

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YOUR CONNECTION  
TO THE LOCAL  
**DRESSAGE**  
**COMMUNITY**

Become a member today and stay connected with your local dressage community!



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By joining, you also receive complimentary issues of the award winning *USDF Connection*.





**Crossroads Dressage and Combined Training Society  
2026 Membership Application**



CDCTS membership year is 1 December 2025-30 November 2026. After 1 December, 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 2025-30 November 2026 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, 2025) \_\_\_\_\_ X \$52.00 \_\_\_\_\_
- c. Junior/Young Rider Member (21 years old or younger as of January 1, 2025) \_\_\_\_\_ 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 1, 2025) deduct \$5.00 \_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_  
-\$5.00 \_\_\_\_\_

ARE YOU PAYING WITH PAYPAL? (cdctsorg@gmail.com)      IF YES, ADD \$2.00 \_\_\_\_\_  
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:

Kacy Schnake, CDCTS Treasurer  
324 El Jon Lane  
Kingston, TN 37763

Office action: \_\_\_\_\_  
Date Received: \_\_\_\_\_  
Check #: \_\_\_\_\_  
Amount: \_\_\_\_\_



Crossroads Dressage and Combined Training Society  
2026 Professional or Business Application



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**Primary Contact:** First Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Middle Initial: \_\_\_\_\_ Last Name: \_\_\_\_\_

**Business Name (if applicable):** \_\_\_\_\_

**Mailing or Street Address:** \_\_\_\_\_

**City:** \_\_\_\_\_ **State:** \_\_\_\_\_ **Zip Code:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Primary Phone:** (\_\_\_\_\_) \_\_\_\_\_ **Secondary Phone:** (\_\_\_\_\_) \_\_\_\_\_

**Primary Email address:** \_\_\_\_\_

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I would like to Join: \_\_\_\_\_ /Renew: \_\_\_\_\_ Crossroads Dressage and Combined Training Society for the membership year 1 December 2025 - 30 November 2026 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:

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Office action: Date Received: \_\_\_\_\_