

### **CROSSROADS DRESSAGE & COMBINED TRAINING SOCIETY**

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## From Your President

It was with great reluctance CDCTS cancelled the Fall Schooling show scheduled for September 28, 2024. We had less than 20 dressage rides scheduled and only 3 combined tests. We want to provide schooling shows for our members and others in the equestrian community, but we cannot do it for a negative balance. It costs between \$1000-\$1400 minimum to put on a show. We pay for ribbons, a judge, the venue, supplies, show secretary and more out of show revenues.

These shows are our major source of funding throughout the year. The income from the shows helps with sponsoring clinics, such as the Elizabeth Johnson Clinic and two Emily Rose Clinics we held this year. Show revenues also offset the fees involved (banquet fees, awards given out, etc.) with our Annual Awards Banquet. For years, we have held our Spring show the first Saturday in May, the Summer show the 3rd Saturday in June and the Fall show the last Saturday in September. These dates are repeated frequently in the meeting notes and on the calendar published in our newsletter.

What do you, the CDCTS members, need this organization to do to support you in your riding goals? How many of you have completed your minimum of 4 hours of volunteer time to help with shows and clinics? Our monthly meetings are open to everyone and the CDCTS Board values your input. Please consider joining us for our October 8 meeting at Calhoun's (Kingston Pike & Pellissiippi Pkwy) 6 p.m. for dinner, meeting starts at 7.

Fall Fun Day 2.0. This is October 26 at Red Oak Hill Farm in Lenoir City. We have finalized plans and classes. We will have equitation type classes (both English and Western w/t; w/j; w/t/c, w/j/l), halter and showmanship classes; a leadline class, in the morning and then assorted mounted games in the afternoon—some old standbys like egg and spoon, ride a buck as well as games for teams of 2—mug shuffle, pairs poles, etc. It's Halloween time, so of course we are having a costume class! And Fall Fun Day has to have Wine/Whine by the Barrel! Our goal is to welcome green horses and green riders to an enjoyable/no stress day! As for the games -- everyone who wants to participate can join in that fun! Online entry forms will be available soon!

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## FROM YOUR PRESIDENT - CONTINUED

We are offering a \$5 discount when you renew your membership by November 1, 2024. The 2025 year starts December 1, 2024 and ends November 30, 2025. This is also a good time to get your scores together for year end awards. Due date for qualifying scores is December 1. Remember you will not qualify for year end awards unless you have at least 4 hours of volunteer activity for the club. We need volunteers to help with Fall Fun Day 2.0!

Another way you can support us (and get volunteer hours is) is by serving on the board. We will be looking to fill a few positions for 2025.

Until next month, happy riding!

Carolyn Ordal
CDCTS President

## CDCTS MEETING MINUTES, SEPTEMBER 10, 2024

**Call to Order –** Meeting was called to order at 7 p.m. Attending were Julie Noe, Sloan Adams, Susan Hill, Rita Dunn, Lynn Holtman, Kacy Schnake and Carolyn Ordal board members. Guests: Coy Jo Bays and Julie Hall

**Approval of the Minutes –** Lynn Holtman moved to approve the last month's minutes as posted in the newsletter, Rita seconded. All approved.

**Treasurer's Report –** Kacy Schnake gave the treasurer's report. Rita Dunn moved to approve the report, Sloan Adams seconded. All approved

### **Old Business**

September 28 Fall Schooling Show at WaterStone Farm, LLC—Very few entries to date, will continue to advertise. Volunteers still needed. Sloan Adams will see if her HS Ag teacher has any FFA youth available to help. Need help for Mike Smith with concessions. Need help to set up dressage ring. Julie Noe said she would be Ring Steward. A proposed budget for the show was given and suggestions to it were added. Neither Kacy Schnake or Carolyn Ordal will be present for this show. Need at least 40 rides to break even and 5 combined tests to run the combined tests. Getting the jumps from Mandy Henderson's was also discussed. Need volunteers to load up on flatbed and bring to venue. Carolyn Ordal and Kacy Schnake will send an email out to members to get them to sign up for show and volunteering.

**Fall Fun Day 2.0, October 26 –** Sloan Adams got a judge for this show. Need a contract for Red Oak Hill Farm and contact for day stalls. Show list was presented, discussed and revised. This will also be an online entry form. Carolyn Ordal will make changes and send to board for review.

**2025 Membership Forms –** Available now. Caroyn Ordal gave forms to Julie Hall for Fall Show packets

**Annual Banquet**—Buddy's BBQ Bearden Banquet Hall is reserved for January 25, 2025. Time to start thinking about year-end awards.

#### **New Business**

**Tracking Membership** – Kacy Schnake asked that we figure out a better way to track membership other than an excel file. This will be discussed again at October meeting.

**Insurance Renewal** – Carolyn Ordal and Kacy Schnake will take care of renewing insurance as it expires September 23, 2024. The September and October shows will be on renewed policy.

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## CDCTS MEETING MINUTES, SEPTEMBER 10, 2024 - CONTINUED

**Professional/Business Memberships** – These memberships are free; however, an individual membership must be obtained if they want to qualify for year-end awards. Providing professional/business member with information on "sponsorship packages" might be a way to help them advertise their services and provide additional funds for the club. This will again be discussed in October.

The meeting was adjourned at 8:15p.m.

#### 2024 CDCTS Events

Fall Schooling show, September 28, WaterStone Farm *(canceled)* Fall Fun Day 2.0, October 26 @ Red Oak Hill Farm

#### 2024 Local Events

River Glen-- Mini HT, September 14; Fall HT, November 8-10 Jim Kofford— September 19-22; October 17-20; November 14-17 and December 19-22

## 5 Most Common XC Training Errors ... And What To Do Instead

Excerpts from Lucinda Green's Workbook and Website

### 1. Going Fast Too Soon - Your horse needs time to read and think.

If you go too fast their actual jump will diminish along with both of your confidence. We want our horses to jump because they understand, not because they are more frightened of us than of the fence.

Walk and trot jumping over small jumps is one of my favorite ways to train a horse to read and understand the fence and to think for himself - whilst still listening to his rider.

Walk and trot jumping is not easy for the rider. It often feels awkward and unnatural, throwing the rider out of balance. So, use it as a great opportunity to develop your own survival skills – keeping the fences small.

## 2. Jumping Too Big - The same applies to us.

Always school a level or 2 below what you compete at and even smaller if practicing technical lines, skinnes and corners. There are many different types, shapes and profiles of XC fences these days. Introduce everything in small form long before you get to big form. It should always be in the back of your mind; your horse should not learn that there is an option to stop or run out.

If the jump is too big - you are in danger of over facing your horse and/or becoming unseated. I sometimes come across brave, ambitious riders whose eyes can be too big for their tummy (horse's



experience). If we ask too much of a horse and or rider who is not ready, neither horse nor rider gain confidence and worse case they stop, fall off and cause serious damage.

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# 3. Approaching Water In Canter For The First Time - A horses prehistoric instinct when they see water is that it could be a bog, their instinct tells them that it could swallow them up.

I have often seen riders cantering their horses at water which does not encourage confidence or develop trust. Canter is the easiest pace for horses to stop dead as both hindlegs are nearly on the ground at once. You can guess what can happen. You are best to start in walk with a friend beside you. If he still won't go, get off and lead him in, most will follow. When you decide to teach your horse something new the golden rule is to allow plenty of time because you don't want to lose.

### 4. Jumping Down Banks Before You Jump Up

I have learned that the bank must be small and you must climb up in walk and then in trot, several times before asking your horse to drop down. The first descent should be made in rising jog – a few horses cannot comprehend the perspective of a step down when they are walking. Once they have gone down in rising jog a few times then walking down should be no problem.

### 5. Going Too Fast At A Ditch .... Or Not Letting Him See It

Ditto water - the only difference it is a bottomless chasm rather than a bottomless bog.

Start with narrow ditch, the deeper the better in walk. This allows time for the horse to inspect. It is always handy to have a horse beside to let him know all is ok.

Ride into the sun so the shadow is behind you to avoid the shadow moving on the ditch. If he gets too close to the ditch and his head is over it, he cannot see. You must reverse up a few steps. Trying to do too big a ditch before they have learned what a hole in the ground is a mistake. I often hear people say, keep his head up so he doesn't see the ditch and my answer to that is, "Would you lie to your best friend? He must understand it and learn to trust it."



You can find more XC tips and information at www.lucindagreenxcacademy.com



All Classes \$12 each when paid for by closing date. Those who have entered by the closing date may add classes on the day of show @ \$15 each. (please bring check or cash).

Class 1 – Leadline—English and western tack-- An adult or older child actually leads the horse in-hand, while the child that is judged sits on the horse and usually holds the reins, but only for the sake of appearance, as the actual control of the animal rests with the handler on the ground.

Class 2 – Walk only—English and western tack-- Riders are judged at the walk in both directions. May not enter any walk/trot/canter or walk/jog/lope classes

Class 3 – Hunter under Saddle Walk/ Trot-- Under-Saddle rail class judged on the way of going of a hunter type horse on the flat, walk, and trot.

Class 4 – Hunter under Saddle Walk/ Trot/ Canter-- Under-Saddle rail class judged on the way of going of a hunter type horse on the flat, walk, trot, and canter.

Class 5 – English Walk/Trot Equitation -- class judged on the rider's position, use of aids, and ability to show their horse to the best of its ability.

Class 6 – English Walk/Trot/Canter Equitation-- class judged on the rider's position, use of aids, and ability to show their horse to the best of its ability.

Class 7 – Western Walk/Jog Equitation— class judged on the rider's position, use of aids, and ability to show their horse to the best of its ability.

Class 8 – Western Walk/Jog/Lope Equitation-- class judged on the rider's position, use of aids, and ability to show their horse to the best of its ability.

Class 9 – Ranch Riding—Walk/Jog- (all breed) the horse is judged on its ability to work at a forward, working speed while performing required and optional maneuvers. The ranch riding horse should simulate a horse riding outside the confines of an arena and reflect the versatility, attitude and movement of a working horse.

Class 10 – Ranch Riding—Walk/Jog/Lope – the horse is judged on its ability to work at a forward, working speed while performing required and optional maneuvers. The ranch riding horse should simulate a horse riding outside the confines of an arena and reflect the versatility, attitude and movement of a working horse.

Class 11 – Western pleasure – Walk/Jog/Lope-In a pleasure class only the horse's performance is judged, not the rider's.

Class 12 – Halter: In-hand class judged on horse's conformation, movement, and stability. Handlers typically perform a simple pattern including walk, trot, halt, back, and inspection.

## CDCTS FALL FUN DAY 2.0 - CONTINUED

Class 13 – Showmanship: In-hand class judged on handler's ability to show a halter horse. Judged on horses' appearance and the ability of the handler to present the horse through a simple pattern. Patterns typically include: walk, trot, halt, back, pivots, and inspection.

#### Lunch break—

Class 14 – Costume Class—Dress you and your horse up in Halloween costumes!

### **Individual games**

Class 15 – Egg and Spoon—riders carry an egg in a spoon at walk, trot, canter. Drop the egg and you're out Class 16 – Ride a Buck—Riders each provide their own dollar, placed under the calf. Walk, trot, canter until 1 winner is left. No ribbons, but winner gets all the dollars.

#### **Teams of 2 Games**

Class 17 – Team poles—2 riders hold a 3' long lead rope/ribbon and together weave through 5 poles, up and back. Fastest time wins. If you drop your lead rope/ribbon you need to go back to start and start again.

Class 18 – Mug shuffle—1 rider at each end of arena with 4 poles in the middle. Person 1 rides to pole 1, takes the mug off it, and then places it on pole 2. Repeats with mug on pole 3, placing it on pole 4. Rider then rides to opposite end of the arena; hand tags their partner. Person 2 then rides to pole 4, taking the mug off and placing it on pole 3 and repeats with mug on pole 2, placing it on pole 1 and then rides to the end of the arena. Drop a cup? Dismount and pick it up, get back on and keep going! Fastest time wins.

Class 19 – Flag race—Rider #1 puts their flag in the first cone and then takes the flag out of the 2<sup>nd</sup> cone. Rider #1 hands off flag to Rider #2. Rider #2 then puts the flag in the empty cone and picks up the first flag and returns to start. Fastest time wins

Class 20 – Wine/Whine by the Barrel! This is for teams of 2. Rider A starts at 1 end of the area, rides to the barrel in the middle and drinks a glass of wine (or lemonade), then proceeds to the opposite end of the arena. Rider A must hand tag Rider B who repeats riding to the barrel, drinking the wine (or lemonade) and crosses the start/finish line. Fastest Team wins! A special prize awaits the winning team! Must show valid ID in order to have wine by the barrel. Otherwise, you can just whine about it.

#### **SAFETY FIRST:**

- 1. All riders must wear helmets at all times when mounted.
- 2. Appropriate footwear (hard soled with a heel) must be worn—no sneakers, even if part of your costume!
- 3. Be courteous to all riders at all times.

**EXHIBITOR INFORMATION:** All entries MUST include a current negative Coggins and a release form signed by parent and / or rider.

**AWARDS**: Ribbons awarded in all classes 1st through 6th place (except Ride a buck) --awarded when class times are tallied.

**ATTIRE:** Appropriate informal attire, if not in costume. ASTM-SEI approved helmets and appropriate footwear required and must be worn at all times when mounted.

PARKING: Ample parking for horse trailers. Please use caution when tying your horse to the trailer!

PLEASE follow ALL Parking signs and park ONLY in designated areas!!

**CONCESSIONS:** Available on site!

## No dogs, please

RETURNED CHECKS will incur a \$40.00 fee.

## Directions to Red Oak Hill Farm/ Radiant Performance Horses from Knoxville

- 1. Take I-40 west to I-75 S
- 2. Take I-75 S to exit 76
- 3. Take exit 76 for Sate 324 towards Sugar Limb Rd
- 4. Turn Right onto Sugar Limb Rd
- 5. Turn right onto Hotchkiss Valley Rd
- 6. Turn left onto Breazeale R
- 7. Stay on Breazeale Rd to Red Oak Hill Farm/Radiant Performance Horses on the right

### Day Stalls available by contacting Red Oak Hill Farm

\$20/day BRING your own shavings, hay and water bucket.

TEXT Shannon O'Hatnick to reserve: 865-255-2266.

## **Entry Registration is online:**

CDCTS Fall Fun Day 2.0 Entry Form

## CDCTS CLASSIFIED CORNER

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#### **Custom Dehner**

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dianeandcharlie56@gmail.com

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# October 2024

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
		1	2	3	4	5
6	7	8	9	10	11	12
		CDCTS Board Meeting				
13	14	15	16	17	18	19
				Jim Kofford Clinic	Jim Kofford Clinic	Jim Kofford Clinic
20	21	22	23	24	25	26
Jim Kofford Clinic						Fall Fun Day, Red Oak Hill Farm, Lenoir City
27	28	29	30	31		

# November 2024

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
					1	2
3	4	5	6	7	8	9
					River Glen	River Glen
					Fall HT	Fall HT
10	11	12	13	14	15	16
River Glen		CDCTS Board		Jim Kofford Clinic	Jim Kofford Clinic	Jim Kofford Clinic
Fall HT		Meeting				
17	18	19	20	21	22	23
Jim Kofford Clinic						
24	25	26	27	28	29	30

#### 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*.

## 2024

- Jim Kofford Clinics: October 17-20; November 14-17 and December 19-22
- Fall Fun Day: October 26, 2024, Red Oak Hill Farm, Lenoir City, TN

## **Next Meeting**

October 8, 2024 2nd Tuesday of the Month Calhoun's Restaurant

(Pellissippi/Kingston Pike Intersection) 10020 Kingston Pike, Knoxville, TN 6 p.m. for dinner, 7 p.m. for meeting



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.

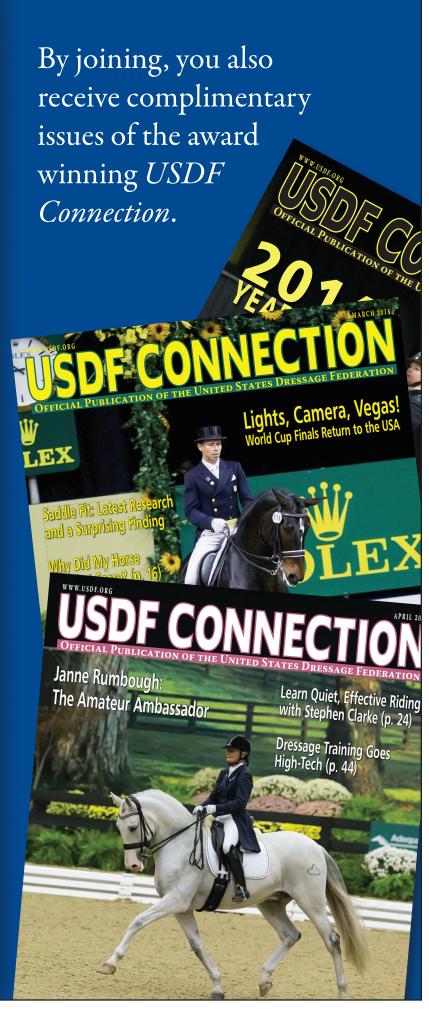
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Become a member today and stay connected with your local dressage community!







# Crossroads Dressage and Combined Training Society 2025 Membership Application



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Street Address:			
City:	State:	Zip Code:	_
Primary Phone: ( )		Secondary Phone: (	)
Primary Email address:			
Birth date:	(re	quired by USDF for all ri	ders under 21 years of age,
and requested for those	over 21 years old to ass	ist in limiting doubled en	itries at USDF)
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a. Charter Member (Found	ing member of the club wh	nose membership has not	lapsed)X \$23.00
b. Adult Member (Over 21	years old as of January 1,	2024)	X \$52.00
c. Junior/Young Rider Men	າber (21 years old or youn	ger as of January 1, 2024)	X \$28.00
d. Family Membership (\$52	2 Primary Member + \$13.0	00 per each additional men	nber) X \$52.00
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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:	·	
	Crossroads Dressage and Combined Training Society for 2025 as a <b>Professional or Business Member (please select one</b>	
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	CDCTS Schooling Show for the following amount Please select Spring or Fall Show or both.	or with the
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