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## **From Your President**

Hope everyone is having a wonderful Thanksgiving and enjoying family, friends and fellowship!

**Hot News!** We are extending the deadline for submitting your year-end award scores to December 7, 2024. They absolutely MUST be in by then in order to be assessed for awards. And of course, if you did not volunteer at least 4 hours from December 1, 2023 to November 30, 2024, your scores will not be considered.

Next up is our holiday party Chez Rita on December 7, 2024. You should have received an evite. Please RSVP to Rita Dunn. CDCTS will provide a ham and drinks, please bring a dish to share. We'll start about 6 p.m. with appetizers and lots of conversation! Then after dinner, we will play the Dirty Santa game. If you wish to participate in Dirty Santa, please bring a gift valued up to \$25. If you've never played Dirty Santa, the gifts are wrapped (anonymously) and all participants draw a number. Person #1 (is 1st and last gift picker) gets a gift from under the tree and unwraps it. Person #2 then has a choice of "stealing" the gift from Person #1 or selecting a new gift, then onto person #3, etc. When the last person has gotten a gift, then Person #1, finishes the game by keeping the gift they have or exchanging their gift with someone else. Note—each gift can only exchange hands 3 x—2nd person who steals it, keeps it and no one can take it away. Lots of fun!

As we are getting ready to enter 2025, please think about what you, as a member of CDCTS can do to help us grow the club. Are there folks you ride/board with who could be members? Can you encourage them to join? What do you, the CDCTS members, need this organization to do to support you in your riding goals? Are there clinicians you would like to see us bring in? If you did not complete 4 hours of volunteer time, what prevented you?

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## FROM YOUR PRESIDENT - CONTINUED

Our annual meeting and awards banquet is January 25, 2025 at Buddy's Bearden Hill Banquet Hall, starting at 6:30 p.m. and dinner will start at 7 p.m. There will be a silent auction, so please donate your gently used tack/riding gear you no longer use. Ask your farrier/vet/massage therapist etc. to donate services. These are always popular at the auction. The money we raise from our shows and the silent auction, goes to support you, the members. We are able subsidize clinics, educational opportunities and shows as we try to keep costs reasonable. Note that we haven't raised show fees in years, despite the ever-increasing costs for putting on shows.

We are looking to fill a few places on the board, so please think about volunteering. You do get 11 hours of volunteer time, just for serving on the board. When Dave McAdoo contacts you about serving on the board, please say yes! Our monthly meetings are open to everyone and the CDCTS Board values your input. Please consider joining us for our January 14, 2025 meeting at Calhoun's (Kingston Pike & Pellissippi Pkwy) 6 p.m. for dinner, meeting starts at 7.

Until next month, happy riding!

Carolun Ordal CDCTS President

#### NOVEMBER MINUTES WILL BE IN THE JANUARY 2025 NEWSLETTER

### SAVE THE DATE!! Saturday, January 25, 2025

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 630p.m. and dinner will be served starting at 7 p.m. **Contact** *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, 2023 to November 30, 2024, and see if you can qualify for a year end award.

The 2024 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 7, 2024.

#### Congratulations on a successful 2024 to all competitors!

## Crossroads Dressage and Combined Training Society 2024 Year End Awards Submittal Form December 7, 2024 – Deadline to submit scores

OWNER NAME:					
RIDER NAME:					
HORSE NAME:					
RIDER USDF NUMBER:	RIDER USEF NUMBER:				
EMAIL:	PHONE:				
STATUS: Adult Amateur	Jr/YR Open				
If no, the Owner must design 4. I want the award to be prese	CDCTS? Yes No OCTS? Yes No e same person? Yes No nate who is to get the award and must sign below ented to: (check one) Owner Rider				
Signature	Date				
<ul> <li>***For all <u>Schooling Show Awards</u>, you must submit copies of your tests signed by the judge.</li> <li>***For all <u>WDAA Recognized Show Awards</u>, you must submit copies of your tests signed by the judge.</li> <li>***For all <u>USDF/USEF Recognized Show Awards</u>, a copy of the USDF Rider Scores from usdfscores.com is acceptable in lieu of test copies signed by the judge.</li> </ul>					
<b>SCHOOLING SHOW</b> (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			
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#### USDF/USEF RECOGNIZED SHOW – Classical Dressage

Level Shown	Show/Judge		_Score		
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WDAA RECOGNIZED SHOW	<u>– Western Dressage</u>				
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How did you earn your volunte Please list the event or activity donations, you made to the clu	you helped at and the pers		n or any		
Signature		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 cdctssecretary@gmail.com					

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

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#### 2024 Crossroads Dressage And Combined Training Society Year-End Awards Program

#### Classical Dressage Qualifying Scores and Categories

Test Level	Adult Amateur	Jr/Young Rider	Open
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%
Intermediare I	57%	57%	60%
Intermediare 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

Test Level	Adult Amateur	Jr/Young Rider	Open
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%

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#### **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 7, 2024 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.

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- 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 yearend 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.

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#### **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 epitomy 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.

Please visit our website at https://cdcts.org/awards for more information.

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## **CDCTS CLASSIFIED CORNER**

**Trailers for Sale. Tobruk Trailers**. Merhow and Cherokee aluminum trailers. Custom living quarters for large horses. Hitches and repairs. Call 865-674-7041 or email *tobrukfarm@charter.net*.

**Pasture Board**. Topperhill Farm, Lenoir City Area. 10 minutes from Baker's Creek. Large arena with sand and crushed rubber footing. Four board fencing. Contact Susan Hill, call or text 865-789-5048.



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## **Saddles For Sale**

**Western Saddle**, Extra Wide Tree; Weight: Approx. 31 lbs;

Gullet: 7.5" mid-concho to mid-concho Finished Seat Size: 17"; Skirt Length: 26"; Tree Size: 17.5"

New, will not fit her horse. Asking \$2,200 or best offer.

Contact: Athen Lemmons, New Market, TN call:865-475-9681

Tucker Saddle T60 High Plains North Star Horizon Series Black Serial# 271-711-5218-23





**Rembrandt Dressage Saddle** 18" adjustable \$500 or best offer

Contact:Sloan Adams, email: *sloanliza@gmail.com* or call: 865-258-8373



# **Boots For Sale**

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

#### **\$200** (New price \$

(New price \$1100 plus tax.) Contact Rita Dunn 865-548-6325.



## **Riding Wear For Sale**







**Schooling Breeches** 9 assorted pair, size medium - \$25 each

**Troxel Schooling Helmet** Brand new, in box, never worn, medium - \$85

**Tipperary Eventing Vest**, size medium, never worn - \$125

Contact: Diane Carlson 865-922-3614 or *dianeandcharlie56@gmail.com* 

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Business Card (3.5"wide X 2" high)	FREE	\$2 per month
Classified Ad	FREE	\$1 for each 25 words

Please send ads, via email to *cdctsnews@gmail.com*. Make checks out to CDCTS (put "advertising" in the check memo line) and mail them to Kacy Schnake, 324 El Jon Lane, Kingston, TN 37763.

# December 2024

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
1	2	3	4	5	6	7 CDCTS Christmas Party
						YR End Award Forms Submittal Deadline
8	9	10	11	12	13	14
		CDCTS Board Meeting				
15	16	17	18	19	20	21
				Jim Koford Clinic	Jim Koford Clinic	Jim Koford Clinic
22	23	24	25	26	27	28
Jim Koford Clinic						
29	30	31				

# January 2025

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
			1	2	3	4
5	6	7	8	9	10	11
12	13	14 CDCTS Board Meeting	15	16	17	18
19	20	21	22	23	24	25 CDCTS Annual Banquet
26	27	28	29	30	31	

#### **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*.

## Events

### 2024

- Jim Kofford Clinics: December 19-22
- CDCTS Christmas Party: December 7

#### 2025

• CDCTS Annual Banquet: January 25; Buddy's Bearden Hill Banquet Hall, Knoxville

## **Next Meeting**

January 14, 2025 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.

Visit us on the web for more information and downloadable content at <u>www.CDCTS.org</u> Find us on Facebook at <u>www.facebook.com/CDCTS</u>





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

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

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Janne Rumbough:

The Amateur Ambassador

Lights, Camera, Vegas! World Cup Finals Return to the USA

Learn Quiet, Effective Riding

with Stephen Clarke (p. 24)

Dressage Training Goes High-Tech (p. 44)



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## Crossroads Dressage and Combined Training Society 2025 Membership Application



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First Name:	Middle Initial:	Last Name:		USDF#:
Street Address:			1 I I I I I I I	
City:	State:	Zip Code:		
Primary Phone: ( )				<u> </u>
Primary Email address:				
Birth date:	(re	quired by USDF	for all riders u	nder 21 years of age,
and requested for those over 21	years old to ass	sist in limiting dou	bled entries a	t USDF)
I would like to Join: /Renew: membership year 1 December 202 a. Charter Member (Founding men b. Adult Member (Over 21 years of c. Junior/Young Rider Member (21 d. Family Membership (\$52 Primar	4—30 November nber of the club wl d as of January 1, years old or youn	2025 in the followi nose membership 2024) ger as of January	ng category: has not lapsed) 1, 2024)	X \$23.00 X \$52.00 X \$28.00 X \$52.00
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Primary Contact: First Name:	Mid	dle Initial:	Last Name:
Business Name (if applicable):			
Mailing or Street Address:			
City:	State:	Zip Code:	
Primary Phone: ( )	Seconda	ary Phone: (	)
Primary Email address:			

I would like to Join: \_\_\_\_\_ /Renew: \_\_\_\_ Crossroads Dressage and Combined Training Society for the membership year 1 December 2024 - 30 November 2025 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:

Kacy Schnake, CDCTS Treasurer 324 El Jon Lane Kingston, TN 37763 Office action: Date Received: \_\_\_\_\_