



Winter 2001 Newsletter

Future Meetings & Deadlines:

Tuesday, February 6, 2001 at 7pm

Dr. Charles Abraham speaking on the new EPM (Equine Protozoa Myelitis) vaccine. This disease seems to have as many questions as answers. Find out what you can do to protect your horse. Time permitting, he will also speak on worming. Meet in the New Kirkwood Equine Facility's indoor arena. 6:30-7:00 Social Time.

February 15th, 2001 is the deadline for membership renewals. The membership roster is sent in to the USDF so we will get the USDF GMO benefits like their USDF Connection magazine!

Tuesday, March 6, 2001 at 7 pm

Karla Sibert from the **Cedar Valley Humane Society** will speak on the CVHS, horse rescue efforts and related issues involving equines. Washington Hall, Kirkwood. 6:30-7:00 Social Time.



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EID&CTA Meeting catch up -

November elections were held. The officers from last year still have their jobs. President - Barb Putnam, Vice President - Nancy Barta, Treasurer - Chris Africa and Secretary - Megan Ward.

For the Speaker portion of the meeting we had an informal discussion with **Dave Halverson**, the new **Event Coordinator** for Kirkwood's Equine program. We found out some information on using the Equine Facility. Things are still a little sketching since they have not finished building everything. We explained more about Dressage and Combined Training and told Dave what would be needed for those events. Dave comes from a background of AQHA and Paint horse shows. He had interesting views on showing and was the first to admit he had a lot to learn about Dressage and CT.

The December meeting was held at Saddle and Leather. It lived up to its name of Tack and Yak. There was dirty tack at the beginning, plenty of conversation and most people took home CLEAN tack.

It was voted at the December meeting to give Amanda Johnson a special \$100 award for excellence in Dressage. Last year Mandy and Glissade placed first in the United States Dressage Federation's Young Riders division for Intermediate 1; third in the nation for USDF's Horse of the Year at Intermediate 1 and first in both Prix St. George and Intermediate I divisions for the Westfalen Horse Association's USDF All Breed Awards. A card was distributed and signed by everyone at the Tack & Yak. Congratulations Mandy!

January is our ideas and planning session for the year. We had a great turn out at the Brown Bottle Cafe in North Liberty. On the list of things to do:

- More vet talks with subjects like First Aid for Horses, Vet Tech knowledge (how to give a shot), and How to tell if it is time to call the Vet (Emergency Page Vs. Office Hours).
- Combined Driving Demonstration
- Western Reining (Mike Walsh being a possible speaker)
- Show Grooming Demonstration with emphasis on braiding. (Loline as possible speaker)
- How to be a Show Groom lecture.
- Nutrition speaker from Diamond E. specializing in Yeast Cultures and Probiotics.
- Exercises for the riders: Yoga, Tia Chi, and Palates. (Charlotte & Roberta are going to look into Yoga)

TIME TO RENEW!

**It's that time of the year again!
Deadline is February 15th, 2001.**

This gives Chris Africa time to send the list into USDF for GMO privileges. If you sign up after the February deadline you will NOT be on the USDF GMO roster until mid summer. You will not be considered a USDF Group Member and will not get the USDF Connection magazine. A form has been included in this newsletter and we will have forms at the February meeting.



- A field trip to see the Temple Farms Lipisans. They perform on Wednesdays and Sundays during the summer months.
- Humane Society speaking on laws, issues and Horse Rescue programs.
- Speaker from CANTER (they place retired race horses)
- Any kind of demonstration at Clearwater
- Sport Horse breeding (Susan Haupt as a possible speaker)
- USDF Region 4 director as guest lecturer
- Someone from USCTA
- Paul Kathen Lecture

There was much discussion on shows. The officers are disinclined to put on an EIDCTA show. It's a lot of work and expense. Often those who are working at the show, can not compete in the show.

It was noted that Winds Reach is planning on having Horse Trial / Dressage shows, Free Rein Ranch is planning on having several schooling shows and TRPC has their annual show in the fall. With the possibility of shows in our back yard we think EIDCTA does not need to host it's own show.

However, we do need to encourage our members to compete in local shows! These shows will only happen and continue to happen if they have local support both as entrants and volunteers.

What followed was a long discussion on volunteering. We encourage all our members to volunteer to help at local shows. We discussed ways to facilitate and decided we need a committee that would organize volunteers. Ideally the show staff would only have to call one EIDCTA person with dates and types of work. Then the committee could call our members to get help when and where needed. We will no doubt discuss this further at the February meeting and get a committee formed and started.

WHAT'S HAPPENING?

- March 6**
- EID&CTA meeting - Washing ton Hall, Kirkwood
- March 30-April 1**
- USDF Symposium with Isabell Werth in AZ
- April 3**
- EID&CTA meeting
- April 6-8**
- Iowa Horse Fair, Iowa State Fairgrounds, Des Moines, IA.
- April 7**
- Saddle & Leather Shop Annual 20% off sale
- April 11-14**
- TRPC/USPC Gegi Winslett Show Jumping Clinic. Contact Lois Pienkos 319-438-6460 or email PIENKYL@aol.com
- April 26-29**
- Rolex; Lexington, KY
- April 27-29**
- Adult Dressage Camp; NE Dressage and CT Assoc.- sponsored; Western Iowa Expo Arena, Denison, IA. Contact: Ly-Lee Funk, 712-643-5459
- April 28**
- USCTA; Otter Creek, Wheeler, WI. Schooling Horse Trials and Dressage Show; see <http://www.uscta4.org> for more information or email scan@win.bright.net
- May 1**
- EID&CTA meeting
- May 2-6**
- Midstates Hunter/Jumper Show; North Iowa Fairgrounds, Mason City, IA. 641-423-3811 (fairgrounds)
- May 3**
- Dave Genedek, Black Rhino saddle maker; in conjunction with Harry Whitney clinic. Des Moines, IA. 515-832-6273 or fitzfarm@netins.net
- May 3-6**
- Harry Whitney Clinic; Hosted by Suzy Fitzsimmons; Des Moines, IA. 515-832-6273 or fitzfarm@netins.net
- May 4**
- USDF; Sahara Sands Spring Classic; St. Paul, MN 651-433-2383
- May 12**
- CFEC; Dressage Schooling Show; Cedar Falls, IA. Deb DeVries, 319-277-8958 or c.f.equ.center@cfu.net
- May 19-20**
- Cedar Valley Humane Society 100-year celebration; 10am-3pm; at CVHS on Mt. Vernon Road, Cedar Rapids
 - USCTA-Horse Trials; Longview Horse Park, Kansas City, MO. Contact 913-583-3284.
 - USCTA-Horse Trials; Otter Creek, Wheeler, WI; see <http://www.uscta4.org> or email scan@win.bright.net
- May 26-27**
- USCTA Horse Trials; Silverwood Farm, WI; <http://www.uscta4.org> for more information
- May 28-29**
- USDF; BARA TRAC I; Mason City, IA. Lloyd Landkamer 763-420-2280 or Llandkamer@aol.com



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(Family membership includes 2 USDF Group Memberships. For additional USDF memberships add \$10.00 each.)

Name: _____

Address: _____

Phone - Home: _____ Business: _____ Other: _____

Email: _____

Additional Group Members: _____



Please mail this form with check payable to EIDCTA to:

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965 Knollridge Garden I4
Coralville, IA 52241

We need your help!!!! Please mark your area of interest so when we need help we can contact you. Thanks!

- Lecture Topics - help needed to contact lecturer, organize and set up meeting
- Refreshments - volunteer to bring snacks, start the coffee urn & clean up
- Fund Raising - Ideas & implementation - currently money source is membership & auditing fees
- Membership - Recruit new members and keep our current members active
- Historian - Anyone like to take photos or keep a scrap book?
- Special Events - Clinics, Guest Speakers, Field Trips - Brainstorming to good old grunt work
- Show Volunteer - help local show hosts with the multiple task of having a show.
- Other: _____