



SPRING 2001 Newsletter

Next Meeting -

Tuesday, May 1, 2001 7:00 PM

Rolex News!

Fresh from the journey, member Jan Vlasak will fill us in on the USET CCI**** competition held April 26-29, 2001 in Kentucky. Rolex is a premiere Three Day Event with top riders from around the world.

Washington Hall, Kirkwood
Social Hour 6:30 to 7:00.

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UPCOMING EID&CTA EVENTS

BUS TRIP

Sunday June 3, 2001

EID&CTA tour bus trip to *Dressage at Temple Farms* to see Grand Prix & I1 Freestyle.

Paul Kathen Lecture

Saturday, May 19, 2001 7:00 PM, at the Cedar Rapids Horseman's Club.



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Previous Meetings

February Meeting

Dr. Charles Abraham, DVM spoke on the new EPM (Equine Protozoa Myelitis) vaccine. This meeting became a public event that brought in over 100 people looking for information. We met in the New Kirkwood Equine Facility's indoor arena.

March Meeting

Karla Sibert from the *Cedar Valley Humane Society* spoke on the CVHS, it's history and it's future. She went into specifics of law and explained the roles of city, county and volunteer organizations. We heard sad tales of equines in need and many happy endings. She also explained about ALERT (Animal Lovers Emergency Response Team). We have included a flyer in this newsletter.

April Meeting

Exercises for the Equestrian - Member, **Roberta Culp** explained the basics of Yoga and then led us in a workout. We discussed how the exercises can benefit the rider and even how some can be performed on horse back.

New Business

Bus Trip

Barb Putnam has been busy gathering information for an EID&CTA tour bus trip to *Dressage at Temple Farms* on **Sunday June 3, 2001**. This is a CDI United States Equestrian Team qualifying show. It should include riders with Olympic dreams. Sunday will be the Freestyle competition including Grand Prix and I1 Freestyles rides. The European tour bus comes complete with bathroom & video

screen. We are allowed to bring food and beverages. The fee will be approximately \$30 per member and \$35 for nonmembers. We would leave early in the morning and come back the same day. There is no entrance fee for the show. You will need to bring or buy your lunch. Contact Barb Putnam at 319-626-2516 to sign up. We need a minimum of 30 people to sign up by May 4th, 2001.

Paul Kathen Lecture Plans

Paul Kathen has agreed to a lecture, **Saturday, May 19, 2001 7:00 PM**, at the Cedar Rapids Horseman's Club. The last two lectures were a great success and we look forward to hosting another great educational opportunity. We should have flyers at the next meeting.

Future Meetings?

We are trying to set up a demonstration for June of the proper use of grounds poles and/or cavalletti.

August is the Annual Potluck Picnic. December is Tack & Yak. That still leaves July, September, October & November for us to fill. If you have something you would like to see, why not take on the challenge of organizing an educational meeting?

And while I have you thinking of volunteering, want to serve on a committee?

- **New Members Committee** actively recruit new people, meet and greet new members at meetings, answer questions, get information to new members, and perspective members.
- **Awards Committee** to honor members and/or nonmembers for their achievements.
- **Social Time Committee** to organize the snacks & coffee pot for our meetings.



Editorial by Megan Ward

There is a new national organization with a chapter in Iowa for adults wanting to have the same Pony Club atmosphere kids get. The Masters is a chapter of The Old Peoples Pony Club.

The description on their website (<http://www.public.iastate.edu/~kathy/iaoppc/main.html>) says "The Old People's Pony Club welcomes riders from all disciplines over the age of 21. We have people who ride English or, dressage, hunter/jumper, trail, barrel racing, and combined driving. There are more than 300 members in the following states: California, Georgia, Iowa, Maryland, Michigan, Missouri, New Jersey, Ohio, Oklahoma, Pennsylvania, Virginia, and West Virginia."

It is always great to have another equestrian opportunity. Then again it is one more organization to join, more time and money. In my own mind I have been trying to decide if this is something I want to spend my resources on. What would be the benefits? Mostly, it just sounds fun. It would give me a sense of where I am in my equestrian skills and improvements I have made. In speaking with some members it became apparent that they liked the idea of an adult pony club also. In fact EID&CTA has been using the line, "Do you wish there was a Pony Club for Adults?," on our web site since it first went online.

It occurred to me that EID&CTA could rate our members as United States Pony Club does. Most of their materials are free at their web site <http://www.ponyclub.org> and other items might be purchased through the EID&CTA. What we need are people to donate their time and services to such an activity. If you would like to volunteer to be on a committee, please contact me so I may put all of you in touch with each other.

EID&CTA is your organization and your active participation will enhance it for all!

WHAT'S HAPPENING?

May 1

- EID&CTA meeting 7 PM - Rolex Update

May 2-6

- Midstates Hunter/Jumper Show; N. IA 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; 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 c.f.equ.center@cfu.net

May 13

- Winds Reach Cross-Country Schooling Day. Contact Nancy Barta at 319-362-2846.

May 19-20

- Cedar Valley Humane Society 100-year celebration; 10am-3pm; at CVHS on Mt. Vernon Road, Cedar Rapids

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

May 19 & 20

- Paul Kathen Clinic, (also July 21 & 22, Oct 6 & 7) Contact Kathy Bronner at 319-626-6505

May 19

- EID&CTA sponsored Paul Kathen Lecture, Saturday at 7:00 PM, Cedar Rapids Horseman's Club

June 3

- Bus Trip to **Dressage at Temple Farms.**

June 2

- Moingona Hunt's Post Pace - <http://www.angelfire.com/ia2/TheMoingonaHunt/>

June 15-17

- **NOTE:** The date for the Darren Chiachia clinic has been changed to June 15-17! Contact Cindy Burke at 319-854-7124 for information.

June 20

- Dressage Schooling Show, Wed. June 20 at Kirkwood. Contact Carol Eilers at 319-365-7314

Big Fun!

Post Pace Coming to Iowa June 2nd!

Looking for something to spice up your horsie life? Try a Hunter Pace this June 2nd! A hunter pace is a non-competitive event in which riders negotiate a marked course (either with or without jumps) in a simulation of a typical day of foxhunting. The teams of 2 or 3 riders are timed as they negotiate the course. Don't worry, we'll find you a team if you need one. The team with the completion time closest to the optimum time wins. A big part of the fun is that the optimum time is unknown to all participants. It's a great schooling opportunity too. The non-jumping course is a lovely trip for trailriders and could be treated as a training run for endurance riders.

The Post Pace is a hunter pace hosted by The Moingona Hunt, and sponsored through the generosity of Peck's Feed and Supply. Our work is dedicated to the fond memory of Hans Post, our friend and mentor. All proceeds from this event will go to support the handsome and trusty Moingona Hounds. It will be held at Tommy and Jessica Ghrist's beautiful Hillock O' Carns near Murray, IA, which is about 45 minutes south of Des Moines. Below is a detailed map of the location. It is

also available at <http://www.angelfire.com/ia2/TheMoingonaHunt/>.

We will feature a jumping and non-jumping course of an estimated length of 4 miles. The jumps will be no higher than about 3' and will be mostly coops, with some traditional XC jumps. We welcome English and Western riders to enjoy our pleasantly challenging non-jumping course. To ride such beautiful country is a rare treat.

Post Pace Rules of the Road

1. Have fun. Smile.
2. If a jump so much as gives you bad charma, you are not obligated to jump it, and you are not disqualified. See rule #1.
3. If you open a gate, close it.
4. If you are overtaking another group on course or if you are being overtaken, have your horse well in hand, smile and wave broadly to the other group and be otherwise courteous.
5. Please leave stallions at home.
6. Dogs must be on a 6-foot or shorter leash held by an adult human.
7. Refunds will be given in the case that the event is not held on June 2nd or June 16th.

Lunch available on grounds. T-shirts ordered on the entry form may be picked up at the Secretary's table on the day of the event.

Ride times will be available on the web site by May 31st: <http://www.angelfire.com/ia2/TheMoingonaHunt/> Look for entry forms in the May newsletter, or print them off the above web site. Cost to enter is \$45; \$40 for entries postmarked by 5/26/01. Contact Camie Stockhausen at Camstock@angelfire.com or 515.597.2297 for any information the web site might not address. Make plans with your pals now to come out and play!

