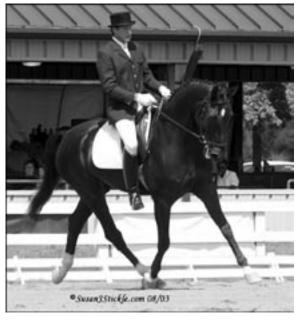
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CONGRATULATIONS TO FAMOS AND BILL COESTERI

They qualified to compete in the 5-year-old division at the 2003 USAE Young Horse Dressage National Championships this August. The competition was held at the CDI***/Y Allentown & Dressage at Stone Tavern, Allentown, New Jersey. Famos a black Westphalian gelding (Florestan-Diva) owned and ridden by Bill Coester's scored 7.94 to place fourth. Well done!



At right, Bill and Famos

At left - pictured from left to right: Bill Coester on Famos, Linda Zang - Judge, Jennifer Keeler - USAE Representative, Kathy Moffitt - BFK Equestrian (Show Organizer)

Special thanks to Susan J Stickle of Hoof Prints Photography Video & Web Design (973-885-3203) for the wonderful photos! See their work at www.hoofprints.wa or hoofprintswebdesign.com



GREAT AMERICAN / USDF REGION 4 CHAMPIONSHIP RESULTS



Diane Wattson and Stenvaenge Polaris

Congratulations to EIDEA members who rode in this years Region 4 Championships!

Sharon Neff and Pollyanna placed 1st in Training Level, Test 4 2003 Adult Amateur Diane Wattson and Stenvaenge Polaris placed 7th in Training Level, Test 4 2003 Adult Am.

Amanda Johnson and Romance placed 12th in Training Level, Test 4 2003 Open

Rose Ambrose and Steinway placed 7th in First Level, Adult Amateur

Rose Ambrose and Steinway placed 7th in Second Level, Test 4 2003 Adult Amateur

Barbara Putnam and Caduceus Herod placed 5th in FEI Prix St. Georges 2000, Open

Amanda Johnson and Glissade placed 1st in FEI Freestyle, Grand Prix 1999



Barbara Putnam and Caduceus Herod

The photographer is unknow. Some generous soul was taking photos and brought prints to the office with the request that if they knew any of these riders. please give them their pictures. Thansk mystery man!

ON THE BUSINESS SIDE

It's That Time Of Year

The election for officers of the Eastern Iowa Dressage & Eventing Association is upon us again. The bylaws state that elections are to be held at the November meeting. However, before we can have elections we need to have candidates. Therefore, this

We need candidates for President, Vice President, Secretary, and Treasurer. You can nominate someone for one of the officers, just make sure they are willing to serve in that office. Individuals may nominate themselves for any position they wish.

Send your nominations to Chuck Bennett by October 15th by email, phone, or mail.

> Chuck Bennett 889 2nd Ave. Marion, Iowa 52302 319-377-7868 E-MAIL - cben113@mchsi.com

Thanks . . .

to everyone who participated in the EIDEA Logo Contest. Our newsletter sports the new EIDEA logo, as does our ad in the fall issue of Apples 'n Oats. We are changing over little by little. If you need logo art contact Megan Ward.

Clothes Horse

We will be taking orders for EIDEA embroidered clothing, (like polo shirts) at the next meeting. See Nan Barta or Megan Ward to place your order.

Treasurer's Report September 2, 2003

Beginning Balance as of August 5, 2003	\$1375.85
Deposits	+ 100.00
Debits	- 10.00
Current Balance	\$1465.85

Donations for Jester Park

as of August 29, 2003 \$200.00 (the goal is \$600)

Mikki Panek is handling the money for Jester Park. She has the checks written so far to the Park Conservancy and will be setting up a running account in EIDEA's name. We will hold the monies written to EIDEA until we have \$100 or more and then send it in.

Donations for Iowa Equestrian Center Stall \$600 Plus

The goal of \$600 was reach. There were some extra funds that were given to the Vern Upmire Scholarship Fund in the clubs name. A stall plaque will be installed for EIDEA.

Newsletter Schedule Submission dates

November 15 for December/January

January 15 for February/March

Submissions can be sent by email to eidea@mwnet.com. Text should either be in the email or as an attached Microsoft Word or Adobe Acrobat (PDF) file. Email photos as attachments in JPG or TIF.

ZETTL NEWS

Congratulations to these three EIDEA members who were selected to ride at the Zettl Clinic: Rita Kells Pitlik, Rose Ambrose and Amanda Johnson!

We are the local GMO host and we want to put our best foot forward. Your donations of time, supplies and money will help us do jut that. Thanks in advance!

Please help - we need an RV! We need a quiet, private place for the Mr. & Mrs. Zettl to relax during the clinic breaks at Winds Reach. Anyone who could lend us an RV on Saturday & Sunday, October 18 & 19 please call Nan at the Saddle & Leather Shop, Inc. 319-362-2846 ASAP.

SCHEDULE

Friday, October 17th at 7 PM - Lecture by Walter Zettl at South

Slope, 980 North Front Street, North Liberty, IA. Cost is \$10. **Saturday and Sunday October 18 & 19** - at Winds Reach Farm 8:00 - 8:45 Young Horse Level (Semi-private) -

Missy Ellison on Ventura and Rita Kells Pitlik on Freedom

8:45 - 9:30 Training Level - Kelli Rose Brown on Dakota

9:30 - 10:00 - BREAK

10:00 - 10:45 First Level - Rose Ambrose on Steinway

10:45 - 11:30 Second Level - Eileen Ostlund on Wajombo

11:30 AM - 1:00 PM - LUNCH BREAK (Auditors should plan on driving into town for lunch. Riders lunches will be provided.)

1:00 - 1:45 Third Level - Heidi Basler on Donna Karan

1:45 - 2:30 Fourth Level - Miki Christopherson on Hamor

2:30 - 3:00 - BREAK

3:00 - 3:45 FEI - Jeannie Ahrenholz on Toyon

3:45 - 4:30 Grand Prix - Amanda Johnson on Glissade

4:30 - 6:00 Auditor Question & Answer session with Walter Zettl

REGISTRATION

Auditor Registration forms available at www.usdf.org or call USDF at 859-971-2277.

Friday night Lecture is \$10 per person.

Clinic auditing fee is \$30 per day or \$50 for two days for adults, or \$20 per day or \$40 for two days for those under 18. Pre-registration is preferred.

CONTACTS

USDF at www.usdf.org or call 859-971-2277

Eastern Iowa Dressage & Eventing Association: www.mwnet.com/ eidea, there is a link for more Zettl information. Nan Barta at the Saddle & Leather Shop, Inc. 319-362-2846 or Barb Putnam at 319-626-2516. For food donations or concession help contact Deb Levine at (319) 395-9317 or levine.deb@mcleodusa.net

NEWS BITS

Michelle Gibson Clinic Saturday and Sunday, October 25 & 26, 2003, hosted by Kelly and ChrisUnderhill of Upland Farm in Minnetrista, MN (www.underhillfarm.com). 1996 Olympic Team Bronze Medalist Michelle Gibson, visiting from Germany where she is currently training her 2004 Olympic hopeful with Rudolf Zeil-

Auditors are welcome (\$35/day at the door). PRE-REGISTRA-TION: Audit for \$25/day if we receive your payment by October 4th, 2003. Please contact Corinne Lettau at 612.964.6467 (clettau@ frontiernet.net) for more information.

Megan's Fish Story - Scoring Rules

This summer I finally felt ready to show my 5-year-old Autopilot. We went to a dressage schooling show. My first test I tried to stay calm and out of the horses way. It was almost too laxidasical. I knew that the next test needed a little more forward umph. The second test went really well and I thought the transitions were much smoother. I had a break before my third ride so I put the horse up and waited for the scores. I was thrill and a bit shocked to find I had won both

classes. The score for the first test was higher and I thought 'Oh well what I thought felt better must not have been better.' I got ready for my final ride of the day. At the end of the day I had three blue ribbons and a song in my heart. I gathered my score sheets and headed home. Later that night after all the unpacking I sat down and really looked at the score sheets. Test #2 was the lowest scoring but the comments were the best. I still thought it was my best ride of the day so I started analyzing. It was then I realized that the scores for test 2 were better than test 1. I checked the scorer's tally and found they had left a number out. With that added in it was the best test of the day. The scoring mistake didn't affect the outcome of the placings but I thought I should let the show secretary know.

Several days later at my lesson my instructor was going over my tests. We were discussing the score and it's now higher equation when she called out 'your score is higher than you think. There's a multiplication error in the comments section.'

I was feeling like a true fisherman. Just like their fish my score kept getting bigger the more people I told.

While having a humorous antidote to share is great I realized that as a competitor I had certain responsibilities. It's a natural high to see a good score, but euphoria should wait. The first thing you need to do when you pick up a score sheet is to check the math.

- #1 Make sure the scores in the first column are transferred correctly.
 #2 Make sure they multipled the coefficient correctly.
 - #3 Make sure each score is on the scoring tape.
 - #4 Make sure they divided by the correct amount for the percentage.

Once you know the math is correct it's time to celebrate!

What if you DO find an error? USAE rules for Dressage (Article 1923, #8) says "If a mathematical error on the scoresheet is discovered, it must be brought to the attention of the competition management within 1 hour of the official posting of the scores from the last class of that competition day. Competition Management must announce said posting, and make test sheets available to competitors immediately." For Event riders Article 1716 #3.6 on protest time limits states "Concerning mathematical or transcription errors - not later than 30 minutes after

the publishing of the results for the entire competition.

That means officially my best test of the day will remain my lowest score of the day. Next time I will do the math before the dancing!

Barb's Bad Score Day

At a Dressage show in Mason City I went to check on my scores. To do this you have to wait in line for the computer. As I was waiting I over heard a couple girls utter in a mixture of shock and pity that someone got a 31. It's the kind of low score you never see as most people are eliminated for being off course. I got to the computer and found my score. There it was. 31. I was horrified. I had thought Harod and I had had a good ride. I went slinking out of the office to figure out what had gone so wrong. I found someone who had seen my ride and they too thought the ride went well. A judge on a break over heard the score and said, "We don't give out scores like THAT!" So as cooler heads prevailed we soon realized that what I saw as a score was only half of it. By that I mean that there were two judges for this test. I was seeing only one judges score. When scoring with two judges they divide both judges scores in half and add them together to come up with the total test score. What I saw was a judge who scored a respectable test at 62% but the second judges score hadn't been entered yet. Remember to look before you slink!

SCHOOLING SHOWS

We had several members participate in the Timer Ridge Pony Club Shows in August and in September.

Far left: Ali Hayford aboard Kasey after a second level test at Kirkwood in August. Middle: Deb Thompson on Adam during a First level test at Kirkwood in August.

Far right: Lynn Snyder during a Training Level test at the TRPC September show held at Springrise Farm.















UPCOMING MEETINGS

Tuesday, October 7th, 2003 7 PM

Dr. Christine Woodford, DVM from

Abraham's Equine Clinic will speak on

First Aid for the Horse. When to call the vet and what to do until they arrive.

(Rescheduled from March)

6:30-7:00 Social Time.

Washington Hall, Kirkwood College.

Tuesday, November 4th, 2003 7 PM

Topic & location to be announced.
Election of EIDEA officers

Tuesday, December 2nd, 2003 7 PM Annual Tack & Yack at Saddle & Leather

NEWS BITS



Lyse Strnad (left) was the Dressage Judge and Sarah Hauschild (right) was the Technical Delegate at the TRPC September show held at Springrise Farm. Thanks for all your hard work!

Parelli Natural Horse-Man-Ship Clinic Nov 14 thru 17 at Free Rein Ranch Featuring: Parelli Certified 2 Star Premiere Instructor *Gena Warrington*. For further info contact: Leanne Ebsen, Clinic at 319-228-8206 (home), 319-361-4481 (cell) or email at: ljebsen@earthlink. net



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