

February 9, 2017

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Paso del Norte Dressage Society

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YOUR 2017
MEMBERSHIP

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President – Arden Evans Vice President – Martha Diaz
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NEW TO DRESSAGE CLINIC

Free clinic held January 29, 2017 at Flight Leader Farm for people interested in or new to English or Western Dressage



PdNDS held a free clinic for anyone interested in or new to dressage, both western and English on January 29 at Tracy and David Kaden's Flight Leader Farm.

The principal clinician was Martha Diaz of Redwind Horse Farm assisted by Jane Wilmes, long-time amateur rider and PdNDS member. Twenty people attended, a combination of members and new faces with active participation by both auditors and riders.

The clinic started with a Martha's lecture describing the main ideas that are basic to dressage and was followed by a question and answer session.

A demonstration of traditional dressage by Priscilla Smith riding White



Calendar of Events

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PdNDS EVENTS

February 19 -

PdNDS Schooling Show, & Ride-A-Test, Achievement Awards & Membership Meeting

Judge: B. Burkstaller

Location: Millers Horse Farm

March 26 -

PdNDS/NMDS Joint Schooling Show

Judge: Ellie Stine-Masek

Location:

April 1 -

Board Meeting at 1:30

Location: Dennys

Restaurant, Anthony, TX

NON-PdNDS EVENTS

March 4 & 5 -

Ellie Stein Masek Clinic

Contact: Nancy Torell 575-652-0089

March 18-19 -

Tucson Dressage Circuit

Location: Tucson, AZ

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Buffalo and a demonstration of western dressage by Arden Evans riding Indie followed.

Martha narrated the demonstration rides in order to demonstrate the basic elements of dressage and some of the differences

between traditional and western dressage.

The clinic concluded with Jane helping interested riders try out some of the basic elements of dressage such as the 20-meter circle.

At the February 19th Schooling show, during the Membership Meeting we would like to discuss having a follow-up clinic of the same type during the year, maybe several more clinics

FEBRUARY 19TH SCHOOLING SHOW, MEETING AND RIDE-A-TEST

Entries close: Friday, Feb 10th. There will be a late fee if you miss the deadline

Judge: Barbara Burkhardt, L Graduate with Distinction

Place: Miller Horse Farm

Membership Meeting & Presentation of 2016 Achievement Awards

A membership meeting will be held during a break at this show. We will send out an email prior to the show with the meeting time and the items to be discussed and voted upon. You must be a paid 2017 PdNDS member in order to vote.

New "Ride-A-Test" Option

We're trying something new at this show. For a \$25 fee, you will be able to have a 30 minute "riding review" of your test with the judge to help you improve. If you ride in the show, you will use one of the tests that you rode for the Ride-A-Test review.

You can enter the Ride-A-Test without entering the show, however, you will need to pay the \$10 office fee and will need to let the show secretary know which test you will be riding. During your Ride-A-Test, you will need to explain to the Judge what elements of

your test to work on.

Whether you are riding in the show or just signing-up for the Ride-A-Test, please use the Comments section of the online entry form to enter the test number and name that you are going to use. If you are using the printable form, write "Ride A Test" instead of the Class Number and enter the test number and name under "Class Name".

Schooling at Millers Farm Prior To Schooling Show On February 9th

Millers Farm is making the dressage arena available to those who want to practice their test prior to the show on Saturday, Feb. 18th from 10 am to 1 pm. There is a \$15 fee per horse unless you bring 3 or more horses, then it will be \$10 per horse. The Release of Liability forms will be in the red booth with an envelope for payment (if leaving a check, make it out to Miller Horse Farm). Payment will be based on the honor system. Once you have

signed the release form, the next time you come, you will not need to sign it again.

IMPORTANT NOTICE:

DUE TO INSURANCE REQUIREMENTS, ALL SPECTATORS MUST STAY IN THE DESIGNATED SPECTATOR AREA AND ONLY "HANDLERS" ARE ALLOWED IN THE TRAILER AREA BY THE HORSES. DO NOT BRING YOUR HORSE UP TO THE SHOW TRAILER WHEN YOU SIGN-IN BECAUSE HORSES ARE NOT ALLOWED IN THE SPECTATOR AREA.

NEW ENTRY FORMS COMING.

**KEEP YOUR EYES PEELED
FOR
NEW CLASS LISTINGS
AND
CHANGES IN SHOW
FORMATS.**

NMDS AND PdNDS JOINT SCHOOLING SHOW

Judge: Ellie Stein-Masek

Date: March 26

Location: Enchanted Horse Dressage
62 Percha Road
Caballo, New Mexico

New Mexico Dressage Society and Paso del Norte Dressage Society will hold a joint schooling show on March 26th to be judged by Ellie Stein-Masek at Enchanted Horse Dressage in Caballo, New Mexico. Ms. Stein Masek is an USDF S-judge for traditional dressage and a USEF R-judge (affiliated nationally with WDAA) for western dressage. PdNDS is working to make this a WDAA "Recognized" show.

Scores and points from this show will be available to all riders and reported to either NMDS or PdNDS based on the membership of the riders. NMDS is creating a special entry form for this event. On the special entry form, PdNDS members must select PdNDS as the organization they belong to in order to identify

designation of points for members and make sure the entry fees collected are correctly allocated to our half of the expenses. A reminder email will be sent to membership asking them to select "PdNDS" as the organization they belong to when they sign-up

Ms. Stein-Masek will be conducting a clinic on March 4th and 5th and auditors are invited to attend. It is free to audit. It will be held at Nancy Torell's house, you may contact her at 575-652-0089.

Please contact Arden Evans (915-256-6523 or RideAPaint@outlook.com) if you would like to volunteer to help us with this show and to show support for future joint shows.

WE ARE LOOKING FOR VOLUNTEERS TO HELP MAKE THIS YEAR'S EVENTS A SUCCESS

*My Mother always said, "Many hands make light work."
I'm afraid she'd say we're really short of hands these days*

NEEDED:

- Chairperson to help organize and manage the October Free Style Clinic
- Chairperson to apply for grant funds from USEF, USDF and other organizations
- Scribes for all shows, especially the March 26th and April 23 Shows
- Runners to assist the Show Secretary
- People who can help with the odds and ends of putting on these events –
For example: helping put up arenas, transporting arenas, etc.
- Help and donations to maintain, repair and replace items on PdNDS equipment –
For example: new tires for the arena trailer, packing the bearings on arena trailer, getting the sound system up and running reliably, etc.

The only qualification is a willingness to help.
Contact Arden Evans

Calendar of Events Continued



PdNDS EVENTS

APRIL 23 -

PdNDS Schooling Show

Judge: TBD

Location: Millers Horse Farm

June 4 -

PdNDS Schooling Show

Judge: TBD

Location: Millers Horse Farm

September 24 -

PdNDS Schooling Show

Judge; TBD

Location: Miller Horse Farm

October 6, 7, & 8 -

PdNDS Musical Freestyle Clinic

Clinician: Cynthian Collins

Location: Rainbows End Farm

October 29 -

PdNDS Schooling Show

Judge: TBD

Location: Miller Farm

November 19 -

PdNDS Schooling Show (Alternate)

Judge: TBD

Location Miller Farm

NON-PdNDS EVENTS

March 4

LC Hunter/Jumper

March 18-19

TDC March Madness I & II

April 6-9

Carla Symader Clinic

Contact: Jane Wilmes 575-649-0060

April 26-30

Maxwell Clinic (French Dressage)

Clinic is full but auditors are welcome

Contact: Sue Chiverton, suechiverton@gilanet.com