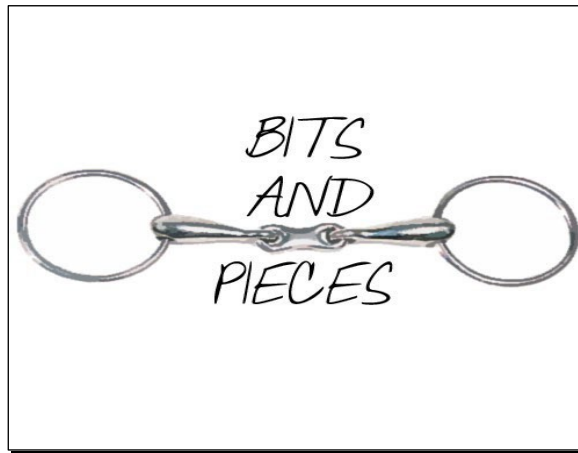


On The Bit



**PASO DEL NORTE
DRESSAGE SOCIETY
September 2015**



**We need a nominating Committee for our upcoming Elections.
Please volunteer to help keep our club going!**

The nominating committee develops a roster of Board positions and potential candidates for any positions whose terms are to expire or are vacant. They shall have the nomination list prepared at least thirty (30) days prior to the December regular meeting , The slate of candidates shall be included with the notice of the December regular meeting. Following the report of the chairman of the nominating committee at the meeting, a majority vote, by ballot, of the membership will determine the winning candidate. Contact Missy Broyhill if you would like to volunteer for the committee. mmbroyhill@gmail.com.

PDNDS TACK SALE AT THE OCTOBER 4TH SCHOOLING SHOW

Now is the time to clean out that tack room !

Or pick up something that you've needed (or didn't know you needed until you saw it)

PDNDS will be holding a tack sale benefiting our education programs at our Sunday, April 26 schooling show at Miller Horse Farm.

Clean out your tack room, closets and book shelves and support local dressage at the same time!

We will accept anything horse related, tack, breeches, books, videos, boots, etc .

It's easy to do.

Click [Here](#) for more information and vendor tag downloads

Region 5 Message

Congratulations to all of our Young Riders and Juniors who competed at NAJYRC in Kentucky this year! Everyone did very well and we are so proud of you. GOOD JOB LADIES!

Young Riders: Lauren Asher & Lysias; Victoria Fernalld & Ahmaroo

Juniors: Lexy Donaldson & Power Play; Dallas McCullough & Bailar; Megan McCracken & Amazing; Molly O'Brien & Vermeer.

Jackson Gillespie, who also qualified to ride on the Juniors team, joined us as groomextraordinaire and we were happy to have him along. Many thanks to our Region 5 FEI Junior/Young Ridercoordinator, Joan Clay, who also was Chef d'Equipe for one of our teams. We could not have done it withoutyou. It was an honor to Chef myself this year and many thanks to the girls, their parents, trainers and grooms forall their hard work and wonderful attitudes the entire week. The miniature golf team dinner with the USEFYouth Coaches was a great highlight and I think many will never forget the "Miracles" course.

The USDF convention is coming up quickly and it's time to book your hotel rooms, airfare and register for theconvention and symposium. We are in Las Vegas this year December 3rd-6th. . Information and registration formsfor the Convention and Symposium are available at www.usdf.org/Convention/. All Group MemberOrganization's (GMO) were asked to designate their delegates for the USDF convention Board of Governors meeting by August 31st and if not determined by that date, the GMO president would become the delegate. Ifthe GMO delegate/president is not able to attend the convention, a proxy for that delegate can be submitted at any time up until the night before the BOG meeting at the convention. The advantage for the GMO is that the delegate will be known and can receive communication from the USDF office earlier. GMO Delegates are ncluded on a list of USDF delegates to receive e-mail communications containing pertinent information on issues that will come before the 2015 BOG meeting at convention. If GMO's have not yet sent in their delegate information, please do so as soon as possible. If you are not into the Vegas scene, remember, it's a great area for many other adventures. There is wonderful hiking in Red Rocks (a wild burro herd there also!), great restaurants that are off the strip, and other neat areas to explore. We will be participating in miniature golfing and roller coasters this year!

Don't forget, the Great American/USDF Region 5 Championships open August 21st and close September 21st. Join us in Scottsdale! The prize list is available at <http://azdressage.org/octoberfest/>.

USDF/USEF NEWS

McDonald Steps Down as USEF Developing Dressage Coach

Lexington, Ky. - Debbie McDonald, who has served as the USEF Developing Dressage Coach for over 10 years has announced that she will step down from the position on May 1, 2016, in order to spend more time with her family and focus on personal clients.

“It has truly been an honor to serve in this role, and I am so thankful to have been given the opportunity,” said McDonald. “We have come so far with this program; I am grateful to the USEF sponsors and members, the USET Foundation, and especially Akiko Yamazaki and the Red Husky Foundation for their belief in seeing this program flourish. With their support, we have enhanced the impact of this program and are now able to give riders the opportunity to train and compete in Europe as part of the program. It has been such a privilege to see the riders and horses in this program go on to achieve great things at the highest levels of this sport. I will always remain supportive of all the USEF pipeline programs and now look forward to spending more time with my family and personal students.”

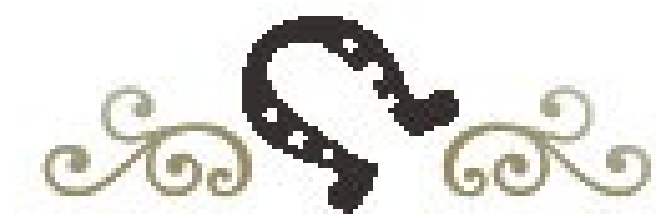
As the USEF Developing Dressage Coach, McDonald has been instrumental in the growth and success of the USEF Developing Dressage Program as a key step in the dressage pipeline, transitioning athletes and horses alike to the top levels of the sport.

“Debbie has been a tremendous coach for our Developing Program and instrumental in our shared goal of future Olympic Games and World Championship medals. I wish her well and know she will continue to be a strong force for the U.S. dressage community,” said Robert Dover, U.S. Dressage Chef d’Equipe/Technical Advisor.

“We are extremely grateful to Debbie for all her

tireless work and the vision she brought to the USEF Developing Dressage Program. We wish her the best of luck in all her future endeavors,” said Hallye Griffin, USEF Managing Director of Dressage.

Details regarding the 2016 USEF dressage programs will be announced later this year.



Curious about new content for “On the Levels”?

Visit eTRAK for a preview of the new content (that includes judge’s commentary) that is now available on www.onthelevels.com.

Sign in or subscribe to see new content that is only available online! On the Levels is available as a DVD (with Trainers Tips and Commentary) through the USDF store, online (through a yearly subscription), and as an app for iOS and Android devices.

SCHOOLING SHOW NEWS

Our fall schooling show season is here! Join us for our first show of the season on September 6 at Miller Horse Farm.

Ride Times Available at

<http://www.pasodelnortedressage.org/ride-times.html>

*Our next show will be October 4th at Miller Horse Farm.
Our Judge will be Lois Whittington "L" Scottsdale, AZ*

*Our November Show will have year end
championship classes and also a team
competition!*

*For more information on the year end Championship
see page 6*

*For More information on the team competitioion
see page 8.*

2015 PDNDS Dressage Championship Rules

- Open to any breed of horse.
- Riders are required to be a member of PDNDS.
- The Qualifying season for the 2015 PDNDS Championships is from January 1, 2015 to October 4 , 2015.
- The Championship classes will be held in November 8, 2015.
Horse/rider combinations must earn 2 qualifying scores under 2 different judges at 2 different shows.
- Qualifying shows are all PDNDS schooling shows.
- Qualifying scores must be earned from USEF "L" level or higher judges.
- Qualifying scores must be from the highest test of the level.
- Horse/rider combination must declare Rider's status (Open or Junior/Young Rider)
- Horse/rider combination may move up a level during the qualifying year. Horse/rider combinations may compete at only two consecutive levels in the Championship classes.
- Horse/rider combinations which have won a PDNDS Championship may no longer compete in a PDNDS championship in that division at that or a lower level (Grand Prix Level excepted)
- Scores from Championship classes will count towards high point or year-end awards.

Championship Competition

1. The highest test of the level will be ridden.
2. Whips may be carried in championship classes.
3. Championship classes will follow USEF and FEI rules regarding attire and equipment allowed.
4. A horse/rider combination, having won the Championships at a particular level may not compete at that level or lower, other than Grand Prix, in future years.
5. In the event of a tie of total points for Champion and/or Reserve Champion in Championship classes, the collective marks will determine first, second and/or third places (i.e., when a tie for first place is broken by collective marks, tied competitors will receive first and second places, etc.) If collective marks are equal, the tie will remain unbroken (i.e., two first places will be awarded, next third place etc.) This policy for breaking ties will also apply to subsequent placing in the class. In the case of a tie (equality of total points and collective marks) for Champion prize money (if offered) Champion and Reserve Champion will be combined and divided equally between the competitors. See USEF rules DR123.3 and DR123.6.

Awards

Award and ribbon to Champion.

Award and ribbon to Reserve Champion and ribbons 3rd through 6th place in each Championship class.

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Qualifying Scores

	OPEN	JR/YR	<u>FREESTYLE</u>	OPEN	JR/YR
TRAINING LEVEL	63%	60%	TRAINING	63%	60%
FIRST LEVEL	62%	60%	FIRST LEVEL	62%	56%
SECOND LEVEL	60%	58%	SECOND LEVEL	60%	56%
THIRD LEVEL	60%	58%	THIRD LEVEL	60%	56%
FOURTH LEVEL	60%	58%	FOURTH LEVEL	60%	56%
PRIX ST. GEORGE	58%	56%	I 1	58%	56%
INTERMEDIARE 1	58%	56%	GRAND PRIX	56%	56%
INTERMEDIARE 2	57%	56%			
GRAND PRIX	56%	56%			

You have until the October 4th show to earn your scores.

The following horse/rider pairs have earned one of the two required scores as of September 1, 2015.

Shea Johnson	Tamar Impressionist	Training Level
Shea Johnson	Rain Dance	Second Level
Madison Gales	Ringo	Training Level Jr.
Amanda Vines	Gold and Fire	Intermediare I
Sarah Dautz	Voltaire	Second Level Jr.

Just to keep things fun, and mix it up a bit, at the November 8th show we will also have a Team Competition.

- Each team will consist of 4 riders.
- You will not ride an extra test for this event.
- On the team entry form you must declare which test you ride that you want to count toward the team competition.
- At the end of the show the lowest score on each team will be thrown out and the scores will be averaged for each team and the best team wins.
- One entry per team please and if you would like to be included on a team and don't know of a team please let Jane know and she can help you find a team.

There will be more information and a team sign up form in the
October newsletter

Reminder:

Schooling Show Changes

There were some changes voted in at the last meeting that will effect the upcoming season and beyond.

We have raised the office fee to \$10.00 and the class fee to \$25.00 per class at our shows to help cover expenses. Updated online and printable entry forms are available on the website.

Our members voted to keep the schedule at 6 shows a year.

The membership voted in a new cancellation policy. We must have enough riders to break even or the show will be cancelled. The Show secretary will make the decision based on number of entries.

The closing date will be moved up to 10 days before the show to give the secretary time to schedule and contact potential riders if needed.

We are looking for sponsors. Please consider sponsoring our shows or looking for sponsors to help with the costs of running our club and the shows. Sponsor info is on the website

We would also like to know if anyone is interested in contributing for a traveling trophy for **High Scoring Arabian** and for **Western Dressage**. Or if you have an idea for an award that you would like to contribute to Let me know You can contact me at mmbroyhill@gmail.com.

WESTERN DRESSAGE

NEWS

Intro to Western Dressage Clinic

This clinic is a fund raiser for the Paso Del Norte Dressage Society.

For more information, contact Arden Evans (915) 256-6523 or Laura Farmer (575) 382-3386

LIMITED TO 8 RIDERS

Date: Saturday, Sept. 19th

Time: 8: 30 am – 10:30 am (followed by a light lunch)

Please be on your horse and ready to ride at 8:30 am.

Place: 6685 Coyote Road

Las Cruces, NM 88012

Cost: \$55 (includes lunch)

****Free for Auditors! Bring your own chair and \$5 if you want to join us for lunch!**

Format: This is a riding clinic on the basics of Western Dressage where you will learn about cadence & rhythm, the different gaits for Western Dressage, seat position, and the effectiveness of aids. You will ride in a small group (of approximately 4 riders) under the guidance of 2 clinicians. Each group will ride for 45 minutes with each clinician for a total ride time of 1.5 hours. The clinic will be followed by a light lunch.

For more information call Arden Evans 915-256-6523

[more info and online registration](#)

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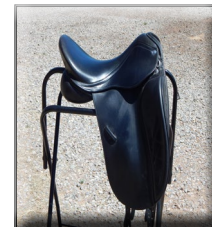
Wintec Pro dressage saddle. 18 inch seat.
Has a wide gullet installed. The panels are flocked.
This saddle has seen very little use and is in excellent condition.

\$500 Please contact Missy at mmbroyhill@gmail.com.



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Borne Levade Dressage Saddle, MW tree,
18 inch seat. Very good condition. \$1800
Please contact Missy at mmbroyhill@gmail.com



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- noon Saturday: 8:30 am - 2:00 pm

[*pdndsdressage@gmail.com*](mailto:pdndsdressage@gmail.com)

CALENDAR

SEPTEMBER 6 Schooling Show - Judge Ann Hayes

SEPTEMBER 19 "Introduction to Western Dressage Clinic" at 6655 Coyote Rd. Las Cruces, NM

OCTOBER 4 Schooling Show - Judge Lois Whittington - Closing Date September 24
TACK SALE AT THE OCTOBER 4TH SHOW.

NOVEMBER 8 Schooling show- Judge James Reiderman -Closing date October 29
Championship classes and team competition

