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2018 Newsletter

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<http://www.dressageco.com>



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**2018 Membership Form  
 Application/Renewal**

The membership year runs from Nov 1, through Oct. 31.  
 Dues are \$40.00/year for Senior members and \$30.00/year for Junior members (a rider who has not reached their 21<sup>st</sup> birthday before November 1<sup>st</sup> of the membership year). The dues include an affiliate USDF membership fee.

Are you a USDF member through another organization? { } YES { } NO  
 { } New Member { } Renewal { } Change of Address

NAME \_\_\_\_\_

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**SIGNATURE** \_\_\_\_\_

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Mail to: Sue McBeth  
 4350 North Point Dr #304  
 Mason, OH 45040

Email questions or inquiries to: [shakespeare1950@embarqmail.com](mailto:shakespeare1950@embarqmail.com)

**2018 Volunteer Points Form**

Please PRINT. One member per form and one show per form. All forms must be postmarked within 30 days of the event and no later than November 1st.

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Competition: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_

Hours Worked (1 point for every 1 hour worked) \_\_\_\_\_

Signature: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_

Show Secretary or Organizer

Mail to: Leslie Laine, 6796 Lands End Court, Maineville, OH 45039

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Show Dates	Location	Closing Dates
Nov. 11 & 12,* 2017	Majestic Farm Winter QCDC	Nov. 5
Mar. 10-11,* 2018	Majestic Farm QCDC	March 3
April 22, 2018	Walnut Creek Stables QCDC	April 12
May 27, 2018	Old Stone Riding Ctr. QCDC	May 20
June 24, 2018	Derbyshire Stables QCDC (Sun)	June 17
July 21, 2018	WCS-QCDC-Starry Nights 1	July 7
August 11, 2018	WCS-QCDC-Starry Nights 2	August 6
August 26, 2018	Old Stone Riding Ctr. QCDC	August 19
September 29, 2018	TDC at Majestic QCDC	September 22
October 27, 2018	Derbyshire Stables QCDC (Sat)	October 13
Nov. -- & --, 2018	Majestic Farm for 2018 YEA	November -

**\*NOTE: Daylight Saving ends November 4, 2018**

Derbyshire Stables - [www.derbyshirestables.com](http://www.derbyshirestables.com)

Majestic Farm = All shows this year on web site - [www.MajesticFarm.net](http://www.MajesticFarm.net)

Old Stone Riding Center - [www.oldstoneridingcenter.com](http://www.oldstoneridingcenter.com)

TDC = The Dressage Company - [www.dressageco.com](http://www.dressageco.com)

WCS = Walnut Creek Stables - [www.walnutcreekstables.net](http://www.walnutcreekstables.net)

QCDC Omnibus is available at the link below:

<https://goo.gl/vvw8V1>



**Dressage Company Meeting: Saturday, April 14, 1 PM - 4 PM**

**Judge's Clinic**

**Greenacres, 8255 Spooky Hollow Rd, Cincinnati 45242.**

Three judges presented to the group;

- Janice Holmes
- Marge Cunningham
- Christine Gemmell

There were 11 participants.

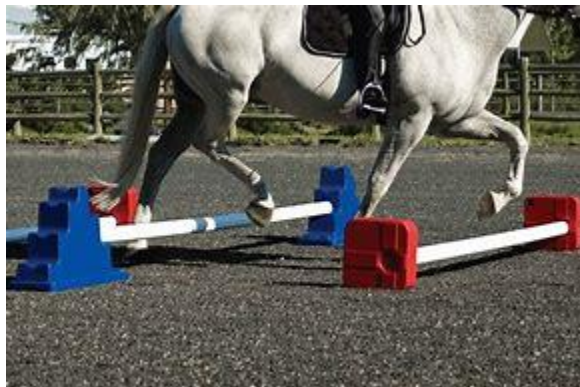
Many good points were discussed. Listed below are just a few:

- Review your test when you are done. What went well, what did not go well, what can I change?
- School above the level you show.
- Make certain your basics are correct, for the level you are showing. The tests tell you what is important!
- THINGS OFTEN DO NOT WORK OUT AS YOU PLANNED.
- Work on your transitions.
- Smooth is more important than getting it done RIGHT NOW.
- Use corners to help with balance.
- Get your geometry correct!
- Practice the walk and free walk

Suggested reading from "Dressage Today," The Unwritten Rules of Dressage Test Riding

**Next in TDC Educational Series:**

**What: Cavaletti Clinic**  
**When: Saturday, June 16**  
**Where: Walnut Creek**  
**Clinician: Janice Holmes**



**Better dressage through Cavaletti training? Yes!**  
**Learn how Cavaletti exercises can improve you and your horse.**

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**What: New Test Seminar**  
**When: December 8**  
**Where: Majestic Farm**  
**Sue Mandas, S judge will conduct the discussion and riders will demonstrate the movements.**

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**2018 USEA and USEF Rule Changes**

Please use the link below for important changes

<http://www.mseda.org/MSEDA-news/5683714>

## ***The Dressage Company Year End Award Rules***

Revised – 10/16/2017

Please read these rules carefully before filling out the entry form and keep a copy of them, (or consult The Dressage Company website, <http://www.dressageco.com>), so that you may refer to them for any questions that may come up during the Award year.

### **Objectives:**

1. Consistent with the Club's primary mission of education, the Club wishes to provide encouragement for members and horses learning show ring skills and arena training in preparation for their further development in order to be able to compete in nationally sanctioned shows
2. To provide recognition for participation and achievement among as large a segment of the membership as possible by recognizing dressage skills among members and horses with experience at various levels

### **Definitions and Rules**

1. The Year End Award competition year is from November 1st through October 31st.
2. Each Year End Award entry form shall contain one horse and rider combination.
3. All riders must be members of The Dressage Company at the time they submit their registration form and throughout that competition year.
4. A rider is eligible to compete on more than one horse and a horse may be eligible to compete for more than one rider.
5. A horse is eligible for any number of levels during a year.
6. Each rider/horse combination may only choose one division (Jr., Novice, AA, Open) per level for Year End Awards. Each horse/rider combination is allowed to enter two consecutive levels only (i.e., Intro to Training: First to Second, etc.). All tests submitted will be applied towards that division. (i.e., Novice: Does not need test stating that it was only a Novice Class)
7. There is a \$15.00 registration fee for each horse/rider combination per level per year.
8. "Levels", as used herein, are those of the USDF dressage level tests.
9. The Rider/horse combination must be registered for Year End Awards prior to riding in the show in which scores are submitted for consideration. Any scores from shows before the division registration date are ineligible for consideration and will not be accepted. Registration occurs on the date of the postmark on the envelope containing the paid registration form, or the date the registration form with payment is handed directly to the Year End Awards Chairperson, or a Dressage Company board member.
10. To add an additional level, a separate registration is required for each rider and horse combination at \$15.00 per level, and only scores earned after registration for the added level(s) may be accepted for consideration.
11. Definitions:
  - a. A Novice is a horse or rider showing in its first year at any level and only for that first year.
  - b. A Junior Rider is a rider 21 years of age or younger as of January 1 of the competition year.
  - c. An Adult Amateur is a rider 22 years of age or older as of January 1 of the competition year according to USEF definition.
  - d. An Open rider is a rider 22 years of age or older as of January 1 of the competition year and accepts remuneration for the training of horses or riders according to USEF definition.
  - e. An AA has the option of registering as an Open rider for year end awards for any level, however, the rider must maintain this level for all submissions for the year.
12. The Year End Awards Chairperson is the person responsible for recording and tabulating Year End points. Final placing will be by the Year End Awards Committee which shall consist of a minimum of three (3) Dressage Company members.
13. Any dressage test may be used as long as it is judged by a qualified Dressage Judge. A Dressage Judge is a USDF L graduate or higher. The rider is responsible for providing the year end awards chairperson in a timely manner with all information necessary to make an informed decision as to the qualification.

14. All scores must be submitted on the year end awards score submission form. The rider must average a maximum of their top three (3) scores submitted from three (3) different judges at three different shows for each Level and self-certify that the rider, the judges and the shows have met all eligibility requirements. A score can only be used once. To document test scores with the year end chairperson, each rider in the program is required to send a copy of the front of the test with the name of the show, its date, the judge and the test score to the chairperson postmarked or emailed no later than Midnight, October 31<sup>st</sup>.
15. A rider must submit at least three (3) scores per division to qualify for year-end awards.
16. In order for a member to become eligible for Year End Awards, the member must have a minimum total of **five (5) Participation Points** which must have been earned for the current year (between November 1st and October 31st). At least three (3) of these points must be earned helping with The Dressage Company horse show. This does not include a ride. In the event that there is not a Dressage Company show in a year, then at least three (3) of these points must be earned helping with a Dressage Company special event, such as a clinic or horse camp. Also, three (3) of the total ten (10) points must be earned by attending three (3) club meetings, such as the regular monthly meeting, board meeting or a committee meeting. All year end awards score submission forms, properly completed with all information and all copies of test front pages, must be postmarked, emailed or hand delivered to the year end awards chairperson by Midnight, October 31st of the competition year. This deadline may be adjusted by the Year End Awards Committee Chairperson if necessary. At the same time that the **Year End Awards Score Submission Form** is submitted, the rider must have submitted to the year end awards committee a properly completed **Dressage Company Participation Points** form for the same competition year (November 1 through October 31) to verify that the rider has accumulated the points required to receive a year end award.
17. Ties will be placed as ties and not broken.
18. The Year End Awards Committee may audit any Year End Awards Score Submission Form submitted and request a rider to provide additional information concerning the submission. It is the rider's responsibility to promptly provide the information requested.
19. There will be up to eight places awarded in each division. All others will receive a Certificate of Merit.
20. The same horse/rider combination will be eligible for Year End Awards Champion in the same level for three (3) years, including the first year as Novice. If the same horse/rider combination competes at the same level for a 4<sup>th</sup> or more consecutive year and there are no other competitors at this level, then this horse/rider combination can be awarded the Championship again. If there are other competitors in the level, then a horse/rider combination, after three (3) consecutive Championships at the level, will not be eligible for the Championship designation in that year. After skipping one year at this level the horse/rider combination would again be eligible to win the Championship award.
21. Scores are disallowed from any show in which the rider is a Show Secretary, Show Manager, Show Host, Facility Owner, or Technical Delegate.
22. The Year-End Awards Committee shall consist of a minimum of three (3) Dressage Company members who may also be Year End Awards Riders in a year. If a Year End Awards Committee member is a Rider, the other two members must re-compute that rider's Year End Awards Score Submission Form scores and certify that the rider has received the score indicated. All members of the Committee must agree on the final placements in all divisions.
23. The Year End Awards Chairperson will notify Entrants when their **Year End Awards Entry Form** has been received at the beginning of the show year. The Year End Awards Chairperson will then notify Entrants by way of email when the **Year End Awards Score Submission Form & The Dressage Company Participation Points Form** are received and if any other information is needed.

**Level and Division categories include:**

Levels	Divisions
Introductory Level	Novice, Jr.-AA, Open
Training Level	Novice, Jr., AA, Open
First Level	Novice, Jr, AA, Open
Second Level	Novice, Jr., AA, Open
Third Level & Above	Novice, Jr., AA, Open
Fourth Level	Novice, Jr., AA, Open
FEI	Novice, Jr., AA, Open





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<b>Musical Freestyle</b>	Individual, Group
<b>In-Hand</b>	Open

***TDC Volunteer Points System:***

**Meeting Attendance: 1 Point Per Meeting**

Includes Monthly, Board

**Committee Member meetings: Actual Hours Worked (verified by Chairperson)**

**Club Officer: Actual Hours worked**

**The Dressage Company Show: Actual Hours Worked**

**TDC Clinics: Actual Hours Worked**

**Volunteers: Points allowable for hours worked only at Dressage or Combined Test Shows where someone at the hosting venue is a member of TDC. These hours must be worked as an unpaid volunteer to count. Hours must be turned in or posted not later than 30 days after the show, and must be signed by the show manager or secretary.**

**Donation of a basket (minimum \$50 value) for the Year End Award Banquet (1 point)**

**Miscellaneous: Donate Facility, Meeting Presentation, Host Meetings/Clinics/Workshops (3 points per event)**



**The Dressage Company**  
**YEAR END AWARDS ENTRY FORM**

Revised 11/2010

**\$15 per Entry - Make checks payable to: The Dressage Company**  
**This form must be submitted prior to any test be ridden.**  
**Mail checks and completed form(s) to:**

**Carol Hartlaub**  
**66 Junefield Ave**  
**Cincinnati, OH 45218**

**Please sign that you have read and understand the Year End Award Rules appended to this form:**

(Signature of Rider) \_\_\_\_\_

**ENTRY #1**

**RIDER'S NAME:** \_\_\_\_\_ **DATE:** \_\_\_\_\_

**HORSE'S NAME:** \_\_\_\_\_

**LEVEL:** \_\_\_\_\_ **DIVISION: NOVICE JR AA OPEN**

**ENTRY #2**

**RIDER'S NAME:** \_\_\_\_\_ **DATE:** \_\_\_\_\_

**HORSE'S NAME:** \_\_\_\_\_

**LEVEL:** \_\_\_\_\_ **DIVISION: NOVICE JR AA OPEN**



**ENTRY #3**

**RIDER'S NAME:** \_\_\_\_\_ **DATE:** \_\_\_\_\_

**HORSE'S NAME:** \_\_\_\_\_

**LEVEL:** \_\_\_\_\_ **DIVISION:** NOVICE JR AA OPEN

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\_\_\_\_\_

*Signed:* Y N

*Phone#* \_\_\_\_\_ *Address:* \_\_\_\_\_



**The Dressage Company  
Year End Awards Score Submission Form**

**Award Year of Submission** \_\_\_\_\_

If more than 2 competition levels please copy and use a second sheet. Sign each sheet.  
Submit one form for each horse and rider combination.

**Competitor** \_\_\_\_\_ **Horse** \_\_\_\_\_  
(please print all information)

**Competition Level:** \_\_\_\_\_ **Division:** NOVICE JR AA OPEN  
(Attach a copy of the front page of each test listed)

	<u>Show Name &amp; Date</u>	<u>Judge's Name</u>	<u>Score</u>
1	_____	_____	_____
2	_____	_____	_____
3	_____	_____	_____
(You must submit three (3) scores per divisions to qualify for YEA)		Total of Scores	_____
(divide by 3)		<b>Average Score</b>	_____

**Competition Level:** \_\_\_\_\_ **Division:** NOVICE JR AA OPEN  
(Attach a copy of the front page of each test listed)

	<u>Show Name &amp; Date</u>	<u>Judge Name</u>	<u>Score</u>
1	_____	_____	_____
2	_____	_____	_____
3	_____	_____	_____
(You must submit three (3) scores per divisions to qualify for YEA)		Total of Scores	_____
(divide by 3)		<b>Average Score</b>	_____



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***The Dressage Company  
Year End Awards Score Submission Form, continued***

I, \_\_\_\_\_ state that to the best of my knowledge and belief the scores submitted are from shows that meet the Dressage Company rules for eligible shows, the judges are L or higher USDF qualified and that the individual test scores and averages computed above are mathematically correct.

\_\_\_\_\_  
(Competitors signature) If not signed, the score(s) will not be accepted.  
Submission must be postmarked by November 1<sup>st</sup> of the competition year.

Send completed form to: Carol Hautlaub, 66 Junefield Ave, Cincinnati, OH 45218

### Good information from Nancy:

I think the club would enjoy this. Horses love it! You have to trust a horse in a reins free gallop. The horses are straight and through from stirrups that support an optimal rider position. Also related to the Korean mounted archery of Mogu where mounted archers shoot dye-tipped arrows at a white leather water melon sized target dragged at a gallop. Mounted archery is now an international sport in revival.

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=N6K-vzMFSDQ>

<https://thehorse.com/156675/>

How EPM Parasite *S. neurona* Could Spread from Land to Sea

Could the causative parasite *S. neurona* reach faraway intermediate hosts via streams and rivers?

Erica Larson, News Editor Mar 26, 2018

Sixteen years ago researchers figured out in the lab that sea otters could be natural intermediate hosts for *Sarcocystis neurona*, the parasite best known for causing the neurologic disease equine protozoal myeloencephalitis (EPM). The question: Was this possible ... much less practical in nature? It would first require the sea otter to be infected by *S. neurona*'s definitive host, an opossum. And opossums and sea otters aren't commonly neighbors.

Alice O'Byrne, a graduate entry veterinary medicine student at University College Dublin, in Ireland, set out to solve of the mystery of how *S. neurona* gets from land to sea in Western Washington. She worked with epidemiologists at the University of California, Davis, and biologists with the Washington Department of Fish and Wildlife (WDFW) to gather marine mammal and opossum samples, process them, and figure out which *S. neurona* strains were at play in these creatures.

O'Byrne collected 32 fresh road-kill opossums around the region, and WDFW provided 27 samples from marine animals for which the cause of death was suspected to be protozoal encephalopathy. The team used molecular characterization techniques to confirm that the intestinal scrapings of three opossums (9.7%) and the brain samples of 12 marine mammals (40.7%) were positive for *S. neurona*.

The team further examined the *S. neurona*, comparing two genetic markers, sn7 and snSAG3, and found that "two opossums and one marine mammal were infected with genetically identical strains of *S. neurona*," said O'Byrne, as she showed where the three animals were in relative to one other—the mammal at least 40 kilometers (about 25 miles) away from the opossums.

She noted that these preliminary results supported the team's hypothesis that sporocysts shed by opossums can contaminate the marine environment via overland runoff, resulting in marine mammal infections.

For horses to become infected with *S. neurona*, they'd need to ingest feces from infected opossums that have fed on other infected animals' muscle (any one of the confirmed natural intermediate hosts, which range from armadillos to raccoons). So sea mammals' role in EPM spread isn't so important here as is the possible role of water in transporting the parasite.

"We could potentially apply this (overland runoff transmission method, by which runoff carries infective sporocysts from the land into the sea) to EPM in horses," she said. "By the same hypothesis, watershed could also carry the sporocysts into the horse's pasture.

"Future directions would be to expand sample size, investigate additional genetic markers, characterize the risk of EPM in Washington, and investigate watersheds," she said, or defined regions where water drains into specific rivers, basins, or seas.

"Fields that collect rainwater could have *S. neurona*," she said, and be a source for eventual infection

## Dutch Vet – Jan Greve – An explosive interview...

<http://www.horsemagazine.com/thm/2018/02/dutch-vet-jan-greve-an-explosive-interview/>

## My 2 cents: Good Read! Sherry

Epistemology is about quality of knowledge. Think about this, some really troubling biomechanics are advocated here. Just because someone is an Olympian doesn't mean they know any basic biophysics: this is the heart of riding properly. You can't fool gravity and you cannot fool the fragility of horse and rider spines. The horse in the video has a completely lateral walk caused by a tense rider with rigid bouncing seat. The Vet literature makes it clear that this as a persistent habit causes hindquarters lameness (Greve & Dyson). Some famous people have serious knowledge gaps, for whatever reason. Correct knowledge is published in available literature. The narrator does NOT know the exact stepping sequence of dressage transitions. This is available if videos are examined frame by frame. Narrator is also ignorant of Equine center of mass (NOT center of gravity) determination done digitally eleven years ago at the London College of Veterinary Medicine (Pfau et al. 2005, 2006). Rider and human CoM determined too many times to cite for dozens of sports.

For the serious technical flaws in this video (Link below) impacting horses and riders, I recommend bypassing it, just in case it would find its way into the Newsletter. Riding without stirrups is technically difficult and requires a supple body. It also exposes a rider to vertical shocks of the spine, actually shown in the opening sequence, which is a known cause of vertebral wedge fractures. The orthopedic data on this are clear at Ullman Dynamics technical web site research papers. Look at the CAT scan...

[https://www.usef.org/learning-center/videos/riding-without-stirrups-with-anne-kursinski-2?utm\\_source=SilverpopMailing&utm\\_medium=email&utm\\_campaign=Learning%20Center%2011.07.17%20-%20Member%20\(1\)&utm\\_content=](https://www.usef.org/learning-center/videos/riding-without-stirrups-with-anne-kursinski-2?utm_source=SilverpopMailing&utm_medium=email&utm_campaign=Learning%20Center%2011.07.17%20-%20Member%20(1)&utm_content=)

Please check out the Hoof Blog link below. Very good info:

<https://hoofcare.blogspot.com/2017/06/sue-dyson-equine-ethogram-facial-expression-lameness-video.html>

TAMU Lab does DNA of your horse for \$40 a test.

<http://vetmed.tamu.edu/animalgenetics/horse-ancestry>

[http://vetmed.tamu.edu/media/1732507/50\\_breed\\_tree\\_r.pdf](http://vetmed.tamu.edu/media/1732507/50_breed_tree_r.pdf)

Watch Understanding Colic on UTube

<https://youtu.be/0HTp5A-Xms>