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Westman Dressage

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- Membership form
- Scholarship Program.
- Manitoba Equestrian Championships

Presidents Message

The Westman Dressage Association Show Committee has been very busy putting the finishing touches on this year's prize list which is available now on line at www.westmandressage.com. We are also setting up the systems to be able to accept registration to our shows using master card and visa. Those of you, who remember Emma Balitski and her skills with a web page, will be happy we have retained her services so we can get the job done right!

Tammy McKenzie has accepted the role of Show Manager on top of her Show Secretary position. We will be looking for a few more volunteers this year to assist Tammy as her secretary duties were a full day on their own.

We have joined Dressage Winnipeg's Scholarship program for those who might be interested, details a little further on in the newsletter. As well, we have become involved along with Dressage Winnipeg in the planning of the Manitoba Equestrian Championships.

There are some clinics coming up this summer that everyone should think about taking in with or without a horse! As we have all learned about Dressage the "more you know, the more you know you DON'T know" so come out and learn something new!

Terry McKenzie

Clinics - 2013

Eddo Hoekstra Clinics

Winnipeg Dates:

May 31-June 1 and 2,
August 3, 4 and 5,

Contact Pam Langstaff at eddoclinic@shaw.ca or 204-612-3660

Portage la Prairie Dates:

July 31 and August 1,

Contact Crystal Neudorf at neu@mts.net or 204-252-2179

Souris Dates:

October 5 and 6.

Contact Tara Morrison morrisonm@xplornet.com or 204-858-2611



*"It must be the rider's supreme aim to achieve relaxation of body and mind."
-Klaus Balkenhol*



Clinics cont'd

Dominique Barbier Clinic

This French classical dressage master is returning to B and E Acres in Carberry June 7 to 9 for another three day clinic. All disciplines and levels of horses and riders are welcome. For more information on this clinic contact:

Brenda McCann at 204 834-3998 or by email at bmccann1@mymts.net.

Joan Johnston Clinics

Dates:

May 25 and 26

June 22 and 23

August 10 and 11

September 29 and 29

October 26 and 27

We are thrilled that Joan has returned to Brandon to continue working with riders in her progressive way that preserves the health and wellbeing of the horse. StoneHill Farm is sponsoring the events; our first clinic was a great success with some new riders who quickly learned the value of Joan's expert eye.

Private 45 minute session is \$ 160.00; 1 hour semi Private lesson (2 riders) is \$ 110.00 per rider.

For more information contact stonehillfarmmb@hotmail.com or call Lori at 204-727-2922

Manitoba Equestrian Championships

2013 Manitoba Equestrian Championships

Dressage East/West Championship

Prepared by Susan Canal, Merelyn Hunkin and Susana Danyliuk.
Amended and then accepted by the boards of Dressage Winnipeg and Westman Dressage.

The Manitoba Equestrian Championships will be held September 7 & 8 at Bird's Hill Park Equine Facility. The Dressage portion will be a Bronze Equine Canada sanctioned show. Ring 2 will be used both days. Only selected team members will participate in this show. Team West will include riders from Westman Dressage/Team East will include riders from Dressage Winnipeg. (If for some reason each group cannot field an entire team, then additions can be made taking geography into consideration)

Championships cont'd

The three Levels involved are:

1. Training Level- will ride technical tests 2 & 3 each day
2. Level 1- will ride technical test 2 on the Saturday, test 3 on the Sunday
3. Level 2- will ride technical test 2 on the Saturday, test 3 on the Sunday

Levels 1 and 2 will ride a Musical Freestyle on Saturday & Sunday.

Training Level will have the opportunity to ride a Fun Freestyle which will not count toward Championship Team points on the Sunday. This will be sponsored by both Dressage Clubs.

Criteria for Team selections:

The best score from each from tests 1, 2 or 3 (minimum 60%) from one of the shows below will be accepted as criteria. Any of these show scores can be used, but only one score from any of these shows is necessary.

- Dressage Winnipeg June Show (June 15 & 16) Captain DeKenyeres Memorial Competition
- Dressage Winnipeg Show (July 7) Held at Pine ridge Equestrian Centre (the day prior to the DW Dressage Camp)
- Westman Dressage Show (July 13 & 14) Lemonade Daze
- Dressage show held at Ebon, Saskatchewan (July 6 – 7)

The highest scores from each rider, (Test 2 and 3) will determine who will be invited by their clubs to attend as Team West or Team East members.

Participant Fee of \$50.00 for Team Members covers:

- * All technical and freestyle tests
- * free participant Barbeque ticket
- * Stall and shared tack stall

Clubs will supply MHC with volunteers for the following positions: whipper in, gate keeper, announcer & scribe.

Go to www.westmandressage.com or www.dressagewinnipeg.com or www.saskatoondressageclub.com

For prize list and additional information to enter these qualifying shows.



Caption describing picture or graphic.

“To catch the reader’s attention, place an interesting sentence or quote from the story here.”

Scholarship Program

New Dressage Scholarships 2013 – For Junior and AA Riders

By Merelyn Hunkin

*Preserve his natural gaits.
Preserve his personality.
Preserve his instinct
To go forward.
Do this and you
Must be successful
because you are
Respecting
Natures
Wisdom.*

Franz Mairinger

After lengthy deliberation, a DW committee composed of Merelyn Hunkin, Ashley Fudge and Christine Stevens have revamped the scholarship programs offered by DW. Captain de Kenyeres had this vision to support and promote the growth of dressage in our province. We are adding the adult AA category as an extension of his dream. DW felt that this new category was significant since we have numerous riders who would qualify for and benefit from, this scholarship opportunity. We would encourage all eligible riders to enter this scholarship program. The format for participating in the scholarship program is not difficult!

DW is also pleased to welcome the participation of Westman Dressage this year. Westman Dressage riders are eligible for these scholarships as well. Westman Dressage would monetarily support the Scholarship Program on a pro-rated basis. If Westman members entered a section of the scholarship, then Westman Dressage will be pro-rated for that section of the scholarship program. (Example- If Westman had two riders applying for the 11-15 scholarship, and then Westman Dressage would pay a percentage on that section of the scholarship.) This does not affect individual riders entering the scholarship programs.

Scholarships will be offered for the following categories:

(A) de Kenyeres Junior Rider Development Scholarships

1. Two scholarships worth \$250.00 each for the age group 11-15 years
2. Two scholarships worth \$300.00 each for the age group 16-21 years

(B) AA Riders Scholarships

Two scholarships worth \$300.00 each for riders aged 22 years or older, who are AA riders competing no higher than First Level currently.

Entry Requirements:

The riders would have to pay for and send in their entry of \$10.00 for the scholarship program by **July 16, 2013**. The riders would have to complete the requisite quiz and return it to Merelyn Hunkin by **August 16, 2013**. The riders would have to enter an equitation class, either at a bronze or gold dressage show run by DW or Westman prior to the final DW show in September, 2013. Entrants at each level would have to be members of Dressage Winnipeg who have not won a scholarship at this level before.

All entrants who compete for the scholarships would have to enter the final de Kenyeres equitation class at the September, 2013 DW show, but would not be required to enter any other classes at the show. If they did not enter any other classes, they would still be required to pay any office fees required by the show. Entrants would only be able to win a scholarship once in each category.

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*God forbid that I should
go to any Heaven in
which there are no
horses. “
R.B. Cunninghame
Graham”*

Go to www.westmandressage.com for the application form and waiver for the scholarship program

Scholarship Program cont'd

Selection of Winning Entries:

The winners of the scholarships would be determined by the following criteria:

1. 30% of the total marks would come from the results of the quiz.
2. 30% of the total marks would come from the results of the highest equitation score, which must be 65% or more from the riders bronze or gold dressage DW or Westman Competitions
3. 40% of the total marks would come from the riders DK equitation score at the final DW show in September
4. Entrants to the program would have to achieve an overall total score of 65% to be eligible for a scholarship.



Ingrid Klimke.

Registration forms for the scholarship programs will soon be available from our website or from Merelyn Hunkin (Phone # 204-267-2889 or email merelyn@xplornet.ca)... The quizzes will be sent to the entrants immediately upon entering the scholarship programs. They can be mailed (Merelyn Hunkin, Box 206, Oakville, Manitoba, R0H 0Y0) or emailed to Merelyn.

Horse show Organization

Show season is upon us! Time to gather all our bits and pieces today for the show and here are a few web sites with suggested lists.

<http://www.showmom.com/packinglist.html>

<http://www.horsechannel.com/horse-exclusives/horse-show-checklist.aspx>

http://www.horsekeeping.com/horse_grooming/show_checklist.htm

<http://voices.yahoo.com/horse-show-packing-list-85-must-haves-equestrian-8098902.html>

“Competitive riding should be classical riding at its best.

Charles de Kunffy

MOST IMPORTANT!!!!!! FIND A FRIEND, FAMILY MEMBER, CHILD OR PARENT WHO WILL VOLUNTEER A LITTLE TIME TO HELP IN MAKING THE SHOW POSSIBLE! MAKE SURE YOU ADD THEIR NAME AND PHONE NUMBER TO YOUR APPLICATION TO SHOW! WE APPRECIATE YOUR ASSISTANCE!

Westman Dressage

Classified Section:

1. For Sale:

Amica- 2009 reg. Oldenburg mare by Autocrat, started under saddle. 16.1 and growing. Chestnut with a super temperament. Price reduced due to scar on leg (x-rayed clean) \$4,500.00

Galiana- 2011 reg. Dutch Warmblood filly by Wolkentanz II. Chestnut, should finish over 16 hands. Bold temperament and world class movement.
\$12,000.00

Winston III- 2011 reg. Canadian WB gelding by Wolkentanz II. Black should finish close to 17 hands. Gorgeous boy! \$12,000.00
Oakhaven Warmbloods -contact Janet 204-834-2544 or
oakhaven@goinet.ca
<http://www.oakhavenwarmbloods.ca/>

2. **Wheat City Stables Tack sale and Swap June 8** from 9 – 5 tables are free, text or call 204-573-3815 or email wheatcitystables@hotmail.com
BBQ will be going for lunch and come and watch the Paul Unrau Horsemanship clinic - no audit fee!

3. **Wanted a school pony**, older is fine. Contact Taylor @ wheat city stables 204 -573-3834 or email wheatcitystables@hotmail.com

4. **All about Arne** – 2009 registered Canadian Warmblood by Autocrat, well started under saddle and over fences. 17 hands, lots of bone. His temperament is exceptional; he has been to two schooling shows at the Keystone center and took it all in his stride! \$ 13,000 obo – for more information call Lori at 204-727-2922 or email stonehillfarmmb@hotmail.com

5. **Hopfner Dressage saddle** – wide width, 18" seat, girth included, in excellent condition \$ 2,500.00 obo call Lori at 204-727-2922 or email stonehillfarmmb@hotmail.com

6. **Tipperary Sportage Helmet** – size small. Never been dropped or a in a fall – worn twice....too small. Purchased for 74.95 plus tax, would like \$ 70.00 or best offer. call Lori at 204-727-2922 or email stonehillfarmmb@hotmail.com

TAKE A FEW MINUTES FOLKS – GET TO THAT WEB SITE AND FILL OUT YOUR MEMBERSHIP FOR WESTMAN DRESSAGE!

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