

**GRAND NATIONAL MORGAN SHOW  
 AT OKC STATE FAIR PARK!  
 8-10 OCTOBER 2011**

ODS IS RECEIVING A DONATION IN  
 EXCHANGE FOR VOLUNTEERING  
 TO WORK THE SHOW! IF YOU CAN  
 VOLUNTEER PLEASE CONTACT SHERRY  
 (GUESSDRSG@AOL.COM).

***October Calendar of Events:***

7<sup>th</sup>-9<sup>th</sup> U Sarah Martin Clinic  
 Woodbridge Farm  
 Claremore, OK

8<sup>th</sup>-10<sup>th</sup> U Morgan Grand National Show  
 State Fair Park, OKC  
 www.showsecretary.com

14<sup>th</sup>-16<sup>th</sup> U GCC JRJR Fall Camp  
 Lily Pond Estates  
 Kellyville, OK

15<sup>th</sup>-16<sup>th</sup> U Sherry Guess Clinic  
 Gallery Farm, Noble, OK  
 www.galleryfarm.us

22<sup>nd</sup>-23<sup>rd</sup> U ODS Hosted "L" Program  
 Session C  
 Lecture @ Freddie's in Sapulpa  
 Demo Rides @ Lily Pond Estates

28<sup>th</sup>-30<sup>th</sup> U Christian Garweg Clinic  
 OKC area  
 dsmith@varsitymrtg.com

29<sup>th</sup>-30<sup>th</sup> U Honey Do Ranch Schooling  
 Show and Clinic  
 Mounds, OK

*Detailed calendar & forms  
 available on the ODS website:  
[www.dressageoklahoma.org](http://www.dressageoklahoma.org)*


**RENEW ODS**
  
**MEMBERSHIP NOW!**  
 Membership year ends Nov. 30<sup>th</sup>.  
 Late renewals may miss some  
 issues of USDF Connection and  
 may not be included in the ODS  
 roster. Form included in this  
 newsletter.

**USDF "L" Program Part 1:  
 "A Judge's Perspective"**

SESSION C | OCTOBER 22-23  
**"Judging Criteria for Basics, Collective  
 Marks -- Gaits, Impulsion, Submission &  
 The Rider"**

Debbie Riehl-Rodriguez  
*Lecture at Freddie's BBQ | Sapulpa, OK  
 Demo Rides at Lily Pond Estates | Kellyville, OK*

This session includes discussion of:

- CORRECT BASICS THAT MUST BE OBSERVED
- METHODOLOGY FOR JUDGING COLLECTIVE MARKS
- GAITS & PACES
- IMPULSION
- SUBMISSION
- RIDER'S SEAT & POSITION, RIDER BIOMECHANICS
- FREESTYLE PROMOTIONAL DVD

**Auditors, Don't Miss Your  
 chance to learn from this  
 session!**

**Application on page 4 of this  
 newsletter and the ODS website!**

## "L" PROGRAM SESSION B 10-11 SEP 2011

Session B of the "L" program divided our time between the classroom and the arena. The handouts gave you all the information needed to evaluate the various gaits and movements. Classroom instruction included videos so you could sharpen your eye before seeing the entire 'live' test. The criteria for each test level was described and discussed. Here are a few comments that came up:

- Riders hands should not go wide during the downward stretching trot circle. Denotes leverage against mouth.
- Switching behind during canter is usually a sign of loss of balance.
- A crooked horse cannot be collected.
- A stiff back will not have a swinging tail.
- Check for downhill canter by noticing if outside front leg is still weight bearing while past the perpendicular.

From one of the auditors: "Understanding what the criteria is for the movements (not just what we thought a judge liked) is so incredibly important for anyone showing and training. I wish every horse lover would attend. The demo riders were so brave to ride for us - kudos! Thank you ODS for making educational opportunities like this available." --Veronica Moody

Thanks to the following riders who subjected themselves to being our Demo Riders for Session B. They put themselves on the line to have every stride scrutinized by our prospective judges:

*Elizabeth Eaton, Lindsey Hankins, Sharon O'Banion, Cathy Orban, Richal Flannery, Jessie Korver, Ginny Hoyt, Ruth Anne Korver, Kathy Cannon, Andrea Parker, Marta Koenig, Marilyn Basset, Sandy Thompson, Heather Grady, Cynthia Ramsey, Patty Couch, and Kay Kamish.*

**We appreciate you!**

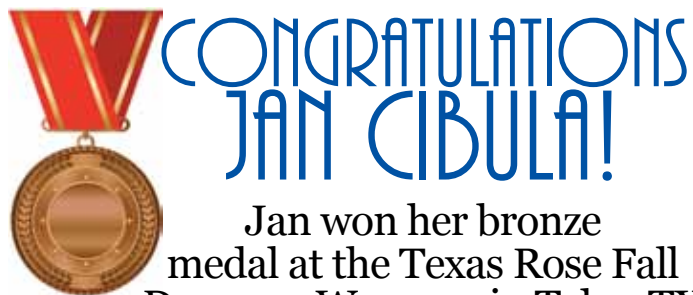
*--Sherry*



### "L" Program | Session B pictures 10-11 Sep 2011

#### Classified Ads

**FOR SALE:** Cavallo Piaffe Plus Dress Boots for \$800 (retail for \$1300). Never been worn, lovely dressage boots w/full zipper. Approx. size is 9.5 shoe size, regular-wide calf, regular-tall height. Numbers on the insides of the boots read 1 6.5 50 40 75 15. I ask that the buyer pay any shipping charges, but I will gladly take the boots back if they do not fit (provided that they were only worn to check the fit, no riding!). This is a great opportunity for someone who is serious about their dressage showing! Any questions just contact Jennifer Grossi at 316-708-0060 or [jgrossi1@att.net](mailto:jgrossi1@att.net).



Jan won her bronze medal at the Texas Rose Fall Dressage Wrap-up in Tyler, TX on 2 Oct 2011!

***We are proud of you, Jan!***



Ruthie Korver and Mi Dreamweaver competed at the Tulsa State Fair Arabian Show. She won the All Around High Point Sport Horse Award for Purebreds at the show and the Open English Hunter Championship as well. She was also Reserve Champion for English Hunter Amateur. It was a double honor for her to receive the High Point Sport Horse Award from Betsy Barnes and the Green Country Arabian Horse Association as it was donated by our own Green Country Dressage chapter, making it all the more special for that reason.

***We are proud of you, Ruthie!***

## ***Region 9 Information***

Jonathan Wentz and NTEC Richter Scale won the National Championship at the 2011 USEF Para-Equestrian Dressage National Championships. Wentz has been riding NTEC Richter Scale for two years including representing the U.S. at the 2010 Alltech FEI World Equestrian Games. Wentz is from Richardson, TX.

The Houston Dressage Society, (HDS) was approved to host an "L" Program Part 2 starting January 21, 2012. For complete dates, locations visit the Education Calendar. To apply please contact Kathy Jones. If you have any questions about being eligible for the Part 2 please contact USDF at [lprogram@usdf.org](mailto:lprogram@usdf.org) or 859-971-2277.

Competition Season has ended! Don't forget to check your scores! If you notice an error, contact the USDF Competitions Department. The 2011 USDF competition year ended September 30, 2011. All score corrections must be reported to USDF by October 15 at 5:00 p.m. EST.

Were you awarded a USDF Rider Award medal, freestyle bar or Master's Challenge award in the 2011 competition season? If so, now is the time to submit your picture for the yearbook issue of USDF Connection. See the 2011 USDF Photo Release Form.



Lyn earned her silver medal at OKC State Fair Park Show on 20 Sep 2011.

This was Lyn's first show back after an accident in April of this year that left her with a variety of broken or fractured bones. Lyn's determination makes us all proud of her and more committed than ever to our own riding development.

***We are proud of you, Lyn!***

**USDF "L" Education Program**

Date application received by organizer: \_\_\_\_\_

**Auditor Application Form – Part 1: A Judge's Perspective**

Revised July 2009

Name: \_\_\_\_\_ USDF Member #: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

City/State/Zip: \_\_\_\_\_

Phones: home ( \_\_\_\_\_ ) \_\_\_\_\_, work ( \_\_\_\_\_ ) \_\_\_\_\_

Cell: ( \_\_\_\_\_ ) \_\_\_\_\_ E-mail \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_ ODS member \_\_\_\_\_ ODS nonmember

ODS member price \$60 per session

ODS nonmember price \$70 per session

Payments per session are due one week before the first day of the session.

Early registration is appreciated.

\_\_\_\_\_ **Session C:** October 22-23, 2011, Basics, Collective Marks –Gaits, Impulsion, Submission, and the Rider, Debbie Riehl-Rodriguez, Lily Pond Estate, Kellyville, OK

\_\_\_\_\_ For USDF University credit please add an additional \$5 per person per session.

Total enclosed: \_\_\_\_\_

**No refunds (full or partial) except in extenuating emergency situations. Appropriate documentation must be submitted for emergency refunds to be considered by the ODS board.**

**Make checks payable to ODS and return this form with payment to:**

**Anne Kuhns 12203 E. 106<sup>th</sup> St. N., Owasso, OK 74055**

OKLAHOMA DRESSAGE SOCIETY MEMBERSHIP APPLICATION

ODS is a Group member organization (GMO) of the United States Dressage Federation (USDF), and belongs to Region 9. See also www.usdf.org and www.usdfregion9.org and www.dressageoklahoma.org

Input boxes for New Membership, Renewing Membership, and Information Change only.

Paypal Transaction # \_\_\_\_\_

Last Name \_\_\_\_\_ First Name \_\_\_\_\_ USDF ID# \_\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_

City/State \_\_\_\_\_ Zip \_\_\_\_\_

Business Phone \_\_\_\_\_ Home \_\_\_\_\_ Cell \_\_\_\_\_

Email \_\_\_\_\_ Spouse's Name (for Invitation Use) \_\_\_\_\_

USDF membership year is December 1 through November 30. Apply this membership to year 20 \_\_\_\_

ODS Membership – Select One Category. For family memberships consisting of more than two family members, please check both boxes for that section.

Input box for \$45 Senior, Adult, Vintage

Input box for \$20 Charter / Life

Input box for \$35 Junior, age 18 and under Birthdate

Input box for \$55 Family (for two family members) Name of second family member

Input box for \$10 Add third family member Name of third family member

Please include birthdates for junior family members.

Chapter Membership – Check which chapter you would like to join. Chapter membership is not required, but is required to participate in the Chapter awards programs. Chapter membership cost is the same for an individual or a family.

Input box for \$10 Green Country Chapter (GCC)

Input box for \$10 North Central Chapter (NCC)

\_\_\_\_\_ Total amount enclosed

ODS membership is an opportunity to promote Dressage in your community. The club is ONLY as good as it's most ACTIVE members. We need your help! What are your skill sets?

Input boxes for Scribing, Scoring, Organization/Management, Accounting, Spreadsheets

Input boxes for Website, Photography, Fund Raising, Other

I hereby release the Oklahoma Dressage Society, it's officers, members, employees and agents from any liability and all claims of every kind, including costs, expenses, or attorney fees that might result from damages, injuries, or losses resulting directly or indirectly from the negligent act or omissions of the officers, members, employees or agents of the Oklahoma Dressage Society Club. I agree and sign below:

Signed: \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_

(If Junior Rider, this form must be signed by parent or guardian)

Mail this form, with appropriate check payable to "Oklahoma Dressage Society" to: Beth Circle, 5433 Oak Leaf Drive, Tulsa, OK 74131 bcircle@rentechboilers.com Please allow 4 to 6 weeks for processing.

## ODS ADVERTISING RATES & OPPORTUNITIES:

### NEWSLETTER ADVERTISING BASIC AD RATES:

Full page: **\$40**  
 Half page: **\$20** | Quarter page: **\$10**  
 Business Card Ad: **\$7.50**

Schooling Show or Clinic  
 Announcements | News & Web:  
**\$20** for the first insertion  
**\$15** per month thereafter

***Deadline is the 15th  
 of the preceding month.***

**Calendar listing: Free**  
*Depends on space allowed.*

**Non-commercial classified ads:**  
 Members: **Free** | Non-members: **\$5**  
*Classified ad length may be  
 modified by the editor if space is limited.*

### WEBSITE BANNER ADS:

Placement at the discretion of the  
 webmaster & include a link to their site.  
 3 Months: **\$30** | 6 months: **\$60**  
 1 year: **\$120.00**

*Links on the calendar are free as space allows.*

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