



CALENDAR OF EVENTS

- Nov 14-15 ODS Alf Athenstaedt Clinic
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- DEC 5 ODS Schooling Show Championships
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- JAN 23 ODS ANNUAL MEETING & BANQUET
Sapulpa, OK
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- Mar 27-28 J. Ashton Moore Symposium
Shawnee, OK
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**NEWSLETTER EDITOR
WANTED!**
Attention ODS members. The current newsletter editor will be resigning after the December/January newsletter. This is your chance to participate actively with ODS. Contact a board member or the newsletter editor for more information if you are interested.

**ODS ANNUAL MEETING
and
AWARDS BANQUET**
JANUARY 23, 2010
FREDDIE'S STEAK HOUSE
SAPULPA, OKLAHOMA

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**Indoors! Under Cover! Stalls!
Make your plans—get qualified!**

To Qualify:
2 Qualifying scores at the highest test of the level
- from 2 different judges
-at 2 different shows. (*ODS Approved*).
(*horse and rider must be registered with ODS for ODS Awards to be eligible for the Championships*)

Qualifying Scores:
Suitable to Become a Dressage Horse - 2 first or second places
Walk/Trot Equitation - 2 first or second places
Walk/Trot/Canter Equitation - 2 first or second places
Introductory Level - 60%
Training Level - 60%
First Level - 58%
Second Level - 56%
(*In equitation classes, riders cannot have shown above First Level*)
(*A rider may not enter both the walk/trot and the walk/trot/canter equitation*)

More information and entry forms will be on the website soon and in the next newsletter. Contact Raine Boyd 580-761-7951 or raineboyd@itlnet.net

Rep Brian Renegar, DVM, will be conducting his study entitled "The Illegal Practice of Equine Dentistry in Oklahoma" on Thursday, November 5, at 9 am at the State Capitol. Several state veterinarians will be speaking out against the teeth floaters right to work. The discussion will take place at the State Capitol, room 412 C & B.

The opposition will present their case Tuesday, November 10, at 9 am Supporters will present their views at this time. A room has not yet been assigned for the 10th.

Whether you use a veterinarian or equine dental practitioner for your horse's dental needs, this is the time to let Oklahoma lawmakers know how you feel about this subject.

Classified.....

1.) 84" GORTEX Waterproof, breathable ripstop turnout sheet. Extremely well-made. Dark blue with grey trim. \$100
2.) 84" Big "D" Med weight winter blanket; water resistant; closed front. Red with black trim and yellow piping. \$85
3.) 84" Triple Crown Stable Dress Sheet; Cotton; Absolutely Beautiful! Dark blue plaid w/ grey w/ dark blue piping. \$100 Worn once
4.) Woof Wear "Ultra" Hind Boots; Black; Large...Paid \$104.90 Worn only once. \$75.00
All items are in BEAUTIFUL condition! Contact: Laurie Hedlund hedlunddressage@sbcglobal.net (11/09)

Dressage Saddle for Sale: Used Barbier dressage saddle. 18" seat, narrow tree. Great condition. Two tone seat with single layer flap to reduce bulk under your leg. Wonderful balance and workmanship (see www.dominiquebarbier.net). New these sell for over \$2700. Asking \$950 for this saddle. For more information contact birdie_sbaby@yahoo.com or call 405-381-4537 and leave message. (11/09)

LA SELLERIA ITALIANA PRESTIGE 2000D 17" WIDE TREE (35)-\$1300.00
THORNHILL PRO TRAINER LE MONDE 17" WIDE TREE (34) with fittings-\$575.00
Contact: Nicole Burris getnicole@earthlink.net (11/09)

Ahonan custom designed four wheel carriage. Wagonette style. Has shafts that are independent and can change dressage type shafts to marathon shafts. Black with brown vinyl upholstery on seats. Beautiful oak dash and panels on the sides. Fittings are chrome. The carriage has two seats, one bench seat that can be used for dressage or pleasure shows and the other wedge seat can be easily exchanged for the marathon. The pleasure type shafts are warmblood/ small draft length. The marathon shafts can be used for a smaller horse or even large pony. Rear disc brakes. Carriage has expandable rear axle. FEI width for marathon and cones. The vehicle looks classy enough for a pleasure show and is tough enough for a hard core marathon. Very versatile and safe carriage. Contact Hilda Wilkins hottruck95@gmail.com 918-825-5826 Email for pictures. (10/09)

Slash is a lovely 7 year old registered Trakehner / Anglo cross gelding. He is 15.2 hands. He is currently being ridden by my 14 year old daughter. He is being worked in jumping and dressage. Shelby trail rides him daily as well here on our farm. He has been started on some XC fences. He is VERY talented and has beautiful and floating gaits. He has a kind personality and a willing attitude. Because he is still green I would not recommend him for a beginner or novice rider. He loads and trailers well, cross ties and is tolerant of clipping. We love him dearly, but my daughter has grown to nearly 5'8" in this past year and is still growing. I am afraid it is inevitable that she will out grow him. \$5,500. Please contact Tomi Faulkner at: 580-762-9593 or 580-761-2560 justjumpfarm@aol.com or mrcow@poncacity.net (10/09)

For Sale; TOP HAT; brand new with tags; Christy's dressage top hat; 4 1/4 " crown; marked sz 7 but is smaller (6 3/4 -6 7/8). \$185 firm.
Contact: Lee Ann at leeannalf@gmail.com (4/09)

Auditor registration for the ODS Alf Athenstadt clinic is due by November 9. The rider schedule will be available on the website during the first week of November.

The next ODS Board meeting is scheduled for November 11 in Stillwater. Contact a board member for further information.

The ODS Dressage Camp for 2010 will be June 3-6 in Claremore. The scheduled instructors are Sarah Martin, Louise St. Amour and Gigi Nutter.

Best wishes for a speedy and complete recovery to Lyndon Rife, who was injured in a riding accident in October. A fund has been set up for donations to help with expenses. More complete information can be found on the Region 9 website at <http://www.usdfregion9.org/>


Horse Registrations from Sherry Guess

ENTERED 10-28-09
937 Snowman Susan Field

CONGRATULATIONS to Deryn Stewart riding D'Erin for completing the requirements for the USDF Silver Medal at the Lazy E Shows in October. This was their first competition at Prix St. Georges. Way to go!!!



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2010 ODS AGM Registration Form



OKLAHOMA DRESSAGE SOCIETY AWARDS BANQUET
Saturday, JANUARY 23, 2010
FREDDIE'S STEAK HOUSE, 1425 N Sapulpa Rd., Tulsa, OK

Traveling from OKC on the turnpike take exit 218A.

Traveling from Tulsa stay on Hwy 66 (do not get on turnpike)

Name: _____
Address: _____
City _____ State _____ Zip _____
Telephone _____ E-mail address _____

**Cash or check must accompany this reservation form and be received
no later than Friday, Jan. 15, 2010.**

Send reservation form and payment to: Susan Fraley Mohler, 13998 N 4310, Big Cabin, OK 74332

MAKE CHECKS PAYABLE TO ODS

Number of tickets	\$22.50 each	Total Enclosed
_____ X's	_____ =	_____

Menu

Tossed green salad w/ Ranch or Italian dressing
Tabouli
Mini Cabbage Rolls
Tequila lime marinated chicken breast
Seared beef-tips with demi glaze sauce
Herb roasted potatoes w/peppers & onions
Chef's choice vegetable
Rolls
Iced Tea/ water / coffee
Cheesecake

10:00 AM ODS Annual Business Meeting & Awards Presentations
12:30 PM Banquet

Please help us raise money for ODS Education by donating an item(s) for the SILENT AUCTION. If you know what you are bringing, please let us know. If you come up with something after you make your reservation, just bring it with you. We appreciate your support!!



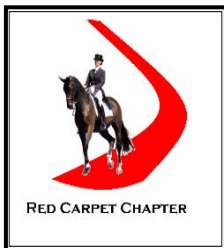
GCC NEWS

Greetings GCC Members:
Now that the Rocking C Stables Schooling Show is over, the GCC show year is winding to a close. The year officially ends on November 1, 2009, and recording forms **MUST** be in to Christina Harmon by no later

than November 4, 2009. For everyone's convenience, I have attached the GCC Year-End Awards Criteria along with the GCC Year-End Awards Recording Form. (*see next page*) Here are some things to keep in mind with regard to the GCC Year-End Awards Program:

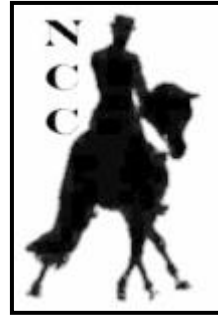
- 1) To be considered for the Year End Awards Program, a competitor must turn in a completed Year-End Awards Recording Form. A completed recording form must be in place for anyone to be considered for the program.
- 2) The MINIMUM requirements for the program are three shows, three judges, 5 scores, one of which is the highest test in that particular level, however - and this is important! - **ALL SCORES FOR ALL SHOWS ENTERED SHOULD BE RECORDED ON THE FORM.** All competitors entered in the Year-End Awards Program will have **ALL** their scores verified by the Year-End Awards Coordinator, and all scores will be used in the compilation process .
- 3) Those entering in the 2009 GCC Year-End Awards Program should **NOT** interpret the minimum requirements mentioned above as meaning that they may choose which five scores will be considered. Anyone submitting a recording form will have ALL their scores considered, the high and low scores dropped, and the rest averaged. This is the way we have done it in previous years; nothing about the process has changed for 2009.
- 4) The GCC Year-End Recording Form was created largely as a convenience to the exhibitors so they could keep a running tally of the shows, judges and ALL scores earned for the year in the level they are showing in. By doing so, they will know at a glance what their status is with regard to the awards requirements. At the end of the year, they can simply send in their completed form to the coordinator for verification and compilation. The recording forms help the coordinator to know which exhibitors are interested in vying for the awards. This cuts down on the paperwork process in that they only have to calculate the averages on those WHO HAVE SENT IN THE COMPLETED RECORDING FORMS. If an exhibitor does not send in a form by the November 4 deadline, they will not be considered for a year-end award.

Liz Logan
GCC President



RCC NEWS

From Darrell Reed: Red Carpet Chapter is planning a meeting on or about Nov 8th Time & Place TBD



NCC NEWS

It is that time again to be thinking of running for a board member of the NCC. We need everyone's help to make this club a good one.

Remember a club is only as good as the members that are in it. We need interested parties to contact Michael Colclasure at michaelcolclasure@gmail.com and

just let Mike know that you are interested in becoming a board member.

Happy Transitions!!
Rainee B.

NCC of ODS President for 2009

<http://www.ncc.dressageoklahoma.org/>

Laurie McDonald, TRILOGY SADDLES, is schedule for a saddle fitting clinic on Tuesday, November 10, at Lyn Francik's Last November Farm in southeast OKC. Laurie will be available in the afternoon and evening. Trilogy saddles are designed for the comfort, balance, and freedom of both horse and rider. For more information or to schedule an appointment, contact Lyn at lnf_1@msn.com or 405-412-7982.

From Jane Mysock: We are trying to schedule a saddle fitting clinic in November with Mike Corcoran. He is from the Dallas area and has made and fitted saddles all over the country for many years. He uses thermography and actually watches the horse and rider in motion for his evaluation. He'll be coming to Lily Pond Estates just West of Tulsa in Kellyville. We have a large indoor arena, so weather is not problem. Anyone who is interested can contact me at jsock50@gmail.com, or 918-691-0079.

Jochen Hippenstiel is returning to Southerly Winds December 4-6th. Here is a wonderful opportunity to ride with an international level trainer. You can enter online at www.southerlywindsfarm.com or contact Denise Laigle southerlywindsfarm@cox.net for further information.

Lurena Bell is returning to Oklahoma for clinics in January and March. She will be in the Oklahoma City area on January 15-16 (contact leeannalf@gmail.com) and in the Tulsa area on January 17-18 (contact Kelly Langerak langarak@cox.net). Lurena has been longlisted and ridden on the USET several times. She has trained or helped students train many horses to the GP level. She enjoys working with all levels and all types of horses and riders.

Sarah Martin is scheduled to return to Oklahoma for a dressage clinic on March 5, 6, and 7, 2010. Contact Karen Taylor ktinok@tds.net for more information.



**2009 Green Country Chapter of Oklahoma Dressage Society
Year-End Awards Program**



- Award year runs from NOVEMBER 3, 2008 through NOVEMBER 1, 2009.
- Horse must be registered with ODS with either a LIFE or ANNUAL registration.
- Rider **MUST** be an ODS/GCC member prior to the time the scores are earned.
- Horse and rider combination must ride in and receive scores from:

Three (3) or more GCC Schooling Shows, or GCC approved schooling shows, in a particular level with at least **five (5) scores from three (3) different judges**, and at least **one (1) of those scores from the highest test of that level**.
- Year-end averages will be calculated by dropping the highest and lowest score; all remaining scores will be averaged.
- At least one score from the highest test of the level must be included in the year-end average. (For example: If a rider has only one score from the highest test of the level and it is either the highest or lowest score, it cannot be thrown out. If a rider has two or more scores from the highest test of the level at least one of those must be included in the year-end average.)
- Riders are responsible for completing a **Year-End Awards Recording Form**. This form must be emailed or sent to Christina Harmon by November 4, 2009. If competing in two levels, a separate form must be completed for each. The **Year-End Recording Form** is available at the schooling shows, on the GCC website www.greencountrydressage.org, or by emailing Christina Harmon at mllnm966@aol.com. Riders not submitting the **Year End Awards Recording Form** will not be considered for year end awards.
- For ODS approved schooling shows that are not run by or approved by GCC, the rider is responsible for sending a copy of the test showing judge's signature, level and number of the test, and the score. These must be sent along with the **Year-End Awards Recording Form** by November 4, 2009.
- Each ODS/GCC member must volunteer a minimum of four (4) hours at a GCC function to be eligible for year-end awards.
- Awards will be given in the following categories: Introductory Level, Training Level, First Level, Second Level, and Third Level and Above.
- Junior 12 and under, Junior 13 and over, Amateur and Open divisions will be offered within each level. Champion, Reserve Champion and 3rd through 6th place will be awarded in each division.
- **A Vintage Rider Champion** (riders 50 years and older) will be awarded at each level.

Candidates Named for 2010 GCC Board Seats

There are changes coming to the Green Country Board of Directors! Eight of the current ten board members will be retiring in December at the Annual GCC Christmas Party and Awards Banquet. Of these eight, two are seeking re-election. This leaves at least three positions available for those interested in serving terms on the GCC Board. If you are at all inclined, NOW is the time to throw your hat in the ring, submit a biography, and RUN FOR A BOARD SEAT!

Retiring board members include Liz Logan, Karen Taylor, Susan Fraley-Mohler, Sandy Thompson, Jolie Pressler, and Christina Harmon. Those returning for another year of service include Cheryl West and Laurie Hedlund. Board members who are seeking additional terms are Marsha Cullen and Nicole Burris. Biographies on these two board member/candidates are included below.

NICOLE BURRIS

I have enjoyed being involved in ODS events for three years, and have been an active member and served on the board of the Green Country Chapter since 2007. Among regular membership chairman duties this past year, I organized and ran a used tack sale at the March, 2009 GCC "Do Over" Show, as well as assisted Jolie Pressler with two schooling shows and another on the way (October 25). My dressage partner is Elvis, a National Show Horse who was originally trained for saddle-seat, but manages to hold his own quite well in the dressage world.

MARSHA CULLEN

My interest in horsemanship began early, at or before the age of five. My family lived on a small acreage in southwest Missouri and we were fortunate enough to have a place to keep a pony. Cocoa, an older Shetland, came to live with us when I was five. They used to call me "the little Indian" since on many summer days I could be found riding Cocoa bareback in the neighborhood. When I was eight, we acquired a 14 hand buckskin Quarter Horse that I named Thunderbolt. He and I spent many days riding in the fields near home until I joined 4-H. In horsemanship, I learned grooming and showing western horses. Around the age of 14, we won a first place ribbon in the Newton County 4-H County Fair horse show riding the patterns. That same year we were fortunate to pasture-board an awesome 15 hand dun Quarter Horse named Tiger. He and I participated in the Calamity Janes Drill Team at the Baxter Springs Round-Up Club arena and in various parades in and around Kansas. We also qualified for the Missouri High School State Rodeo Finals in pole-bending. Now, as a handicapped adult, I am a Grade IV Para-Equestrian and I participate in dressage schooling shows. I hope to qualify as an Advanced Rider in Para-Equestrian in two years. As the Educational Program Coordinator for the Green Country Chapter of the Oklahoma Dressage Society, I've planned three events for our chapter this year. I hope to attend the National Convention sometime and bring back information to share that will help our club continue to grow and see development of more of our riders into the upper levels of dressage.

Our new candidates for GCC Board of Directors' positions include Kathy Burrows, Cynthia Ramsey, and Kendall West. Information about them is as follows:

KATHY BURROWS

I am a horse enthusiast and I have been riding for four years. I am new to the sport and am still learning all of the time. I have been a member of ODS/GCC for three years and have learned so much from all the educational opportunities offered. I dearly love the sport of dressage. I wish I could say I have ridden all my life, but I CAN say I have loved horses all my life. I owned my first horse at the age of thirty-something and haven't looked back since. I have two daughters that showed horses and competed in 4-H and Paint/Pinto shows, so I've been a horse-show mom for many years. I have been very active in 4-H and FFA leadership positions. I am employed as the Director of Employee Relations and Staffing for Saint Francis Health System/ Tulsa. I would love to be involved in and help out in any way with the ODS/GCC board.

CYNTHIA RAMSEY

I have always loved horses and rode some as a child; however, I did not start really riding until later in life. I have participated in both western and English riding. I own two horses, one a purebred Arabian and the other a half-Arabian. I started riding Dressage about six years ago and fell in love with it. My hope is to take my half-Arabian to the Arabian Sport-horse Nationals. While I was in Montana, I was active with the Miss Rodeo Montana program, a founding member and organizer of the Sport-horse Club and was active in the local Arabian Horse Club. When I moved to Wisconsin, I became active in Wisconsin Dressage and Combined Training Association. I was President of the Northeast Chapter. I helped my trainer in Wisconsin run dressage shows and have been the show secretary. I was instrumental in developing a young riders' scholarship program in WDCTA. I have also run an Arabian Community Show. I am currently working on my Doctorate in Educational Leadership and am employed by the Tulsa Public Schools. In addition, I have owned and operated a small farm-ette in Wisconsin. As to goals for ODS, I would love to see an active young riders program and continued development of the amateur riding program.

KENDALL WEST

My name is Kendall West. I am currently a senior at Claremore High School with a 3.5 GPA. When I was five, I stated riding horses. Now I help my mom start and train horses, assist in coaching riders on the West Equestrian Team, and help teach lessons at my mom's ranch (West Equestrian Center). I also compete in competitive trail-riding, dressage and vaulting. I have volunteered at the Bit by Bit and the American Therapeutic Riding Centers. When I was a freshman, I won the TU Science Fair for my study of thrush and anaerobic bacteria in horses' hooves.

I am interested in pursuing the office of Secretary with GCC to help me grow as an adult and an equestrian. I have had a good volunteer record at shows in the past. It is important to me to build responsible positions and a good resume' to help with my college and equestrian careers in the future.

Thank you for your consideration. ~Kendall West

Participation on the Green Country Board of Directors is, like any other volunteer participation, a labor of love. We are grateful for those who are giving enough of their time to agree to help further the sport of dressage in northeast Oklahoma. If you know of someone who might be interested in serving on our board of directors, or if you, yourself, is interested, please get in touch with anyone currently serving on the GCC Board of Directors. We are always interested in talking with people who want to help!

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November 2009

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