

**IN MEMORY OF:
BEE PAPE**

10/14/1928 - 7/29/2011

*All of us are saddened
by the passing of Bee.
May the comfort of good
memories bring strength
to all who knew her.*

THE ODS FAMILY

September Calendar of Events:

- 3rd** U Rocking C Stable Schooling Show
Inola, OK
- 10th-11th** U ODS Hosted "L" Program,
Tulsa, OK
- 20th** U State Fair Recognized Show,
Oklahoma City, OK
- 24th** U Honey Do Ranch Schooling Show
Mounds, OK
- 24rd-25th** U Laurie Hedlund Clinic Series,
Ada, OK
- 25th** U GCC Schooling Show,
Chelsea, OK

*Detailed calendar & forms
available on the ODS website:*

www.dressageoklahoma.org

President's Letter:

This has been a very full year for ODS. Our membership currently stands at 205, which is 8.5% more than last year's 189 members.

Organized by Education Chair Anne Kuhns, our New Test Symposium with Lilo Fore was well attended by approximately 50 people. Demonstration riders and auditors alike were able to view the new tests, plus given pointers on how to perform some of the more difficult movements at each level.

Our fourth Dressage Camp had 24 campers. Even with high temperatures, everyone had a great time with our USDF Certified Instructors: Sarah Martin, Gigi Nutter, and Cathy Zappa. We used the dormitory at Rogers State University and each group of campers had their own apartment. Claremore Expo Center was the site of the arena work, and with the Green Country Chapter recognized show two weeks later, it gave the campers a chance to familiarize their horses with the facility.

Anne has also provided us with the first three segments of the USDF "L" Program. Our first session had 22 participants from literally all over the nation: New Jersey to Florida to California, as well as five ODS members. Additionally, there were 22 auditors. Due to the extreme heat, the decision was made not to use live horses for the demonstration and instead Lois Yukins presented videos of the movements. Session B will be September 10-11 in Sperry, OK and Session C will be October 22-23 in Kellyville, OK.

We have sponsored our first USDF Instructor Workshop at Southerly Winds Farm in Harrah, OK, run by Blane and Denise Laigle. Two segments have been completed and the third was interrupted by 'weather', and will be finished in September. Plans are already under way for the Pre-Certification Testing.

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SHINING STAR AWARD

Elizabeth Eaton received the Shining Star Award at the Green Country Dressage Classic in Claremore, OK. The Shining Star Award recognizes outstanding sportsmanship among USDF Youth Members. Elizabeth was instrumental in organizing the activities for the Youth Team Competition such as creating a riddle game, contacting L graduates to sit in the stands with team members to discuss rides, and tabulating team scores. She also showed a horse for a competitor who was unable to show at the last minute. Elizabeth had never ridden this horse before and was able to find time to school this horse, to get themselves familiar with each other, and ride two tests. Elizabeth also helped to photograph the teams after the award ceremony. Through all her tasks and extra duties that weekend, Elizabeth displayed good sportsmanship traits of responsibility, kindness, and self-discipline. We are proud to have Elizabeth Eaton as a member of the Oklahoma Dressage Society.



Congratulations Elizabeth!

**New Members:
Join ODS now for 2012
and get the rest of this
year free!!**

**OKLAHOMA
STATE FAIR**

**DRESSAGE
2011**

SEPTEMBER 20TH

JUDGE:

FRAN DEARING

CONTACT:

STACIA OR JUDY

**YOU'LL GET
GREAT
PICTURES!**

**STATE FAIR
PARK**

**TUESDAY
SEPT. 20TH**

ODS September Event

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

ODS is pleased to offer Part 1 of the USDF "L" Program in 2011. The "L" Program offers a comprehensive curriculum created to teach participants & auditors how to evaluate dressage performance at Training through 2nd Level.

SESSION B | SEPTEMBER 10-11:
**"Judging Criteria for Gaits & Paces,
Movements & Figures"**

Maryal Barnett
Bridle Creek Horse Ranch | Sperry, OK
and
Park Inn at the Tulsa airport.

Morning lectures will be at the Park Inn.
Afternoon demonstration rides will be at Bridle
Creek Horse Ranch.

Auditor Applications due by September 3!

**Biographical information about Maryal can be
found at www.maryalbarnett.com/id1.html.**

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We had two recognized shows this year. One organized by ODS in May at the Tulsa Expo, and the other organized by the Green Country Chapter of ODS in June. Our May show lost \$1,000, which was half the amount lost the year before, held at Lazy E in Guthrie. It is felt that the economy has reduced the numbers of people showing, since even our schooling shows are finding that they aren't filling the entire day. Hopefully, next year's show will prove to be a financial success. We are also exploring the possibility of returning to the Shawnee Expo center the following year, if suitable dates can be secured. In the past, our shows have made enough money to fund our educational activities. With losses the past two years, we are going to have to be more creative with those activities. We also hope to find more sponsorships for the show. Budgeting carefully has become the watchword this year!

As usual, there is an abundance of schooling shows, with more than ten that are ODS approved. Again, weather reared it's ugly head, with some shows succumbing to rain and others to heat.

Our Membership Chair Beth Circle came up with a great idea for a low cost educational event. The idea is to use three local trainers to demonstrate a lesson they would like to teach, on any topic, to their own student. Then the three instructors will give a lesson to three pre-selected individuals who have brought their horses. All the lessons will be taught with the auditors in mind. All instructors will be asked to donate their time and students for the event. Anyone interested in being part of the second teaching segment, will submit their names and three names will be drawn. We already have a site that will donate their arena and stabling. There would be a minimal charge for auditing to cover lunch. We hope to produce this during the fall or winter.

Sadly, ODS recently lost one of its founding members, Bee Pape. There has been a Memorial Fund set up in her name to benefit riders of USDF Region 9. Bee was a great asset to our GMO and to the Region, and she will be deeply missed.

Sherry

Region 9 Information

Region 9 has Regional Grant Funds available for CE Programs, and Adult Educational or Youth Educational Programs / Seminars, etc. <http://www.usdfregion9.org/GMOs/GMOEducationGrant.html>.

Bring a GMO basket to the 2011 Adequan/USDF Annual Convention in San Diego, CA and show off your GMO's style! The GMO Basket Letter of Intent can be found on the USDF Web site at <http://www.usdf.org/docs/clubs/gmos/BasketLetterofIntent.pdf> and are due in the USDF office by November 11. Forms can be faxed, mailed, or e-mailed to USDF.

USDF is seeking donations for the Youth Silent Auction to take place at the 2011 Adequan/USDF National Convention in San Diego, CA. Donations are fully tax deductible and all proceeds will benefit the USDF Youth Convention Scholarship Fund. If you, or your business, have an item or service to donate to the Youth Silent Auction, please contact the USDF office.

Paula, Sunny & Purina

Paula Walker wrote into Purina Horse Feeds for the 60 day challenge with a story on her horses. She was chosen by Purina PR people to do a live interview from her place. Purina hired Jeanie Eaton to go out and do a photo shoot to go with the Live interview since they did it through the phone. Last week, we were told the interview would air live on RFDtv during the Purina Live talk show. While Paula spoke of her senior horse Sunny and all the good things about Purina senior feed, Jeanie's images flipped in the background.



Chapter News

NCC:

Hello Dressage Enthusiasts of the NCC!!! Well, it is going to be the fall before the NCC will be hosting their 2fer shows this year. Our tentative dates are Oct. 2nd and Nov. 6th.

Remember now is the time to start getting your horses ready. It has been so hot not too many of us have been really riding regularly. But I do know of quite a few of you die hards that ride still everyday. My hat is off to YOU!! I can't handle the heat like I used to, but fall is just around the corner for all of us! All I can say to that is YAHOO!!

We will be posting the showbills soon and naming our judges so keep an eye out here and on the ODS website for more information. In case you don't know or just don't remember the 2fer shows are one show in the morning with one judge and a second show in the afternoon with another.

I like this idea since we couldn't spread them out this year. Haul once ride 2 shows, bathe (the horse) once ride 2 shows, clip your horse once and ride 2 shows. Well, with today's economy this looks to be a promising idea.

Now we didn't come up with this, Cheryl West of ATRC did and she shared it with us.

Thank You Cheryl!!

Keep your eyes out for the showbill. We will be having "Western Dressage" if we get any interest in it.

Hope to see you ALL at the shows.

Rainee B.

2011 NCC President

GCC:

GCC will be holding a JR/YR Camp on October 14-16. We had a place booked to take on the horses and sleeping arrangements for the girls but unfortunately the facility cannot host them now. Lily Pond has accepted to host the camp but does not have a place for the girls to stay overnight.

If there is anyone who could donate a living quarters trailer or camper for the juniors for that weekend, it would just be awesome! Contact Jolie or a GCC board member. Visit www.greencountrydressage.org for more information.

Classified Ads

FOR SALE: Marcus Krehan Mono Flap Dressage Saddle (17" seat), "A" (narrow) tree; New saddle pad (still in plastic); Cottage Craft Girth; full-size bridle with HS KK loose ring snaffle bit. All in good shape. \$600 for all. Contact Sandra at (405) 308-2662 or leird.sandra@gmail.com

FOR SALE: 17" County Competitor, #4 tree, dark brown. Moderately deep seat and smaller knee blocks. In very good condition, always kept indoors, used very little, and so comfortable! It includes dark brown Crosby leathers, stirrups, and a 26" brown leather girth. \$700. Contact Robyn at hill@cowley.edu for more information.

TOP LINE INK



For those of you that receive the magazine Top Line Ink Equestrian journal, the front cover might look familiar. That is Deryn Stewart's horse D'Erin. This was a custom art piece from a photo Jeanie Eaton took at the Green Country Dressage Classic in 2010 and featured on the front cover that comes out in September.

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

New Membership Renewing Membership Information Change

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____

Junior (has not reached 18th birthday by Dec. 1st of membership year) \$35 Birth date _____ (required for USDF)

Senior (18 yrs and older) \$45: Amateur Open Vintage (50+ yrs)

Family (USDF Membership paid on primary family member and one supporting) \$55, add \$10 per additional member

Spouse Name _____ USDF ID# _____ Amateur Open Vintage

Child's Name _____ USDF ID# _____ Birth date _____

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Total Number of Extra USDF Memberships _____ x \$10 = \$ _____

Charter-Founding members only (USDF Membership) \$20

Add an ODS Chapter Membership for \$10 each chapter (same price for family or individual). Chapter membership is not required.

North Central Chapter (NCC)

Green Country Chapter (GCC) www.greencountrydressage.org Red Carpet Chapter (RCC) formerly SCRC +

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?

Scribing Scoring Organization/Management Accounting Spreadsheets

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.

**OKLAHOMA DRESSAGE SOCIETY
HORSE REGISTRATION FORM**

Horses must be registered and the rider must be a current ODS member for a test/ride to be eligible and qualify for the ODS year end award programs.

Horse _____ Owner _____

Owner's Address _____

Lifetime Registration \$20.00 Make checks payable to ODS. You can include this with your membership check.

Annual Registration \$10.00

Change of Ownership \$5.00 Previous Owner _____ ODS Horse Reg. # _____

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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