



The Colorado Springs Dressage Association

NEWSLETTER

October 2003

Letter From the Editor

Another year over and just awards to wrap it up! Congratulations to all on a successful show season, whether you were competitor, owner, groom, spectator or volunteer. Our sport couldn't be what it is without any of you.

As many of you will be receiving this I will have hopefully had my baby. I appreciate everyone's support this year and thanks for all your blessings and encouragement!

Any news about you, your horse, your barn? Just email me with the information to

slush@drwg.net

All info must be emailed to me by the 3rd of the month to be included. Thanks!

NEXT MEETING
TUESDAY, October 21, 2003
Bennette's Bar-B-Que
2004 OFFICER ELECTIONS

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From the President

Greetings and congratulations to all of our 2003 RMDS/USDF Championship competitors and winners! I hope you are all enjoying the fall foliage by horseback.

By the time you read this hopefully, mosquito season will be done. Although there was quite a lot of new coverage on the human impact of the West Nile virus with daily counts, this year's Equine coverage was scarce. There was an article in The Gazette September 21, 2003 that did give an update. I was surprised to read that Colorado was the hardest hit in the U.S. I would have expected more humid areas further east and south would have out ranked us. For those of you who missed this, below is The Gazette article.

“Colorado’s horse owners hit hard by West Nile scare”

DENVER * Some are skipping horse shows. Others are doling out more for vaccines and vet bills as their industry is struggling amid a tough economy. Residents are coping with hundreds of cases of West Nile, a mosquito-borne virus that has hit more horses in Colorado than any other state this year. Judy Vandeweghe, owner of By the Weghe Farms near Franktown south of Denver, had her horses vaccinated, but 26-year-old Foukie was diagnosed with West Nile. She noticed the horse was having trouble walking two months ago. “He’s my daughter’s first horse, so I keep babying him. But he’s better this week, so there’s hope.” The overall impact on the state’s \$753 million industry has been difficult to measure because costs have been absorbed by horse owners, Colorado Horse Council Executive Director Brian Kitchen said. “It certainly had some negative impacts in that it has affected people going to shows, and people are a little concerned about taking their horses to areas with mosquitoes,” Kitchen said. More than 520 equine West Nile cases have been reported in Colorado, including horses, mules and donkeys, state officials said. Northern Colorado has been hit the hardest with more than 100 cases in Larimer and Weld counties alone. It was unclear how many horses have died because health officials have not tracked the numbers. Most horses that die have not been vaccinated, are older or already sick, officials say. At least 1,200 cases have been reported across the nation with the Rocky Mountain region absorbing most of the impact, federal officials said. Nationally, the economic impact has been felt most by ranches that send breeding horses to other countries, said Amy Mann of the American Horse Council in Washington, D.C. “As far as trade, we do have some countries in South America – Argentina and Brazil – that placed restrictions on horses that came from any region where West Nile activity was reported, in any species,” Mann said. “It’s generally on or two farms out of Florida or California or Texas. You’re talking about a relatively small amount of horses but a pretty hefty impact on those farms,” she said, noting stud fees can run from \$500 to \$1 million. West Nile first was reported in the United States in 1999 and found in Colorado in 2002. Horses, like humans, get the virus from infected mosquitoes. Of the horses that get sick, about 33 percent die or are put to death, according to U.S. Department of Agriculture’s Animal and Plant Health Inspection Service.

Janet A.

Show Season Clean up!

Don't throw away your tack... Donate it for a tax deduction to Pikes Peak Therapeutic Riding Center. We are always in need of usable good tack - all different types. We are also in need of various horse and barn equipment. Please see our wish list online at www.pptrc.org and click on "PPTRC needs". There are always more items than what we can fit on our list. Please don't hesitate to call us at 495-3908. Ask for Mary or email to mmitten@pptrc.org



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Quote of the Month

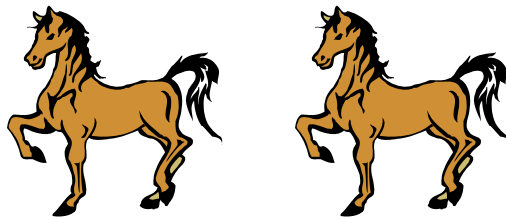
“The essential joy of being with horses is that it brings us in contact with the rare elements of grace, beauty, spirit, and fire.” --Sharon Ralls Lemon

September Monthly Minutes

- Our monthly meetings have a new location due to Penrose Equestrian Center now charging \$50 for the room. We will be meeting in the small conference room at Bennett's BBQ on N. Academy across from Target.
- Our May 2003 show made approximately \$1000 profit.
- August 19th meeting at Penrose Eq. Center, Dr. Penny Lloyd, DVM, demonstrated equine stretching using Felicia Music's horse.
- August 30-31, we had Jill Canter-Lee give a clinic. This gave CSDA member a chance to tryout Jill, as we have proposed that she be one of our 2004 Adult Camp clinicians.
- We are reviewing insurance companies in an effort to get a better rate. Currently paying \$1447 to Taggart Insurance. Thus far, American Bankers Insurance could save \$400/year. Other company being considered, Great American, Equi-sure.
- Finalized the prize list for our show "Dressage at the Peak". May 21st warm-up show will have judge Sandra Keeley (L), Judi Tobias as Manager, Heather Petersen as Secretary. May 22-23rd show will be part of the "L" program with judges Hilda Gurney (S), Janet Brown (S), and Betsy Berrey (S), Linda Bena as Manager, Heather Petersen as Secretary. Once again the show will be a qualifying competition for the North American Young Rider's Qualifier. We increased our office fee, trailer-in fees went down.
- October 17-19, Dr. Max Gahwyler will be giving a clinic. Auditors are still welcome, contact Heather.
- November 16, CSDA plan's to have John Tukey give Long Reining clinic.
- January 10, the CSDA Awards Banquette is scheduled at Bennett's BBQ.
- January 24, CSDA plans to have John Tukey to give Cavaletti clinic.
- Other clinic ideas in the works, late February to have ½ hour private lesson/ride-a-test with Janet Brown if she is available.
- New CSDA officer candidates for 2004 were nominated. Elections will take place at the next meeting, October 21st.
- BOG 2004 committee was formed, Janet Alexander, Kathy Martin and Judi Tobias.
- April 8-11th, CSDA Adult Camp 2004. Janet Alexander, Camp Coordinator.

Respectfully submitted,

Janet G. Alexander
CSDA 2003 President



Un-Classified Ads

For Sale – Antique Carriage Wheel. Good condition, stored indoors. \$75. 719-593-7310

For Sale: 1995 16.2H bay approved holsteiner mare. Shown training level by professional in 2001 - all scores in 60's. Sound. Currently in training. Needs a confident rider. \$12,000 OBO. 1996 16.3H bay approved holsteiner mare. Being shown this year by professional - very good scores. Sound. Great amateur horse. \$18,000 firm. Call Kathy @ 495-0523.

Barn Sale:

Big D winter hood - size large - \$10

Australian Outback long oilskin coat, leg straps for riding, like new, only worn twice, size M - \$75

Bags of alfalfa cubes - \$5 each.

Call 495-1510

For Sale: 11 yr. old 16 h. Hanoverian Gelding. Only needs to solidify flying changes to be ready for third level competition next year. Needs a strong rider as he has loads of personality and opinions! Very fun! Excellent form over fences. Ideal for junior young rider. \$20,000.00. Please call Judy at (719) 685-4134.

Double Bridle for Sale - English made, Courbette Weymouth (double) bridle. New condition, fits horse/warmblood. Black and white leather. Includes reins and bits. Bridle sells new for \$260 new, priced at \$175. Contact Jane McBride 598-4496.

Passier Nicole's Grand Gilbert Saddle,

17 ½ inch, excellent condition with fittings. Lists new for \$2376. Restuffed by a master saddler 3 months ago. Does not fit my horse anymore! Must sell...\$1600. Jane McBride 598-4496

For Lease:

9 yr old Hanoverian Gelding, 17 h, shown at 2nd Level, working 3rd. Very quiet, good on trails, also jumps. Great for somewhat advanced beginner. Currently boarded at Five Star Ranch, but might move closer towards Black Forest area. Looking for very dependable person (yes, I am picky) to ride 2-3 times a week. Show participation possible. Contact Simone Windeler for details 540-2000 or enomisl@adelphia.net.

Shadbelly coats (2) and top hats (2) needed for show hack class in August and October! New or used, for sale or rent, 10-12 and 14-16 coats and hats around 56 cm. Call Tracy Vale, 719-495-0248.

Half Andalusian Gelding (PRE x NSH), 3 years, 15.2h, under saddle and ready for discipline training in dressage, hunt seat and driving. Call Tracy Vale, 719-495-0248.

Ride an Andalusian! Have horses that need to be ridden regularly and no time. Looking for dressage riders with a need to be in the saddle every week. Call Tracy Vale, 719-495-0248.

For Sale: 1989 Turnbow 2 horse straight in with 4' dressing room. Built for BIG horses. 6' wide, 7'2" tall. Great shape. Well maintained. \$3500. MaryJo 719-495-3648

For Sale: 1999 Bay Thoroughbred/Morgan gelding, 15.3h, by Axen (Thoroughbred) out of Finnwick Tiffany (Morgan) mare. Super sporthorse prospect, started under saddle, loads, ties, trimmed every 5 weeks, great gaits & conformation, sound & healthy. Eligible for multiple sport registries. Owner doesn't have time! \$3000. call 719-495-8718.

May 2003 Friesian/Arab foals for sale. Bred specifically for dressage with champion bloodlines in both parents. \$5500 prior to weaning, \$6500 after weaning. 17 year old Egyptian Arab broodmare open for your unique breeding goals this year, \$1500. Grandsire is *Tuhutmos (featured by R. Vavra in "Equus Reined") and mother of exquisite 2003 black filly. Beautiful suspension, started under saddle. 6 year old Friesian mare, going well under saddle, registered in the FPS studbook. Private treaty. Call Yamo at Namaste Farm: 719/210-3071.

H&H Performance Horses New Listings–

**1998 Chestnut, Oldenburg mare, 16.1h, by Rambo (elite Danish Stallion) out of a Hanoverian (Diamond) mare. Well started under saddle, sweet, sound, good gaits, no vices. \$8500, firm.

**Pointmaker Oldenburg gelding, 4 yo, 16.2+, dark brown. Very elegant head and neck, correct conformation, great gaits, sound, healthy, just starting work under saddle. Has had limited attention, but has a loving disposition and good mind. Clips, ties, trailers, good for the farrier. \$8000.

**Contact H&H Performance Horses – Leslie Harrison, DVM (719) 221-2188

TACK FOR SALE:

1) Rembrandt Dressage 18' black, never used, very good condition \$1200 obo.

2) Keifer Wein DL dressage 18" used, some scuffing \$450 obo.

3) Prestige (selleria Italiana) jumping. 17" never used, very forward, excellent condition 1400 obo.

Call Therese at 719-676-3300

www.horsetop.net - The Source for Everything Horse on the front range of Colorado. Free ads and events posted.

For Sale: D.G.Stackhouse Classic style custom dressage saddle, black. 17.5" seat, medium tree. 6 years old, lightly used. very good condition. Pencil knee roll, double flaps. Fittings not included. \$1995. Kathy; 719-495-9270 or email koakey@pcisys.net.

MUST SELL - \$7000 OBO. 1994 bumper pull Sooner aluminum 2-horse slant load trailer. Super-size dressing room, oversize stalls, many extras. Well maintained. 719-593-7310.



2004 Officer Elections – Proposed Slate

President - Felicia Music

Vice Pres - open

Treasury - Janet Alexander

Secretary - Mimi Smith

Newsletter – Heather Petersen

Awards - Cici Lee

Education - Sharon Meazell

Communications - Judy Tobias

JR/YR - Linda and Kassie

A Clinic with Dr. Max Gahwyler

Friday October 17th, 2003 thru Sunday October 19th, 2003

Auditing Spaces Still Available!!!

The clinic will be held at Desert Skye Enterprises all three days. 45 minutes private and semi-private lessons will be available, and auditors are welcome. **There will be a headset microphone and speaker for Dr. Max this time!** Auditing is \$10 per day/\$25 for all 3 days in advance or \$15 per day at the door.

Please call (719) 573-0398 or email slush@drgw.net for questions or directions.

RMDS Board of Governors' Meeting Year-End Awards November 8th, 2003

CSDA has 8 delegates this year for the Board of Governors meeting 11/8/2003, 8:30 am - 4:00 pm. This years meeting will be held at the Boulder Broker Inn. We are looking for members interested in attending and representing CSDA. Please call or e-mail Janet Alexander if you are interested, so your name can be submitted to the RMDS office as delegate.

Check the Centaur for more information on the members Art Contest and the year-end awards banquet!!!

CALENDAR OF EVENTS

October 11 – Dressage Schooling Show – Five Star Ranch – contact Birget.

October 17-19 – Dr. Max Gahwyler Clinic –Desert Skye – contact Heather

October 21 – **CSDA General Meeting – 6:30 – Officer Elections – Bennette's Bar-B-Que**

November 8 – RMDS Board of Governors' Meeting and Awards Banquette – Boulder, CO



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