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A Visit to The Kentucky Horse Park

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"The Kentucky Horse Park!" The words can arouse anticipation and joy in the over 1,200 acres devoted to horses and the people who love them! The endless expanse of gently rolling green fields, the museums, the trolley tour, the sculptures and memorials to great horses of the past, the kids' barn, the gift shop, the numerous 'barn side chats,' and so, so much more!

Horses have lived on the property for over 200 years, but it wasn't until 1972 that the Commonwealth of Kentucky bought the portion that became The Kentucky Horse Park. "In 1978, The Kentucky Horse Park, the world's only park dedicated to humans' relationship with the horse, opened to the public." Its offerings have been growing ever since.



My introduction to the Kentucky Horse Park came a couple of years ago. A friend and I drove down to Lexington to watch a championship liberty horse show.

As we drove into the park, we ogled at the rolling green fields outlined with black fences and the beautiful buildings. Eventually, we located the arena where the liberty show was being held. We were amazed by how well each handler could direct his/her horse from the ground with NO halter or rope! It really showed the quality of their communication and the depth of their relationship! If the horse didn't want to be with its handler, it could simply take off and run, and roll and play in the gigantic indoor arena. A few horses did just that! Predictably, in a few minutes the horse reconnected with its

handler and happily returned to showing off all of its cool liberty moves.



After the liberty classes, we investigated other parts of the grounds and found the cross country course and the huge outdoor arena/stadium. We really lucked out and came on a weekend when a 3-day event was taking place! Neither my friend nor I know a horse apple's worth about eventing, so I can't relay to you eventers out there what level of competition this was, much less than the name of the show. Sorry, eventers! All I can say is that the jumps looked big!

The cross country course seemed gigantic. We couldn't find a spot where we could see the entire course at the same time, so we wandered around from one obstacle to another, looking for the most spectacular obstacles that also offered good photography possibilities. (We had no idea what course protocol might be. But we observed many other people doing the same thing, so we thought we'd be OK. We kept far out of the way and no one scolded us.)

Intrigued by the cross country competition, but a smidge afraid for the horses and riders, we watched with intensity. The course was so long, the obstacles so big, so solid, so imposing..... and the horses were really moving! No measly trotting or timid little canters. These horses were powerful freight trains on four feet. We felt as if the ground trembled as hooves pounded past us over long stretches of green fields.

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Different cross country obstacles tested the strength, endurance and precision of both horses and riders. It was fun watching the horses gallop through a water feature and then exit by jumping over a gigantic wooden goose! (A little scary, too.) At another obstacle, riders had to make decisions on how to navigate a bunch of L-shaped cedar fences camouflaged within a tight grove of trees. Quick thinking by sharp-eyed riders and athletic moves by eager horses were rewarded in this section of the course. The riders were skilled and courageous, and the horses appeared to revel in their jobs.

The stadium jumping seemed to bring out different skills in the participants. Precision and control appeared to be the words of the day. The jumps were varied and colorful and the horse and rider teams were turned out to a "T." Competitors seemed to sail over the jumps with ease!

Unfortunately, we missed the first day of the 3-day event, so we didn't see the dressage classes. But the sport holds a special place in the park, evidenced by the life-size statue of a horse in half pass, "In Honor

and Memory of Christine Kaufman Thompson and Her Years of Dancing with Horses." Scattered throughout the park, many other statues of notable horses, such as "Bask, Man 'O War, Seattle Slew, Bruce Davidson riding Eagle Lion, and many others.

Another feature of the Horse Park is the



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International Museum of the Horse. It is the world's largest museum dedicated to the history of the relationship between horses and humans. Current exhibits include horses in Japanese culture, the history of the Arabian horse, horse racing, African American influences, and an important collection of historic horse-drawn vehicles. It is an amazing and fascinating place to spend a few hours. A must see!

These are only a smattering of activities at the Kentucky Horse Park. If you visit during the 2026 season—March 18 through November 1, you will find your days packed with such things as the Hall of Champions Show, Equine Showcase, the Draft Horse Presentation, horse-drawn trolley tours, 'chats' with mounted police, Hall of Champions Nightcap, 30-minute trail rides, visits with many special horses, and several museums and gift shops. Be aware the park is open Wednesdays through Mondays from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m.



and closed on Tuesdays. Check out its great website at kyhorsepark.com/park-information/.

If you're itching to drive down to Lexington to check out the Kentucky Horse Park, there are still plenty of activities this fall, including the Thoroughbred Makeover competition, the Hagyard Mid-south Three-Day Event, the Kentucky Oktoberfest Horse Trials, plus other interesting options. After writing this article, I'm ready to motor on down to the KHP again!



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President's Message

I don't know if it's my age or just this year, but this summer has flown by! I can remember as a kid I couldn't wait for summer to be over, so I could go back to school and see my friends. Summer was fun, but it seemed so l-o-n-g. Now I can't stand that time is flying by! In August I did electronic scribing at the Festival of Champions. The next weekend, I hosted a riding clinic, and then I scribed at the USDF Region 2 Championships. I had so many learning opportunities in just a few weeks!

Less than a week later, I was judging along with WDEA member, Tracey Dikkers, at the Sundance Farm Horse Trials in Plymouth, WI. The farm, owned by Kelly Mahloch and her family, is so beautiful. Even under the stress of putting on a major event, Kelly maintains her sense of humor. Her daughter, Ali, is also an accomplished equestrian. She is an eventer, and was in the ribbons at the Bromont CCI in Canada in June. Competing at this international event is a BIG deal. Well, Ali was not only in the ribbons, but she accomplished it riding cross country with **only one stirrup** after it broke after the first couple of fences. The photo she showed me of her going over a jump with clearly no stirrup gave me shivers. I also saw a WDEA member volunteering at this event, Celeste Pauli. Without volunteers, equestrian events would really struggle—if happen at all, so thank you. I encourage all of you to volunteer for shows. It's fun, you learn, and you meet new people.

Coming soon is the US Dressage Finals Oct. 29-Nov 1. I encourage you to get together with family or friends and head on down. It's in Wilmington, Ohio (closer than Lexington), with a lot of the competition in their numerous and humongous indoor arenas (as is a lot of shopping), so even if the weather isn't great, you will still be comfortable for a lot of the activities.

WDEA Keeps on Working Behind the Scenes

As far as WDEA activities, the board is busy, and I'm proud of the dedication our "team" gives to WDEA and our members. The board is starting to float ideas for the annual meeting and awards banquet. If you have any suggestions, please contact me.

In addition, our awards chair, Jessica Kaczmarek, is already exploring awards prizes. If you have any ideas, shoot her an email. Don't forget the deadline for sending in your scores is **Nov. 30!**

Our treasurer, Morgan Winter, keeps us on track as a responsible fiduciary of our membership and other funds, so we can offer services to members. On that note, please let us know what you would value as a member. Send us your ideas on events and activities.

Our board secretary, Carol McKinnon, has a big challenge: keeping me on track! I'd also be lost without our webmaster, Stephanie Severn—her expertise is way outside my skill set. And last but not least, the other board members (listed on the next page) provide their ideas, guidance and expertise, which keeps us aware of the varying perspectives of our members.

Lastly, I'll be your representative at the USDF Conference in December in Lexington, KY. I'll attend educational forums, as well as be our voice in the business meetings. I want to hear from you, so I can share your suggestions for improvements on our national governing structure, shows, as well as ideas for in-person and online education.

Enjoy our gorgeous fall weather!

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- Attend the Board of Directors' meetings held approximately three to four times a year (usually by teleconference, so very little travel to these meetings is required),
- Represent your members' needs and interests in your area and on the board,
- Serve as a chair of committees, as needed.

Newsletter Editor

Do you enjoy writing, editing and design work for publications like a newsletter? Do you want to put your skills to use to keep members informed, educated and even entertained about what's going on with dressage and eventing in Wisconsin—and what's happening on the national level with the USDF? Here's the answer: Volunteer as our newsletter editor.

Responsibilities:

- Write articles as necessary, solicit and coordinate other editorial including stories, calendar and advertising submissions, and manage layout, production and online distribution of the newsletter.
- Make judgments on editorial submissions that are in keeping with news and not business promotions, unless article is, for example, a profile of a member and his/her business. Bring any questionable sub-missions to the board's attention, prior to publishing.
- Work closely with the WDEA webmaster on shared website content as well as our Facebook pages.
- Serve on the WDEA board of directors.

Must be comfortable producing an electronic newsletter (created in Word or some other design program), then converting the finished piece to a PDF and distributing it to members via email.

Contact our WDEA President (president@Wldressage.org) if interested in either of these positions.

Calendar



USDF Events

USDF University

USDF Virtual Educator Series covers equine topics at no cost to you and you can join in from your own home.

Oct. 1-4

Region 4 Championships

National Equestrian Center
Lake St. Louis, MO

Oct. 29-Nov. 1

US Dressage Finals

World Equestrian Center
Wilmington, OH

If you don't want to compete, volunteer! It's a great learning experience and you'll meet new people. Kathy Grisolia is in charge of volunteers, contact her at kgrisolia@aol.com.

Dec. 2-5

USDF Convention

<https://www.usdf.org/Convention/save-the-date.asp>

Sept. 9-12, 2027

USDF Regional 2 Championships
Kentucky Horse Park
Lexington, KY

Oct. 7-10, 2027

USDF Region 4 Championships
St. Louis, MO

WDEA Events

Watch this space for future events.

Other Events

April 16-18, 2027

Midwest Horse Fair
Madison, WI



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DEADLINE: Postmark on or before Nov. 30!

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- I. Dressage Awards
 - a. Divisions are defined as Junior/Young Rider (Jr/YR), Open and Adult Amateur.
 - b. Applicants may only compete in one division per competition season.
 - c. A Horse of the Year award will be awarded for each of the following divisions Training—Second level, Third—Fourth level, and FEI levels.
 - d. Levels are defined as In-Hand, Musical Freestyle, Materiale, Young Horse Tests, Rider Tests and Intro through Grand Prix.
 - i. A Junior/Young Rider (Jr/YR) is anyone who has not reached his/her 22nd birthday by Jan. 1 of the award year.
 - ii. Adult Amateurs must have a US Equestrian Federation (USEF) Amateur card or sign a WDEA amateur affidavit. The card or affidavit must be included with the entry. If you enter as an amateur but do not include the necessary proof of amateur status, you will be entered in the Open division.
 - iii. A champion and reserve champion will be named for each division at each level of competition -- Introductory through FEI. Depending upon number of entries, we will award through sixth place for each level.
 - iv. Maiden awards are only open to those HORSES in their first year of showing at Introductory (Intro) Level through Grand Prix. Depending on number of qualifying horses, we will award through sixth place.
 - v. One champion and one reserve Champion Musical Freestyle award will be given for First through FEI levels combined.
- II. In-Hand Sport Horse Breed Awards
 - a. A young horse is filly, colt or gelding 3 years of age or younger.
 - b. A mature horse is a mare or stallion 4 years of age or older.
 - c. Amateur Handler Award
 - d. A champion and reserve champion will be named for Young Horse Filly, Young Horse Colt/Gelding, Amateur Handler, Mature Horse Mare and Mature Horse Stallion.

III. Registration and Eligibility

- a. The rider of the horse must be a member in good standing of WDEA at the time scores are earned.
- b. For in-hand classes, handler does not need to be a WDEA member, nor is it necessary to have the same handler for each class in order to qualify for year-end awards.
- c. A horse and rider combination may win an award or championship at any given level more than once. For In-hand Sport Horse Awards, Mature Horse (Mare/Stallion) may win more than once.
- d. Championship registration for each horse and rider combination must be postmarked at least one day prior to the first show from which they plan to submit scores.
- e. A fee of \$25.00 for each level must be paid for each horse and rider combination to be eligible for championships. If competing for a Maiden award at any level, an additional fee of \$25 must be paid. Only one award is given for all divisions at that level for maiden even if there are two riders competing the horse. There is no fee for the Horse of the Year award. (Note: if entering via PayPal, there is an additional fee.)
- f. The awards chair must be notified in writing and fees paid, if adding a level later in the year and prior to scores earned at that additional level.
- g. All registrations are for the show year Dec.1 through Nov. 30.
- h. Registration is not necessary for the Horse of the Year awards. Winning horses will be chosen from the eligible entries. To qualify for the Horse of the Year award, **ALL SCORES MUST BE EARNED AT USDF/USEF-RECOGNIZED SHOWS.**

IV. Qualification for Dressage Championships

- a. The horse/rider combination must have three qualifying scores from three different judges from two different shows. All scores submitted must come from USEF/USDF-recognized competitions. Scores from "r" judges are accepted through 2nd level, scores from "R" judges are accepted through 4th level, and scores from "S" judges are accepted through Grand Prix.
- b. Scores must be from USEF, FEI or USDF tests. The scores will be averaged.
 - i. The average of those three scores must be 60.0% or above.
- c. Scores must be earned at USEF/USDF-recognized shows, open to all breeds. At least one qualifying score submitted must be from a USEF/USDF-recognized show held in Wisconsin. One test score must be from the highest test for the level (e.g., Training Level Test 3).
- d. Scores for the Maiden award may be from any test for the level.
- e. If scores from a Regional Championship class are submitted, where more than one judge scored the ride, all scores must be averaged and will count as only one score.
- f. Scores from Junior or Young Rider Team Tests will be accepted as long as the Team Test exactly matches the level test for which the Team Test is being submitted.
- g. When a clinic is run in conjunction with a schooling show, using the show's judge as the clinician, the show must be held BEFORE the clinic in order for the rider's scores to qualify for year-end awards.
- h. The rider must send to the awards chair either the horse's USDF Score Sheet with their three chosen scores highlighted or a "GOOD QUALITY" photocopy of the original test for each qualifying score. Photocopy must clearly state the show name, horse and rider, class, date, judge, score and judge's signature. Photocopy does not have to include individual movement scores and comments.
- i.

- j. Scores must be postmarked on or before Nov. 30. Scores may be submitted via email; a reply will be sent indicating your results have been received. Scores may also be sent through the U.S. Postal Service. If you want notification that the awards chair received your scores when sent through the postal service, please include a self-addressed, stamped postcard with your score sheets.
 - k. For the Horse of the Year award, all of the above qualifications must be met.
- V. Qualification For In-Hand Sport Horse and Amateur Handler Championships
- a. The horse/handler must have two qualifying scores from two different judges at two different shows. Both judges must have an USEF Sport Horse Judge license.
 - b. Scores must be earned from USEF/USDF-recognized shows, open to all breeds. At least one qualifying score submitted must be from a USEF/USDF-recognized show held in Wisconsin.
 - c. Scores may be from Sport Horse Prospect In-Hand classes and/or Breeding stock In-Hand classes. Scores will be averaged.
 - d. The owner must send the awards chair either the horse's USEF/USDF Score Sheet with their two chosen scores highlighted or a good quality photocopy of the original score sheet for each qualifying score. Photocopy must clearly state show name, horse and rider, class, date, judge, score and judge's signature. Photocopy does not have to include individual movement scores and comments.
 - e. Postmark must be on or before Nov. 30. Email will also be accepted and must be sent on or before Nov. 30.
 - f. Send self-addressed stamped postcard with score sheets; awards chair will return postcard when results are received. This will be the only notification that results were received.

NOTE: No refunds after the awards application and payment are submitted.

Show Managers:

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Recognized Dressage Championship Application

Registration open to WDEA members in good standing.

FORM AND CHECK MUST BE POSTMARKED AT LEAST 1 DAY PRIOR TO START OF FIRST SHOW

Please read WDEA Recognized Dressage Championship rules on the website.

One form for each horse and rider combination.

HORSE INFORMATION

Name _____ Breed _____ Sex _____ Year of Birth _____

RIDER INFORMATION

Name _____ Street Address _____

City/State/Zip _____

Phone _____ Email _____

OWNER INFORMATION

Name _____ Street Address _____

City/State/Zip _____

Phone _____ Email _____

AWARD INFORMATION

* **Rider Division:** _____ Senior Open _____ Adult Amateur _____ Jr/Yng Rider (Birth date): _____

* **Award Level (Circle):** Intro TR 1st 2nd 3rd 4th PSG I1 I2 GP

* **Other Riding Awards:** _____ Musical Freestyle _____ 3&4 YO Materiale _____ 4-,5-,6 YO FEI Young Horse

* **Highest Level Horse has Shown by Any Rider in Any Country:** _____

* **In-Hand Awards (Circle):** Young Horse Mare Young Horse Colt/Gelding
Mature Horse Mare Mature Horse Gelding/Stallion Amateur Handler

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APPLICATION FEES

Number of Levels/Rider Tests/Freestyle/Horse Division: \$25 per level X Rider Division = \$ _____

Maiden (First year showing this level - \$25. **Only one award per horse per level.** \$ _____

In-hand Award: \$25 each \$ _____

NOTE: No refunds after awards application and payment are submitted.

TOTAL PAYMENT \$ _____

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Sizes for Potential Awards:

Horse: Blanket _____ Halter _____ **Rider:** Jacket _____ Belt _____

SEND WITH PAYMENT TO:

Jessica Kaczmarek
N1924 Rochelle Court
Greenville, WI 54942

EMAIL: awards@Wldressage.org

PHONE: 920-619-3419

APPLICATION MUST INCLUDE:

- * Check made out to **WDEA**
- * Verification of amateur status (if applicable)



Recognized Dressage Report Form

All scores must be postmarked no later than Nov. 30.
One form for each horse and rider combination.
Send good quality copies of your scores/tests with this form.

RIDER INFORMATION

Name _____ Street Address _____

City/State/Zip _____

Phone _____ Email _____

HORSES INFORMATION

Name _____ Owner _____

RULES:

1. The rider must be current WDEA members at time the scores are earned for awards. Exception: For in-hand classes, the handler does not need to be a WDEA member, nor is it necessary to have the same handler for each class to qualify for a WDEA year-end award.
2. Dressage Awards: Three scores by three different judges from two USEF/USDF-recognized shows.
3. In-Hand Awards: Two scores from two different judges from two different shows.
3. Each score must be a minimum of 60%.
4. Scores must be earned at shows open to all breeds.
6. All scores must be earned at USEF/USDF-recognized shows. Scores from virtual shows will not be accepted.
7. At least one qualifying score must be from the highest test of the level.
8. Maiden division awards may be from any test from the level.
9. WDEA has a 70% Club award for members who have received a score of 70% or higher. There is no fee for the 70% Club.

Scores may be submitted via email; a reply will be sent indicating your results were received. Scores may be sent via the U.S. Postal Service.

Circle Division(s): Open Adult Amateur Jr./Yng Rider Maiden 70% Club

Eligible for Maiden Award at this level? _____ Yes _____ No

<u>SHOW NAME AND DATE</u>	<u>LEVEL AND TEST</u>	<u>JUDGE(S)</u>	<u>SCORES%</u>
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#1			
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#2			
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#3			
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AVERAGE SCORE: _____

Mail or email copies of the tests or USDF Score Report Form to:

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N1924 Rochelle Court
Greenville, WI 54942

PHONE: 920-619-3419
EMAIL: awards@Wldressage.org



DRESSAGE SCHOOLING SHOW CHAMPIONSHIP RULES

I. Dressage Awards

- a. Divisions are defined as Junior/Young Rider (Jr/YR), Adult Amateur, and Open
 - i. A Junior/Young Rider (Jr/YR) is anyone that has not reached his/her 22nd birthday by January 1st of the award year.
 - ii. Adult Amateurs must have an US Equestrian Federation (USEF) Amateur card or sign a WDEA amateur affidavit. The card or affidavit must be included with the entry.
 - iii. Open Riders are any competitor who are not eligible to compete as a Junior / Young Rider or Adult Amateur.
- b. Applicants may only compete in one Division per competition season.
- c. The following levels are eligible to participate in the Schooling Championship:
 - i. Introductory
 - ii. Training Level
 - iii. First Level
 - iv. Second Level
- d. Participants of the Schooling Championship are not eligible for other WDEA annual awards, including:
 - i. Horse of the Year
 - ii. Recognized Show Championship

II. Categories

- a. A champion and reserve champion will be named for each division at each level of competition -- Introductory through Second Level.
- b. Maiden awards are only open to those HORSES in their first year of showing at Introductory (Intro) Level through Second Level. Maiden awards will be given at each level for all divisions combined.

III. Registration and Eligibility

- a. The rider and owner of the horse must be members in good standing of WDEA at the time scores are earned.
- b. A horse and rider combination may win an award or championship at any given level more than once.
- c. Championship registration for each horse and rider combination must be postmarked at least 1 day prior to the first show from which they plan to submit scores.
- d. A fee of \$25.00 for each level must be paid for each horse and rider combination to be eligible for championships.
 - i. If competing for a Maiden award at any level, an additional fee of \$25 must be paid.
 - ii. Only one award is given for all divisions at that level for maiden even if there are two riders competing the horse.
 - iii. The Awards Chair must be notified in writing and fees paid if adding a level later in the year and prior to scores earned at that additional level.
 - iv. All registrations are for the show year December 1 through November 30.

IV. Qualification for Dressage Schooling Show Championships

- a. The horse/rider combination must have three qualifying scores from three different judges from two different shows.
 - i. Scores must be from Judges that are at least "L" candidates from a USEF Program.
 - a. Scores must be from USEF, FEI or USDF tests. The scores will be averaged.
 - o The average of those three scores must be 60.0% or above.
 - ii. Scores must be earned at shows open to all breeds.
 - iii. One test score must be from the highest test for the level (e.g. Training Level Test 3).
 - a. Scores for the Maiden award may be from any test for the level.
 - iv. If scores from a Regional Championship class are submitted, where more than one judge scored the ride, all scores must be averaged and will count as only one score.
 - v. Scores from Junior or Young Rider Team Tests will be accepted as long as the Team Test exactly matches the level test for which the Team Test is being submitted.
 - vi. When a clinic is run in conjunction with a schooling show, using the show's judge as the clinician, the show must be held BEFORE the clinic in order for the rider's scores to qualify for year-end awards.

V. Submitting Scores

- a. The rider must send to the Awards Chair either the horse's USDF Score Sheet with their three chosen scores highlighted or a "GOOD QUALITY" photocopy of the original test for each qualifying score.
 - i. Photocopy must clearly state the show name, horse and rider, class, date, judge, score and judge's signature.
 - a. Photocopy does not have to include individual movement scores and comments.
- b. Scores must be postmarked on or before November 30. Scores may be submitted via email
 - i. A reply will be sent indicating your results were received.
 - a. Scores may also be sent through the U.S. Postal Service.
 - i. If you want notification that the awards chair received your scores when sent through the postal service, please include a self-addressed, stamped postcard with your score sheets.

NOTE: No refunds after the awards application and payment are submitted.

Show managers: If you want your show listed on the WDEA website and in its monthly newsletter, please send your show information (date, name of show, show location, judge's name, show secretary's name and contact information) to newsletter@wdea.org.



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DRESSAGE SCHOOLING SHOW CHAMPIONSHIP APPLICATION

Horse Information: Name_____ Breed_____ Sex_____ Date of Birth_____	
Rider Information: Name_____ Street Address_____ City/ST/Zip_____ Phone_____ eMail_____	Owner Information: Same as Rider ☐ Name_____ Street Address_____ City/ST/Zip_____ Phone_____ eMail_____
Award Information: Division (only one per rider) JR/Young Rider*Adult Amateur^Open Rider Division (circle all that apply) IntroTrainingFirstSecond Maiden IntroTrainingFirstSecond	
Application Fees:	
Levels @ \$25 each	\$
Maiden ^t @ \$25	\$
Total Payment (No refunds will be provided)	\$

Submit Applications to:

Jessica Kaczmarek

N1924 Rochelle Court

Greenville, WI 54942

Phone (920) 619-3419

Email Awards@widressage.org

Please enclose:

Completed Application

Check made payable to **WDEA**

WDEA Amateur Affidavit (if applicable)



DRESSAGE SCHOOLING SHOW CHAMPIONSHIP SCORE REPORT FORM

Rider Name: _____ Email: _____

Address: _____

City: _____ State: _____ Zip: _____ Telephone: _____

Horse's Name: _____ Owner: _____

One Level, One Horse and Rider Combination per Form.

All Scores must be postmarked no later than November 30. Send good quality copies of your tests or a USDF/USEF score print-out along with this form.

Award Information:			
Division			
JR/Young Rider		Adult Amateur	Open
Rider Division			
Intro	Training	First	Second
Maiden			
Intro	Training	First	Second
Show Name and Date	Level and Test	Judge's Name	Score %

Mail or email Score Report Form and copies of the tests or score report to:

Jessica Kaczmarek

Phone: (920) 619-3419

N1924 Rochelle Court

Greenville, WI 54942

Email to awards@widressage.org



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Western Dressage Awards Rules

Dressage Awards:

- A. A champion, reserve champion and third through sixth place will be awarded for each level.
- B. One freestyle champion, reserve champion and third through sixth place will be awarded for all WDAA Freestyle test levels combined (Intro - Level 5).
- C. Open, Adult Amateur and JR/YR will be combined into one division, defined as "Open."
- D. Levels are defined as Intro through Level 5, using the current Western Dressage Association of America tests found at <http://westerndressageassociation.org>.
- E. The horse/rider combination must have three qualifying scores from three different judges from two different shows. WDEA will accept scores from WDAA or USEF-recognized shows and from schooling shows, but judges must be USDF "L" Graduates, USEF Western Dressage Licensed or USEF/USDF "r" judges or higher.
- F. Scores must be a minimum of 60% at Intro through Level 5.
- G. Scores must be from WDAA tests only. The scores will be averaged.
- H. Scores must be earned at schooling shows, WDAA-recognized and/or USEF/WDAA-recognized shows. Classes ridden must be open to all breeds. WDEA does not recognize virtual shows for this awards program.
- I. One test score must be from the highest test for the level.
- J. When a clinic is run in conjunction with a schooling show, using the show's judge as the clinician, the show must be held BEFORE the clinic in order for the rider's scores to qualify for year-end awards.
- K. The rider must send to the awards chair a good quality photocopy of the original test for each qualifying score. Photocopy must clearly state the show name, horse and rider, class, date, judge, score and judge signature. Photocopy does not have to include individual movement scores and comments.
- L. Scores must be postmarked on or before Nov. 30. Email is accepted. No exceptions.
- M. If receipt confirmation of scores is desired, send self-addressed stamped postcard with score sheets; awards chair will return postcard when results are received. This will be the only notification that results were received.

Registration and Eligibility:

- 1. The rider of the horse must be a member in good standing with WDEA at the time scores are obtained.
- 2. Championship registration for each horse and rider combination must be postmarked at least one day prior to the start of the first show from which they plan to submit scores.
- 3. A fee of \$25.00 for each level must be paid for **each horse and rider combination** to be eligible for championships. If applying via PayPal, an additional fee will be charged.
- 4. The awards chair must be notified in writing and fees paid if adding a level or division later in the year and prior to scores earned at that additional level.
- 5. All registrations are for the show year December 1 through November 30.
- 6. A champion and reserve champion will be named for each division at each level of competition.

NOTE: No refunds after the awards application and payment are submitted.



Western Dressage Championship Application

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FORM AND CHECK MUST BE POSTMARKED AT LEAST 1 DAY PRIOR TO START OF FIRST SHOW.
Please read WDEA Recognized Dressage Championship rules on the website.
One form for each horse and rider combination.

HORSE INFORMATION

Name _____ Breed _____ Sex _____ Year of Birth _____

RIDER INFORMATION

Name _____ Street Address _____

City/State/Zip _____

Phone _____ Email _____

OWNER INFORMATION

Name _____ Street Address _____

City/State/Zip _____

Phone _____ Email _____

AWARD INFORMATION

* Rider Division: _____ Open _____ Freestyle

* Award Level (Circle): Intro Basic Level 1 Level 2 Level 3 Level 4 Level 5

* Highest Level Horse has Shown by Any Rider in Any Country: _____

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APPLICATION FEES

Number of Levels @ \$25 per level \$ _____

Freestyle Division: \$25 \$ _____

NOTE: No refunds after awards application and payment are submitted.

TOTAL PAYMENT \$ _____

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Sizes for Potential Awards:

Horse: Blanket _____ Halter _____ Rider: Jacket _____ Belt _____

SEND WITH PAYMENT TO:

Jessica Kaczmarek
N1924 Rochelle Court
Greenville, WI 54942
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Phone: 920-619-3419

APPLICATION MUST INCLUDE:

- * Check made out to WDEA
- * Verification of amateur status (if applicable)



WDCTA Western Dressage Score Report Form

One Level, One Horse and Rider Combination per Form.
All Scores must be Postmarked no later than November 30.
Send good quality copies of your tests with this form.

Rider _____

Address _____

City _____ State _____ Zip _____

Email _____ Telephone _____

Horse's Name _____

Owner _____

RULES (Please read full WDCTA Western Dressage Championship Rules on WDCTA website.)

1. NOTE: No refunds after the awards application and payment are submitted.
2. Western Dressage Awards: Three scores by three different judges from two different shows. WDCTA will accept scores from WDAA -or USEF-recognized shows and from schooling shows, but judges must be USDF "L" Graduates, USEF Western dressage licensed judges, or USEF dressage "r" judges or higher.
3. Each score must be a minimum of 60% at WDAA Intro – Level 5.
4. Open, Adult Amateur and JR/YR will be combined into one division, defined as "Open." One freestyle champion, reserve champion and 3rd – 6th place will be awarded for all WDAA Freestyle levels combined (Intro – Level 4).
5. Scores must be from WDAA tests only. One test score must be from the highest test of the level. The scores will be averaged.
6. Scores must be earned at schooling shows, WDAA-recognized and/or USEF/WDAA-recognized shows. Classes must be open to all breeds. Scores for virtual shows will not be accepted. Both owner and rider must be current WDCTA members.
7. WDCTA has a 70 Percent Club award for members who have received a 70% or higher. WDCTA will award a certificate to the rider. There is no fee for the 70% Club.

Scores must be postmarked on or before Nov. 30. Scores may be submitted via email; a reply will be sent indicating your results were received. Scores may also be sent through the U.S. Postal Service. If you want notification that the awards chair received your scores when sent through the postal service, please include a self-addressed, stamped postcard with your score sheets.

Circle Division(s): **Open** **Freestyle** **70% Club (free)**

Show Name and Date	Level and Test	Judge(s)	Score %

Average Score _____ %

Mail or email *Score Report Form* and *copies of the tests* to:

Sandra Malott
9625 W. Center Street
Milwaukee, WI 53222

Phone: (414) 687-4046
Email: awards@wdcta.org



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EVENTING CHAMPIONSHIP RULES

I. Awards

- A. There shall be a champion and reserve champion for Junior, Rider and Open divisions at the following levels for **USEF-recognized shows**: Starter, Beginner Novice, Novice, Training, Preliminary/Training, Preliminary, Intermediate, Advanced.
- B. There shall be a champion and reserve champion for Junior, Adult Amateur and Open divisions at the following levels for WDEA- and IDCTA-recognized mini events: Starter, Beginner Novice, Novice. Depending on number of entries per division, we will award through sixth place.
- C. The dressage scores from an eventing test are eligible for the WDEA 70% Club. WDEA will award a certificate to the rider. Both owner and rider must be current WDEA members. There is no fee for the 70% Club.

II. Registration and Eligibility

- A. Horse/rider combinations must be registered with the awards chair, fees paid and postmarked at least one day before a competition for the scores to qualify for awards.
- B. There shall be a \$25 registration fee for each horse/rider combination per division for the award year for recognized events, and a \$20 registration fee for each horse/rider combination per mini event division. If applying via PayPal, additional fees will be applied.
- C. The rider of the horse must be a member in good standing of WDEA and USEA at the time the scores are earned. (Beginner Novice, Mini-Event and 70% Club participants may be exempt from USEA membership, but both rider and owner must still be members of WDEA at the time the scores are earned.) The riders should submit proof of their membership to USEA.
- D. The awards chair must be notified in writing and fees paid if adding a level or division later in the year and prior to scores earned at that additional level.
- E. The award year is December 1 through November 30.

III. Qualifications

- A. Only scores from USEA events can be used to meet championship qualification (Mini-Event are exempt from this rule.) Send good quality copies of a USEA Score Print-Out/Rider Profile along with the eventing awards report form. Or send in a good quality copy of dressage test and the final standings. (Photograph of posted show standings is acceptable.) For mini events, send in a quality copy of the dressage test and a photograph of posted show standings, or online link if that is applicable.
- B. The horse/rider combination must submit at least three qualifying scores from three different events to be eligible.
- C. A WDEA report form with appropriate documentation (found on WDEA website) must be forwarded to the awards chair. Scores must be postmarked on or before Nov. 30. Scores may be submitted via email; a reply will be sent indicating your results were received. Scores may also be sent through the U.S. Postal Service. If you want notification that the awards chair received your scores when sent through the postal service, please include a self-addressed, stamped postcard with your score sheets.
- D. The awards chair will average the three lowest penalty point scores, submitted by a rider, to determine the championship. NOTE: Each score must be a maximum of 50 at Starter through Training levels or a maximum of 60 at Preliminary and above.

NOTE: No refunds after the awards application and payment are submitted.

Show managers: If you want your show listed on the our website, please send your show information (date, name of show, show location, judge(s)'s name, show secretary's name and contact information) to webmaster@Wldressage.org. For our newsletter, send to newsletter@Wldressage.org.



Eventing Championship Application

Registration open to WDEA members in good standing.

FORM AND CHECK MUST BE POSTMARKED AT LEAST 1 DAY PRIOR TO START OF FIRST SHOW

Please read WDEA Eventing Championship rules on the website.

One form for each horse and rider combination.

HORSE INFORMATION

Name _____ Breed _____ Sex _____ Year of Birth _____

RIDER INFORMATION

Name _____ Street Address _____

City/State/Zip _____

Phone _____ Email _____

OWNER INFORMATION

Name _____ Street Address _____

City/State/Zip _____

Phone _____ Email _____

AWARD INFORMATION

* **Rider Division:** _____ Senior Open _____ Adult Amateur _____ Jr/Yng Rider (Birth date): _____

* **Award Level (Circle):** Starter Beg.Novice Novice TR Modified Prelim Intern. Adv.
Combined Training Test New Event Horse Test 4&5YO Event Horse Test

* **Mini Event Level: (Choose all that Apply)** _____ Starter _____ Beg.Novice _____ Novice

* **Future Event Horse:** _____ Young Horse Mare _____ Young Horse Colt/Gelding _____ Amateur Handler

* **Highest Level Horse has Shown by Any Rider in Any Country:** _____

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APPLICATION FEES

Levels @ \$25 Each = \$ _____

NOTE: No refunds after awards application and payment are submitted.

TOTAL PAYMENT \$ _____

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Sizes for Potential Awards:

Horse: Blanket _____ Halter _____ **Rider:** Jacket _____ Belt _____

SEND WITH PAYMENT TO:

Jessica Kaczmarek
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Greenville WI 54942

EMAIL: awards@Wldressage.org

Phone: 920-619-3419

APPLICATION MUST INCLUDE:

* Check made out to **WDEA**

* Verification of amateur status (if applicable)



WDEA Eventing Report Form

One Level, One Horse and Rider Combination per form.
All scores must be postmarked no later than Nov. 30.

Send good quality copies of a USEA score print-out/rider profile along with this form, or a copy of the dressage test and the final standings (photograph of posted show standings is fine). For mini events, send in a quality copy of the dressage test and a photograph of posted show standings, or online link if that is applicable.

Rider _____

Address _____

City _____ State _____ Zip _____

Email _____ Telephone _____

Horse's Name _____

Owner _____

RULES (Please read current WDEA championship rules on the WDEA website.)

1. Eventing Awards: Three scores from three different shows.
2. In-Hand Awards: Two scores from two different shows.
3. The 70% Club is also available to eventers.
4. Each score must be a minimum of 50 at Starter - Training or a maximum of 60 at Prelim and above.
5. Scores must be earned at **USEF/USEA-recognized show**, open to all breeds, or for **mini events**, at WDEA- or IDCTA-recognized mini events.

Scores must be postmarked on or before Nov. 30. Scores may be submitted via email; a reply will be sent indicating your results were received. Scores may also be sent via the U.S. Postal Service. If you want notification that the awards chair received your scores when sent through the postal service, please include a self-addressed, stamped postcard with your score sheets.

Circle Division: Open Rider Junior

Eligible for Maiden Award at this level? ☐ Yes ☐ No
Eligible for 70% Club? ☐ Yes ☐ No

Show Name and Date	Level	Penalties

Average Score _____

Mail or email score report form, scores and *USEA Rider Profile* to the Award Chair:

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Greenville, WI 54942

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Email: awards@Wldressage.org



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Amateur Affidavit

WDEA follows the USEF's definition of amateur status per the USEF Rule Book:

Regardless of one's equestrian skills and/or accomplishments, a person is an amateur for all competitions conducted under Federation rules who, after his/her 18th birthday, as defined in GR1306.1, has not engaged in any of the activities which would make him/her a professional.

For information on remuneration that prohibits individuals from amateur status, review GR1306.2-7.

Exceptions/Specifics

- **Traditional Dressage Division:** Individuals are only eligible to compete as amateurs from the beginning of the calendar year in which they reach age 22. See DR119.3.
- **Eventing Division:** See EV Appendix 2, Sectionb 1.3 — Participation in Horse Trials.
- **Western Dressage Division:** See WD102.7b.

NOTE: *Dressage Opportunity classes do not require amateur status. (See GR1307.1a)*

I have read the USEF definition of amateur status and attest that I am eligible to compete as an amateur under USEF rules.

Name _____
Signature _____
Date _____