

# COLLECTED NOTES



OCTOBER 2024

## FROM CDCTC'S PRESIDENT:

It may seem like the end of the season but there are plenty of things still happening and lots of planning for next year. Fall is here which means cooler temps, beautiful scenery, and it is symposium, clinic, and convention time now that most of the shows in our area are over.

Speaking of which, a huge congrats to our club members who showed at Region 8 Regionals last month!

We are co-hosting a Fall Symposium with WNYDA, October 19-20 at Houghton College, titled, "How to Address Different Conformations While Training The Dressage Horse" with Kristi Wysocki. More info can be found on both our and WNYDA's websites. Some of our club members are doing demo rides and WNYDA is looking for volunteers too. Please contact Lauren Adelizi/WNYDA with any interest! It looks like a very fun filled, educational weekend.

Our Annual Meeting and Awards Gala is also coming up quickly. We have three board positions up for grabs as well as an election for the executive board. We should have finalized date(s) shortly so keep a watch for more info. If you think up any nifty award ideas, please send them to the awards committee.

Lastly, this is your first reminder to renew your membership for 2025! Our calendar year starts December 1st so membership renewals *(continued)*

## UPCOMING EVENTS

October 19—20: [Fall Symposium](#), Houghton College, co-sponsored with WNYDA



Skye-Anna, Autumn, and Cole Nye-Smith  
with Autumn's Hook  
at the 2024 CDCT Keepin' It Casual Show

need to be in by mid-November to ensure no lapse in benefits. While USDF is increasing their fees, we at CDCT are not. So get all your friends and family to join too. You won't regret it and we love having a diverse group of folks to make our little club extra special. Event planning for 2025 is already underway so make sure you join or renew and don't forget to join the committees too!

Ride all the ponies and jump all the things,

Shannon

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Minutes for the CDCT Meeting for September 16, 2024

Submitted by Dinah Guarino

Attendees: Shannon Ryan-Dinmore, Kathy Thode, Dinah Guarino, Anna Redmond, Tina Matejka, Prin Furst, Norm Johnson, Karen Steffy, Sarah Hepler, Carol Morris, and Annie Marshall.

Minutes of the August meeting were deferred.

Treasurer's Report: Anna reported that the recognized show made \$8900 profit which was less than last year, but there were fewer entries and less sponsorship money. The WDAA Clinic with Robin Brueckman lost around \$2200 which is unfortunate but we can't make a profit from everything. The Open Centered Riding Clinic is still being finalized with the final \$250 TDF grant money pending. Still showing a profit overall for the year.

Old Business:

Dressage in Wine Country: Will be August 23 and 24, 2025. Shannon will do USEF license renewal tomorrow. Some suggestions of judges were discussed - Lisa El-Ramey, Kem Barbosa.

WNYDA and CDCT Fall Symposium with Kristi Wysocki, October 19-20 at Houghton. Topic will be "How to Address Different Conformations When Training the Dressage Horse." Several club members have applied to be demo riders. They are looking for volunteers and auditors, please contact WNYDA/Lauren Adelizi directly if interested.

New Business:

USDF Membership fees are increasing for 2025. GMO fees will go up \$1.00, Participating members \$10, and some changes to show fees. We currently have 57 individual members and one business member. Decided to not increase membership dues for 2025.

CNYDCTA/Corrinne Harris asked if our club would like to co-host a USDF Instructor/Trainer Development Seminar. The group is requesting more information on this. Shannon will discuss with Corrinne more.



Annual Meeting and Awards Gala: Some potential dates were discussed including December 1st or 8th but not all of the board or Awards Committee were present. Getting a speaker for the meeting was also suggested. Dates/times TBA. Don't forget to submit your award ideas to the committee!

USDF Convention in Houston Tx, December 4-7th. Corrinne Harris has volunteered to be our proxy del-egate if no club members are planning to attend. Need to finalized a GMO basket to send too.

Adjourned 7:40 PM.



## CALENDAR

August 23, 2025: Dressage in Wine Country 1

August 24, 2025: Dressage in Wine Country II

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Please remember to submit your dues!

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Please send photos of riding, showing, volunteering, doing CDCT-y things, etc. to [Shannon](#) for use on the website.

# CAYUGA DRESSAGE & COMBINED TRAINING CLUB, INC.

## ANNUAL MEMBERSHIP FORM

Name:

Address:

Phone (area code first

E-mail:

Birth date (requested by USDF)

Are you an instructor or trainer?  Yes  No

Do you give permission for your pictures and/or name to be used for publicity?  Yes  No

May we include your name and email address on the Membership List that's distributed to members?  Yes  No

**Current Members: Please submit your Membership form and dues by Nov. 15<sup>th</sup>.** This ensures that you will receive the USDF magazine and other GMO benefits without interruption. **New Members** are welcome to join year-round!

*Membership benefits:* Dues cover your USDF group membership, newsletters, and discounts at club-sponsored events, except as limited by USDF and United States Equestrian Federation (USEF).

Enclosed is my payment for:

Individual Membership (\$45)

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Dressage Shows: Planning, paperwork, grounds preparation, help on show day, etc.

Western Dressage

Combined Training

Education/Clinic Committee

Awards

Publicity

Other:

Signature:

Date:

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[Carriage House Arena](#)

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[Genesee Valley Riding and Driving Club](#)

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