

COLLECTED NOTES



FEBRUARY 2024

FROM CDCTC'S CO-PRESIDENT:

Happy Leap Year! We get one whole extra day this month, here's hoping it's nice enough to ride outside. And Phil said Spring is coming early, hooray!

It may only be February but the CDCT calendar is already heating up. Thanks to Carol for putting in a ton of work, we are now hosting a Clinic with Dave Thind on April 6-7th at Brookside Farm in Moravia, NY. Riders will get to work with Dave using the Feldenkrais Method to help improve the biomechanics of both the horse and rider. Auditing will also be available. Our casual show will be in June but the final details are still being worked on. We have a WDAA Clinic with Robin Brueckmann scheduled at the end of July and an Open Centered Riding Clinic with Sam Morrison scheduled at the end of August! Both clinics will take place at Healing Rein and will hopefully have grant funding to help cover costs. And of course, our Dressage in Wine Country recognized shows will take place August 24-25th.

Since it's still the beginning of the year, now is the perfect time to consider signing up for some committees! Having dedicated small groups within the club working on specific club aspects helps us tremendously to host quality events and create a friendly environment for learning and growth. You can send me an email or fill out the committee survey to get involved.

UPCOMING EVENTS

February 13: 7 pm, Book Club, via zoom

February 21: 7 pm, monthly meeting via zoom.

March 17: 1 pm, monthly meeting, Healing Rein Farm, dish to pass and Franklin Session on the hip.

Dressage in Wine Country



Cayuga Dressage & Combined Training Club welcomes horse enthusiasts from all walks of life, all religions, ethnicities and races, creeds, and sexual orientations. We are a club where differences are respected and appreciated, where we come together to affirm our common love of the horse and the arts of horsemanship.

We disavow discrimination and intolerance.

It's also the perfect time of year to think about sponsorship opportunities. Typically our recognized shows get the most push towards obtaining sponsors, however any of our events would benefit from financial and gift donations. Do you or someone you know want to contribute? Do you have a favorite business who might want to donate? Please let us know!

Our February meeting will be on the 21st at 7PM on Zoom. Join us from home in your pjs with your beverage or snack of choice! Our book club is also just picking back up with plenty of time to catch up. We meet every other Tuesday via Zoom and are working through Centered Riding by Sally Swift.

Ride all the ponies and jump all the things,

Shannon

Minutes for CDCT Meeting, January 21, 2024

Submitted by Dinah Guarino

Attendees: Shannon Ryan-Dinmore, Norm Johnson, Jane-Marie Law, Sarah Hepler, Carol Morris, Kathy Thode, Prin Furst, Dinah Guarino, Sarah Pyne, Karen Steffy, Colleen Price, Heidi Webb, Deirdre Hay, Jean Foley, Virginia Grove, and Sohela Dhillon.

November Meeting Minutes: Motion by Colleen to approve and Norm seconded. Motion approved.

Treasurer's Report: Will be available next month. Jane-Marie reminded the group that USDF recommends an audit of the books every 3 years. In lieu of hiring an outside auditor, members can have a 30 day window to review the books.

Old Business-

Committees 2024: Please sign up for committees!

Dressage in Wine Country: Lisa El-Ramey was unavailable so we will have Sue Buchanan and Scott Peterson for judging and both signed contracts have been received. Anita Jaffe will be TD and Dariann Quinn will be the show secretary, contracts are pending. TIP is approved. The fairgrounds should be sending out contract info shortly and will need COI's to submit with them. My Eva food truck is reserved for both days. Homespun Photography will do photos. Grace Putnam will be farrier again. Still need a vet and an EMT. Carol has sponsored the National Dressage Pony Cup for both days and we are looking for anyone interested in sponsoring Small Horse classes again. Need to start advertising early for both competitors AND sponsors.

Keepin' It Casual Show: Looking at June 9th at Ithaca Equestrian Center. Contract has been sent and is just pending working out a couple simple logistics first. Judge to be announced following facility contract completion. TIP approved. We discussed having jumping. Possibility is definitely there, will need to discuss it with Paula. Sarah P. to help with that portion of the prize list. We need a show manager and committee chair for the casual show.

CDCTTrailer: Registration is paid, it will go for an inspection shortly.

New Business-

Book Club: Working through *Centered Riding* by Sally Swift. Meetings are every other Tuesday at 7PM via Zoom.

Upcoming CDCT Clinics:

WDAA Clinic with Robin Brueckmann, July 26-29th at Healing Rein. This clinic is for WDAA enthusiasts and the WDAA curious, western tack not required! Colleen is working on a few grants for this clinic.

Open Centered Riding Clinic with Sam Morrison, August 31st-September 1st at Healing Rein. Colleen is working on a TDF grant.

Discussion ensued about bringing in a clinician for a jumping clinic. More on this next meeting.

Carol mentioned trying to get a Dave Thind Clinic together at the meeting. After the meeting, the dates were set for April 6-7th at Brookside Farm in Moravia, NY.

WNYDA is looking to host another Fall Symposium and they would like CDCT to sponsor with some funding. They are also looking for input and ideas.

Also, Gerd Heuschmann will be doing a symposium in Massachusetts in the fall. More info to come.

February Meeting: February 21, 2024, Zoom at 7PM.

March Meeting: March 17, 2024 at 1 PM at Healing Rein.

Meeting adjourned at 3:50PM.

REMEMBER!

USEF Safesport training is required for all recognized show officials, as well as competitors. Please complete or update your training at the USDF's [Safesport](#) training site.

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

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- April 6-7: Dave Thind Clinic, Brookside Farm, Moravia. Contact [Carol Morris](#) for more information
- July 26—28 Robin Brueckmann WDAA Clinic, [Healing Rein Farm](#)
- August 24: Dressage in Wine Country 1
- August 24 Dressage in Wine Country II
- August 31—September 1: Centered Riding Clinic with Sam Morrison, [Healing Rein Farm](#)

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[Central NY Dressage and CT Association](#)

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