

COLLECTED NOTES



APRIL 2023

FROM CDCTC'S CO-PRESIDENT:

Another busy March has passed and we've gotten a lot accomplished already for the year! I typically find that when the snow starts thawing, planning gets hectic, but that doesn't seem to be the case this year. Maybe because we didn't have much snow to speak of...or we've finally hit our stride as the coolest little GMO. Either way, I'm so thankful for everyone's hard work!

Most of our recognized and casual show organizing is done! Norm is a super rockstar and managed to score food for both days for our recognized show - catering on Saturday and a food truck on Sunday. Thank you sooo much Norm!! Judges, TD, and show staff are hired and secured, our venues are booked, we've got three beautiful custom tents on order to don our arena entrances and custom chairs to match! Prin is still the queen of swag and has been working her magic to bring us all things branding. Be on the lookout for bumper stickers, our swag store opening, and more. We are just beginning to work on sponsorships and marketing so be sure to tell all your friends and favorite businesses about our shows!

Our WDAA Clinic with Deb Moynihan now has dates! Join us at Healing Rein July 21st-23rd for riding, learning, Q&A, great food, great atmosphere, and even greater people. Colleen has submitted a grant to The Dressage Foundation to offset participant costs but even without, this clinic is shaping up to be super affordable *(continued)*

UPCOMING EVENTS

April 11: Book club, 7:30 pm via zoom. We will be reading Cavaletti by Reiner and/or Ingrid Klimke. A link will be sent prior to the meeting

April 18: Monthly meeting, 7 PM via zoom. A link will be sent prior to the meeting.

Dressage in Wine Country



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

for all the opportunities it provides. More information will be released shortly.

Colleen is also gauging interest in an open Centered Riding Clinic with Kathy Culler. This would be focused on flat work and jumping. There is a survey on our Facebook page or you can contact Colleen directly if you are interested.

The last big news is our club's decision to go forward with looking at hosting an "L" Program in 2024. Colleen is working on logistics with help from other area GMOs but there were only two scheduled in the entire country this year and many were put on waitlists. This is a great opportunity to bring a huge educational event to our area while being able to further our club's mission. A committee is being formed to help with planning, please let Shannon know if you are interested in joining. Our April meeting will take place at 7PM on April 18th via Zoom. We have also picked the 16th to clean out and reorganize our trailer so please come join in the fun! With the weather warming and daylight lengthening, don't forget to volunteer for your local area events, spend some time deshedding your ponies, set some goals and intentions for the year, and have fun!

Ride all the ponies and jump all the things,

Shannon



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We disavow discrimination and intolerance.

Minutes for CDCT Meeting March 26, 2023

Submitted by Dinah Guarino

Attendees: Shannon Ryan-Dinmore, Norm Johnson, Jane-Marie Law, Sarah Hepler, Carol Morris, Kathy Thode, Prin Furst, Dinah Guarino, Karen Steffy, Colleen Price, Tina Matejka, Jean Foley.

February Minutes: motion by Colleen to approve and Norm seconded. Motion approved.

Treasurer's Report: Deferred to next meeting

Old Business:

Committees 2023: Still time to sign up!

Recognized Show: Waiting on contract from Stephanie Warner/Dressage Extensions. Per Stephanie they are still adjusting fees and they will send us a contract. Norm has solved the food issue for the show. We have a caterer hired for Saturday that will take orders in the morning and then deliver meals. They will also cater the wine and cheese party Saturday evening. Sunday we hired an on-site food truck. Vouchers will be given to volunteers/show staff for meals. Coffee/tea/water to be provided by the club. Jane-Marie will talk to Lucas, Sarah will talk to Damiani, and others suggested approaching a few other area wineries for wine. Norm Foley will do Saturday as the show farrier, Jason Turk may still be able to do Sunday. Norm will be the volunteer coordinator but will need a volunteer manager for both days at the show. Colleen will do Saturday, Kathy will do Sunday. Shannon will send Sonya Lawlis a vet contract. Motion to order custom CDCT directors chairs to go under our fancy new tents, all in favor.

Casual Show: Contract signed with Regina Cristo for judging. Norm to reserve a port-a-potty. Prize list almost done. Finger Lakes PC wants to serve food as a fundraiser - approved by the group. Dinah will be the volunteer coordinator. A few volunteers have signed up but many more are needed!

Western Dressage Clinic: July 21st-23rd, 2023 at Healing Rein. Deb Moynihan as the clinician. A \$2000 grant application was submitted to The Dressage Foundation, keep your fingers crossed! If approved, we cannot make a profit but the numbers seem extremely fair for a three day clinic. There will be rides in groups of two, split into western dressage competitors and western dressage curious. This opens the clinic up to the newest beginners and to seasoned pros with no pressure. Day three will be ride-a-test or private lessons based on each participants wants. More info to come!

Open Centered Riding Clinic: Colleen is looking at hosting this at Healing Rein. This would be with Kathy Culler out of North Carolina for a weekend with emphasis on dressage and jumping. Please let Colleen know of your interest.

2024 "L" Program: Colleen is willing to plan an "L" Program next year for CDCT to host. Norm made a motion that we pursue putting on an "L" Program, Jane-Marie seconded. Motion carried. While it is a big undertaking, there is support from other GMOs and a few barns in the area that would meet requirements. There were only two "L" Programs scheduled in 2023, one in NY and one in Michigan and CNYDCTA had a waiting list. A committee will be created to help with planning.

Swag Updates: Prin handed out samples of bumper stickers. Will order for show for club members and others for show participants. Tents have been ordered. Prin will look into director chairs for under the tents for ring stewards. She also had sample shirts for volunteers. It was decided to go with the 50/50 cotton/poly material. Motion was made to create a second screen design (\$20) by Colleen, Norm seconded. Motion approved. The swag store will be opened again!

Trailer organization and Cleanup: Planning for 4/16/23 at Healing Rein. May 21, 2023 is the rain date.

Volunteerism/ Area Events: Sure Foot Practitioner workshop April 22-23 at Healing Rein. Horse Speak Intro+ Working Eq/Obstacles at Healing Rein June 2-5. Twin Tiers WDAA shows are June 4, July 9, and Sept. 2-3. Tina will take volunteers. Lorenzo Driving Comp is July 14-16. Agnes Majewski Clinic is on hold for now.

Book Club: Continues to meet every other week. The next book is *Cavaletti by Klimke*.

New Business:

A short yoga presentation for riders was presented by Aaron Owens. It was very helpful.

Corner Haven Farm is having a Dressage clinic 5/20/2023 with Aubrey Graham/AP Eventing. For info contact Sarah Hepler.

Next meeting: April 18, 2023 @ 7 PM- Zoom. May meeting will be 5/21/23 at Healing Rein @ noon.

Meeting adjourned @ 12:45 PM.

USDF REGIONAL SCHOOLING SHOW AWARDS PROGRAM

Members of CDCT were the catalyst for the USDF Regional Schooling Show Awards Program. A few years ago, a delegation from CDCT attended the USDF National convention and created the preliminary proposal that got the ball rolling on the USDF Schooling Show Series. These show make the benefits of dressage evaluation and the fun of competition accessible to a wider range of riders. For more information about how to participate, see the USDF's [website](#).

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.

CALENDAR

CDTC Events:

May 21: CDCT May Meeting, noon at Healing Rein Farm, Freeville, NY. Franklin Method workshop and a dish to pass.

June 11: CDCT Keepin' It Casual Show, Asbury Equestrian Center, Freeville, NY.

July 21-23: CDCT /WDAA Clinic with Deb Moynihan at Healing Rein, Freeville, NY.

August 26-27: CDCT Dressage in Wine Country I & II, Chemung County Fairgrounds, Horseheads, NY

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| RECOGNIZED SHOW: Shannon Ryan-Dinmore (Co-Chair) Jean Foley Dinah Guarino Sarah Hepler Elizabeth Love Caol Morris Anna Redmond | COMBINED TRAINING: Amy Bittner Sarah Pyne Anna Redmond Shannon Ryan-Dinmore | EDUCATION: Jane-Marie Law (Co-Chair) Anna Pirog (Co-Chair) Jean Foley Colleen Price Shannon Ryan-Dinmore |
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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

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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:

(Member's signature or parent/guardian signature if under 18. Typed signature is fine.)

Electronic submissions: Please complete form and email to dressageithaca@gmail.com

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