IDCTA
SCRIBE
January 2025 | Vol. 32 No. 1

IDCTA extends warm wishes for a happy and harmonious New Year!

Celebrating
ILLINOIS DRESSAGE AND COMBINED TRAINING ASSOCIATION
50 YEARS

IDCTA
SCRIBE
JANUARY 2025 | VOL. 32 NO. 1

NEWSLETTER EDITOR
Mary Jo Downen
typagraphics@gmail.com
Members are encouraged to submit comments, articles, news, photos.
Deadline: 10th of preceding month.

ADVERTISING & PRODUCTION MANAGER
Mary Jo Downen, TypaGraphics
Email ads to *typagraphics@gmail.com*
Please send checks made out to IDCTA to *Mary Jo Downen*
33062 Pearl St., Kirkland, IL 60146

Click to
Find us on: facebook

Visit our Website:
www.idcta.org

A monthly newsletter published by the Illinois Dressage & Combined Training Association, an Illinois Not for Profit Corporation. Opinions expressed within are those of the authors, unless otherwise indicated.

The IDCTA is a USDF Group Member and USEA Affiliate Member Organization. This organization's members are automatically USDF Group Members

GROUP MEMBER ORGANIZATION

IDCTA Annual Year-end Awards Banquet

January 25, 2025 | Old Orchard Country Club
700 West Rand Road, Mount Prospect, IL 60056

CLICK HERE for tickets

Seeking Raffle Items and Sponsors

Contact Molly Fine | 716-573-5390
mollymfine@gmail.com

Advertising Rates

All Ads must be prepaid and received by the 10th of the preceding month. Those requiring extra graphics work may be subject to additional graphics charges. Please see **www.idcta.org** *for complete ad submission information.*

Discounts for multiple insertions - email,call or go to www. idcta.org for further information.

Send Ads & Checks to:
Mary Jo Downen | 33062 Pearl St., Kirkland, IL 60146
Phone: 815-522-2285 | Email: typagraphics@gmail.com

Full Page	$40.00
Half Page	$25.00
One-Third Page	$20.00
Quarter Page	$15.00
Business Card Size	$10.00

Classifieds

Members	FREE (*first 50 words; additional words 10¢ each*)
Non-members	10¢ per word

You can pay for your Scribe ads with your credit card! Go to https://idcta.org/contact-us/advertising-rates and scroll down to the payment methods to pay securely online via PayPal.

INFORMATION HOTLINE

Molly Fine
716-573-5390

President's PERSPECTIVE

By Molly Fine

The IDCTA 2024 Annual Year-end Awards Banquet will be January 25, 2025 at the Old Orchard Country Club, 700 West Rand Road, Mount Prospect, IL. It is a great venue with lots of room for our activities. There are hotels that are close if you wish to stay over. The invitation is included in this *Scribe* and is posted on the website.

The IDCTA Virtual Show dates are finalized and we will have four again this winter. Why don't you get your barn to put on a competition that can be judged using the virtual shows as the platform? It is a great way of encouraging community within your riders.

- January 17-26, 2025 – Judge: Charlotte Trentelman
- February 14-23, 2025 – Judge: Ida Norris
- March 14-23, 2025 – Judge: Robin Brueckmann
- April 11-27, 2025 – Judge: Margaret Freeman (USDF) and Janet Mumfort (Western)

The first two sessions of the USDF Instructor/Trainer Development Program are complete. The topics were Teaching and Riding. This program is a preparation for the Instructor Certification and will aid those who wish to become certified with USDF. The instructors for the program are Sarah Geikie and Katherine Simard (their bios are attached to the flyer on page 9). The two weekends were a great success for everyone in attendance with a variety of riding challenges (all but one of the candidates were riding borrowed horses). There was so much information to absorb that everyone stayed on their toes. The USDF Instructor/Trainer Development Program is intended to further the education of both amateurs and professionals of all levels and the final session will be held on January 4-5, 2025. The topic will be Lunging and it will be at Cheryl Quick's Farm, W1800 County Road B, Genoa City, WI. It promises to be another good one.

We will be having our Veterinary Zooms in January and February. On January 8th, we will be hosting a "Sleep Deprivation in Horses" webinar with Dr. C. Mike Tomlinson, DVM, MBA and on February 19th we will have Dr. Stephanie Miesen: "Diseases of the Equine Eye." You can find information on these informative webinars on pages 7 and 8 and on the website under "News."

Winter is fast approaching with the cold, rain and snow. Keep snug and warm and enjoy IDCTA activities like our educational Zooms and the Virtual Show Series. I hope that your holiday season is merry and bright and that 2025 brings you joy and contentment.

BOARD MEMBERS

Brittany Burson 630-809-2146
brittburson@gmail.com

Emma Kane 847-890-5549
emma.kane04@gmail.com

Sara Stone 224-234-4613
donny3638@yahoo.com

Alison Volpentesta 847-395-9291
barlink6@gmail.com

Amy Barrett 312-909-6101
abarrett@bwconnect.co

Lydia Gray 630-701-5903
lydiagraydvm@gmail.com

Angelika Coghlan 815-353-9425
angelika.coghlan@insperity.com

Martina Mertens 708-288-1453
martinimertens@gmail.com

Ashley Lazic 847-809-3843
ashleelazic@gmail.com

Carrie Dorn 630-408-3678
carrie.dorn@compass.com

MEMBERSHIP CHAIRMAN, *For questions and/or changes:*

Lil Kane | 847-452-4207, theflyingkanes3@aol.com

EXECUTIVE BOARD MEMBERS

Molly Fine – President 716-573-5390
mollymfine@gmail.com

Eric Dierks – VP Eventing 703-297-2329
eric@ericdierks.com

Angelika Coghlan – VP Dressage 815-353-9425
Angelika.Coghlan@insperity.com

Michael Coghlan – Treasurer 847-707-4351
mcoghlan@catwalkconsulting.com

Cindy Lambert– Secretary 847-394-2090
cindylambert706@gmail.com

COMMITTEES

Cecelia Conway - Schooling Show Series 608-449-9552
idctaschoolingshows@gmail.com

Katie Miskovic – Grant Program 708-203-2659
alliyes77@aol.com

Eric Dierks – Eventing Committee 703-297-2329
eric@ericdierks.com

Angelika Coghlan - Dressage Committee 815-353-9425
Angelika.Coghlan@insperity.com

Alicia Berger - Youth Director 312-848-2094
aliciakberger@icloud.com

Class Sponsorship for the IDCTA Annual Year-end Awards Banquet, January 25, 2025

Each year, we recognize everyone's hard work and participation from the past year. Year-end awards not only give members a feeling of accomplishment, but also inspire others to strive for stewardship and sportsmanship in this sport we all love. Please help us recognize these members by sponsoring our IDCTA Annual Year-end Awards Banquet on January 25, 2025.

In order to support our Year-end Awards program for 2024, we are looking for sponsors to help defray the cost of the prizes and to provide an opportunity to support IDCTA and your fellow club members. Sponsorship is also an excellent opportunity to advertise your business or your barn.

We are offering several levels of sponsorship The levels are Gold, Silver and Bronze. Levels are as follows:

- Gold ($300+)
- Silver ($150 - $299)
- Bronze ($50 - $149)

Bronze Sponsorship entitles you to the following:

- Your name will be listed in the program.
- Your name and logo will appear on our slide show which runs during the banquet.
- Your sponsorship will be featured on the IDCTA website with a link to your website.
- A recognition poster will be displayed on the wall at the banquet that you can take home after the banquet.
- Your business will be given ad space in the IDCTA Scribe - Business card for six months. Please go to www.idcta.org for ad dimensions.

Silver Sponsorship entitles you to the following:

- Your name will be listed in the program.
- Your name and logo will appear on our slide show which runs during the banquet.
- Your sponsorship will be featured on the IDCTA website with a link to your website.
- A recognition poster will be displayed on the wall at the banquet that you can take home after the banquet.
- Your business will be given ad space in the IDCTA Scribe Silver = ¼ page for six months. Please go to www.idcta.org for ad dimensions.

Gold Sponsorship entitles you to the following:

- Your name will be listed in the program.
- Your name and logo will appear on our slide show which runs during the banquet.
- Your sponsorship will be featured on the IDCTA website with a link to your website.
- A recognition poster will be displayed on the wall at the banquet that you can take home after the banquet.
- Your business will be given ad space in the IDCTA Scribe - Gold = ½ page Ad for six months,
- A Gold sponsorship will include a Business Membership ($160 value).

Sponsorship is a great way to support the IDCTA. At the banquet, we will be displaying posters made exclusively for sponsors of the banquet. You may take it with you, and it can be displayed in your place of business or in your barn. Thank you in advance for your sponsorship.

Sponsor ads and commentaries should to be sent to Molly Fine at mollymfine@gmail.com. Please have your ads to Molly by December 27, 2024. If you have any questions, please call at 716-573-5390. Please include your phone in case there are any questions. For the ad, please provide a high-resolution scan or press-ready art. PDF or JPEG file formats work best.

If you are paying by check, please send your check made out to IDCTA to Molly Fine at 204 Lookout Dr., Lake Geneva, WI 53147. If you prefer, we can bill you through PayPal.

IT IS STRONGLY RECOMMENDED THAT YOU MAKE YOUR RESERVATION ONLINE AND PAY WITH PAYPAL: Click the following link: https://idcta.org/idcta-annual-awards-banquet-invitation

If you prefer, you may fill out and mail this invitation with your check(see info at bottom of page)

You are cordially invited to the

2024 IDCTA *Awards Banquet*

Old Orchard Country Club, 700 West Rand Road, Mount Prospect, IL 60056

Saturday, January 25, 2025

Cocktails & Raffle Browsing 6:00 p.m. | Dinner 7:00 p.m. with Awards & Raffle to follow

Our Dinner Menu:

Mixed Green Salad

Beef: *7 oz. Filet Mignon (cooked medium), Mashed Potatoes and Fresh Green Beans ($70)*

Chicken: *Chicken Piccata, Mashed Potatoes and Fresh Green Beans ($60)*

Fish: *Grilled Salmon with Hollandaise Sauce, Mashed Potatoes and Fresh Green Beans($60)*

Dessert Station with Assorted Desserts

Dietary Restrictions will be accommodated ($60)

Reservation Form

*Please fill out all fields indicated with an *.*

*Name_____ *Telephone Number_____

*Email:_____

Please indicate entree orders and number of raffle tickets for each guest in your party (Table maximum of 10):

Name	*Beef*	*Chicken*	*Fish*	*Dietary Needs*

I wish to reserve for:

_____ Guests - Beef @ $70/per person* $ _____

_____ Guests - Chicken or Fish @ $60/per person* $ _____

_____ Guests - Dietary Needs @ $60/per person* $ _____

Please indicate Dietary Needs: _____

_____ No. Packs Raffle Tickets @ $20/pack *(25 tickets per pack)* $ _____

Total Amount Due $ _____

Is your total guest number correct? Please check to see that you have checked ONE entree choice for each guest.

Reservations are non-refundable. Tickets will be held at Old Orchard Country Club. If you wish to stay over, a list of hotels will be available.

PAYMENT VIA PAYPAL IS PREFERRED, CLICK HERE: https://idcta.org/idcta-annual-awards-banquet-invitation

Payment Information:
If you prefer to pay by check, please print this form and mail it, along with your check for the total amount due, payable to IDCTA, to:

Molly Fine
204 Lookout Dr.
Lake Geneva, WI 53147
716.573.5390

Please indicate who you would like to sit with (if possible): _____

Dressage Show Online
&
Illinois Dressage & Combined Training Association
2025 Virtual Dressage Show Series & Championship

January 17th to 26th - Judge Charlotte Trentelman "S" "R"

February 14th to 23rd - Judge Ida Norris "S" "R"

March 14th to 23rd - Judge Robin Brueckmann "S" "R"

April 11th to 27th - Judges: Margaret Freeman "S" & Janice Mumford "R"

WDAA Western Dressage

WDAA Intro JNR-AA-Open
WDAA Basic JNR-AA-Open
WDAA Level 1 JNR-AA-Open
WDAA Level 2 JNR-AA-Open
WDAA Level 3 JNR-AA-Open
WDAA Level 4 JNR-AA-Open
WDAA Level 5 JNR-AA-Open
WDAA Musical Freestyle JNR-AA-Open
WDAA Equitation JNR-AA-Open

USDF Classic Dressage

USDF Intro - JNR-AA-Open
USDF Training JNR-AA-Open
USDF First level JNR-AA-Open
USDF Second Level JNR-AA-Open
USDF Third JNR-AA-Open
USDF Fourth Level JNR-AA-Open
Prix St. GeorgesJNR-AA-Open
USDF Musical Freestyle JNR-AA-Open

ENTER AT
WWW.DRESSAGESHOWONLINE.COM

Qualifier For:

North America Online Dressage Championships

World Show

Classes $50 for members. $60 for non members
No admin fees. Free shipping within the US
Ribbons to 6th Place
Show High Point Medals for Open/Jnr/AA

IDCTA Presents:

Dr. Mike Tomlinson, DVM: Sleep. Do Horses Need It?

An interactive discussion starting with the requirement for REM sleep in equine (only possible if lying down) and winding its way through health, welfare, and other topics as the conversation is guided by the questions asked.

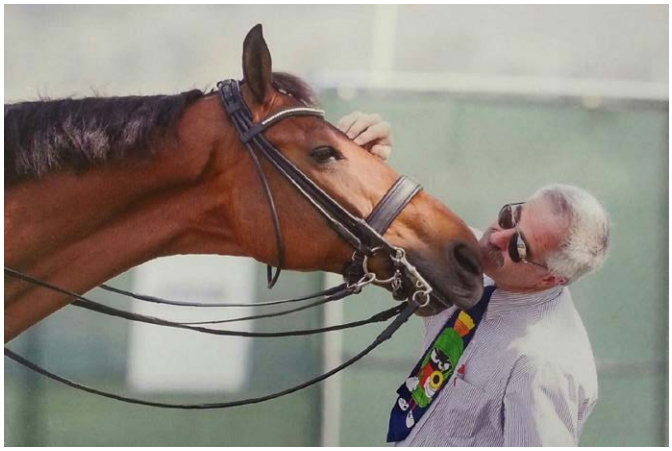
Wednesday, January 8th, 2025 | 7 p.m. CST

Part of the IDCTA Veterinary Zoom Series

Join Dr. Miesen as she discusses common diseases and injuries of the horse's eye, how to recognize if there is a problem and how to treat them. She will also discuss appropriate steps at home, when to call the veterinarian, and how to determine if it is an emergency or if you can wait until morning to call your veterinarian.

Bio:

Dr. C. Mike Tomlinson DVM MBA has been a veterinarian, judge, course designer, steward, or technical delegate at about 30 FEI events each year, on nearly every continent around the globe, since 1984. In 2018, he was the President of the Veterinary Commission I for the World Equestrian Games (WEG), the world finals for Jumping, Dressage, Eventing, Driving, Vaulting, Reining, and Endurance all at one venue. Dr. Mike has represented the USA as Team Veterinarian at several Games and World Championships. He has been the Chair of the USEF Endurance Sport Committee and the USEF Para Sport Committee, Vice President of USEF, and a past President of AERC and HHRF.



CLICK HERE to sign up for the Dr. Mike Tomlinson Veterinary Zoom | January 8th, 2025 | 7 p.m. CST

IDCTA Presents:

Stephanie Miesen, DVM: Diseases of the Equine Eye

Wednesday, February 19th, 2025 | 7 p.m. CST

Part of the IDCTA Veterinary Zoom Series

Join Dr. Miesen as she discusses common diseases and injuries of the horse's eye, how to recognize if there is a problem and how to treat them. She will also discuss appropriate steps at home, when to call the veterinarian, and how to determine if it is an emergency or if you can wait until morning to call your veterinarian.

Bio:

Dr. Miesen grew up in south central Wisconsin as a horse-crazy kid and competed in rodeo and barrel racing at both the state and national levels while in high school. After graduating, she attended UW-River Falls to major in Animal Science with an Equine Emphasis while competing on the rodeo team and working for equine and small animal veterinarians. She then attended UW-Madison School of Veterinary Medicine, graduating in 2008. Since graduation Dr. Miesen has worked as an equine veterinarian in Oregon, WI with Country View Equine Clinic. Dr. Miesen has special interest in performance horses, dentistry and ophthalmology and will be attending the Healing Oasis from January through April 2025 to be certified in Veterinary Spinal Manipulation. Dr. Miesen has also served on the Wisconsin Equine Practitioner Association Board and currently serves on the Wisconsin Veterinary Examining Board. Most of all, she enjoys spending time with her husband and two children as well as continuing to train young horses and compete in barrel racing.

CLICK HERE to sign up for the Dr. Stephanie Miesen Veterinary Zoom | Feburay 19th, 2025 | 7 p.m. CST

The Illinois Dressage & Combined Training Association Presents:

USDF Instructor/Trainer Development Program

Instructors: Sarah Geikie and Katherine Simard

Three weekends:

October 26 and 27: Riding
Freehorse Farm, 3490 252nd Ave., Salem, WI
Closing Date: October 12. 2024

November 23-24, 2024: Teaching
Freehorse, Farm 3490 252nd Ave., Salem, WI
Closing Date: November 9, 2024

January 4 -5, 2025: Lunging
Cheryl Quick's Farm, W1800 County Road B, Genoa City, WI 53128
Closing Date: December 21, 2024

The USDF Instructor/Trainer Development Program is designed to educate amateurs and professionals of all levels who wish to further their education in the classical system of dressage. Our program offers educational seminars on lunging, riding and teaching. There are three two-day clinics offered. The first day will be geared toward a general audience and large group, features demonstration riders, and is open to anyone.

The second day is designed for a small group and features a hands-on education experience for participants. A student can attend any or all of the three clinics. If they would like to attend day two of any clinic, they must attend the first day. These seminars are based on core content that everyone should know and will help those who wish to continue on to certification. In all seminars, attendees are in a learning environment.

The first day of each clinic is open to anyone and includes lectures and demonstration rides. There is no limit on the number of attendees on Day 1. Day 2 is a smaller, more "closed" environment which includes hands-on sessions, discussion, feedback, and it is limited to eight (8) participants who have attended Day 1 of that clinic. Depending on the focus of the seminar, the participants will teach lessons (private only), lunge horses and horse/rider combinations, and ride horses. They will work on the theory, methodology and techniques of classical dressage. There is a lot of interaction between the participants and the faculty during each session. There will be discussion regarding evaluating the horses and the riders in a particular way. The seminar atmosphere is supportive of discussion and inquiry. All this adds to the educational qualities of the program

Costs: Day 1 of each clinic $75
Days 1 & 2 - $225 (Fee includes both days – limit of 8 participants. First day attendence is mandatory)

If a participant brings their own horse, the charge for stalls is $40 per day. Day 2 participants and demo riders will be provided lunch.

Questions: Contact Molly Fine – 716-573-5390 or mollymfine@gmail.com

Sarah Geikie
CLICK HERE for Biography

Katherine Simard
CLICK HERE for Biography

CLICK HERE to sign up for the October 26-27 USDF Instructor/Trainer Development Program

CLICK HERE to sign up for the November 23-24 USDF Instructor/Trainer Development Program

CLICK HERE to sign up for the January 4-5 USDF Instructor/Trainer Development Program

IDCTA Continuing Education Program

Education Recognition Program

Program Charter: The mission of the IDCTA Education Series is to foster a community of equestrians who are as eager to learn and develop their skills, as they are to compete. This program intends to reward riders and unmounted horsemen alike, for their dedication to continuing education, by awarding points to the various educational sessions (mounted and unmounted) offered throughout the calendar year. The submissions can be from any horse related educational activities. Examples could be educational activities at Pony Club Rallies, certification programs and horse behavioral sessions.

** All sessions attended must be documented and recorded in the appropriate form and may be submitted for end-of-year award consideration. The tables below outline the point system and prize tiers. All end-of-year eligibility requirements apply, including 5 hours of volunteer time and IDCTA membership at the time of participation. Management reserves the right to review submissions. If you would like to pre-certify the event that you are submitting, please call Ashlee or Molly. (See Below)

Point System:

Type of Education	IDCTA Hosted	Externally Hosted
Zoom clinics/ educational series	3 points	2 points
Unmounted clinic (audit)	3 points per day attended	2 points per day attended
Mounted Clinic	6 points per day attended	5 points per day attended
Educational Website Sessions	-------	1 point per session

Prize Tiers:

Gold Level Learner	40 points
Silver Level Learner	30 points
Bronze Level Learner	20 points
Perpetual Learner	>1 point

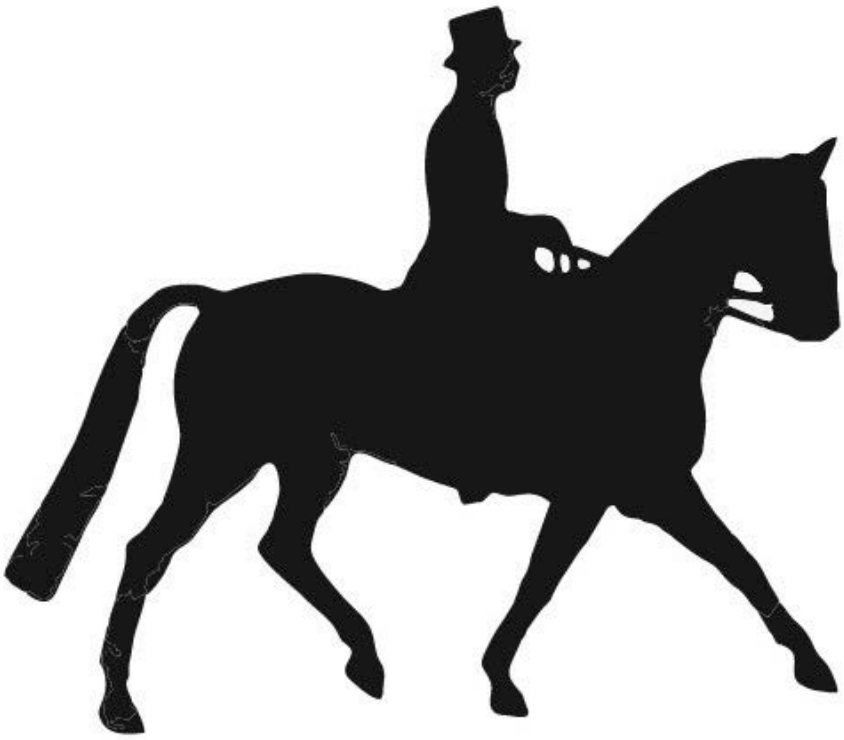
Process:

1. Members attend an educational session or series of sessions.
2. Any time after the education event is attended, the member reports the attendance through the link to the website (the pertinent information will be gathered by prompts on the website form). The last day for reporting is 10-31 of the current calendar year. Each program attended should be reported separately.
3. After the last reporting date (i.e., 10-31) the team will download the reports from the form and calculate the scores based on criteria above.
4. Each person reporting scores will be eligible for an award if they meet the criteria.
5. The collection of data will occur from 11-1 to 10- 31. Any educational program attended during this period can be counted and can be submitted at any time.

Team:

Contact Molly Fine 716-573-5390, mollymfine@gmail.com or Ashlee Lazic, 847-809-3843 ashleelazic@gmail.com - if you have questions or need help.

CLICK HERE to make a submission to the IDCTA Continuing Education Recognition Program



BAUERNHOF BARRINGTON

Newly restored and upgraded dressage facility

22035 North Harbor Road, Barrington, IL 60010

- Very private and secure property with beautiful scenery, convenient location, and easy access
- A limited number of stalls currently available
- Indoor and outdoor arenas with Whoadust
- Hacking trail with pond and stream views
- WiFi remote video monitoring of barn and paddocks
- WiFi connected smoke detectors
- Barn is Infrared heated and has excellent natural ventilation
- 10 x 12 stalls with custom stainless steel bars, high ceilings, rubber mats, and individual overhead fans
- Most stalls have skylights and exterior Dutch doors, or opening windows
- Extensive turn out paddocks with four board oak fencing and hot wire
- All electric wiring in galvanized conduit (not BX or Romex which can be a fire hazard)
- Full bathroom including shower and laundry
- Tack room and lounge that overlooks the indoor arena
- Large parking lot
- Individual owners and dressage trainers welcome
- Please inquire for further details 847.736.1724

Paid Advertisement

IDCTA Celebrated our Golden Anniversary in 2023!

IDCTA is continuing plans for fun and educational events and activities aimed at building community within our sports of eventing and dressage in 2024. Won't you join us? All ideas for activities and/or events are welcome!

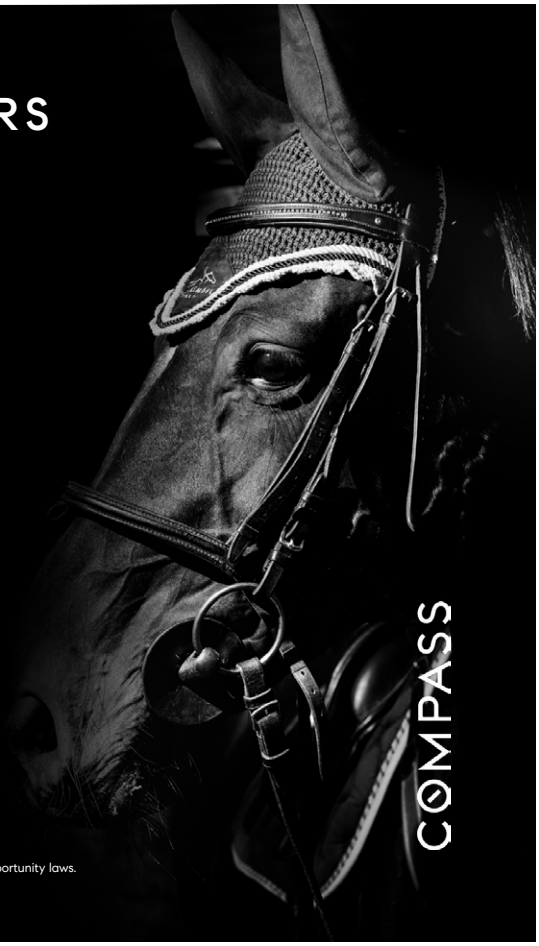
IMPORTANT NOTICE REGARDING IDCTA ANNUAL YEAR-END AWARDS:

You MUST be an active IDCTA member BEFORE competing in the show which you wish to submit scores for. Only scores earned AFTER a membership has been processed or renewed will be counted.

EQUESTRIAN PROPERTY PARTNERS

Compass Equestrian Division is a collection of successful and collaborative agents committed to growing this part of their business.

Servicing the distinctively different real estate needs of the equestrain client via a national network of highly skilled and specially selected agents.



CARRIE DORN
Licensed Real Estate Broker
Residential Appraiser
630.408.3678
@carriedornrealestate
carriedornrealestate.com

KAREN ANDERSON
Licensed Real Estate Broker
630.800.0555
karen.anderson@compass.com

epp@compass.com

Carrie Dorn is a real estate agent affiliated with Compass, a licensed real estate broker and abides by federal, state and local Equal Housing Opportunity laws.

Paid Advertisement

ILLINOIS DRESSAGE AND COMBINED TRAINING ASSOCIATION

The Illinois Dressage and Combined Training Association is a non-profit organization that embraces education, self-accomplishment and community in Dressage, Eventing and Combined Training. Through educational events, scheduled competitions and social activities, our organization strives to support both equestrian and non-equestrian members with their personal goals, including understanding theories that enhance horsemanship, gaining skills to improve performance, and pursuing the maximum enjoyment that equestrian sport has to offer.

Therapeutic Riding Volunteers Needed!

As a rider or horse enthusiast, you know the important role riding and being with horses has in your life. Clients at Main Stay Therapeutic Farm feel the same passion for connecting with horses. Main Stay offers therapeutic riding lessons and animal assisted learning programs to a wide variety of people who want to continue to achieve their goals and may need some additional support to be able to do so.

Main Stay offers adaptive/therapeutic riding lessons during the day, evening and weekends, and there is a need for people with horse experience to lead therapy horses during classes. Horse handlers are primarily responsible for the horse during lessons and help ensure the rider's safety by providing the needed level of support during the class. Lessons are either 30 or 45 minutes in length and volunteers must be able to walk for at least an hour on an uneven surface in our indoor and/or outdoor arenas. Weekly volunteer slots are available, or filling in on a substitute basis is also an option with several slots currently available throughout the week. Volunteers are essential to the success of our riders.

Check out our new website, www.mainstayfarm.org, or reach out to our volunteer coordinator, vc@mainstayfarm.org or 815-382-9374 to learn more about the program and the important volunteer roles available at the farm. The best way to learn about the program is to come and observe a session. We would love to meet you and share more information about Main Stay. It's a special place to so many people and animals! The farm is located in Richmond on 40 beautiful acres across from Glacial Park Conservation District. Background checks and training are required for new volunteers.

If you are an IDCTA member, you can get your volunteer hours from an approved Therapeutic Riding Program such as Main Stay. To obtain approval for a therapeutic program, please email Cindy Lambert at cindylambert706@gmail.com or Molly Fine at mollymfine@gmail.com.

WE NEED YOU!

Main Stay is a volunteer-based organization. We operate with a small core staff, and without our dedicated volunteers who choose to make a difference, our program would not exist. For most areas of the program you will not need a special skill or horse experience. You just need the desire to give your time... we can almost guarantee you will receive more than you give!

VOLUNTEER OPPORTUNITIES

- Horse Handler*
- Sidewalker
- Groomer*
- Group/Animal Assistant
- Gardening Assistant
- Special Events Help
- Fundraising
- Projects Around the Farm
- Board & Committee Members

*requires horse experience

HOW YOU CAN MAKE A DIFFERENCE

Volunteers are essential to our clients' success in our therapeutic riding, animal assisted learning program and adaptive garden program. Daytime and evening volunteer opportunities are available throughout the year in our state of the art equestrian facility!

To learn more about our program and how you can make a difference, call us today at 815-382-9374 or scan the QR code with your phone! www.mainstayfarm.org/volunteer

6919 Keystone Rd., Richmond, IL 60071 | www.mainstayfarm.org | 815-653-9374 | info@mainstayfarm.org

Did you miss any of our Livestream ZOOM Interviews?

Check our our ZOOM library at www.idcta.org/zoom-library

Financial Freedom To Do What You Love

- Financial Planning
- Investment Management
- Wealth Advisory Services

Barrett Wealth CONNECTION

Barrett Wealth Connection LLC
Fee-only, Fiduciary
BarrettWealthConnection.com
815.529.7527

Call Today!

Paid Advertisement

Photo © Josa Comstock Photography

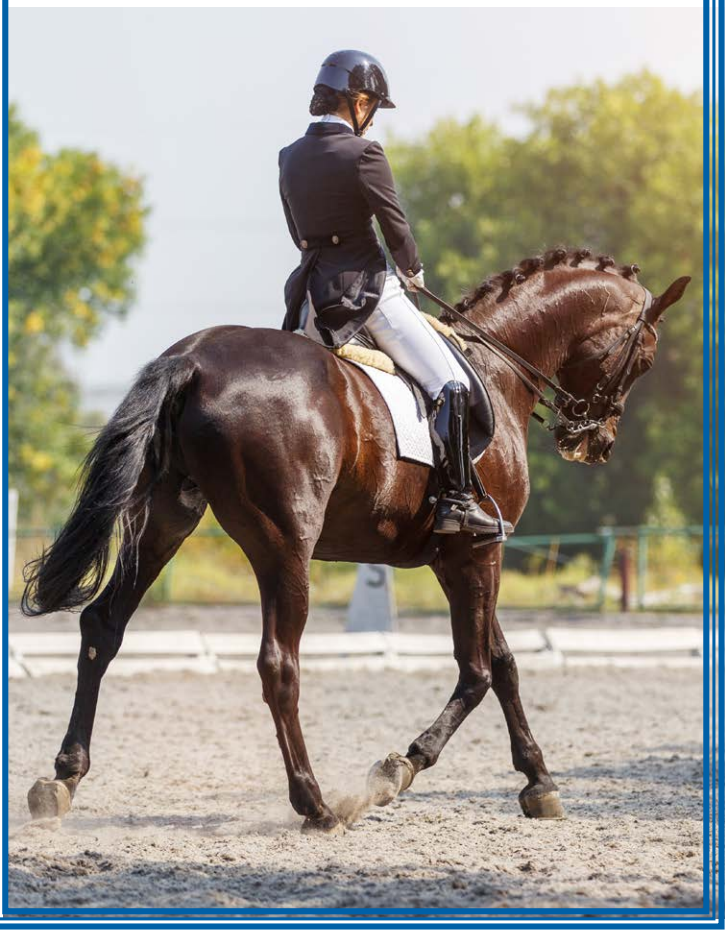
Attention: Show Managers & Organizers!

Part of the thrill of competing is seeing your results in the IDCTA *Scribe*!

We have a variety of area competitions each year and only a few send us results and/or photos. Please take a moment to give your competitors the added thrill of seeing their results in print.

Send all show results, stories and photographs to

Scribe Editor Mary Jo Downen at *typagraphics@gmail.com*.



IDCTA Clinic Affiliation Program

In order to provide education opportunities for our members, we are establishing a program to affiliate with those barns who are giving clinics. We would like to be able work with a few barns like yours on 2 clinics per year.

IDCTA requests that the hosting barn will:

- Reserve 2 ride spots specifically for IDCTA members (if not filled 3 weeks before the clinic start date, these 2 slots can be filled with any rider)
- Provide an auditor discount of $5-10/day to IDCTA members
- Display the IDCTA banner during the clinic

IDCTA will:

- Subsidize the barn with $100 to offset a small portion of the clinic cost
- Provide a rider subsidy of $400 per clinic for riders who are IDCTA members - If there are 4 IDCTA member riders, each rider would receive $100, if more than 4, each rider would receive a portion of the $400 (i.e., if a clinic had 6 riders who were IDCTA members, each would receive $66). Each rider would be limited to 2 subsidy's per year
- Provide an IDCTA member to man the auditor check-in table during the clinic
- Advertise the clinic on IDCTA's face book page and on USDF Region 2's face book page (using the communication form)
- In order for your barn to participate in this clinic affiliation program, your barn must be a business member. This program is limited to 2 clinics per year.

As an IDCTA business member, your barn would receive the following benefits:

- ONE IDCTA Regular, Junior Rider or Young Rider membership including a Group Membership to USDF (go to http://www.usdf.org/join/GMBenefits.pdf for a complete list of GMO benefits)
- $60 of advertising in the IDCTA *Scribe* (good for one membership year, not cumulative)
- An expanded listing in the IDCTA website Service Directory (www.idcta.org/membership/idcta-service-directory)
- A condensed version of your web-site Service Directory listing in the IDCTA *Scribe* (see current issue for details)
- Links to your website and/or email from both Service Directories, as well as any advertising you run in the *Scribe*
- Event listings on the IDCTA Calen-dar, both website and *Scribe*
- Email Blasts utilizing the IDCTA email list, a great way to advertise your business.

If you would like to participate in this clinic affiliation program, your barn will be assigned a barn ambassador to ensure that there will be continuity and regular communication between the barn and the IDCTA board. We are excit-ed about the program and are sure that there are benefits for each organization.

Updated 3/15/21

Dressage4Kids

Educational and competitive opportunities for youth riders and the adults who support them

Educational Opportunities:

- Scholarships – open to all D4K participants
- Training4Teaching – open to all instructors
- Weekend Equestrian Program – open to all
- Winter Intensive Training Program – open to riders ages 25 & under
- TEAM (Training, Education & Mentoring) Program – open to riders ages 25 & under

D4K TEAM member benefits:

- Educational material
- Community
- Eligibility to ride in D4K TEAM clinics with top trainers like Lendon Gray, Allison Brock, and Olivia LaGoy-Weltz
- Notices about D4K lease horses
- Special opportunities such as meet and greets with Olympians Charlotte Dujardin and Dorothee Schneider

Competitive Opportunities:

- Atlanta Youth Festival (Georgia)
- Lendon's Youth Dressage Festival (New York)
- Youth Dressage Festival Midwest (Michigan)

Learn more at www.dressage4kids.org

Illinois Dressage and Combined Training Association
2025 Membership Form

Name: _____

Street Address:_____

City / State / Zip: _____

Home Phone: _____ Cell Phone: _____

Email (Required): _____

The membership year is December 1 though November 30. If you choose a type of membership that has an italic section, please complete the information for that specialized membership type:

Regular Membership .....$60.00 $ _____

Young Rider Membership .....$45.00 $ _____

Rider Birth Date – REQUIRED! _____

Junior Rider Membership $35.00 $ _____

Rider Birth Date – REQUIRED! _____

Business Membership* .....$160.00 $ _____

If you are joining as a Business Member, please provide us with additional information:

Business Name: _____

Street Address: _____

*City / State / Zip:*_____

Please check applicable box: ❑ New Membership ❑ Membership Renewal

Please accept my gift to IDCTA's Educational Grant Fund _____ $

Total.....$ _____

What type of riding do you do? (select all that apply):
❑ Dressage ❑ Eventing ❑ Schooling Shows ❑ Western Dressage ❑ Virtual Shows ❑ Other

Are you a trainer: ❑ Yes ❑ No **Who do you train with?**_____

Please make check payable to IDCTA. Credit cards NOT accepted with this form.
Mail Membership Form & Check to:
Lil Kane, 3591 Persimmon Drive, Algonquin, IL 60102
Email: membershipidcta@gmail.com | Phone: 847-452-4207 (cell)

IDCTA is an ALL Volunteer, Not-For-Profit Organization. Please become active in the club and VOLUNTEER!
Rules Governing IDCTA Year-end Awards: In order to qualify for any awards, the owner and the rider of each horse must be a Regular, Young Rider, Junior Rider and/or Life member of IDCTA at the time the scores are earned.

Explanation of Membership Fees:

Regular Membership: $60.00 Includes an annual electronic subscription to the Scribe available at IDCTA.org, one vote in annual elections, discounted participation in select IDCTA sponsored activities and a USDF Group membership*.

Young Rider Membership: $45.00 For those members who will not have reached their 22nd birthday before January 1, 2025. Same benefits as regular members with the exception of voting privileges.

Junior Rider Membership: $35.00 For those members who will not have reached their 17th birthday before January 1, 2025. Same benefits as regular members with the exception of voting privileges.

Business Membership: $160.00 Entitles a business to ONE IDCTA Regular, Junior Rider or Young Rider membership. $60 of advertising in the Scribe, a link to your website from IDCTA's website and an entry into the Business Directory with your logo and a summary of your business offerings. You can also advertise your events on the IDCTA website calendar, and request E-Blasts be sent out to the IDCTA email list. Once you have signed up as a business, your application will be sent to the web administrator and you will be sent a questionnaire to build your directory page. This is a great way to advertise your business.

** USDF Group membership includes 10 issues of the* USDF Connection *and many additional benefits. It is not a participating membership and does not include eligibility for USDF year end awards and to compete in Regional competitions. For further information go to www.usdf.org/clubs/gmo.*

Benefits of IDCTA Membership

IDCTA membership comes with the following benefits:

Community

- Support - becoming a member of IDCTA brings you together with other equine lovers to support one another and improve the understanding of dressage and eventing disciplines
- *SCRIBE* - receive IDCTA's monthly, electronic newsletter
- *SCRIBE* - you can submit articles to be published in the *SCRIBE*
- Facebook - join your equine community on IDCTA's Facebook page

Education

- Riding clinics - with some of the top trainers/coaches available
- Education clinics (in development) – learn about different topics (i.e., tack fitting, equine insurance, essential oils, etc)
- Schooling Shows
- Recognized Shows

Financial

- Discounts - receive a discount to ride in or audit IDCTA-sponsored clinics
- USDF Group membership - included with your IDCTA membership - group members get most of the benefits of USDF membership (exceptions - a group membership cannot qualify for or participate in (1) regional championships; (2) Adequan®/USDF Year-End Awards or (3) USDF Breeder's Championship Qualifiers and Finals classes) (link: https://www.usdf.org/faqs/gmo.asp#1)
- Grants - apply for a grant to participate in a clinic (link: https://idcta.org/idcta-grant-program)
- Advertising - regular members get free advertising in the classified section of the *SCRIBE,* and business members (1) get $60 of advertising in the *SCRIBE*, (2) can advertise through emails blasts to almost 2,000 in the equine community, (3) can post on IDCTA's facebook page, and (4) can advertise events on the IDCTA website calendar (link: https://idcta.org/contact-us/advertising-rates)

Recognition

- IDCTA year-end awards - be recognized for your achievements in both recognized and schooling shows

Photo Credit: Shannon Brinkman

TDF
Your Source for Support

Since 1989, donors to The Dressage Foundation have generously provided funds to create a better dressage community... for you.

Each year grants and scholarships are awarded to riders of all ages and levels- instructors, judges, breeders, dressage non-profits, and more.

Visit dressagefoundation.org to learn about the options currently available:

Photo Credit: Carolynn Bunch

ADULT AMATEURS
- Gifted Memorial Fund
- Heldenberg Training Center Fund
- Evie Tumlin Fund for Region 9

YOUTH
- Captain Jack Fritz Grants for YR Graduate Program
- Carolyn Van Cise Fund for Michigan Youth
- Cynthia Aspden Fund for Youth Development
- Heldenberg Training Center Fund
- Young Rider International Dream Program

INSTRUCTORS
- Continuing Education for Instructors Fund
- Karen Skvarla Fund for Young Professionals
- Major Lindgren Instructor Education Fund
- Trip Harting Fund for Pony Club Members
- USDF Region 9 Teaching Excellence Award

BREEDERS
- Elysium Farm Fund for U.S. Breeders

JUDGES
- Shannon Foundation Fund for Judges' Licensing
- Trip Harting Fund for Pony Club Members

SHOW MANAGEMENT AND TECHNICAL DELEGATES
- Lloyd Landkamer Show Management Development Fund
- Veronica Holt Dressage Technical Delegate Fund

HIGH PERFORMANCE
- Anne B. Ramsay Grant
- Carol Lavell Advanced Dressage Prize
- Patsy Albers Award

EDUCATIONAL EVENTS
- Continuing Education for Instructors Fund
- Dancing Horse Fund
- Edgar Hotz Judges Education Fund
- Michael Poulin Dressage Fund
- Sally Swift Fund for Centered Riding Clinics
- Violet Hopkins Fund for GMO Events

CENTURY CLUB
- Honoring senior riders and horses

THE DRESSAGE FOUNDATION
INCORPORATED

THE DRESSAGE FOUNDATION
1314 'O' Street, Suite 305
Lincoln, NE 68508

402-434-8585
info@dressagefoundation.org
www.dressagefoundation.org

Listings in the IDCTA Serice Directory are FREE to all paid IDCTA Members.
Please submit your horse-related service listing to: Mary Jo Downen at *typagraphics@gmail.com*

EVENTING

Erika Dierks
Stonehedge Farm | Union Grove, WI
(262) 859-2853 | stonehedgellc@gmail.com
www.stonehedgefarm.net
Premiere Boarding and Training Facility located on 170 acres. 30 stalls, Quality Care. Training in Eventing, Dressage and Jumping.

Eric Dierks
Stonehedge Farm | Union Grove, WI
(703)297-2329 | Eric@EricDierks.com
www.EricDierks.com
Offers Lessons and Training in Dressage, Hunter/ Jumpers and Eventing from Horsemanship to Competition.

DRESSAGE

Shelley Day
(414) 403-8491
sdaydressage04@yahoo.com
www.daydressage.com
USDF Bronze and Silver Medalist
USDF Bronze and Silver Freestyle Bar
30+ years experience
Winner of many regional awards
Trainer at Paddock Hills Equestrian Center (Union, IL) and Diamond Legacy Farm (Mukwonago, WI)
Willing to travel Southern WI & Northern IL

OTHER SERVICES

Zanides Equine Wellness | *Certified Equine Therapeutic & Sports Massage*
Member IAAMB
224-645-4858

ProEquo Saddlery,
912-312-6612 | kelly@proequosaddlery.com
www.proequosaddlery.com
ProEquo Saddlery, Peter Horobin Saddlery's Midwest representative, provides exceptional services and products specifically designed to promote the well-being of horses and riders. Established in 1985 and now available across the US, Peter Horobin saddles provide data driven and evaluated results for equine back health and proper rider biomechanics.

INSURANCE

Hallmark Equine Insurance Agency
800-734-0598 | info@hallmarkhorse.com
www.hallmarkhorse.com
Hallmark is dedicated to protecting all your equestrian investments by providing quality, cost-effective coverages. Our staff of knowledgeable horse people can discuss your specific insurance needs, whether you would like to insure your horse, equine business, equestrian association, or farm.

PRIVATE JET CHARTER

Valley Air Service, Inc.
888.235.9827 • charter@flyvas.com
www.FLYVAS.com
Since 1994, Valley Air Service, Inc. has been the private air charter service of choice for those who expect the utmost in safety and service. Based at Chicago's DuPage Airport, our commitment to a perfect flight coupled with our stellar safety record provides the peace of mind you need, whether flying for business or pleasure. Service to Wellington, Ocala, Aiken, Tryon, Lexington and more.

VETERINARY CARE

Dr. Michelle Jobert | Well Adjusted Pet | www.welladjustedpet.com
Woodstock, IL | 954-309-0333 | drjobert@welladjustedpet.com
Holistic veterinary medicine including chiropractic, acupuncture, laser therapy, and Chinese herbal medicine in an ambulatory setting.

The IDCTA Service Directory listings are available to all paid IDCTA members. *If you would like to have your horse-related business listed and you are a current IDCTA member, please email your listing to Mary Jo Downen at typagraphics@gmail.com. Listings should include your name, your farm name, your phone(s), your email, your website, and a brief description of the services that you offer. If you offer both training and boarding services, you can have a longer description. Please provide your IDCTA member number as well.*

Take advantage of this fantastic resource for those seeking equine-related services as well as for those offering them. If you have any questions regarding our Service Directory, please don't hesitate to contact me at 815-522-2285.

IMPORTANT LINKS: FORMS & INFORMATION

Click form name and you will be re-drected to the online version

Membership Form

- IDCTA Membership Form 2025

Entry Forms

- Auditor Entry Form
- IDCTA Dressage Clinic Entry Form
- IDCTA Clinic Grant Program
- IDCTA Schooling Show Grant Program
- Schooling Show Entry Form
- COVID-19 Liability Release for IDCTA (1)

Awards Forms

- Dressage Score Reporting Form
- Dressage Journey Award Form
- Dressage Year End Awards Checklist
- Eventing Score Reporting Form
- Eventing Journey Award Form
- Eventing Year End Awards Checklist
- Schooling Traditional Dressage Score Report Form
- Schooling Mini Event Score Report Form
- Schooling Combined Training Score Report Form
- Schooling Checklist
- TIP Awards Report Form
- Western Dressage Score Report Form
- Virtual Year End Awards Checklist
- Virtual Score Reporting Form
- Volunteer-Hours-Reporting-Form

Dressage Tests

- 2020 Green as Grass – GREEN AS GRASS TEST 1
- 2020 Green as Grass – GREEN AS GRASS TEST 2
- 2020 Green as Grass – GREEN AS GRASS TEST 3
- Intro A
- Intro B
- Intro C
- Training 1
- Training 2
- Training 3
- First 1
- First 2
- First 3
- Second 1
- Second 2
- Second 3
- Third 1
- Third 2
- Third 3
- Fourth 1
- Fourth 2
- Fourth 3
- Prix Caprilli Test 1
- PrixCaprilli1 back
- PrixCaprilli2 front
- PrixCaprilli2 back

Western Dressage Tests

- wdaa- https://www.westerndressageassociation.org/wdaa-tests

Combined Training Dressage Tests

- Beginner Novice: Test A
- Beginner Novice: Test B
- Novice: Test A
- Novice: Test B
- Training: Test A
- Training Test B
- Modified: Test A
- Modified: Test B
- Modified Test C
- Preliminary: Test A
- Preliminare: Test B
- Preliminary: Test C
- Intermediate: Test A
- Intermediate: Test B
- Intermediate: Test C
- Advanced: Test A
- Advanced Test B

Classified Ads up to 50 words are FREE for IDCTA members! 10¢ a word for non-members.
Send your ad to Mary Jo Downen at typagraphics@gmail.com

Classified Ads

LESSONS/TRAINING

Belgian WB gelding for private dressage lessons. Great changes and lateral work. Great Amateur or JR/YR horse. Private facility, Barrington area. Trainer Fatima Kranz. *fpk2009@yahoo.com*

BOARDING

Stalls available at Woodland Equestrian. Board Your Horse in a Quiet private, heated barn in Harvard, IL. Stalls are 12x14. Heated Indoor arena and outdoor Dressage arena. Wash stall with hot and cold water. Training programs available with clinics on premise. Call or text Jamie Waters 815-651-1839

Board Your Horse – Large Stalls: Quiet private barn in Barrington Hills; 12 x 20 foot stalls; lighted indoor arena with sand/rubber/fiber footing; barn is heated; warm/cold water wash rack; 6 fenced pastures; across from riding trails; 3 miles from the B.H.'s Riding Center. $950 to $1200 per month. **Contact Shirley at (847) 370-3856**

LEASE AND SHARE BOARDING

Belgian WB gelding available for 1/2 lease. Great changes and lateral work. Great Amateur or JR/YR horse. Private facility, Barringtonarea. Contact Fatima Kranz. *fpk2009@yahoo.com*

Stonehedge Farm has several horses available for lease or share boarding. Trainer on premises available for lessons: 1) TB/Percheron Cross gelding. Likes to jump; started in dressage. 2) TB Gelding- School Master to fourth Level Dressage. Contact Erika Dierks for more information (262) 859-2853 or e-mail stonehedgellc@gmail.com.

TACK FOR SALE

2021 Bates Isabell 18"dressage saddle with CAIR panels and easy changegullet system. Wide. $1,500. Barrington location. 847-989-6378.

Potter steel metal jump cups with chain attached pins. Never lose another pin. $12/pr. 18 pair available. 847-989-6378.

Saddle:2017 Equipe Viktoria Black Mono, 18L, M+1. +1 Rear Panel. Excellent condition $3500.00 OBO **Bits:**Neue Schule bit, Starter Weymouth 5" - $150.00, Neue Schule Bit Starter Bridoon 5" - $90.00, Neue Schule Bit Starter snaffle 5.14 - $90.00 **Contact: Robin Mattson, 847-363-9409**

Stubben Juventus Jump Saddle 17 inch, wide tree. Secure deep seat with knee/thigh blocks, ideal for junior or petite adult jumper or eventer. Excellent used condition with years of use ahead. A few cosmetic blemishes lead to a very affordable price. $750. email for photos or info: irebay@uchicago.edu

Dresch Verdades saddle - medium/wide 8cm gullet with covered rolled monoflap in Remy and Buffalo leather with black patent half-moon. 6 months old with very little use. Asking $5400. Call or text Jamie Waters @ 815-651-1839

Full Size, Rolled Double Bridle with top buckles, Great Condition $125. Tammy Venturi, 208-283-3718

Stubben Leather Dressage Girth , 28 inches. Beautiful and Well-Conditioned. $150. Contact Olivia Venturi email : dventuri32@msn.com. 208-781-0045

MISCELLANEOUS FOR SALE

Stunning hunt scene room divider - hand painted on leather. 84" high with 4 25" panels accordion-style panels. Extraordinary craftsmanship. $1200. Contact me for photos or more info. citywindfarm@hotmail.com

Classified ads must be paid in full and received by the 10th of the preceding month (e.g., May 10 for June issue). First 50 words are FREE for an IDCTA member (please supply member number) and 10¢ a word for non-members. Additional words are $.50 each. Mail to: Mary Jo Downen, 33062 Pearl St., Kirkland, IL 60146. For information, call 815-522-2285. Email: typagraphics@gmail.com

NOTE: IDCTA MEMBER FREE ADS will continued to run until cancelled. Please contact the Advertising Manager above if you wish your ad to be discontinued.

Paid Advertisement

• Training
• Boarding
• Lessons
• Sales

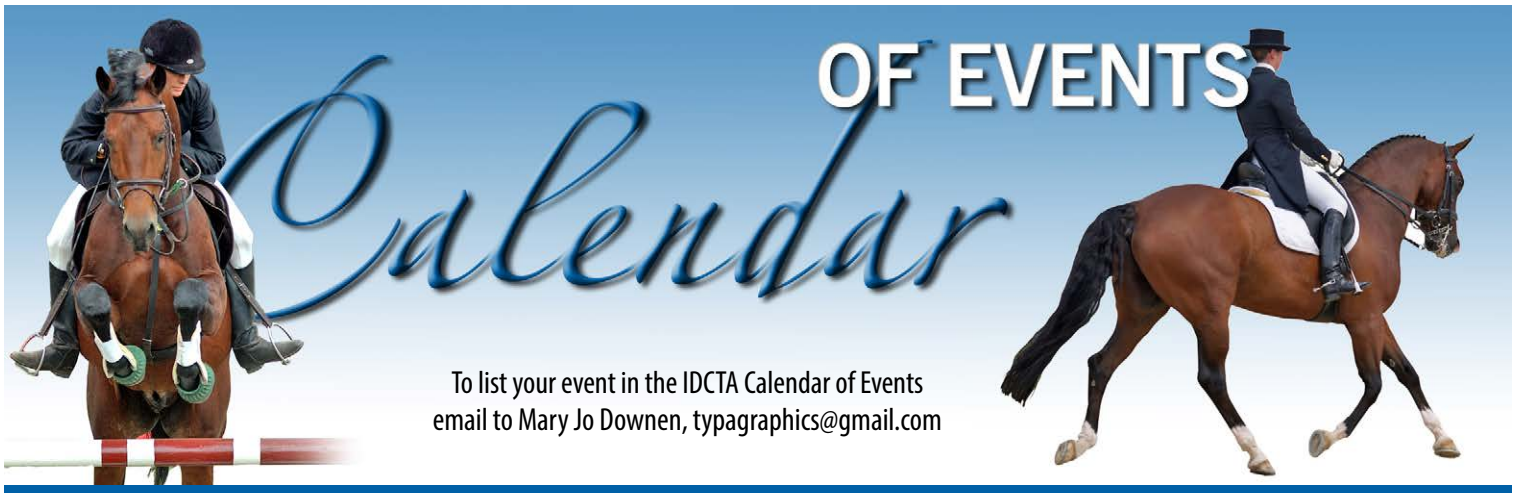
STONEHEDGE FARM

Dressage
262.859.2853

Eventing
Stonehedgellc@gmail.com
www.stonehedgefarm.net

Jumping
935 172nd Ave
Union Grove, WI 53182

Paid Advertisement



NOTE: All IDCTA shows and events, as well as Region 2 USDF Shows and USEA Area IV events are eligible for volunteer hours with signed volunteer form.

JANUARY 2025

January 4-5
The USDF Instructor/Trainer Development Program: Lunging
- Cheryl Quick's Farm, W1800 County Road B,
Genoa City, WI 53128
Closing Date: December 21, 2024
CLICK HERE TO SIGN UP

January 8
IDCTA Veterinary Zoom:
Dr. Mike Tomlinson, DVM: Sleep. Do Horses Need It?
CLICK HERE to sign up

January 17-26
Show#1: IDCTA Virtual Show Series
Judge - Charlotte Trentelman

January 25
2024 IDCTA Annual Year-end Awards Banquet
Old Orchard Country Club
700 West Rand Road, Mount Prospect, IL 60056
CLICK HERE for tickets

FEBRUARY

February 14-23
Show#2: IDCTA Virtual Show Series
Judge - Ida Norris

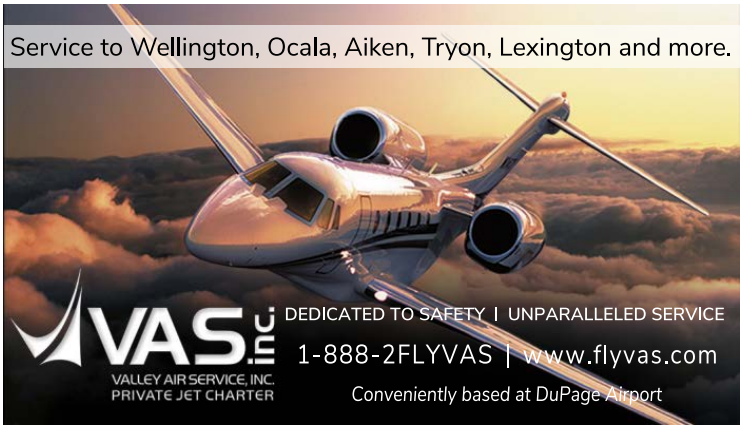
February 19
IDCTA Veterinary Zoom: Stephanie Miesen, DVM:
Diseases of the Equine Eye
CLICK HERE to sign up

MARCH

March 14-13
Show#3: IDCTA Virtual Show Series
Judge - - TBA

APRIL

April 11-27
Show#4: IDCTA Virtual Show Series
Judge - - TBA



Paid Advertisement