



ODS NEWSLETTER AUGUST 2015

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Dear Dressage Friends,

I hope you and your horses are staying well hydrated. I know I am certainly tired of getting up early everyday to beat the heat. There are some days that I hose off before I ever get on. I have two horses that wish that I would put a sprinkler out for them. If I am showering another, they are right there sticking their faces or rears into the spray! LOL

Has your registration been mailed? I need it immediately as I have to call in the lunch order by the 5th and your presence is needed to chat with others who share your passion and to give input to ODS's next year's activities. Remember your check will be returned; thus, free lunch!!! Just think you will be hearing from Oklahoma's top equine DVMs. Dr. Holbrook, Dr. Burba, and Dr. Schoonover have each chosen a topic of value to the dressage horse owner. Then we will be divided up and rotated through the equine hospital where the veterinarians will apply their topics to equipment and demonstrations. A perfect time to ask questions, know how these facilities might unfortunately meet a future need, or how to prevent problems.

Be sure to check out our newly redesigned website for all the various activities from ODS and its chapters. (Thanks, Jeanie!) There is something for everyone from schooling shows, camps, clinics, and recognized shows.

Thanks, Lee Ann, for this wonderful newsletter.

ODS President

Roberta Clark

GPC Schooling Show July 18th

Judge – Lurena Bell

The GPC schooling show on July 18th was well attended, in spite of the heat! The show represented the essence of a schooling show. There were rides ranging from lead line on a glittery pony to Grand Prix and almost every level in between. Western Dressage was well represented and Chris Cashel demonstrated her new musical freestyle at 3rd level. The show included riders testing the water on their new horses, riders taking a leap of faith and trying new levels, and even one rider (Charity Weaver) on a borrowed horse, just for the fun of participating! All in all, the riders received valued input from Lurena while enjoying the non-pressured atmosphere and comradery of old and new friends.
(submitted by Beth Circle)

ODS SUMMER MEETING AUGUST 8

OSU Vet School, Stillwater
Reservation Due August 3
Meeting
Presentations Geared Towards
Dressage Horses
Lunch (with reservation)

*More information and forms
included in this newsletter*



Great Plains Chapter News **Great Plains Dressage Summer** **Camp--August 16-19, 2015**

The Education and fun never ends! The second Dressage Camp for all levels of riders will be held mid August in Stillwater at Valley View Equestrian Center. At this time, with the month not even started, yet the camp is full. The riders are excited to get the fall season started off right with a blast of intense education. Between lessons, lunging, notes, videos, analysis and lectures each rider will advance quickly.

The Instructors:

Melissa Creswick USEF "S" Judge and Coach

Daily Private Dressage Lessons

Sue Jacobs PhD Professor, School of Applied Health and Educational Psychology

Daily Lectures on Positive Imagining for

Dressage Riders

Deryn Stewart and Robin Hessel

Daily Lunging working on seat, balance, bio-mechanics.

The riders will bring their companion and competition horses on Sunday for the first day of a busy clinic. The indoor facility is well insulated and airy so even in the heat of summer it is comfortable. The day will start early with stretches and light breakfast. Through the day the riders will rotate from private lessons to lunging lessons until the heat sets in. Then all will head off to the pool and refreshing drinks with lots of laughs. The lectures start over a wonderful dinner of healthy food, wine and beer. We are all about diet but within reason!

The next clinic/camp will be in Mid March with Paula Lacy. Keep your eyes on the website www.greatplainsdressage.com for information. Hope you will join us then.

The Show season has arrived and the clock is ticking! Labor Day Schooling and Recognized Shows are open for entry. We have had a wait list for our last two shows so get your entry filled out online or get it in the mail!

The Great Plains Dressage Recognized show will be Sunday Sept 6 preceded by a **Schooling show** on Saturday Sept 5 with the same judge Mr. Tom Poulin USEF 'S'. These are affordable and fun shows which promote education at all levels. Join us for a super weekend in Stillwater at Valley View Equestrian Center. Monday and Tuesday will be clinic rides with the judge. A few spots are still available but will not last for long.

Information for all GPC activities are available at www.greatplainsdressage.com.

Check out the running points for year end awards on

the website. There is plenty of time to get in the awards race!

Hope to see you soon,

Robin Hessel

Great Plains Dressage President

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Green Country Chapter News

Green Country Chapter has had a busy and productive first half of the year. The rainy spring meant that several events had to be rescheduled; however, GCC has held three schooling shows, a clinic, and the two-day Green Country Dressage Classic!

Our spring schooling shows were very successful, especially those held at our newest venue of Joyful Noise Farm in Pryor, OK. All weather warm-up arena footing, a quiet indoor arena, and gorgeous stabling have made it a popular destination for riders from as far as Norman! We've also been happy to add a growing number of western dressage riders to our shows.

The Green Country Dressage Classic was an exciting weekend of competition, with riders from Texas, Oklahoma, Kansas, and Arkansas represented. With funds raised from the silent auction and the selling of goodie bags, GCC was able to make significant donations to therapeutic horseback riding centers in the Northeastern Oklahoma area.

As part of our mission to give back to our members, GCC offered a low-cost clinic with Aaron Wilson July 12. Aaron was a insightful and thought-provoking clinician who spent the day giving private and semi-private lessons for as low as \$25. GCC is excited to offer more of these opportunities to our members in the future!

Green County Chapter's fall schedule is just as busy as spring: Bridle Creek in Sperry will host both our September 19 schooling show and October 3 team competition, while our schooling show championships are slated for the Claremore Expo Center on October 31. Our junior rider camp will be held at Prairie Lane Farm from October 16-18. GCC is also considering an adult rider camp and a second rated show in the fall.

To keep up with the latest GCC news, check out our newly launched website at www.greencountrydressage.org. You can find information about shows and other events there and on our Facebook page.

Additionally, GCC has t-shirts for sale! They're available in two styles, three colors, and a range of sizes. Check our website or Facebook page for more information.



North Central Chapter News

None Reported

2ND LEVEL DRESSAGE HORSE FOR SALE –



Handsome bay, Danish WB, 16.2 hands, well trained, non-spooky, good at shows and at home, 15 yrs old. Good first dressage horse for confident rider.

Reliable, good boy. Fun with freestyles. Good on hacks. Shown with solid scores up to 2nd level. Needs some maintenance. Has flying change. Well priced to long term home. \$15,000. Send serious inquires to Txsoose@yahoo.com.

Reminder: Time for fall shots

I strongly recommend vaccination for West Nile Virus and Influenza in August....even if you vaccinated for them in the spring.

September and October is when cases of West Nile Virus peak. The vaccine is only good for 4-6 months. For protection during the high risk months it is best to vaccinate in August. It's especially important this year since we've had a lot of rain leading to a high mosquito population.

Influenza is another vaccine that is good for only 4-6 months. Several countries require proof of flu vaccination every 6 months in order to show. It's a good idea to vaccinate at least 2 weeks before the first fall show.

Tamara Mayo, DVM



Clinics, Clinics, Clinics

There are several clinicians that are coming to Oklahoma on a regular basis. Some clinics are closed and some are open.

Christian Garweg comes to the OKC area. Contact Diane Smith (dsmith@varsitymrtg.com) for information.

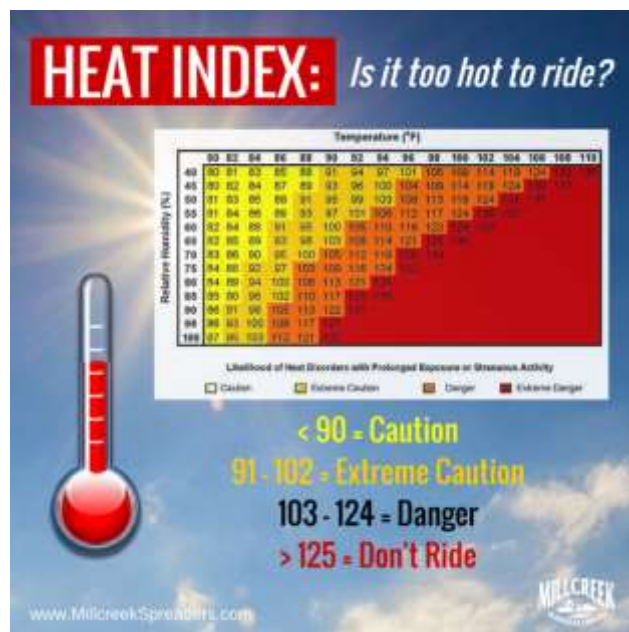
Jason Canton comes to the Tulsa area. Contact Anthea Kin (kin@olp.net) for information.

Lurena Bell comes to the OKC and Stillwater areas. Contact Lee Ann Alf (leeannalf@gmail.com) for information.

Jim Koford comes to the OKC area. Contact Kristin Knutson (kristin.knutson@hotmail.com) for information.

Melissa Creswick and Tom Poulin come several times a year to the Stillwater area. Contact Robin Hessel (hesselra@gmail.com) for information.

Sarah Martin comes to the Tulsa area. Contact Sherry Guess (guessdrsg@aol.com) for information.



Oklahoma Dressage Society Meeting

*Saturday
August 8, 2015*



Nancy Burba
Noble Road Equestrian Center

Hosted By
Oklahoma State University
Center for Veterinary Health Sciences



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Healthy Animals — Healthy People

8:30 AM Check In Veterinary Medical Hospital Room 104
Continental breakfast hosted by ODS

8:50 AM Welcome
Todd C. Holbrook, DVM
Diplomate ACVIM, ACVSMR
June Jacobs Endowed Chair
Professor of Equine Medicine
Equine Section Chief

9:00 AM **Diagnosis, Cause and Treatment of Certain Lamenesses in the Sport Horse**
Dan Burba, DVM, DACVS

10:00 AM **Muscle Conditions Affecting the Performance Horse**
Todd C. Holbrook, DVM,DACVIM, ACVSMR

11:00 AM **TOUR** Break into small groups and prepare for tour

Divide attendees into 5 groups

Noon Seminar Room 104 Veterinary Medical Hospital

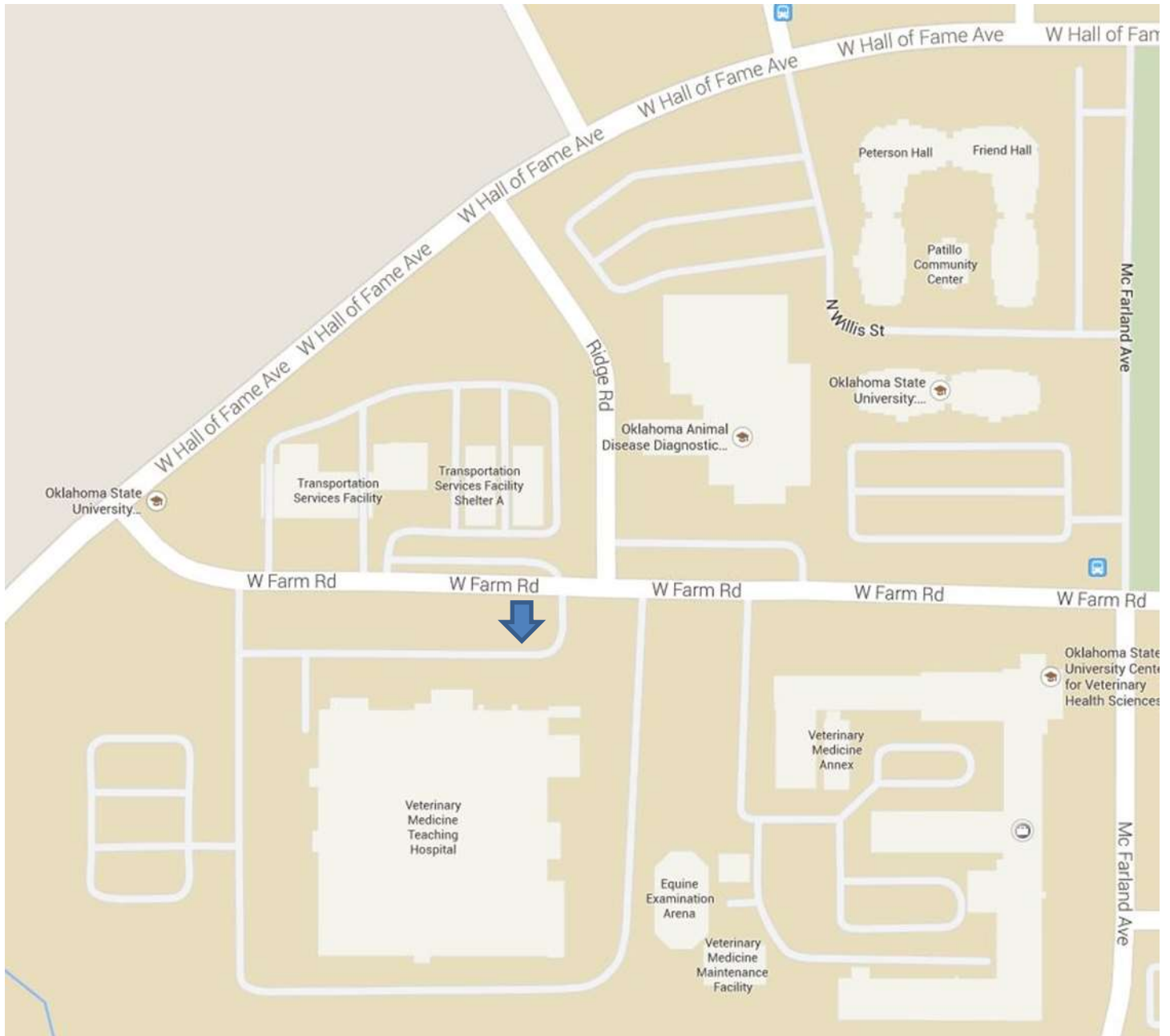
Lunch

ODS Summer Business Meeting

1:00 PM **Adjourn**

Veterinary Medical Hospital
Small Animal Entrance
Room 104 Follow Signs

Southeast corner of the intersection of W Hall of Fame Ave and W Farm Rd in Stillwater, Oklahoma on the Oklahoma State University Campus. There will be signs posted





Oklahoma Dressage Society *Summer Meeting Registration*

Saturday, Aug. 8th, 2015 • 8:30am

*Veterinary Medical Hospital, Room #104
Oklahoma State University, Stillwater, OK*

*Registrations forms must be received by Aug. 3rd
to guarantee our lunch numbers.*

I will be attending the ODS Summer Meeting

- ☐ \$20 Member (Seminar & Lunch) _____
(Members fee will be fully refunded at registration)
- ☐ \$ 8 Family Members Lunch _____
- ☐ \$20 Non Members (Seminar & Lunch) _____

Lunch Options: Please ✓

- ☐ white bread ☐ wheat bread
☐ turkey ☐ ham ☐ chicken salad ☐ veggie

Lunch comes with a bag of chips, cookie & drink.

Name: _____ Cell: _____

Address: _____ City/State: _____

Please mail registration forms to:

ODS Summer Meeting c/o Roberta Clark
16 E 26th Place, Tulsa OK. 74114



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