

ODS NEWSLETTER AUGUST 2016 Editor: Lee Ann Alf <u>leeannalf@gmail.com</u>

Dear ODS Members,

The ODS summer meeting is right around the corner. This is your opportunity to socialize with other dressage enthusiasts, learn important information that will help your horse's comfort and therefore: better connection, and also learn about future ODS events. The ODS board also wants vour input and direction for additional educational events. Come and give your input. This year's event will be held at Remington Park's Ran Ricks Room located in Oklahoma City on August 13th. Our guest speakers are Susan Lang presenting on the History of Bits and Bitting and Laurie McDonald presenting on Saddle Fitting. See the included registration form. Registrations are due on August 3rd for the delicious meal

Here is a teaser. At the ODS Summer meeting, plans will be unveiled for our future events with Lee Tubman. Those who attended this year's Lee Tubman symposium came away raving and wanting more learning opportunities with him. Did you know Mr. Tubman is a judge for the 2017 FEI World Cup in Omaha. Learn from one who will be evaluating the world's elite dressage horses and riders.

Look forward to seeing you at the summer meeting.

From: Christina Harmon, ODS Membership Coordinator.

As a reminder...memberships take 4-6 weeks to process. If you are planning on showing, please remember to get your membership in at least 6 weeks before the show in order for your scores to count. Also, the 2016 membership form is the only form that will be accepted for the remainder of the year. Memberships received after August 1st will be processed for the 2017 year. Incomplete applications will not be processed until complete information is received (i.e. phone number and/or an email address) and returned to sender for additional information, which will cause a delay in processing. Thanks!

ODS SUMMER MEETING Saturday, Aug. 13, 2016 Registration-11:00 Ran Ricks Room, Remington Park Oklahoma City

Contact Erin Nelson (erin.boone11@gmail.com) ASAP If You Plan To Attend

Roberta Clark ODS President



Summer Meeting

Saturday, August 13, 2016

Remington Park, Ran Ricks Room

One Remington Place Oklahoma City, OK 73111

11:00 am Registration
11:30 am Meeting
12:15 pm Presentation: Bits, Susan Lang
1:00 pm Presentation: Saddle Fitting, Laurie McDonald

Don't miss this opportunity to help shape ODS and socialize with other dressage enthusiasts! Learn what ODS has in store for the membership for the remainder of 2016 and what is in the planning stages for 2017. We need your input and participation to continue making ODS a success.

This year's event will be held at Remington Park's Ran Ricks Room located in Oklahoma City. We will be serving Chicken Cordon Blue for lunch. Our guest speakers are Susan Lang, presenting on the history of bits and biting and Laurie McDonald, presenting on Saddle Fitting.

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Registration Form <u>Must be submitted by all attending the meeting.</u> RSVP by August 3	
Name:	Current Member (2016): □Y □N
Attending the meeting only (information needed to insure enough seating) Number to attending: x \$0 = FREE!	
Attending the meeting and lunch Number of Members attending lunch: x \$20 = \$	
Make checks payable to ODS and mail reservation form and payment to: Erin Nelson, 3409 NW 20 th St., Oklahoma City, OK 73107	
Any guestions can be directed to Amanda at rideforward@icloud.com	

2016 ODS Summer Meeting & Education Event



Saturday, August 13, 2016 Remington Park: Ran Ricks Room

One Reminaton Place, Oklahoma City, OK 73111

Join us for an afternoon of education and fun! Our annual summer meeting will begin at 11:00am and will be followed by lunch and guest speakers Technical Delegate, Susan Lang and Saddle Fitter, Laurie MacDonald.

Susan Lang will be speaking on the evolution of bits as well as addressing question regarding legality of bits in the recognized show arena. Laurie MacDonald will be addressing proper saddle fitting and how saddle fit affects your horse.

Questions? Contact Erin Nelson at erin.boone11@gmail.com



Great Plains Chapter of ODS Great Plains Chapter is preparing for the Fall show season. We have 2 recognized shows and one schooling show (OKC State Fair Sept 19). Entries for the Labor Day weekend show are rolling in. The show is about 1/2 full, so don't wait until

the closing date to enter. This is a two day show (September 3-4) with Debbie Riehl-Rodriguez "S" judging. The clinic on September 5th is full but auditing is free for all GPC members. We are also offering a "last chance to qualify" show on September 10 with Sue Kolstad "S". This show and clinic have plenty of openings available. Please visit www.horseshowconsulting.com for entry information.

In an effort to increase competitor value, both of the September recognized shows will webcast live. This means that your grandmother in Chicago will be able to watch your ride! We piloted this program at the June 25th show with tremendous success. We had over 250 unique viewers log in to watch! To access the live stream, please click on the link on the homepage of www.horseshowconsulting.com. Additionally, we have added a second bunkhouse on the grounds. If you are willing to share a bathroom and kitchen with 4-5 other dressage enthusiasts, this is an excellent option for solving the shortage of hotel rooms available on OSU football weekends! The charge is \$50/night. Contact Robin Hessel (hesselra@gmail.com) to reserve.

The July 16 schooling show with Lurena Bell was hot but educational. The show ran from 6:45 am to 3:15 pm with over 70 rides. Everyone handled the heat well and enjoyed the excellent comments provided by the judge. For complete results, please check www.greatplainsdressage.com or www.horseshowconsulting.com. Congratulations to the high point winners: Introductory: Kit and Caboodle/Janet Cagle 76.25% Training: Hit it to Heaven/Courtney Vaughn 71.538 First: Bushido LNF/Laura Custer 76.875 Second: Big Ben Hancock /Nancy Bogart 64.848 Third (tie): Cartwheel's Belle Star/Kari Nichols 64.359 Third (tie): Rock Chalk/Nancy Litsch 64.359 Fourth: Genna/Kari Nichols 58.378 FEI: Swoosh/Janelle Williams 65.526 Western Dressage: Kit and Caboodle/Janet Cagle 74.643

We hope to see you at the ODS Summer meeting. Bring your suggestions for 2017!

Robin Hessel, President Chris Cashel, VPNancy Bogart, Secretary Stacia Wert-Gray, Treasurer and Webmaster Tamera Mayo, ODS Representative Nancy Litsch, Education



Green Country Chapter News

None Reported

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None Reported

OKC Area Get-Together

Lee Ann Alf is planning to host the next "social" on August 9 at 6:30 pm. It is planned to be a "make a beaded browband" activity. Most materials will be supplied but you are asked to bring the beads of your choice. Measure a browband and bring enough beads to measure that length minus 4 inches. You can purchase beads at Hobby Lobby or bead shops. Chips and dips and water will be served (or bring something for us to munch/drink). Please Contact LeeAnn (<u>leeannalf@gmail.com</u>) if you plan to come.



Member News:

ODS and Great Plains Chapter member Kailey DeVore has been busy this spring and summer. Not only has she been collecting high score awards at both the ODS I & II shows and the GCC I & II shows on her Friesian Fauston NAF she has also been working hard with her 2 year old Quarter Horse AJHuntinwithmyheart (AJ).

The Oklahoma 4-H State Horse Show, held June 23-25 at the Lazy E arena near Guthrie, included a special competition for those 4-H members enrolled in the 2- year old Training Project. This project requires the 4-H member to start and train a 2 - year old horse on their own. Guidance from a professional trainer is allowed but they cannot ride the horse. Then at the State Horse Show the 4-H member shows that horse in Western Pleasure and Showmanship. The combined scores in the two events are added for a final score.

Kailey picked out and purchased AJ with her own money at the National Snaffle Bit Association Sale in August 2015 and started lightly working her in January 2016. Kailey did all the training herself without professional guidance.

Kailey and AJ walked away with the win, winning both the Western Pleasure and Showmanship classes over 15 other competitors. Congratulations Kailey!

Kailey also was showing her 23 year old Quarter Horse Star Time Investment (Star) in the Western and Hunter Under Saddle classes. She qualified for those classes at the SE 4-H District where she won all her classes, resulting in high point awards in both of those disciplines. With Star they were in the top 10 in all classes at State, with 2 reserve championships. These classes were all large with over 20 competitors in each class.



Famous But Little Known Horse Heroes

Brown Beauty

While Brown Beauty directly changed the course of history as we know it, most of the credit has gone to her rider: Paul Revere. Simply mentioning her as "a very good horse," Mr. Revere was vastly understating this mare's character. Without Brown Beauty's speed and stamina, the revolutionary war may have ended soon after it had begun. Despite not being trained for battle, Brown Beauty kept a cool head all while her rider rode through the countryside firing his sidearm and yelling, "The Regulars are coming out!"



Little Sorrel

Originally Stonewall Jackson had planned to give Little Sorrel to his wife as he was barely big enough for

Jackson to ride. However, Jackson soon realized that despite his small stature, Little Sorrel had enormous courage, a smooth pace and an even temper. Stonewall Jackson was famous for riding into battle with his boots almost touching the ground as Little Sorrel plowed ahead. Little Sorrel's courage became so well known that after the war, ladies would clip hairs from his mane to make wristlets and rings.



Incitatus

There's a certain type of person you want heading your country's military. According to the infamous

Roman Emperor, Caligula, that type of person was a horse. During the peak of the Roman Empire's control over the western world, an insane ruler named Caligula took the throne. Realizing the only friend he could truly trust was his favorite horse, Incitatus, Caligula announced that he planned to make his four-legged companion, the country's top military advisor and Head of State. Fearing that the horse's commands might lead to some questionable war paths, Caligula was assassinated before his horse could ever take power.



We are an 80 acre equestrian facility catering to the dressage enthusiast. Located just south of Tulsa, OK. We offer a variety of amenities including:

- Well maintained arenas, indoor has GGT footing and mirrors, outdoor with sandy loarn footing
- Daily turnout in large paddocks with shelters & heated water tanks
- Master Farrier, Olaf Batt, attends to horses every other week
- Regular clinics with International Trainer
- Owner lives on property



Oldenburg gelding "Rousseau" bred, trained and ridden by Anthea. 76% at Training Level, Great Plains and Open Training level Champion.



Anthea's Credentials

- 3 years full time professional training and certification in England
- Chief instructor at several prestigious Equestrian Centers in England
- USDF Gold Medalist
- CLS Five Star Rider
 - USDF L Program Graduate "with distinction"
- Many of her students have earned USDF Bronze & Silver medals
- 48 years experience teaching & training
- Two Students in 2014 and 2015 invited to compete at the US Dressage Finals

Anthea & Wolkenwand's Recent Achievements

2005 Champion Prelim 5 year old test World Championship Selection Trials FEI 5 year old Championships 5th in the Nation

USDFHOY 94 at 14 level & 44 at 24 level

- USDF All Breeds Champion 2nd level & Reserve Champion 1^d level 2006 FEI 6 year old National Championships 11th in the Nation USDF All Breeds Champion 3^d level
- 2008 National Developing Horse Championships 6th in the Nation PSG National Developing Horse Championships 5th in the Nation
- 2010 Gold medal Int J SWDC and Region 9 Champion
- 2015 Region 9 Res Champion GP Freestyle, 34 place GP Open, SWDC bronze medal OP open, 11th place US Dressage Finals



Oldenburg Golding "Finian" bred, Tealnod and vidden by Anthon pictured at the US Decouge finals where he placed 6th, Begion 9 2nd level frontyle Champion and SWDC Gold Medalist scoring 73%

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