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Outside the Sandbox

delivering general articles and activities

Dear Members,

Happy fall! As we transition fully into the new season, there's a feeling of excitement, energy, and change... The show season changed to 2023 on October 1, 2022. Also, the USDF dressage tests will be changing to the 2022 tests at shows beginning December 1, 2022.

The GAIG/USDF Region 3 Dressage Championship and ANFD long show weekend was a huge hit! Mother Nature was kind and provided perfect weather for horse showing. With more than 400 entries in 7 rings over 3 days, things were hopping every day! In a first for us, Horse & Country TV was live streaming from the Golden Shield Business Broker covered arena. Isn't that exciting? You can join their network and watch on demand. Sign up here: https://horseandcountry.tv/live/272102272. The photos from the GAIG/USDF R3 Dressage Championships & ANFD are now available on the High Time Photography website at https://www.hightimephotos.com/GDCTA/Region-3-Dressage-Championships. Inside this issue you will see some highlights from the show. I am so grateful for the really kind messages on social media and in emails we had after the show. Thank you.

GDCTA is looking for an enthusiastic Volunteer Coordinator for 2023 (and beyond?) to help develop and maintain relationships with our volunteers. The VC will be an integral part of GDCTA events, particularly horse shows, by recruiting, managing, and retaining the necessary volunteer base, tracking, and achieving higher volunteer engagement. We are offering compensation. Contact me!

We are galloping toward the end of the year but there's still good stuff coming!

The clinic calendar:

- Oct 22-23: USDF "L" Program Session C, Shannondale Farm, Milton, GA
- Dec 17-18: JJ Tate Dressage Clinic, Shannondale Farm, Milton, GA (email me if you want to ride!)
- Jan 28, 2023: Awards Gala, Atlanta Marriott Alpharetta, GA (check the rider standings this month to make sure we have the scores recorded that need to be recorded! Schooling show standings will be online; USDF and USEA are being received from the organizations.)

This issue features those who are running for the GDCTA Board of Directors. Voting will be online, and you will be receiving a ballot by email. Those registered as Juniors will not receive a ballot. Winners will be announced at the general meeting in November.

Lastly, my condolences to Joanne and Penny Morse for the loss of their beloved Gigi. While time will fade her hoofprints, the ones left on your heart will never disappear. So sorry.



Caren Caverly President, GDCTA ccaverly@comcast.net 770-713-4025

Liz Faso Memorial VOLUNTEER OF THE YEAR sponsored by Wilsun Custom Horse Products



~Volunteer encentive program for GDCTA Volunteers~

(check the events calendar https://bit.ly/GDCTA_Events to find the events that will work for you!

Board members, paid positions and Chairs are not eligible.)

- 1) \$1000.00 to the member with the most hours volunteered at GDCTA events and participating shows 2) \$750.00 to member with the 2nd highest number of hours
- 3) \$500.00 to member with the 3rd highest number of hours
- 4) \$250.00 raffle consisting of every volunteer with 24 hrs volunteering

This program is running from January 1, 2022 through December 31, 2022, and will be awarded at the Awards Gala in January 2023.

Volunteer! Become a volunteer by registering through each event or by going to https://www.gdcta.org/volunteer.

GDCTA is a member-focused and member-run organization that depends on volunteers! We encourage you to become involved in any of the many activities we offer. Share the excitement from the inside!

GDCTA is Recruiting a Volunteer Coordinator



The driving force behind horse shows is the many amazing volunteers! GDCTA's Liz Faso Memorial Volunteer of the Year Program sponsored by Wilsun Custom Horse Products exists to increase the ease of participation, provide incentives, and recognize the tireless efforts of volunteers.

We are looking for an enthusiastic Volunteer Coordinator to help develop and maintain relationships with our volunteers. You will be an integral part of GDCTA events, particularly horse shows, by recruiting, managing, and retaining the necessary volunteer base, tracking, and achieving higher volunteer engagement.

- You will ensure GDCTA has the required volunteer base to run all their events. To meet that goal, the Volunteer Coordinator must perform a variety of duties involving recruitment, limited training, and retention.
- You will attend the events to manage the volunteers you have recruited (or have an assistant who can be there instead).
- You will record all volunteer hours for the Liz Faso Memorial Volunteer of the Year Program sponsored by Wilsun Custom Horse Products.
- You will assist in developing and implement new volunteer roles and programs.

The Volunteer Coordinator works closely with volunteers to come up with a schedule that

works for everyone. The Volunteer Coordinator is responsible for ensuring the right number of volunteers is available for each event. You will also be responsible for corresponding with and scheduling volunteer groups from local businesses and organizations, should there be any.

This position involves a great deal of contact with our members; therefore, our Volunteer Coordinator must have excellent interpersonal communication skills. The Volunteer Coordinator may use social media, post volunteer opportunities online and/or call members who have expressed interest in volunteering. GDCTA has a list of potential volunteers so you will have a good place to start.

If you thrive on interacting with people, have excellent communication skills, are organized, and have a passion for creating meaningful relationships, we want to meet you. This is a paid position, and at some events GDCTA will provide accommodations.

Contact Caren Caverly at ccaverly@comcast.net / 770-713-4025 or submit your interest via the website at https://www.gdcta.org/volunteer

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Donald & Elizabeth Faso Perpetual Trophy sponsored by Lisa Seger Insurance

This new award will be awarded for distinguished service to Georgia Dressage & Combined Training Association (GDCTA) and service to equestrian sport. Nominations along with a brief reason why the GDCTA member nominee is deserving of the award should be emailed to admin@gdcta.org by November 30th.

After the cutoff date for nominations closes, the nominees will be reviewed by John and Lisa Seger and a GDCTA board member to determine who will be presented with the award at the Awards Gala.



USDF GMO Awards

Once again GDCTA submitted materials for the GMO Awards and once again we've been recognized. Congratulations to our members who have been recognized.

This year at the 2022 Adequan®/USDF Annual Convention in Lexington, KY, the winning GMOs will be awarded plaques, and Honorable Mention recipients will have their names announced at the Board of Governors (BOG) General Assembly on Saturday, December 3rd. Honorable Mention recipients will be published in the USDF Connection and on the USDF website.

For more information on the 2022 Adequan®/USDF Annual Convention, to be held November 30th - December 3rd, please visit the USDF website at www.usdf.org/convention.

Newsletter Awards

These awards recognize the authors of outstanding articles published in GMO newsletters.

Best First Person Experience Article for GMOs with 500 or more members:

Honorable Mention: "Springtime in Kentucky!" by Kelli Agnew

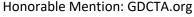
Best General Interest Article for GMOs with 500 or more members:

Winner: "Competing and Volunteering? Why, yes, you can!" by Penny Morse

Website Award

Designed to recognize GMOs that create and maintain websites.

Best User Experience for a GMO with 500 or more members





Photography Award

This award recognizes outstanding efforts by GMOs that include amateur photography in their newsletters.

Best Amateur Photograph for GMOs with 500 or more members:

Honorable Mention: Alison Cochran

Both articles and the photo are in the July/August issue of Collected Remarks which can be read in its entirety at: https://issuu.com/gdcta/docs/2022-july-august



PHOTO Moody Day at Chattahoochee Hills Eventing during the GDCTA Summer Eventing Camp by Alison Cochran - Anna Stooksbury holding Foxberry's Infinite Wisdom and Shananigan with TSMs Double Shot holding himself.





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GDCTA Election 2022

"Every election is determined by the people who show up."

Larry J. Sabato, Pendulum Swing

Whether you're a Dressage enthusiast, Eventer or nonrider, you can be a champion of this organization by voting in this Board of Directors election! A GMO cannot work effectively if its members don't participate in the process. We can agree to disagree on

VOTE * * * * *

many things, but let's at least agree on the importance of casting your vote. Can you promise that you will vote this year? All the cool kids are doing it!

Officer Candidates



President: CAREN CAVERLY

Caren has enjoyed serving on the GDCTA Board for the past 15 years and as President for the last 13 years. She is also the Chairperson for GDCTA Insurance, Annual Awards Gala, the Year-End Awards, and the Sponsorship Committee. While on the board at GDCTA, she proposed and managed the 2009-2021 Schooling Shows at Wills Park and at the Georgia International Horse Park. In 2020, she took over the management of the GDCTA-hosted USDF shows after Sandy Donovan retired.

Caren has been riding for over 58 years with the last 17 years focused on dressage. She currently owns one horse, Solant (retired). In the past, she has also served as Treasurer for the Georgia Arabian Association for four years.

Her professional experience includes working as Manager and Buyer for Tack Tavern, followed by 16 years in the car business, and Assistant Manager at Dover Saddlery for eight years. Caren is currently a Level 3 Show Manager and is also going for her "r" TD license.

On-going goals for the GDCTA include getting the Region 3 Championships back to Conyers and making them the most fun and successful championships. Caren also hopes to continue the growing success of the Awards Gala.

As President, she would like to see GDCTA host more educational seminars and junior activities. She says, 'My personal goal is to make GDCTA the best GMO in the country – the one every other GMO looks to as the example of how things are done!'



VP Dressage: ABIGAIL KROUPA

Abi Kroupa is a Dressage rider, originally from South Florida, with 20+ years' equestrian experience in multiple riding disciplines. She is a USDF Bronze and Silver medalist and owns a Dressage training and sales barn in Canton, Georgia. Abi also runs Erudite Equestrian, an educational equestrian blog about horse-related topics including training tips, biomechanics of riding, equestrian product reviews, horse care and wellness, rider health, and training tips. Abigail works closely with her husband Todd Kroupa and helps with their real estate business specializing in luxury and equestrian properties in North Metro Atlanta and surrounding communities. They have been happily married for 11

years and have two beautiful daughters. Abi has her BS Degree in Marketing with a focus on online advertising and web design from Florida Atlantic University.

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VP Eventing: JOANNE MORSE

I am an avid equestrian with much enthusiasm for both eventing and dressage. I run the family farm located in Villa Rica, GA with a strong focus on helping other equestrians grow with their horses in the most fun and harmonious way possible. I also have extensive knowledge working in the safety gear industry and have my own business that operates year-round. I have been on the GDCTA board for 5 years and since moving into the VP of Combined Training position 2 years ago I have organized several successful clinics with international trainers. This last year I also organized GDCTA's first eventing camp with plans to make this a yearly event. Last year I aided in expanding

out our Letterman program to include our youth members that compete at schooling shows with great success. I enjoy giving back to a sport that I hold close to my heart and look forward to another year helping GDCTA grow.



Treasurer: PETER WEST

Peter is the founder and Managing Partner of Radix Consulting Inc., a full-service firm providing business consulting services with its office located in Atlanta Georgia. Previous and for over 25 years, Peter was President and CEO of Canuck Industries Inc., a diverse private corporation consisting of an airfreight service division and three manufacturing and distribution facilities of aluminum products for home construction in the United States and Canada.

A University of British Columbia grad with a Bachelor of Commerce degree, Peter earned his Chartered Accountant (CPA) designation with a major CPA firm in Vancouver B.C. He left public practice and joined ITT Rayonier where he started in their tax division, moved to Business Planning and in 1977 transferred to Atlanta Georgia where he became their Director of Southeast Operations. While with ITT he undertook the EMBA program at the Wharton School of Business at The University of Pennsylvania. After declining a Division Vice President position and transfer to New York, he moved forward and formed Canuck Industries Inc.

Peter is married to Teresa and has two children. Son Chris is married with two children; and daughter Karen has been an avid dressage rider and competitor for a number of years.



Recording Secretary: ASHLEY BOYD

Ashley began competing horses in Georgia 37 years ago when she was 5 years old. Since then she has competed many horses in the area and has attended recognized and schooling shows throughout the state. Ashley's primary discipline is eventing, but recently she has developed a passion for dressage as well.

After having ridden horses for many years, Ashley still gets teary eyed every single time when driving the trailer to a show. She says, When I am at a horse show surrounded by my friends and peers it is when I feel the most like myself and it feels like home. I love every aspect of it from the organizers, volunteers, announcers, judges, officials,

spectators, and the many friends I have made throughout the years.

Ashley has also seen the very real and difficult side of horses. Having had a string of bad luck that many of her peers have also experienced in this profession she has become equally as passionate about sharing about the mental health issues that many riders face. Ashley's goal with that is to make sure that people never feel alone in their struggles.













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Corresponding Secretary: CAROL TRESAN

Carol grew up with all kinds of animals. Her mother ran a riding stable, and together they trained and campaigned Welsh ponies and cobs in the breed ring, competing in English, Western, Carriage diving and Trail classes. Their goal was always the Versatility award, which demonstrated their ability to master several disciplines. They also competed their ponies in Combined Training and Combined Driving. Carol was active in her local Pony Club. When Carol outgrew the ponies, she got an OTTB named Rapid Falls and continued up through the

levels of eventing. Carol moved to Atlanta to be the Event Director of the Foxhall Cup CCI***, the National Championship of Eventing, and the final selection site for the Olympic team. She married Greg in 2002 and together they operate Animal Casting Atlanta, the number one provider of animals for movies and television in the southeast. Carol has over 30 years' experience training animals ranging from a tiny hamster to a 1,500-pound Clydesdale. She owns Flying Colors Farm, breeding and training horses from miniatures through her gentle giant draft horses. She competes with her Friesian Sport Horses in dressage and eventing.

Carol is most proud of her daughter Devon, who competes in eventing with her as well as Pony Club rallies! Carol is currently on the Board of Directors and is Chair of the GDCTA-Recognition Committee. She volunteers for the GDCTA at shows and events as well as other local events including Chatt Hills and Poplar Place.

At Large Candidates (select 3 from this list)



DANIELLE PERRY

I have been riding since I was a little 5-year-old girl. If it had 4 hooves and a tail, I rode it! I've been a dressage rider since I came to GA In 2003. It's been an awesome journey of meeting new and exciting horses and becoming deeply ingrained in their care and training as a rider, trainer, and USEF little r judge. Developing my clients into true horse masters has been a rewarding experience when their eyes light up with an epiphany about their horse and themselves. I have my USDF Bronze and Silver Medals on horses I trained. I also have 1 more score to get my USDF Gold medal. I'm so excited to be part of the horse community and give back through being a board member on the GDCTA GMO. I enjoy getting input form the membership and finding creative ways to make the club the best it can be for the riders and their very important horses in all the disciplines! I am also a corporate executive and have been a leader and manager in the IT Industry for 20 years.



LACEY HALSTEAD

Lacey Halstead is a lifelong rider and horse professional. She is a certified saddle fitter, and before that spent 20 years in stable management in Virginia, South Carolina, and Texas. Lacey moved to Georgia in 2019 to bring her saddle fitting business to an underserved area, and to avail herself of the many equestrian amenities here. Lacey served on the board of directors of the Houston Dressage Society, which hosts 10 recognized shows a year, including the Region 9 Championships. Lacey lives in Canton with her old dog Winston and her new young mare Minna, whom she hopes to have out showing in 2023 (the rest of 2022 being dedicated to steering and not spooking at lawn mowers).



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JULIE SHANNON

Owner/trainer at Shannondale Farm, a USEF Elite Training Center, for 24 years. Julie focuses on hosting world-class clinicians and promoting dressage education in our Region. Julie is the Georgia State Representative for The Dressage Foundation and provides a Judges Grant through her family foundation.

For GDCTA, she has served on and off the board for over 26 years. Julie has formerly been the Vice President, currently Show Committee Chair and Education chair for over 8 years. Julie Shannon trains and maintains a select group of students and their horses, focusing on their physical and mental partnership development in the sport of dressage.

She works with the board at GDCTA to provide the best educational opportunities for our members.



KATIE PATTON

Katie is a native of Georgia, is an Adult Amateur dressage rider and IT Project Manager. She has been a member of GDCTA for longer than she can remember! She and her husband have a small retirement horse farm in Cumming, GA and several dogs and cats. She grew up riding hunters after her grandparents, who foxhunted, convinced her parents it would keep her busy. And they were right. She never stopped riding, switching to dressage and buying her first dressage horse, Pikasso, when he was only 2 weeks old. She is an active volunteer, working at GDCTA shows, clinics, and education programs in any capacity needed. She is also an active competitor. With her current horse, Rhapsody SCS ("Fae"), she competes at first level and hopes in a few years to finish her USDF bronze medal and earn her silver medal. As a recipient of the 2022 GDCTA Education Grant, she looks forward to sharing her learning experience from that grant to the GDCTA membership.



LINDSEY BURNS

Lindsey Burns is a dressage and eventing trainer specializing in building confidence in her horses and students. Her equestrian background is varied ranging from endurance racing, exercise riding at the track, eventing through preliminary, successfully competing through 4th level dressage, competing in 2-,4-, and 8-person musical freestyles, coaching pony club, managing the horses for a therapeutic riding program, and constantly seeking to develop the 'horsemanship' side of her education. She has also competed multiple times at the RRP Thoroughbred makeover and in 2019 was a finalist for the Ira Schulman Award for

successfully rehoming thoroughbreds when they are ready to retire from racing. Lindsey also holds a bachelor's in Biology-human emphasis. She has served on the board of Idaho Dressage and Eventing Association as a junior representative, secretary, and vice president, before moving to Georgia full time in 2019. A firm believer in the adage that our current success is built on the shoulders of those who have gone before us, Lindsey is a big believer in giving back to her equestrian community as thanks for the many opportunities it has afforded her.

Interested in being part of the GDCTA Board of Directors but have time constraints? Consider joining one of our numerous committees – we always need help! Contact President Caren Caverly (ccaverly@comcast.net / 770-713-4025).

YOUR VOTE COUNTS!

Please participate by voting when the email notice arrives before the end of October. The ballot will contain instructions for how it should be marked and should also state how many candidates for the director positions may be voted for.

DRESSAGE





GDCTA is proud to host



USDF L PROGRAM

PART 1 -SESSION A SESSION B SESSION C



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Session A
Apr 23-24

Session B July 9-10

Session C Aug 20-21

• Session C is about collective marks, equitation, rider biomechanics and basics.

L Education Program Recommended Reading List * Strongly recommended for those participating in the L Education program

JUDGING:

* FEI DRESSAGE HANDBOOK: GUIDELINES FOR JUDGING - Federation Equestre Internationale

The DVDs listed below were filmed before the 1/2 points were used:

- * Through the Eye of the Judge Vol. 1
- * Through the Eye of the Judge Vol. 2
- *Through the Eye of the Judge Vol. 3

* CURRENT VERSION OF ON THE LEVELS-JUDGE COMMENTARIES -with scores and comments from the US judges.

DRESSAGE: A GUIDELINE FOR RIDERS AND JUDGES by Wolfgang M. Niggli

THE VIEW FROM C (available through The Dressage Foundation) by Dr. Dietmar Specht

There are titles for the Biomechanics of the Horse, Biomechanics of the Rider, Progressive Training of the Dressage Horse, and Classics. Find them all on the USDF website:

https://www.usdf.org/education/judge-training/lprogram/index.asp

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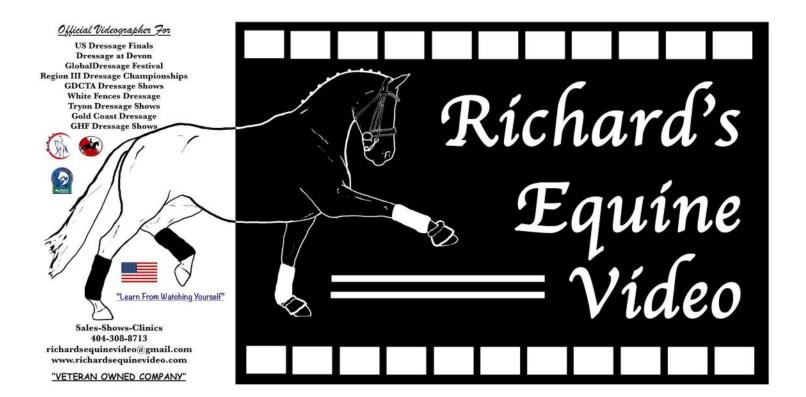
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"Coil Exercises"

an excerpt from Dressage Principles Illuminated by Charles de Kunffy

The following is an excerpt from *Dressage Principles Illuminated*. In this beautifully written and richly illustrated book, Charles de Kunffy advocates for uncompromising devotion to the well-being of horses. This portion is from page 99. Buy the book on his site www.charlesdekunffy.com/shop or it is available from Amazon.

To achieve better skills for closing the horse behind, a rider can do what I call the "coil exercises." In them, we can position the horse, for example, in a right circle. The rider must place his left leg back, the right hip forward, inward, and toward the withers. Positioning is more than bending; it is properly bending a horse with his poll dropped. Positioning is bend with postural change involving a deeper poll. After positioning and coiling the horse to the right, change direction and coil the horse counter bent. When he engages and collects, and flexes his hips, you can then change him over to the left circle with left bend. Then the rider can coil into a left circle, change rein in counter bending, and upon collection change to true bending on the left circle.

This exercise is similar to riding a serpentine, on which each turn starts with a counter flexion and a counter positioning. The rider's leg positioning is changed appropriately, alternating from left back on the right circle and right back on a left circle.

The outside leg is the guardian of the closing of the horse and that is why it should not move to create rhythm and impulsion. The inside leg of the rider should take care of that. The outside leg is used for bending, engaging, and closing the horse. The rider's legs should not work like windshield wipers on a car.

A. Using the outside leg and outside rein straightens and bends the horse. The author is riding a horse that is tracking straight but positioned through the neck in preparation for bending. The outside rein determines the degree of positioning by preventing the outside shoulder from escaping.

B. The rider's outside leg is stretched further back in order to close the horse's haunches. The horse's poll is higher than it was in figure A.

When positioning the horse and he is still tracking straight, bend the neck with the poll lowered. You should not pull the inside rein or the horse could overflex, lose freedom of his haunches, and as a results, go behind the bit.

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Congratulations, Maren!

Maren Fouche-Hanson won the 2022 USDF Youth Volunteer of the Year!

This prestigious national award recognizes a USDF youth member who demonstrates a commitment to USDF's mission through exceptional volunteer effort and commitment.

C O R N E R

Maren will be presented at the Adequan/USDF Annual Convention with a perpetual trophy that will be permanently housed in the Roemer Foundation/USDF Hall of Fame, and will receive a "keeper" trophy and a \$100 gift certificate to the USDF Store. As the 2022 winner, Maren will also receive two complimentary tickets to the Salute Gala & Annual Awards Banquet and a travel grant of up to \$500 to cover travel expenses if the convention is attended in the year the award is received. She will also be featured in a USDF press release and the the Yearbook issue of USDF Connection.











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Highlights from a Horse Show

October delivered a full moon and the perfect weekend for a horse show! Unfortunately, the week before Mother Nature delivered a blow to some of the Florida riders. Our hearts go out to them as they deal with the aftermath of Hurricane Ian.

The Great American/USDF Regional Dressage Championships program is a showcase competition that meets established quality standards for riders within each of the nine USDF regions. Riders qualified for the Region 3 Championships by riding in designated qualifying classes at USDF recognized competitions throughout 2022.

Competitors came from all over our five-state region; actually, we are honored that some chose to show with us even though we are not in their home region!



Turnout was eye-catching – soft leather, colorful coats, sparkling pads (and boots!), and gleaming horses. All weekend, the competitors showed true sportsmanship and their mastery of the art of competing. This show provided an excellent opportunity for spectators and

fellow competitors to view the top horses and riders in our region.





Each competitor had one or two judges providing personalized feedback about their ride. With more than 1000 rides, the judges needed to have a little fun in the spirit of Halloween.



A Heartfelt Thank You to Our Volunteers

GDCTA is profoundly grateful to the dedicated people who gave their time to help us run the GAIG/USDF Region 3 Dressage and Atlanta National Fall Dressage show this past weekend. Thank you for your unwavering support!

Emily Day, Mark Fornwalt, Abby Traylor, Abi Kroupa, Alexa Oat Ryan, Amanda Reeves, Andy Lynn, April Kendrick, Betty Lynch, Christie Hanson, Christina Giralt, Cindi Giralt, Claire Brehm, Craig Bernstein, Danielle Salazar, Danielle Perry, Dianne Dunn, Helena Stokes, Janet Hawkins, Jean Fowler, Jennifer Thompson, Jody Langton, Jordan Anderson, Joyce Wisnewski, Julie Bethea, Julie Shannon, Karen Bisgrove, Kathleen Goodwin, Kelli Agnew, Kelly Burns, Kimberly Wallace, Laura King, Leigh Swanson, Linda Light, Linden Gaspar, Lindsey Burns, Lisa Harders, Liz Molloy, Lori Goodwin, Lou Roth, Lydia Drown, Lydia Kolbas, Lynne Berdanier, Madison Lareau, Maren Hanson, Maria Quinayas, Marissa Collins, Mary McGuire Smith, Michelle Horne, Mireille Poeisz, Nina Silas, Noel Muelbauer, Pam Berkosky, Pam Taylor, Paula Harwell, Peter West, Robin Boggs, Stansell & Bogg Family, Susan DiFilippantonio, Susanne Lauda, Tammy Howlette, Theresa Giralt.

Yes guys. Thank you for all your hard work. It definitely takes a village.

-Lyn Lucas Davis

Thank you to everyone. The show was so organized and well run.

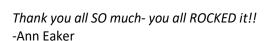
-Caren Caverly

Thank you to all of the volunteers that stayed all day and kept a smile on their faces! We appreciate you and your time so much!

-Jill Turner Williams

Thank you, all!! It was a really fun, well-run show! We appreciate you!

-Heather Law



Thanks!!
-Janie Kerr Pride

Thank you to ALL the volunteers... but a huge shout out to Laura King who consistently showed up everywhere I turned with a huge smile on her face. It made a difference!

-Carol Glover

Georgia Dressage and Combined Training Association did a super job hosting USDF Region 3 Finals. We had such a great weekend.

-Cindy Simmons Thaxton

What a weekend!!!! Thank you Georgia Dressage and Combined Training Association, USDF Region 3, and

GAIG/usdf Region 3 Dressage Championships,for all the fun! We had a blast!
-Ginny Bryson Henry

It was such a fun weekend of competing, watching, and catching up with friends!
-Rebecca Roman Dressage

Thanks so much to all the amazing volunteers!! Everyone was so helpful! It was a fantastic show! -Jessica Gilker Ho

You are all amazing and an inspiration to others. You are appreciated!

Thank You to Our Valued Sponsors

Thank you so much for your recent sponsorship! We were thrilled to work with you for the recent GAIG/USDF Region 3 Dressage and Atlanta National Fall Dressage shows. Sponsors are vital to continuing offering riding education and competitive events. We cannot succeed without the generosity of supporters like you!

Great American Insurance Group SmartPak Platinum Performance **USDF** CU at X Tack The Dressage Club of New Mexico FarmVet Golden Shield Business Brokers Horse&Country TV Mirrors for Training USA **Riding Warehouse** Soul Passion Farm The Collected Pony The Kroupa Team Real Estate Triple Crown Feed UGA College of Vet Medicine Wilsun Custom Horse Products

We are so fortunate to also have class sponsors for this event. We appreciate you, too. Thank you!

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Shopping – There Were Super Vendors with Us!

GDCTA would like to take this opportunity to express our appreciation for the valuable collaboration of our vendors at the GAIG/USDF R3 Championship show. You made the entire process delightful. We want to thank you for your continued support (and fun products). We hope your weekend was a complete success! It has been an absolute pleasure to work with all of you. We are looking forward to seeing you in the future at our shows. Thank you!

We are so grateful for the generous gifts from our vendors for the drawing after the October 7th Twilight Vendor Walk sponsored by The Collected Pony and Soul Passion Farm.



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Thanks to everyone who stopped by, looked at our shop, made purchases, or just said hello! Congratulations to ALL the competitors and safe travels home, or to your next destination!

-Robyn, CuratedEq

Thanks so much for letting us be part of your great group of vendors!

-Mags Mobile Tack, LLC

The shopping was wonderful. Very appreciative of the vendors that came.

-Nancy Cox

Talented Artists

Ulla Strickland brought together another amazing Art Show and Sale with almost 100 pieces of horse art on display during the show. These talented artists had something to appeal to everyone! If you didn't pick up that piece that is still in your head, contact Ulla!

Susan Burns, Karin Martin, Julie Nestor, Diana Salzmann, Elizabeth Samoluk, Kim Scruggs, Ulla Strickland, Cathy Zappe

That is a powerful group of artists! -Sheri Byrd

Beautiful artwork. Lots of talent. -Lyn Lucas Davis

The art show is a highlight of the Regionals for me! Something I look forward to all year and I treasure the art. I have come home with each time Please, please consider continuing with the art show! -Kathy Lewis

Congratulations! All the way around!!! I was completely blown away by all the talent. Mindboggling beautiful pieces of art and memories that will be cherished forever.

-Helena Savenius

Based on your Coverage it looks like a really outstanding group of artists! Kudos to all of you for being there and sharing your talents with the world. I looks like a wonderful group!

It was a beautiful show. [Ulla has] cultivated the best artists over all these years. Thank you, Ulla, for organizing all of this and keeping us focused!
-Susan Burns

Great group of talent!!!
-Julie Ballard Haralson

Ulla, your perseverance is amazing having done this for 9?11? years. When you decide to chair another show, I can speak for most everyone that we will be there for you you're going out with a Bang. That's the way to do it! The artwork was amazing this year. Thank you again for the invite.

-Julie Nestor

Ulla, I really enjoyed seeing your lovely artwork and that of your fellow artists! I was in awe of your beautiful pieces! We are so lucky to have you in our community!
-Carol Lane Tresan

Ulla, you did a fabulous job with the Art Show as always. I am so grateful you have pulled it together for Georgia Dressage and Combined Training Association for so many years. Thank you! I'm thrilled it was a good financial show for you, too!!!

-June Brewer

Ulla...it's such a joy to see the Art Show at Regionals!
Thank you & all the artists for being there
-Mary Youngblood

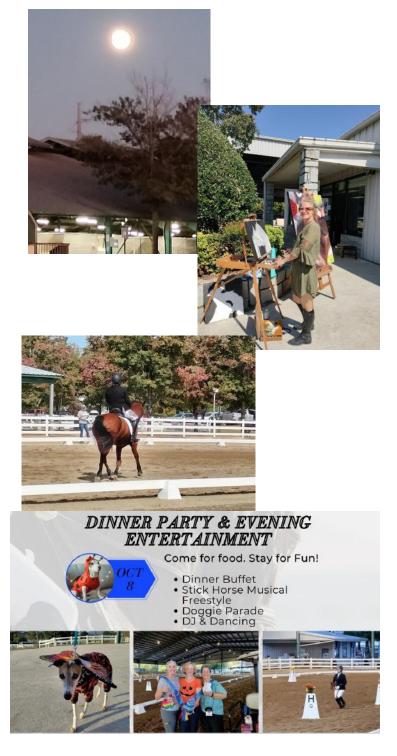
Happy to be a part of this event. Nice people and great art.

-Honey Corbin

Results

Results from this show have been posted to the website. Congratulations to all who participated! It takes a lot of determination and planning to get there at all so ribbons or not, take pride in your accomplishments.

https://www.gdcta.org/results



EVENTING

3 times the fun



USEA Area III Young Riders

by Lee Ann Gilson

We are proud to announce our 2* team for the 2022 USEF Eventing Young Rider Championship.

Congratulations to:

Rory Frangos & Monty's Tune

Lea Kilpatrick & Stella

Katarina Midgely & Ditch

Bree Robinette & The Dark Mark

USEA Leaderboard ~ one category~

Pony of the Year			
Rank	Name	Points	
1	Targaryen TWF/Jodie Knox (MT)	20.00	
2	Windover Tarragon/Bridget Kelly (NM)	19.50	
3	Coud'Poker/Donna Miller (GA)	18.00	
4	Delilah's Boy/Hedgerow Farm (MD)	16.50	
5	My Valentine/Sidnee Milner (GA)	15.50	
6	King Pony/Emily Wilson (TX)	13.50	
7	Money to Burn/Tara Astacio (NJ)	13.00	
8	Speedy Gonzales PP/Nicole Sharpe (OR)	12.50	
8	Ballyerk Comet/Claire Rigney (KY)	12.50	
10	Lilly/Mary Morris (ID)	11.00	

GDCTA BUSINESS

a glimpse behind the curtain

GDCTA EVENT CALENDAR (GDCTA Events are in RED)

To find events online, go to https://bit.ly/GDCTA_Events

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USDF L Program: C

Alpharetta, GA

Caren Caverly ccaverly@comcast.net

Dec 17-18
 JJ Tate
 Alpharetta, GA Caren Caverly ccaverly@comcast.net

GDCTA HORSE SHOWS

The 2022 show season is a wrap! 2023 will begin with the Spring Fling Schooling show in April. See you then!

GDCTA-Recognized Schooling Shows

(green=pending, black=approved, red=GDCTA hosted)

Caren Caverly, GDCTA AWARDS CHAIR Recognized & Schooling Shows ccaverly@comcast.net 770-713-4025

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Oct 1	The Farm at Five Points Show Series	Cartersville, GA	Aly Rattazzi	fivepointsshows@gmail.com	
Oct 8	Chatt Hills	Fair <mark>burn,</mark> GA	Penny Morse	info@chatthillseventing.com	
Oct 9	Cornerstone Equestrian	Dacula, GA	Marian Bickers	mcbjumper@gmail.com	
Oct 22	Honeysuckle Hills Farm/LEAF	Gainesville, GA	Dana Ferguson	allfergs2@yahoo.com	
Oct 22	North Atlanta Equestrian Series	Cartersville, GA	Anthem Day	Anthem.day1@gmail.com	
Oct 22	Poplar Place Farm	Hamil <mark>ton, GA</mark>	Launa Des Portes	Launa@poplarplacefarm.com	
Oct 22	FCHP Schooling Show	Pell City, AL	Janice Ballard	janice@fullcirclehorsepark.com	
Oct 29	Big Cheese	Walnut Grove, GA	Caroline Templeton	Bigcheeseeventing@gmail.com	
Nov 5	The Farm at Five Points Show Series	Cartersville, GA	Aly Rattazzi	fivepointsshows@gmail.com	
Nov 19	Honeysuckle Hills Farm/LEAF	Gainesville, GA	Dana Ferguson	allfergs2@yahoo.com	
Nov 19	Poplar Place Farm	Hamilton, GA	Launa Des Portes	Launa@poplarplacefarm.com	
Dec 3-4	Southeast Schooling Show Championships	Fairburn, GA	Penny Morse	info@chatthillseventing.com	

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Treasurer: Peter West

Corresponding Secretary: Carol Tresan

Recording Secretary: Ashley Boyd

MEMBERS AT LARGE

Nicole Andrews
Liz Molloy
Danielle Perry
Janie Pride
Jen Scherrens
Julie Shannon

The 2022 Board was seated at the January 17th meeting



Committees 2022

- 1) Nominating 2 Non out going board members
- 2) Grievance 2 VP's and only if there is a complaint
- 3) Finance
 - a. Chair Peter West
 - b. Sponsorship Alexa Ryan-Oat
- 4) Awards
 - a. Grants Janie Pride
- 5) Award Banquet
 - a. Chair Caren Caverly
 - b. Silent Auction Joanne Morse, Abi Kroupa
 - c. Barn Raffle Jen Scherrens
- 6) Education
 - a. Chair Julie Shannon
 - b. Clinics Caren Caverly, Joanne Morse
 - c. Kudzu Danielle Perry, Jenn Scherrens
 - d. USDF Education Program Janie Pride
- 7) Youth
 - a. Chair Joanne Morse, Abigail Kroupa
 - b. Schooling or Grassroots Open
 - c. Recognized Liz Molloy, Janie Pride
 - d. Collegiate Amanda Garner
- 8) Communication
 - a. Chair Joanne Morse
 - b. Yearbook Penny Morse, June Brewer
 - c. Newsletter Penny Morse, June Brewer
 - d. Website June Brewer
 - e. Social Media June Brewer, Abigail Kroupa
 - f. Membership Mary Lou Freil
- 9) Show
 - a. Chair Julie Shannon
 - b. Recognized Caren Caverly
 - c. Schooling Caren Caverly
 - 1 Horse Show Recognition Carol Tresan
 - d. Regionals
 - 1. Chair Caren Caverly
 - 2. Vendors Open
 - 3. Hospitality Abigail Kroupa, Danielle Perry
 - 4. Awards Chair Peri Lambros
 - 5. Grounds Open
 - e. Volunteer Coordinator Open

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Georgia Dressage and Combined Training Association

Regular meeting August 15, 2022

President Caren Caverly called the membership meeting of the GDCTA to order on Aug 15, 2022, at 7:00 pm on Zoom.

Secretary, Ashley Boyd, performed a roll call. A quorum of the board consisting of Caren Caverly, Abigail Kroupa, Joanne Morse, Ashley Boyd, Carol Tresan, Peter West, Nicole Andrews Kees, Julie Shannon, Jen Scherrens, and Danielle Perry were present. Guests Alexa Ryan-Oat (Sponsorships), Emily Day (Volunteer Coordinator), and Parker Mallernee (Youth Rider Rep). The minutes of the regular meeting on July 18, 2022, were emailed to board members prior to the meeting. Joanne motioned to approve minutes, and Julie seconded, and the motion was passed by the board.

BOARD REPORTS

Treasurer's Report, (Peter): Month of July showed loss primarily because of the Yearbook. We also had Grants coming through and the Wild Apricot fees. The loss is not abnormal with the Yearbook coming in.

A vote was held via email to hire a Volunteer Coordinator for regional championships and pay them \$500. The Board passed it and Emily Day was hired as the coordinator. Emily is on the meeting.

Discussion regarding adding Young Riders representatives to the website and newsletter. Both young rider representatives will be 18 by the end of the month and it was decided with their consent their email addresses would be added.

VP Dressage Report, (Abigail): "L" program is this coming weekend and JJ Tate clinic is scheduled and we have good interest. Discussion about a Master Class type clinic at the Horse Park to hold the date that we host regionals on a year we don't have Regionals. For Dressage and Eventing. A schooling show was also discussed to hold on that date. Going to do more investigating and discuss again at the next meeting.

VP Combined Training, (Joanne): Nothing current to report. Discussion about the new format of Young Riders for Eventing.

Membership Report, (Mary Lou): We are at 810 members for the year which is up 57 members. We are up in all categories.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

- **Communication**, (Joanne): Newsletter for Sept will have a writer who will do monthly submission called from The Ground Poles Up. It will involve ground pole and grid-type exercises. The next deadline is Sept 5th.
- Show Committee, (Julie): We had a schooling show last weekend that was great except for lacking volunteers. Discussion about paying for certain positions. Discussion about making volunteering mandatory in some way. Recommendation of contacting clubs to volunteer. Discussion about coming up with positions that will be paid positions. Carol motioned to find a GDCTA Event Volunteer Coordinator; Jen seconded it. Discussion about salary for this position. Paying per event or monthly was discussed. Joanne proposed \$200 per event. The Volunteer Coordinator would oversee getting volunteers to the event and being at the event for the duration. Joanne proposed \$250 for them to come on Friday. They must be at the event. Discussion about payment for Gala volunteer coordinator. Discussion about having different people do it for each event. Workers' hotels will be covered if there for the weekend. The motion was amended to pay coordinator \$250 per event and cover their hotel. The board voted to pass it and Caren abstained.

Thank you to Nicole Kees for donating 4 new tents.

- Finance, (Peter): Nothing to report from Peter. Alexa reports that she has multiple classes sponsored for Regionals. Working on cocktail reception for vendor walk and reaching out to alcohol companies. Feedback from reaching out to companies has been that they are not getting as much social media attention as they would like. June can be notified to share anything via social media. Discussion about pricing out expectations from sponsors. Getting sponsorships in early will get them more exposure.
- Youth Program, (Joanne): Region 3 Junior and Young Rider report from Liz Molloy. Joanne is about to start promoting Letterman stuff to get done on deadline.
- Education, (Julie): "L" Program Part B is this weekend.
- •Nominating Committee, (Janie and Nicole): Request for them to come on the September meeting and get bios in for October newsletter.

OLD BUSINESS

• Email Blasts, (Caren): Labor Day and Regionals

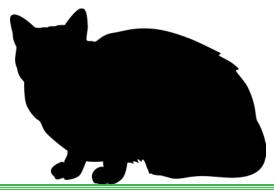
NEW BUSINESS

• New members for Sept - Peter West

8:18 PM Joanne motioned to adjourn, Jen seconded it. Board voted to adjourn.

Next meeting: October 17 at 7:00 PM Sharp

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