PVDA’s Chapter Challenge Celebrates Winners at All Levels

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The Clarksville Training Level Team with their ribbons at the 2011 PVDA Chapter Challenge. Left to right: Patty Blanchard, Samantha Smith, Hannah Loeb, and Nancy Albrecht. Photo by Bill Blanchard.
December 2011
3 Schooling Show series at Pleasant Ridge Farm. Judge: Marjorie Davis. Contact 301-304-0739 or pleasantridgefarm1@comcast.net or see www.pleasantridgefarmMD.com
4 Fix a Test hosted by the Clarksville Chapter with Evelyn Pfoutz, at Linda Speer’s Stonebrook Farm. Contact Patty Blanchard at mellow.cello@gmail.com. All PVDA members are welcome.
5 PVDA Board Meeting, 7 p.m.
6 Tuesday Talks at the Marion du Pont Scott Equine Medical Center, Leesburg, Va. "Foaling Emergencies" with Dr. James Brown. 7 p.m., no charge but reservations recommended. Contact Amy Troppmann at atroppmann@vt.edu
9 Southern Maryland Chapter Fix a Test Series at Chesapeake Dressage Institute.
11 Clarksville Chapter Winter Show Series, open to all PVDA members. Contact Patty Blanchard at mellow.cello@gmail.com
11 Epic Day of Holiday Shopping at Alsikkan Farm, 23101 Davis Mill Rd., Germantown, Md. 12-4 p.m. For information go to alsikkanfarm.com or contact Hilary Moore at info@mooredressage.com.
18 Dressage Schooling Show at Equilibrium Horse Center, Gambrills, Md. Contact echorse@aol.com.
18 Holiday Open House at Equilibrium Horse Center, Gambrills, Md. Contact echorse@aol.com.

January 2012
8 Clarksville Chapter Winter Show Series, open to all PVDA members. Contact Patty Blanchard at mellow.cello@gmail.com
10 Tuesday Talks at the Marion du Pont Scott Equine Medical Center, Leesburg, Va. "What Makes My Horse Stumble? Neurologic Diagnosis of the Horse", with Dr. Martin Furr. 7 p.m., no charge but reservations recommended. Contact Amy Troppmann at atroppmann@vt.edu
14 Schooling Shows at Playland Equestrian Center. Indoor arena, informal attire. USDF and Eventing tests. Contact Margaret Rizzo, 301-502-8929 or see http://playlandequestriancenter.com/schooling_shows.html
14-15 Shannon Dueck Clinic at GoodNess Ridge Farm, Mt. Airy, Md. Call 301-351-5530 for information about riding and auditing.

February
11 Schooling Shows at Playland Equestrian Center. Indoor arena, informal attire. USDF and Eventing tests. Contact Margaret Rizzo at 301-502-8929 or see http://playlandequestriancenter.com/schooling_shows.html

March
4 Clarksville Chapter Winter Show Series, open to all PVDA members. Contact Patty Blanchard at mellow.cello@gmail.com
10 Schooling Shows at Playland Equestrian Center. Indoor arena, informal attire. USDF and Eventing tests. Contact Margaret Rizzo, 301-502-8929 or see http://playlandequestriancenter.com/schooling_shows.html
24 VADA/NOVA Schooling Show at Morven Park, Leesburg, Va. See www.vadanova.org

April
7-8 VADA/NOVA Licensed Show at Morven Park, Leesburg, Va. See www.vadanova.org
One Year Memberships End December 31

Please renew your membership now for 2012 to avoid a break in your newsletter and benefits. Go to www.pvda.org/membership. PVDA has teamed up with PayPal to provide fast and easy online payments using PayPal balances or credit cards. The online membership application can be found in the “Membership” section of the Web site. Memberships that are using volunteer slips as payment must still be submitted via regular mail. You can also find a 2012 membership form on page 23 of this newsletter.

PVDA Members Honored at the 2011 Annual Meeting and Dinner

Six outstanding PVDA members were honored at the 2011 Annual Dinner, held at the fabulous Brookeville Inn. Siobhan Byrne received the Behind the Scenes Award for her excellent contribution to the Ride for Life website. Susan Stone received the Volunteer of the Year Award as she has volunteered consistently during 2011. The Chairperson’s Award was given to Aviva Nebesky for all of her work for our schooling shows. The Vice President’s Award went to Michele Stinson, PVDA newsletter editor, for designing and managing the newsletter. And, for her tireless creation of the Ride for Life and the endless work each year, Pat Artimovich was awarded the President’s Award, with her husband, Nick Artimovich, receiving the Supportive Spouse award. He even volunteered at the 2011 Tea Is for Training, and his photos are appreciated by all of us. Congratulations to everyone. See photos next issue!

August Issue of The PVDA Newsletter Receives Honorable Mention from USDF GMO Newsletter Awards

The August 2011 Ride for Life color issue of The PVDA Newsletter has won Honorable Mention in the category of Layout and Design for a GMO with 500 or more members from the USDF GMO Newsletter Awards contest. Thank you to everyone who contributed to this great issue! The winning GMOs and Honorable Mentions will be announced at the USDF National Convention and Symposium in San Diego, California, November 30-December 4, and the names will be published in the USDF Connection and on the USDF website. The winning newsletter will be on display at the convention.

What’s ahead for PVDA and dressage in 2012? PVDA has a new board of directors that was announced at the Annual Meeting. Welcome to new board members Tedi Lesniewski and Rebekah Lusk. One note of interest was that participation in this election from the membership was quite low. Voting could be by paper ballot or online through the website. Does that mean there was no interest in the election? I choose to believe that members said they have no controversial issues with the board. I hope that is true! Nevertheless, all members of the new board need to hear from members as to what they like and activities they want to see for the coming year. I really hope that the membership continues to remain stable at
St. Mary’s

The 2011 schooling show series at Begin Again Farm wrapped up its 5th season with shows running from April to October. The show series is a great opportunity for riders to learn all the mechanics of showing and offers easy trailer access, large sand warm-up arena, covered show arena, fun prizes, good food and nice people. Dressage at Begin Again supports both the seasoned rider and those new to dressage. There are lead line classes for the younger riders and especially fun is the costume class held during the October show in which everyone gets involved.

Dressage at Begin Again serves riders in the Southern Maryland region. Many participants and volunteers are St. Mary’s Chapter members and the series helps promote dressage and the benefits of PVDA membership. According to owner and trainer Michele Alexander, the upcoming 2012 show series will include a Prix Caprilli and special young rider and pony classes. The series is widely promoted to encourage riders of all ages from all disciplines and all breeds to participate.

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Dressage at Begin Again Farm High Score winner Heather Stiffel and “It’s all Love” loving his award.
2011 Begin Again Farm
Dressage Show Series
Year-End Results:

**Intro Level/Young Rider**
High Score: Lauren Neumann/Ruger Red Hawk
Reserve High Score: Jennifer Emmart/Snapdragon

**Intro Level/Open**
High Score: Kathleen Mahaney/All the Goods
Reserve High Score: Heidi Swain/Blizzard

**Training Level/Young Rider**
High Score: Hannah Balderson/Impressive
By Sonny
Reserve High Score: Jessica Whitlock/Let Me Loose

**Training Level/Open**
High Score: Heather Stiffel/It's All Love
Reserve High Score: Gina Guffey/Bally Duff

**First Level and Above**
High Score: Heather Stiffel/It's All Love
Reserve High Score: Debbie Purvins/Stanley

**PVDA St. Mary's Jr/YR Rider High Score**
High Score: Hannah Balderson
Reserve High Score: Lauren Neumann

**AWARDS:**
"Dust the Deck Memorial Award" for highest scoring Quarter Horse
Hannah Balderson/Impressive By Sonny

**Dressage Equitation**
High Score: Kathleen Mahaney
Reserve High Score: Katie Herman

**Year End Adult High Score**
High Score: Heather Stiffel
Reserve High Score: Gina Guffey

**High Score Draft Award:**
(sponsored by Lara Fields)
High Score: Kathleen Mahaney/All the Goods
Reserve High Score: Amber Clark/Murphy

**High Score Draft Cross Award:**
(sponsored by Lara Fields)
High Score Lauren Neumann/Ruger Red Hawk
Gina Guffey/Bally Duff

**Overall 2011 High Score**
(sponsored by Purina)
Heather Stiffel

**Bayside**
This year was the first participation at the Chapter Challenge by the Bayside Team and we had a colorful Team: a Pony, a Friesian, a Paint Friesian Cross, a Fjord and a Warmblood. A great time was had by all PVDA friends and members, and

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our “camouflage duck blind” theme came out very nicely. Our youngest rider Hannah was 9 years old and our eldest, well….we won’t say!

The Training Level team came in 5th with very tight scores and our First Level team won their class with scores in the high 60s. The ribbons were beautiful and will help us remember the end of a successful 2011. Watch out for 2012, we have a show and a clinic planned, and we hope to have some fun road trips.

Shore

Clinic with Kathy Rowse, September 27, 2011

Kathy’s clinics continue to be very successful and beneficial to the participating horse and rider teams. Auditors also are welcome to learn and enjoy the relaxing and peaceful atmosphere at the Jeffers’ Sunset Bay Training Centre in Onancock, Va.

Mary Dahlke, on her handsome gray Arab, has made lots of progress from clinic to clinic. Kathy had Mary start with walk/halt transitions asking Mary to take the legs off and then give a light aid and if Wind didn’t respond she had her give a louder aid. Bingo and off he went! Then Kathy had Mary ask for a trot from a halt without leaning forward, while using a lighter aid. Kathy doesn’t want the rider to keep squeezing with the legs as it tires the legs, but to use a visible aid when needed. Mary was reluctant to follow through with a too visible aid for fear that Wind might overreact. Kathy said when he’s not your partner you have to make him willing to work for you. The horse also must give at the base of the neck and not just flex at the poll. Don’t lock the arms and try to hold the horse down. Keep the arms and elbows flexible with slight suppling left and right. With these suggestions Mary was able to show some beautiful walk, trot, walk transitions.

B.J. Martin with her gorgeous paint mare, Annie, were next to go and what a great job they did! Kathy had B.J. start on a circle to the left thinking about where the base of the neck was. She asked B.J. to bring the nose to the inside of the circle without squeezing the rein as she’s asking for a bend around the inside leg. She told B.J. not to grip, but to “bump” with the inside leg. She then asked her to walk forward with a loose leg from the halt. When asking for the halt don’t overuse the hands. The walk will become freer when the leg is lightened. Kathy then had B.J. do sitting trot with a light leg, but if she slows down too much give her a "bump." After some nice walk trot transitions they progressed to the canter, which is still in the "green phase" for Annie. Kathy had B.J. ask for the canter from a sitting trot with a tap of the whip on the shoulder, but she also insisted B.J. sit up tall and sit down rather than wanting to lean forward. Kathy said if she breaks not to worry. Just keep asking and make your goal a half canter for awhile. B.J. has made so much progress in these clinics that she was Reserve Intro Champion at our October 9 show!

The next two riders came down from Salisbury, Md., to ride with Kathy. The first was Jenny Mlyniec riding a Third Level 10 year old Tennessee Walker cross named Ted. In the trot work he wanted to move with his haunches to the inside so Kathy had Jenny rode in shoulder fore to straighten him. They also worked in shoulder fore in the canter. Kathy emphasized not getting the shoulder fore with too much hand and not gripping too much with the legs. Kathy then had Jenny ask for a walk pirouette in shoulder fore and then ask for the canter keeping the inside hand on the withers and not being fussy with the hands.

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Then they proceeded to counter canter keeping Ted balanced through the corners. From there they progressed to half pass in canter and then shoulder fore and back to half pass. Kathy emphasized keeping the hands together so Ted wouldn’t move his shoulders too much. Eventually this progressed to shoulder in to half pass which eventually would progress to canter pirouettes.

Amy Schine was next on her newly purchased 10 year old Morgan schooling Second Level. As they began in the walk Kathy told Amy to think of flapping legs with weight on the toes and not in the heels. The horse got softer and the flappy legs loosened the hip and seat bones. Ariel began to trot in a lovely soft round frame. At times Ariel tends to want to pull at the start of the trot work, so Kathy had Amy relax her arms and shoulders and give petite corrections giving and taking with the reins. In the canter Amy’s heels jammed and her arms got tight so Kathy had her loosen her legs and think loose! Ariel relaxed and softened. They worked on many canter to trot to canter transitions asking the horse to go in self carriage. Kathy had Amy tighten her abs to slow the horse down, no “waterskiing” by pulling on the reins. The improvements were incredible!

Last to go was 16 year old Lizzie Snyder on her handsome Morgan, Captain Morgan. As an Event rider, Lizzie knows the benefits of dressage for her horse’s training. Kathy began with explaining how to get the horse on the bit. They started with 10-meter circles in walk around Kathy keeping the horse on the bit. She had her bring her outside hand slightly forward to control the bend on the outside of the neck. Then they worked on 20-meter trot circles keeping the horse on the bit. The rider has a tendency to confuse the horse by overusing the aids. Kathy asked her not to wiggle the reins to slow the horse down and put him on the bit, but to relax and release to slow down. Kathy then had Lizzie do some spirals on the circle. Lizzie was able to keep the horse in good rhythm without overusing the reins. By this time the Captain was ready to canter and Lizzie was able to do some beautiful canter work. When Kathy had Lizzie keep her belly button forward and her torso centered without leaning to the inside, the canter was gorgeous!

This was a very successful clinic and we are eagerly awaiting the next one!
The following notes were compiled from the USDF Region 1 Fall Meeting on October 30, 2011:

MAJOR SHOWS IN REGION

- The BLML was a full show compared to last year. All the classes were full. About 368 riders were qualified, so there was a great turnout percentage. South Carolina opted out this year because the event was in NJ. Up for vote: Keeping in the pas de deux as a class, and dropping the qualifying score to 63% for musical freestyles as the GAIGs are doing in the future. The next BLML is October 18-21, 2012, which will be the 30th anniversary year.

- The Regional Championships are in Williamston, NC, November 2-4, 2012.
  - The July Youth Team Championships at Morven Park was very hot! A vet and EMT were at the Chef’s meeting to prepare for the heat. There were about 32 teams. People have great fun with unique gifts for things like cleanest grey, smallest pony, etc. July 28-29, 2012 is next year’s event. Region 1 will have two Youth Team Championships June 1-3, 2012, with NCDCTA in Raleigh, NC.
  - The Adult Team Competition was originally hosted by ESDCTA in September, but not enough teams signed up. By closing date there were only 15 or 16. So the event went to the Bucks County Horse Park in October. Twelve teams came from Pennsylvania and New Jersey and everyone had a great time. They did not have stabling, but they are willing to rent a tent so they can have it there next year.

How do we make dressage seat equitation classes larger? Perhaps make the class different? Judges are now qualified to take instruction on judging Dressage Seat Equitation classes, as well as Young Horse classes.

NAJYRC. Region 1 sent two short teams (no drop score). The Junior Team won the gold. This event is getting better each year. Stabling was moved closer to the competition arena, which improved safety. Jackets were not allowed due to the heat. Misting fans were available. The team and parents were extremely cohesive and it was a great year. What can the region do to help the kids? Offer Jr/YR clinics for teen candidates and up-and-coming riders. Jeremy Steinberg and others have been giving regional clinics. Wish list includes stall drapes and team banners. Fundraising/Clinics: The Hasslers helped bring the account up to the required $5,000. Kids were great bringing in money. Entry fees were partially covered. The Region 1 Jr/YR clinic with Jeremy Steinberg is at the Hassler’s March 17-18, 2012, during the Region 1 Spring meeting on March 18. Ann Moss has agreed to be our chef again. Riders and parents must recognize the investment if you are declaring to a team in NAJYRC.

- Dressage at Devon. The Gold Ring footing has been redone. Performance division entries were down, breed show is up. There were 11 Grand Prix freestyles. GMO party returned to Friday evening DVCTA. DVCTA did a quadrille in tribute to 9/11. Australian Guy McLean performed and was extremely popular.

OTHER BUSINESS

- Show Omnibus. Discussion about going electronic.
- Region 1 Awards. Debbie Savage is the new coordinator for awards. November 15 is the extended deadline. They will be voted on at convention. Past winners are on a list on the USDF Region 1 website. There was discussion about adding the award “Exemplary Teaching” for someone who is giving back to their sport as an exemplary teacher. This should be a member that is teaching dressage, sticking
to our basic principles, has a good ability to communicate and a reputation for honesty, integrity and community service.

The Region 1 website has a new design. The information deadline is the first of the month to the web person. Only GMO-sponsored events will be listed, not general events. Accomplishments are highlighted, for example, NAJYRC riders. Send photos from events like the BLMs, etc. Region 1 e-news is sent out monthly.

- **USDF Convention.** The budget will be discussed—changes in bylaws language, change of language for the new term for the at-large directors. There will be an election for at-large directors. Their bios and descriptions of jobs will be available online. The biggest, longest debates will be voting on a national championship.

- **USDF Report.** USDF will be able to accept credit cards for regional events, those events where income would come into a USDF account such as education, Young Rider, etc. For example, if we have a silent auction for NAJYRC we can accept their credit card information. USDF pays the merchant fees.

- **E-trak** is evolving into continuing education tracks. USDF does not seem to be optimized for mobile devices.

- **Capitol Campaign Pledge Status.** Region 1 pledge commitment was $25,000 and we are down by about $2500.

**GMO REPORTS**

- **VADA.** Regional championships were successful. VA Horse Center is now a private facility. VADA gave naming rights to the show office because of their donation to the horse center. VADA had a successful clinic with Linda Zang and Ann Gribbons is signed up for 2013. No 2012 clinic is planned. The 30th BLM championships is in 2012.

- **PVDA.** PVDA had a very successful Ride for Life making a donation of $80,000 to Johns Hopkins. Schooling Shows were less attended this year compared to usual. There are fewer requests for event insurance coming from chapters, so less active chapters. George Williams is coming to PVDA annual dinner on November 18. PVDA hosted a Tea Is for Training event and Vitor Silva clinic in 2011.

- **ESDCTA.** Membership down by about 10% from last year. A lot of members used to be members of multiple GMOs and now it seems that some are only picking one. Big education push this year. Co-hosted a 4-part summer evening seminar with Syland Saddlery. Webinar with horse and farm insurance. Having our annual continuing education judges seminar with Linda Zang. Three youth fix-a-test clinics throughout the area and acted as a fundraiser for our youth committee. Memorial weekend had Dr. Jenny Susser speak, dressage with the experts, and a vendor walk with appetizers and wine, cocktail hour before the GP MFS class. Approved sponsorship of an S program that is in the approval process. 50/50 raffle. Newsletter redesign saved $4,000+. Had a Pilates for youth riders clinic. ESDCTA will continue CDI in 2012 on the last qualifying weekend for the Olympics, same weekend as a CDI in Kentucky.

- **DVCTA.** Organizing a USDF L program in 2012.

- **NCDCTA.** Had several clinics, including Henk von Bergen and JJ Tate. Junior club was founded and Jr/YR membership reduced. Jr/YRs are hosting a Todd Flettrich clinic this weekend. Not hosting a CDI in the immediate future. Increasing eventing membership.

- **CDCTA.** Dressage at Foxcroft is gone, so they are researching venues (larger) as replacements. There seems to be a problem with people waiting until the end of the closing date to enter. It makes it almost impossible for the show secretary to know how many rings to have, judges, etc.

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**Sunday, December 11**

Noon - 4:00 p.m.

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More Info: www.alsikkanfarm.com or contact Hilary Moore at info@mooredressage.com
Educational Dressage Training at its Best

By Reisa Bonetti-Sullivan, DressageTrainingOnline.com founder

My dream was to be able to ride the Grand Prix dressage test beautifully, achieving the harmony that makes dressage art and the technical excellence that makes it a sport.

However, I wasn’t blessed with an abundance of natural talent and my time was limited due to work commitments. Like all horse owners, there are many demands on the available cash and it seemed impossible for a rider like me to get access to the top instructors and clinicians. I believe that dressage must be about the quality and I wanted to focus my training on “correct basics” so that I could develop the skills that would facilitate progressive improvement for me and my horse. There had to be a solution.

At the time I was involved with the internet in my professional life and it did not take much to see that this emerging medium could be the answer! My personal passion and penchant for perfection prompted the creation of an “on-line training facility” where ALL enthusiasts could learn from the top international instructors and enjoy the convenience of self managed training, at a fraction of the cost of one-on-one lessons. Then consider the savings re transport costs, time off work and other expenses that make regular instruction difficult for most people who have work and family commitments.

Many subscribers to DressageTrainingOnline.com tell us that the service allows them to have a lesson, at any place, at any time, and we know of enthusiasts who take their laptop on the train, into waiting rooms, with them on a lunch break or to bed at night. Being able to go over a lesson many times or revise certain complex theories until the concepts are clear, before attempting to put into practice, is the way to achieve clarity and confidence.

Dressage enthusiasts tell us that every time they watch and listen, they take in another subtle but important lesson and this has helped greatly when it comes to prioritizing their horse’s training and recognizing the common difficulties and mistakes encountered by the horse and rider.

Repetition is accepted as a very effective aid to learning and helps to get new concepts in to the subconscious where they form part of the knowledge base that enables riders to develop feel and the correct responses. It takes time and effort, but then everything that is worthwhile in life does.

DressageTrainingOnline.com offers a vast library of material that will educate and inform riders at all levels. There is no breed bias and riders from all equestrian disciplines can access training techniques and philosophies that will help all horses to improve and gain confidence. Thinking riders are always looking to improve their knowledge about the “influence of the aids,” which will help them to achieve the harmony and lightness that is the true reward of success.

Our goal is to facilitate and enhance the learning pathways of the serious rider and horse trainer. Over the last five years, we have become one of the most popular educational destinations on the web and we are proud of our contribution to the equestrian community and constantly seek to innovate and improve our service.

We have members from 48 different countries, and

- we have provided subscriptions to over 56,000 individuals enthusiasts,
- we regularly feature 35 special and unique trainers and judges in addition to numerous guest trainers and clinicians, and
- our trainers originate from America, Netherlands, Germany, New Zealand, Australia, France, Spain, Austria, Sweden, England and Portugal.
How long have you been a PVDA member?: I joined when I moved to Maryland in 2005. I am now the Southern Maryland Chapter chair, but 7 months ago I moved to the Eastern Shore and so I also am a member of the Bay Shore Chapter.

What PVDA activities do you enjoy? The Ride for Life and Loch Moy Licensed shows. I enjoyed managing the schooling show at CDI last year.

When did you start riding? I started pony rides when I was 2. I remember my Dad taking me to a local spot and the man there made the pony trot and I started posting. Of course I had no idea I was posting. If it was not for the weekly TV show "Fury" (it was about a black horse who saved everyone, just like Lassie) who knows if I would have fallen in love with horses like I did. When Fury got hurt I would go upstairs and cry! When I was 8 I started taking lessons (hunter/jumper). I was in 4-H, pony club, went to riding camp every summer for two months, was captain of my drill team and represented the camp in riding for our junior Olympics.

What equestrian sport did you start with? I started with jumpers.

Tell us about your first horse. My first horse was named Sundance. I bought him with my own money at age 13. Sundance cost $650. Those were the days. He was a storybook horse, he would jump anything and everything. I grew up in suburbia and it was the only town around that allowed horses in your backyard. At the time there were over 60 horses in Montclair, New Jersey. We rode on the street to get to our schooling area, which was an old lumber yard with a dirt parking lot. We used the lumber to set up jumps. We would jump anything we could find including stacked up railroad ties. When I went to college I sold Sundance to a friend who was a Florida circuit rider. Sundance lived to 42.

When did you notice dressage? I moved to California and I saw an ad to lease a horse and went to see him and fell in love. He reminded me of Sundance. The owner would not let me jump him but there was a dressage instructor at the farm and so I decided to give dressage a try.

When was your first dressage test? When I was leasing Fred. I rode my first dressage test in the 80s in Los Angeles. I did not even know when the bell was rung and I was supposed to go into the ring. I learned quickly after that first ride. The judge let me do the test again.

Who was your favorite trainer? I admired many trainers such as Stephen Peters, Ulf Wadeborn, Bo Tibblin, Kathleen Raine, Betsy Steiner, Dennis Callin and Laurie Moore.

What international rider do you admire? Edward Gal

How many horses do you have? Three of my own and 10 owned by students.

Tell us about your farm and the activities that you offer? I offer dressage training and lessons (LKM Dressage) at Crawford Chance Farm. We have clinics and schooling shows. I hope to have a PVDA schooling show here next year as well as a schooling show series. We also have breech parties where you can purchase European britches at a discounted price.

Send an email to Jocelyn, PVDA news editor, at news@pvda.org if you would like to be interviewed for our Meet a Member article series.
**Horses for Sale**

- 106 Reg.Trak, bay mare, 17.1H, flashy, kind w/prett y face and 3 lovely gaited. Qualif. 2011 GAGG Champ. at 1st Level, now competing 2nd and YH class. Green jumper, ready to go show and win. Photos/videos on www.performancesporthorsesllc.com. Alice Drayer, 301-834-7486 or 703-606-4901

- Two blk. Soft Touch Straight dressage girths, one is Sz. 28” and new w/tags and the other is a Sz. 30” and used a few times, in exc. cond., $45/ea. Meridith Hurd, email: meridith.hurd@gmail.com

- 1) Cob-size blk. Albion dbl. bridle w/crank caveson, well-padded, soft leather on headstall and noseband. Orig. cost $675. Incl. horse-size blk. Albion double b ridle headstall which orig. cost $125. Bridle and both headstalls in exc. cond., used only 2 mos. Reins and bits not incl., asking $400 for all. 2) People on Horses cob-size blk. brow band w/gold leaf filigree, $45, Deb Stewart, 301-802-6984 or email: deb_stewart1@verizon.net

- 1) 18” Trilogy Verago Elite, x-wide tree, in great cond., $2,700. Would make a great Xmas present! Sharon Tingley, 410-875-2308 or email: jennifer.tingley@juno.com

- 17.5” Albion STYLE blk dressage saddle, MM tree, fl app, point billets, and 5” gusset, in exc. shape, $1,400/obo, email for pics, Brenda Baibak, 410-353-7945 or email: brevince@gmail.com

- 17.5” blk. Albion SLK Brentina dressage Saddle, med/wide, in exc. cond.; $2,700. Avail. in time for Christmas—mid Dec., email for pics, Gina Guffey, 301-475-7960 or email: guffeycg@msn.com

- 17.5” blk. Albion SLK Ultima, short flap, dressage saddle, wide/x-wide tree, in exc. cond., only ridden in 6 mos. Beautiful saddle, very comp., exc. leg positioning, your horse will thank you! $2,700, Jennifer Tingley, 410-875-2308 or email: jennifer.tingley@juno.com

- 19” Trilogy Verago Elite, x-wide tree, in great cond., $2,700. Would make a great Xmas present! Sharon Myers, 301-627-8873

- 1) 18” MW Albion SL, in exc. cond., used only 1yr., $2,300 2) 18” Passier Antares, med. tree, in exc. cond., $1,800. Both saddles have adj. trees. Naomi Hudson, 301-502-3695 or email: nhudson595@aol.com

- Cob-size blk. “comfort” bridle w/padded contoured crown and cut-out for ears, well-padded 1.25”crank nose band w/flash, incl. 5/8” leather reins w/hand stops, used 6x, $85, Shari Glickman, 301-351-5530 or email: shari.glickman@comcast.net

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**Horses for Lease**

- *TB geld.,16H+ available for partial lease for the remainder of my preg/maternity leave, now until May ’12. Boarded at Crab Alley Farm (www.craballeyfarm.com) on the Eastern Shore (Kent Island). Has done lower level dressage and eventing. Loves people and attention. Great on trails. $275/mo, Brenda Baibak, 410-353-7945 or email: brevince@gmail.com

- *TB mare, 16 yrs, 16.2H for half-lease: lovely mover, fantastic disp. u/s, this mare is perfect for the rider who wants to dev. more confid. She has shown successfully and frequently, is quiet on the trails and in any set ting. No jumping. Avail 2-3x/wk at Windsor Manor in Libertytown, and close to Frederick, Mt. Airy, Union Bridge, and Westminster. Facility has an ind. coverall arena w/mirrors, regulation size dressage outdoor, 12x12 matted stalls, ind. matted h/c wash stall, matted aisle, plenty of small group t/o in fields w/ 4-brd dou bles fencing. Exercise track around property. Quiet, laid back and friendly atmosphere, with great care for your horses. Starting, ground manners, dressage, and event-

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- 17.5” Albion STYLE blk dressage saddle, MM tree, fl app, point billets, and 5” gusset, in exc. shape, $1,400/obo, email for pics, Brenda Baibak, 410-353-7945 or email: brevince@gmail.com

- 17.5” blk. Albion SLK Brentina dressage Saddle, med/wide, in exc. cond.; $2,700. Avail. in time for Christmas—mid Dec., email for pics, Gina Guffey, 301-475-7960 or email: guffeycg@msn.com

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- 18” Trilogy Verago Elite, x-wide tree, in great cond., $2,700. Would make a great Xmas present! Sharon Myers, 301-627-8873

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For the lucky PVDA members who will go to Florida this winter, something new for 2012 is that there will be CDIs all over the place and calendar. I wonder how that will work out for the riders (are there enough to fill all these shows?), for the management (aren’t these shows expensive?!), and the spectators (too much eye candy?).

Maybe all the Florida CDIs will give riders/horses a good warm up for the Selection Trials for the London Olympics in 2012. The success of the U.S. at the Pan Am Games was spectacular, but our competition at the Olympics will be from teams from Europe. If money were no object, I would love to see these Olympics since the Kentucky World Equestrian Games were so spectacular. The mood in London from the English point of view will be off the charts since they have good potential for success with their strong team.

Moving into the future, recently I’ve read a couple of dressage journals online. Our PVDA newsletter, The Chronicle, Dressage Today, and USDF Connection are all available online and I’m the first one who said I would like to have the hard copy. But you know, it was just as interesting to see the pages on the computer and the copies didn’t pile up on the floor. Of course it saves the paper, the postage, and the planet. Electronic media may be the future. But one thing is for sure, our equine partners don’t read any of it, and the conversation with our horses is the old fashioned one.

Betty Thorpe • PVDA president • president@pvda.org
The 2011 Show Results
Send your Show Results for the newsletter to showresults@pveda.org.

27th Annual Waverley-on-Chester Chapter Challenge

Prince George’s Equestrian Center, Upper Marlboro, Md. • November 6, 2011

The day started early, but with clocks changing during the night it wasn’t as tiring as it could have been. The weather was good, ranging from cold (ice on wind-shield) to a nice warm sun in the afternoon allowing coats to be shed.

The set up the day before went smoothly and the rings were erected under the direction of Julie Gross. The volunteers on Sunday were excellent, some of whom have volunteered for several years. A big thank you goes to our three friendly judges: Ingrid Gentry (R), Jocelyn Pearson (L), and Aviva Nebesky (L), who gave a wide range of marks and good advice.

There were more chapters competing this year, a total of 12, with multiple teams from most. As there were fewer entries than usual only three rings were needed, allowing better warm up conditions. We hope that the covered arena will have footing soon and that next year we can use that too and maybe have four rings and still have adequate warm-up areas. This was the first time that the new tests were ridden at a Chapter Challenge and we soon realized that more time was needed per test, as all of the rings ran late. We are so sorry! The entry secretary Liz Erwin, recovering from an operation, did a great job in scheduling and ironing out conflicting ride times, and this delay was unforeseen. Next year we will be prepared!

Farrier Nick Di Franco was needed only once, Dr Stott, the veterinarian “on call” wasn’t called and the EMT (particularly the backboard) wasn’t used, so it was a relatively emergency-free day.

Manager Linda Speer was her cheerful, energetic self and the show ran well with all of our great volunteers and only a few complaints about the delays. We received many “thank you’s” for the show and people enjoyed themselves with the nice weather and the team atmosphere.

Tom Barritt did a great job again as announcer and a photographer, John, magically appeared to take photos. I tried to put volunteers where they could see their teams, and also split duties so that the warm-up stewards didn’t have to sit in one place unable to watch. I think it worked as no one complained. Feedback is welcome, as we want to ensure that the volunteers have a good experience and will volunteer again next year! Many thanks to the volunteers: Hallie Ahrensbrak, Becky Alexander, Nancy and Tom Albrecht, Edie Bair, Grace and Lisa Blakeney, Dawn and Patty Blanchard, Steven Bright, Pat Chandler, Josh Collier, Frieda Dale, Kristine Finney, David Geyer, Laura Griffiths, Julie Gross, Melissa Harlinski, Amanda Hebdon, Polly Irons, Nikki Keightley, Marcia Mia, Brittany Mitchell Charna Moore, Hilary Moore, Pam Owens, Anne Petrenko, Debbie Purvins, Mardee Rochelle, Jackie Rodriguez, Pat Rudolph, Colette and Ray Ruopp, Joy St. Landau, Rebekah Lusk, Kathleen Stratton, Hilary Walker, Katie Watts, and Kelli Williams. There also were a few people who stood in for short periods, but I did not get their names, so thank you to all of you. Wendy Embelin, co-manager and show secretary/volunteer coordinator

Chapter Challenge Awards

The Elizabeth Prichard Memorial Trophy:
Karolina Ware/Kilcogan Prince
High Score in Training Level: 72.857%

The Fly Alex Fly Trophy:
Longina Akhtar/Diamant A
High Score in Second Level and Above: 65.263%

Wild Lies/Kimberly Goodwin-Clark
Bella Donna/Julia Claypool
2. Metro Chapter/68.930%
Dover Glory/Dana Scudon
Astoria/Rebecca Wilson
Innish/Jenny Sarmiento
Mocha Java/Holly Greenleaf
3. Clarksville Chapter/67.020%
Rastamon's Island Dancer/Charli Plumbtree
Arn't I Regal/Kara Leahy
Dances in Cahoots/Melissa Harlinski
CJ’s Royal Spirit/Kelly Poole

Chapter Challenge continued next page
27th Annual Waverly-on-Chester Chapter Challenge

Prince George’s Equestrian Center, Upper Marlboro, Md. • November 6, 2011 (cont.)

5. Bayside Chapter/66.070%
Skogen/Kristin Ott
Paela/Hannah Irons
Hershai du Marscian/Hannah Conway
USFE Training Level, Test 3 Challenge
1. Catocin Chapter/69.200%
Future Image/Donna Hoffman
Obvious Advantage/Rachel Minford
P. Renaissance/Donna Lucas Maranto
Cromwell/Leslie Raulin
2. Sugarloaf Chapter/68.800%
Bento Box/Molly Sherman
Alliyana/Hannah Recknor
Shine/Katie King
Christopher/Beth Schmidt
3. Peninsula Chapter/61.870%
Jameson/Annmari Ingersoll
Donavani/Alice Allen
Bart/Hannah Weasenforth
Coco Beans/Christina Mulqueen
USFE First Level, Test 2 Challenge
1. Bayside Chapter/66.470%
Dylan/Jackie Kinney
Hershai du Marscian/Brienne Reynolds
Don Sapearo/Deborah Hill
2. Upper Marlboro Chapter/68.200%
Fortune Awaits/Carmen Torres
Shec Duette/Teresa Cottle
A Stylish Olena/Leslye Boyce
3. Clarksville Chapter/68.020%
Barney/Zoe Witte
Amy/Betsy Arthur
Ralpal/Candace Snell
Hats Off/Mimi Mack
4. Calvert Chapter/67.750%
Shine Hill Peanut/Christina Dale
Cruz Bay/Hilary Walker
Prevail/Kelli Williams
USFE First Level, Test 3 Challenge
1. Metro Chapter/66.450%
Watteau/Kristin Hoffman
Freedom/Betsy Lewis
Vegas Showgirl/Erica Greenwald
Wyndsong/Nancy Moseley
2. New Market Chapter/63.870%
Hot Rod/Joshua Collier
Peepers/Rebekah Lusk
Laurel/Steven Bright
Turkish Dancer/Kathleen Stratton
USFE Second Level and Above Challenge
1. Metro Chapter/63.470%
Ria/Crystal Sherman
Kosmischt/Rita Boehm
Queens Colors/Patricia Haley
Party After Party/Melissa Angerson
2. Southern Maryland Chapter/59.170%
Casar/Marcia Mia
3. Grover’s Slapshot/Samantha Smith/64.583%
4. Rastaman’s Island Dancer/Charli Plumbtree/63.333%
5. Kilicogan Prince/Karolina Ware/62.500%
USFE Training Level, Test 1 – Warm-Up
1. Dances In Cahoots/Melissa Harlinski/66.250%
2. Mocha Java/Holly Greenleaf/65.833%
3. County Tramp/Jan Denno/59.383%
4. Invest Skip/Karl Schreder/57.917%
5. Monica Lu/Nancy Albrecht/55.000%
USFE Training Level, Test 2 – Warm Up
1. Freedom/Betsy Lewis/60.714%
2. Donavan/Alice Allen/67.500%
3. P. Renaissance/Donna Lucas Maranto/63.571%
4. Obvious Advantage/Rachel Minford/63.214%
5. All the Attention/Theresa Holley/58.571%
6. Moonlight Magic/Amie Blackwell/54.286%
USFE Training Level, Test 2 – Warm Up
1. MLF Jasper/Jamie Suever/66.071%
2. Hakon/Christine Martindale/65.357%
3. Elmhurst’s Ariel/Ami Schine/63.571%
4. Coco Beans/Christina Mulqueen/67.833%
USFE First Level, Test 1 – Warm Up
1. Fortune Awaits/Carmen Torres/70.690%
2. Shec Duette/Teresa Cottle/67.586%
3. Paela/Hannah Irons/63.448%
4. Shine Hill Peanut/Christina Dale/63.103%
5. Prevail/Kelli Williams/60.000%
USFE First Level, Test 1 – Warm Up
1. Cruz Bay/Hilary Walker/63.103%
2. Barney/Zoe Witte/58.966%
USFE First Level, Test 2 – Warm Up
1. Freedom/Betsy Lewis/61.622%
2. Vegas Showgirl/Erica Greenwald/61.622%
3. Wyndsong/Nancy Moseley/61.081%
4. Laurel/Steven Bright/58.378%
5. Hot Rod/Joshua Collier/56.216%
USFE First Level, Test 2 – Warm Up
1. Watteau/Kristin Hoffman/72.162%
2. Don Sapearo/Deborah Hill/67.838%
3. Dylan/Jackie Kinney/66.216%
4. Peepers/Rebekah Lusk/60.000%
5. Turkish Dancer/Kathleen Stratton/59.189%
USFE Second Level & Above – Warm Up
1. Ria/Crystal Sherman/63.429%
2. Debut/Claudia Griffths/63.143%
3. Aura/Samantha Smith/60.286%
4. Finnegan's Rainbow/Elizabeth Farina/59.714%
5. Amy/Betsy Arthur/55.143%
USFE Second Level & Above – Warm Up
1. Diamant A/Longina Akhtar/65.263%
2. Queens Colors/Patricia Haley/62.895%
3. Figaro/Carolyn Steppe/60.000%
Dressage Seat Equitation
1. Dancing Surb/Darryl Cherry
2. Paela/Hannah Irons
3. Hershai du Marscian/Hannah Conway
4. Aiden/Vicky Gibson
5. Champagne Redneck/Amber Clark
6. Thomas the Cat/Patty Blanchard
High Score Awards

Introductory Level Champion: Katie King
Introductory Level Reserve Champion: Cheryl Loane
Training Level Champion: Logan Elliott
Training Level Reserve Champion: Logan Elliott
First Level and Above Champion: Logan Elliott
First Level and Above Reserve Champion: Jamie Suever

USDF Introductory Level, Test A
1. Catch Me If You Can/Sarah Mohr/69.375%
2. BF Ryan/Cheryl Loane/63.750%

USDF Introductory Level, Test B
1. Cayman/Nancy Biglin/68.750%
2. BF Ryan/Cheryl Loane/65.625%

USDF Introductory Level, Test C
1. Shine/Katie King/70.000%
2. BF Marie/Cheryl Loane/69.500%
3. Cayman/Nancy Biglin/66.000%
4. Romey/Katherine Rizzo/64.000%

USEF Training Level, Test 1
1. Cady O’Daly Michael/Logan Elliott/70.417%
2. Alliyana/Hannah Recknor/63.750%
3. Canadream Jospatriote Showtyme/Kimberley Beldam/65.714%
4. Grand Luck/Rachel Rosenfeld/62.083%
5. Wicked Willoughbie/Seanen Sullivan/62.083%
6. Canadream Jospatriote Truly-It/Kimberley Beldam/61.667%

USEF Training Level, Test 2
1. Cady O’Daly Michael/Logan Elliott/72.500%
2. Cromwell/Leslie Raulin/68.857%
3. Revelation/Samantha Paul/66.786%
4. Canadream Jospatriote Truly-It/Kimberley Beldam/65.714%
5. Canadream Jospatriote Seduxion/Meghan Roche/65.714%

USEF Training Level, Test 2
1. Marzipan/Terry Gyi/64.286%
2. Grand Luck/Rachel Rosenfeld/62.500%
3. Wicked Willoughbie/Shannen Sullivan/61.429%
4. Early Riser/Sarah Mohr/60.000%

USEF Training Level, Test 3
1. Cromwell/Leslie Raulin/66.400%
2. Canadream Jospatriote Seduxion/Meghan Roche/64.800%
3. Shine/Katie King/64.400%
4. Wicked Willoughbie/Shannen Sullivan/61.600%
5. Montego/Lisa Freund/60.800%

USEF Training Level, Test 3
1. Bento Box/Molly Sherman/70.000%
2. Callum/Arran Siebert/66.216%
3. Callum/Arran Siebert/62.973%

USEF Second Level, Test 2
1. Eternaluma/Logan Elliott/65.842%
2. Django/Carolyn del Grosso/65.000%

USEF Second Level, Test 3
1. Eternaluma/Logan Elliott/70.000%
2. Django/Carolyn del Grosso/66.900%
3. Inda Country/Janis Woronoff/56.910%

USEF Third Level, Test 1
1. Inda Country/Janis Woronoff/55.000%

USDF Musical Freestyle
1. Bento Box/Molly Sherman/73.864%
2. Alliyana/Hannah Recknor/69.545%
3. Montego/Lisa Freund/62.759%
4. Callum/Arran Siebert/55.517%

USEF First Level, Test 1
1. MLF Jasper/Jamie Suever/68.276%
2. Callum/Arran Siebert/63.103%
3. Montego/Lisa Freund/62.759%
4. Callum/Arran Siebert/55.517%

USEF First Level, Test 2
1. MLF Jasper/Jamie Suever/66.216%
2. Callum/Arran Siebert/62.973%

USEF Second Level, Test 2
1. Eternaluma/Logan Elliott/65.842%
2. Django/Carolyn del Grosso/65.000%

USEF Second Level, Test 3
1. Eternaluma/Logan Elliott/70.000%
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USEF Third Level, Test 1
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USDF Musical Freestyle
1. Bento Box/Molly Sherman/73.864%
2. Alliyana/Hannah Recknor/69.545%

Celebrate Farm volunteers left to right: Susan Held, Kim Engert, Beth Davis, Janet Geyer, Jed Smith, Susan Stone, Mary Smith and Evelyn Pfoutz.

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PVDA Schooling Show

Schooley Mill Park, Highland, Md. • August 21, 2011

After mother nature politely watered the arena before the start of the show for dust control, the show started off well. Jaclyn Sicoli brought many of her students who all had nice rides. Samantha Smith had two beautiful tests on her newest competition horse Grover’s Slapshot. Even after the skies turned threatening in the afternoon many more rides were squeezed in before the lightning was spotted far off in the distance. Unfortunately there was very little time between seeing the lightning off in the distance to it being right on top of the show! Most of the Introductory rides that were scheduled for the afternoon had to be cancelled. Thankfully all of the horses were quickly loaded up and taken home. The judge and volunteers were stranded under the shelter for the next half hour with rain pouring down and lightning striking directly overhead. Then as quickly as summer storms come, this one left. The arena was a lake and the judges tent was totaled. Thanks to Peggy Pariso and all of the brave volunteers from Windsor Manor who got stuck in the storm and stayed to clean up the mess! Kristine Finney, Show Manager

USDF Introductory Level, Test A
1. Glendale’s Ramsey/Recita Clemons/66.250%

USDF Introductory Level, Test B
1. Oden/Jaclyn Sicoli/69.375%
2. Glendale’s Ramsey/Recita Clemons/65.000%

USEF Training Level, Test 1
1. Oden/Jaclyn Sicoli/64.583%
2. Tolkien/Caroline Cochran/62.083%
3. Monica Lu/Nancy Albrecht/58.750%

USEF Training Level, Test 2
1. Grover’s Slapshot/Samantha Smith/67.143%
2. Dascha/Tracey Trainum/66.429%
3. Tolkien/Caroline Cochran/61.071%
4. Marzipann/Terry Gyi/58.214%

USEF Training Level, Test 3
1. Grover’s Slapshot/Samantha Smith/68.400%
2. Marzipann/Terry Gyi/59.200%

USEF First Level, Test 1
1. Resplendent/Camilla Cornwell/62.414%
2. Della/Mimi Mack/62.069%
3. Buster/Candace Snell/60.345%
4. Zoelite/Leslie Harrelson/56.897%

USEF First Level, Tests 2 & 3
1. Figaro/Carolyn Steppe/61.622%
2. Della/Mimi Mack/60.645%
3. Buster/Candace Snell/60.541%
4. Resplendent/Camilla Cornwell/58.710%
5. Zoelite/Leslie Harrelson/58.378%
6. Hercules H/Kara Schoepp/56.452%

USEF Second Level, Test of Choice
1. Hercules H/Jaclyn Sicoli/63.484%
2. Beaujangles/Renee Roberts/59.143%
3. Figaro/Carolyn Steppe/57.623%

USEF Third Level, Test of Choice
1. Wesley/Angela Voss/66.341%
2. Wesley/Angela Voss/64.474%
3. Davida/Rachel Surkin/61.842%
4. Davida/Rachel Surkin/55.366%

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- Young Adult (18-21)* □ $45 □ $75 N/A
- Adult* □ $45 □ $75 □ $599
- Family (priced for two)* ** □ $65 □ $115 □ N/A

**Each additional family member (over two) is $10 each extra (1 yr. USDF) or $20 each (2 yrs. USDF)

- Senior (65 and over)  □ $35 □ $55 N/A
- Patron □ $65 □ $115 N/A
- Business Affiliate □ $90 □ $165 N/A

I have previously been a member □ yes □ no

Name _______________________________________________________

Family PVDA Members _______________________________________

Street ____________________________________________________

City/State/Zip _____________________________________________

Telephone ________________________________________________

E-mail _____________________________________________________

USDF Membership No. ________________________________________

Primary GMO ______________________________________________

* If under 21, give birth date (for special USDF awards) __________

□ Do not list my phone no. in the PVDA Membership Directory.

□ Do not send me a printed newsletter.

(Newsletters are available online at www.pvda.org).

Please complete the membership application and mail with your check payable to PVDA. Regular first class mail only. No certified mail will be accepted.

Send to:
Michele Wellman, PVDA Membership Coordinator,
9205 Bessie Clemson Rd., Union Bridge, MD  21791

For more information about becoming a PVDA member, contact Michele Wellman at membership@pvda.org or call 301-873-3496.
* It is time to renew your membership for 2012! See page 23 for the membership renewal form or go online to the PVDA website at www.pvda.org. One-year memberships expire December 31, 2011.

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Top left, clockwise:
1. Elizabeth Konecny and her pony Severn Silver Diadem
2. Alice Allen and Donovan
3. Claire Hill and Bob Marley
4. Joshua Collier and Hot Rod

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