Abby Krohn and Solsticio del Verano finish their test at the Youth Team Competition.
Photo by Staci Winters

2015 USDF Region 1 Youth Team Competition
Calendar of Events

September
2-3  Uwe Steiner Clinic at Chesapeake Dressage Institute, Annapolis, Md. Visit our website at www.ChesapeakeDressage.com or call 410-267-7174
6  FADS at Blue Horse Farm, Jefferson, Md. See www.frederickdressage.org. Benefit for Frederick Memorial Hospital Hurwitz Breast Cancer Fund.
10  CDCTA Thursday Evening Schooling Show Series (final) at the Warrenton Showgrounds, Warrenton, Va. See www.cdcta.com
12-13  VADAnova Autumn Licensed Competition at Morven Park, Leesburg, Va. See www.vadanova.org
13  FADS Schooling Show at Troupe Run Stables (Kerry Jacobs) in Hagerstown, Md. Benefit for the Shenandoah Valley Pony Club. See www.frederickdressage.org
14  PVDA Monthly Board Meeting at Stonebrook Farm, Clarksville, Md. Everyone welcome! Contact your favorite Board member for information.
19  Shore Chapter Schooling Show at Sunset Bay Farm. Details 757-302-0224 or deripiaffe@aol.com
25  FADS at Celebration Farm, Union Bridge, Md. Evening show. See www.frederickdressage.org
26  Southern Maryland Chapter Annual Fun Show at Exalt Farm/Reality Inn Farm, Harwood, Md. Dressage tests including Western, Prix Caprilli and games for all ages.

Contact Melissa Harlinski at mharlinski@yahoo.com or http://pvdasouthernmaryland.com

October
5  PVDA Monthly Board Meeting at Stonebrook Farm, Clarksville, Md. Everyone welcome! Contact your favorite Board member for information.
7-8  Uwe Steiner Clinic at Chesapeake Dressage Institute, Annapolis, Md. Visit our website at www.ChesapeakeDressage.com or call 410-267-7174
9-11  BLM Championships, Allentown, N.J. See www.usdfregion1.org
15-18  GAIG Championships and VADA Licensed Competition, Lexington, Va. See www.usdfregion1.org
24-25  Jan Brons Clinic at Chesapeake Dressage Institute, Annapolis, Md. Visit our website at www.ChesapeakeDressage.com or call 410-267-7174
25  Open Schooling Show at Begin Again Farm, Leonardtown, Md. Contact Michele Alexander at beginagainfarm1@aol.com or call 240-298-0283
30-31  Training with Charles deKunffy at Hassler Dressage, Chesapeake City, Md. Open to all riders. Theory lessons included. Contact Susanne@hasslerdressage.com or register at www.hasslerdressage.com/events

November
1  PVDA’s 31st Annual Waverly on Chester Chapter Challenge at Prince George’s Equestrian Center in Upper Marlboro, Md. See the website www.pvda.org for more details
4  PVDA Monthly Board Meeting at Stonebrook Farm, Clarksville, Md. Everyone welcome!
5-8  2015 U.S. Dressage Finals, Kentucky Horse Park. See www.usdressagefinals.com
12-14  2015 Equine Wellness Symposium at Hassler Dressage, Chesapeake City, Md. Injury and Compensation in the Sport Horse: Diagnostics, Treatment and Rehabilitation. See www.hasslerdressage.com or 410-885-3824
14-15  USDF Region 1 Youth Clinic with George Williams at Hilltop Farm, Colora, Md. See www.usdfregion1.org
21  Shore Chapter Schooling Show at Sunset Bay Farm. For details call 757-302-0224 or deripiaffe@aol.com
21-22  Jan Brons Clinic at Chesapeake Dressage Institute, Annapolis, Md. Visit our website at www.ChesapeakeDressage.com or call 410-267-7174

December
3-6  USDF Annual Convention in LAS VEGAS! Contact a PVDA Board member if you want to attend for PVDA. See www.usdf.org

Send your 2015 Calendar Items to calendar@pvda.org.

October 2015 Deadline: September 10

Calendar Editor: Jocelyn Pearson
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PVDA Schooling Shows on separate calendar

2015 PVDA Schooling Show Schedule

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Join the PVDA Board of Directors

We are looking for members in good standing who would like to join the PVDA Board of Directors. No experience is necessary; on the job training is provided. Nominate yourself or urge your dressage friends and fellow PVDA members to run. This is an opportunity to help make decisions that affect our dressage and equine community, promote education, and contribute to PVDA’s success. The deadline for submitting nominations and a biography (150 words or less) is September 4, 2015. Contact Claire Lacey at claire.lacey@pvda.org with nominations/bio or questions.

Call for Newsletter Writers

Calling all writers! PVDA wants YOU to submit articles for the newsletter! Have an interesting training experience, travel story, or personal accomplishment that you would like to share? Submit it to the newsletter! Typical articles are less than 1,200 words, but we will make room for larger submissions! Don’t forget to share your photos as well. For more information please contact the editor at newsletter@pvda.org.

Correction

We incorrectly attributed the July Peninsula Chapter news submission to Deri Jeffers. The report was actually submitted by Laurel Bullock. Thank you to Deri for catching the mistake and our apologies for the error!

PVDA Chapter Challenge on November 1

It’s time to get your teams together! The 31st Annual Waverly-On-Chester Chapter Challenge is rapidly approaching! The show will be held November 1, 2015 at the Prince George’s Equestrian Center in Upper Marlboro, Md. See the website www.pvda.org for more details.

Dear Members,

As we ride our way through August there are 12 schooling shows, 2 recognized shows, Loch Moy I and II, and the Chapter Challenge remaining for you to participate in. Enjoy!!

A word about our newsletter: we are looking to highlight more member accomplishments in addition to riding successes. Please send your stories, which can be work or home related, to newsletter@pvda.org by the 10th of every month. We want to showcase our talented membership!

Speaking of talent the Junior/Young Rider Program, managed by Meghan Trumpner, was well attended this year with four teams competing at the Region 1 Youth Team Competition at Morven Park. The PVDA teams and stall decorations had a Christmas theme. The PVDA Dancers were reserve champions as a team at Intro level, PVDA Prancers placed third at Training level, PVDA Rudolphs (First level) were also third place, and the PVDA Dashers (Second level) were reserve champions. Thanks to the volunteers who helped make this a good experience for our young riders.

Until the fall, happy riding.

Mary Sue
The MHQT Youth Team has been very busy! They were privileged to have Micheal Matson out to Celebration Farm - our host barn. Micheal was able to give them some great suggestions and put their routine to music, making the horses dance! The team shirts we ordered from Dan Swearington at Embroid-me Catonsville are perfect and compliment the team’s polo wraps and saddle pads. Making the outfits perfect! Everything came together for their second show at Celebration Farm’s FADS Show with Trisha DeRosa as judge. Trisha gave them some great critiques and together they earned a 70% in their first test, and following Trisha’s suggestions rode again for a 74%! The Team is now preparing for their first off-farm show at Woodvale Farm’s PVDA show on Sunday, September 27th. We hope you can make it out to the show to see them.

The MHQT Adult Team has been enjoying their Friday night practices, including a nice social hour after practice.

The Mountain Harmony Chapter of PVDA is a Quadrille Drill Team based out of Celebration Farm in Union Bridge, Maryland. Mountain Harmony Quadrille Team combines dressage with music to create an artistic, technical, and entertaining performance. Our goal is to have fun and work together as a competitive team.

MHQT – Mountain Harmony Quadrille Team welcomes both youth and adult riders, as well as horses and ponies of all breeds. Every horse and rider can have fun with Mountain Harmony Drill Team.

Mountain Harmony is proud to announce that our group is growing and because of that growth we have split into two groups. We now

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have a MHQT – Youth rider group that meets at Celebration Farm on Sundays at 1pm and a MHQT – adult group that meets on Fridays at 6pm.

For more information please contact Cathy Whipp at cawhipp@comcast.net or 301–807–8758. You can also join the Mountain Harmony Quadrille Facebook page to stay up to date on our activities.

Peninsula Dressage
Report submitted by Laurel Bullock

It has been a great year for Peninsula Dressage, all of our shows have filled before the closing dates, and Paint night was a success. Our next show is September 12th at Wicomico Equestrian Center in Salisbury. Our final show of the year will be October 3rd at Winaway Farm in Willards, which will be our Women Supporting Women benefit show for breast cancer. The club picnic was held at Salisbury Park on August 9th. I was unable to attend, but I am sure everyone had a good time. There will be a clinic with Kathy Rouse at Horse Bridge Farm in Salisbury on August 15th and 16th.

Announcing the 2015 Summer Show Series

August 14—FADS Schooling Show
September 25—FADS Schooling Show
October 1—PVDA Schooling Show

Check our website for the fall/winter series

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The 2015 USDF Region 1 Youth Team Competition

By Abby Krohn

The 2015 USDF Region 1 Youth Team Competition at Morven Park was another fun show shared with the junior/young riders of PVDA. It was especially exciting because this year was the 25th anniversary of the show. One of the highlights of the show is the decorating contest, and the theme picked by our teams was Christmas in July. PVDA sent 4 teams, each consisting of 3 riders. The Intro team, the PVDA Dancers, consisted of Ella Morrisey and Ensigns Image, Jack Mulqueen and Al Capony, and Sydney Guy and Bartender. The Training level team, the PVDA Prancers, consisted of Maia Cornwell and El Gato, Mateo Mendoza and Meindert, and Michelle Clay and Legally Blonde. The First level team, the PVDA Rudolphs, consisted of Madison Galiber and Cole, Delaney Wagner and Armani, and Emma Jacobs and Brumby. Lastly, our First/Second level mixed team, the PVDA Dashers, consisted of Abby Krohn and Solsticio del Verano, Annabel Winters-McCabe and Whisper to Heaven, and Nicole Hylton and Midnight Moon.

Friday afternoon, all of our teams arrived, horses were settled and stalls were decorated! (Special shout out to Julio Mendoza, who hung the streamers in the barn for us.) The teams all rode with Ben Albright, who offered coaching to all the teams for the duration of the weekend. Later that evening, we enjoyed watching Julio Mendoza’s freestyles aboard two of his horses; Roelof Van Wolfshol, a Friesian gelding who he rode a Third level freestyle with, and Chardonnay, an Oldenburg gelding who Julio took to the Pan American Games in Canada, in an Intermediate freestyle. After the freestyles, we enjoyed pizza, cake and more in the show office, and prepped for the days to come.

On Saturday, the real work began! First up was the Training level team, who all rode in the Training Level Test 3 warm up test. Mateo placed 4th with a 61.136%, and Michelle placed 3rd with a 63.182% in their warm-up classes. Unfortunately Maia had an unplanned dismount in her warm up test, but El Gato’s moment earned Maia an award for having the “Most Exciting Moment” of the show! All of the Intro team members competed in the Intro B warm up class. Ella and Ensigns Image scored a 70%, placing just out of the ribbons. Sydney and Jack tied for 1st place, as well as High Score Intro and both were High Score of all warm-up tests with a 77.188%. Of the First level team, Madison and Delaney both competed in the First Level Test 2 warm-up class. Delaney placed 5th with a 62.5%, and Madison placed 4th with a 62.821%. From the First/Second level mix team, Abby and Annabel both competed in the Second Level and Above warm up class, while Nicole showed in the First-3 warm up. Abby was 4th in her
class with a 62.727%, Annabel was 3rd with a 63.077%, and Nicole was 2nd with a 62.641%. Once the warm-up classes were over, the teams set their focus on their team test later in the day. Everyone rode amazingly, and represented PVDA well! At the end of the day, the Intro team held a 63.021% average, the Training level team held a 65.705% average, the First level team held a 61.358% average, and the First/Second level mix team held a 65.977% average.

Sunday, everyone rode their last team tests wonderfully, and some showed in additional classes as well. The Intro team finished the weekend with a 64.323% average, putting them as Reserve Champions in their division. On top of this, Jack Mulqueen won his Dressage Seat Equitation class with a 78%. Jack also won the “Best Named Horse” award with his pony, Al Capony. Ella also won the “Oldest Horse Award” with Ensigns Image, a 31 year old Morgan gelding owned by Mary Russell. The Training level team earned a 65.239% average for the weekend, and placed 3rd in their division. The First level team also placed 3rd in their division with a 61.825% average for the weekend. Madison earned the “Best Smile Award”, which came with a basket full of goodies.

Finally, the First/Second level team were Reserve Champions for their division with a 63.036% average. Abby also rode her Second level musical freestyle for a 66% to finish up the weekend.

All of the teams would like to thank several people for making this weekend possible. Thank you to Meghan Truppner for organizing the teams, aiding in sending in paperwork, decorating, and much more. Thank you to Ben Albright for your coaching all weekend for all of the teams; your coaching helped our teams thrive all weekend! Thank you to all of the parents and family members who helped in decorating, cheering everybody on during their rides, and for your support all weekend. And lastly, a huge thank you to PVDA for sending teams down to this amazing show. Without your support, sending teams down year after year simply wouldn’t be possible. All of the riders are looking forward to next year already!

From Anabel Winters McCabe:

The USDF Region 1 Jr/Young Rider Dressage Team Championships were great this year! On Friday we decorated the barn according to our theme, Christmas in July, and attended the freestyle demo by Julio Mendoza as well as the yearly pizza party sponsored by VADA NOVA.

Early on Saturday my teammates and I rode in warmup classes where we all did very well. Later we rode our first team test and ended the day in 2nd place in our division. After Sunday’s team tests we were delighted to receive reserve champion neck ribbons at the awards! Overall, my pony, Whisper, did her best and got nice scores at Second level. As always, this show was a great experience and I’d like to thank everyone who makes it possible, my fellow riders on the PVDA Dashers, and PVDA for sponsoring our team rides.
Rita Boehm

Rita Boehm, PVDA member and former Board member, recently held a book signing/book launch party at Windsor Manor Farm in Sandy Spring, MD to celebrate the publication of her first novel, “Second Chances, A Woman’s Story of Survival”. The fun wine and cheese event was attended primarily by PVDA members.

Second Chances, a suspense/love story, is available for purchase directly from Rita or on www.amazon.com. The book has received a number of favorable reviews including one all the way from Germany! Sonja Tedicks, former working student at Windsor Manor (and now a teacher in Germany) purchased the book and then surprised Rita with a wonderful postcard which said in part: “...I laughed and I cried, was afraid for Lindsay and excited at the same time. Your story has mesmerized me for the past couple of days. Thank you. You have a talent to fascinate people.”

Rita’s second book, Cassie’s Journey (also a suspense/love story) will be published in September. More information is available on Facebook @Author Rita Boehm and on Rita’s website: http://ritaboehm.wix.com/ritaboehm. Rita would happily autograph copies for PVDA members.

Valerie Mallder

Submitted by Brian A. Bauer

On July 14th, the New Horizons spacecraft performed humanity’s first reconnaissance of the Pluto system. PVDA Board member and webmaster Val Malder started work on the New Horizons mission in early 2005, serving on both the mission systems engineering and spacecraft autonomy teams. As the lead autonomy system test engineer, she was responsible for testing and certifying the software that would protect the spacecraft if anything went wrong. As part of this work, she was a critical part of the team that supported launch operations in January 2006. In addition to her autonomy work, Val has been serving as the deputy mission systems engineer from 2005 to the Pluto encounter and the present day. In this role, Val works with the operations team, spacecraft engineers, instrument engineers, science team, and project managers to maintain the health and safety of the spacecraft while ensuring that mission objectives are met. As part of this very important work, Val was responsible for making sure that the spacecraft technical data is reviewed by all subsystems, the Pluto observation sequence (in planning since 2007) does not overwhelm the spacecraft’s resources (a lot like herding cats when you have an army of giddy scientists to contend with), and making sure that all possible problems are analyzed and possibly tested. In addition, Val was a vital part of the team which diagnosed and responded to spacecraft anomalies, including the one that made international news on July 4th. Lastly, Val designed bumper stickers for the mission. Those bumper stickers have been everywhere, including one that was sent up to the International Space Station!
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**Horses for Sale**

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**Boarding**

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**Equipment**

- **2H alum WB-size, GN, load trailer w/ramp and dressing rm.** Lots of windows, roof vents, ramp, apron doors w/windows, 50 gal. water tank in front of GN (hosing off by gravity flow), 2 saddle racks, lots of hooks, whip rack, full mirror, interior and exterior lights, carpeted dressing room, matted horse compartment, padded chest & butt bars, removable dividers incl. head divider. Great trailer, built to last. Mt. Airy, MD. $10,000/obo. Jennifer Tingley, 410-259-0055 or email: jennifer.tingley@juno.com

**Wanted**

- **PT grooming and barn chores help wanted at Chesapeake Dressage Inst. in Annapolis.** Paid position or exch. for lessons. Lisa Gruen, 410-991-

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PVDA Needs Your Help!

PVDA is actively seeking individuals to help the organization in some key areas. We are in need of someone to lead our Junior and Young Rider Program. The program consists of 4 schooling shows, 2 clinics (spring and fall), and the Region 1 Youth Team Competition held each summer in July. This is a big job! So, we are looking for someone who is interested in leading a team of 2-3 people to work together to run this program. If you have planning and organization skills, enjoy working with a diverse group of people including students, parents, trainers, etc. and are passionate about promoting dressage education for our Juniors and Young Riders, let us know!

PVDA is also looking for someone to chair our Publications Committee. The publications committee is responsible for producing the Membership and Service Directory once a year, as well as producing small publications as needed. A good example of a ‘small publication’ which you may have seen is the ‘PVDA Rider Awards Programs’ flier that is usually handed out at our shows and other events. If you are comfortable using MS Word (including the ‘mail merge’ feature), MS Excel, and MS Publisher (or any other suitable software to create documents or brochures), and are detail oriented, this is the job for you!

And finally, PVDA is looking for help with our websites. If you have experience working with Wordpress, MySQL, PHP, HTML, CSS, Javascript, and Jquery, or if you have experience building or managing a website, and would like to earn volunteer hours by posting routine articles and announcements, please let us know.

If you are interested in any of these jobs, or are interested in any other volunteer opportunities with PVDA, please contact PVDA using the ‘Contact Us’ form on the PVDA Website www.pvda.org, or send an email to info@pvda.org.
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From Contact to Connection to Collection

By Hilary Walker, Photo by Hallie Ahrnsbrak

On June 6th and 7th, the Tri-County Chapter hosted world renowned clinician Jane Savoie for a clinic at the Chesapeake Dressage Institute titled, "From Contact to Connection to Collection." Jane spent a lot of time with participants on flexing the horse correctly before moving on to connection, a prerequisite for collection. She also addressed the individual problems of each horse and rider combination.

The first rider was E.B. Castleman riding Pi, a 6 yo TB gelding competing at training level.

**Issue:** Flexion and coming on the bit.

Jane started working on jaw and poll flexion before putting Pi on the bit.

**Jaw flexion:** Jane told E.B. to softly move the bit in Pi’s mouth, without ‘seesawing.’

**Poll flexion:** Jane explained that only the head should move, not the neck as well. The horse should turn his head slightly to one side, horizontally, without tipping an ear or twisting his head. Hold the outside rein, turn the inside wrist outwards and squeeze, squeeze, squeeze. Straighten the reins, and if the horse resists flexing, repeat the action until he gives at the poll. Jane explained that poll flexion should be maintained during transitions.

Putting the horse on the bit: Jane told E.B. to use ‘the connecting aids,’ beginning in walk.

**The connecting aids:** Close both calves as if asking for lengthening of the stride and squeeze steadily for three seconds

1. At the same time hold the outside ‘rein of opposition’ and close the outside fist
3. Say ‘add, add, add’ while counting your three seconds.

The hands should then return to the ‘work area,’ aka ‘home position,’ above the withers soften both hands for 6 to 7 strides and ‘follow down the neck’ to allow the horse to move his neck down and/or lengthen it

4. This should be repeated until the horse moves through the restraining outside rein and begins to give in his back
5. The moment you feel the horse would stretch down if you released the reins is the time to ask for an upward transition
6. Repeat the aid: when the horse becomes responsive the rider can use light aids.
7. Use the connecting aids for all upwards transitions

The second rider was Julie Gross on Cayenne, a 10 yo SWB mare competing at First level.

**Issue:** Running through her rider’s aids

Jane explained that when walking a horse telescopes his neck backwards and forwards. The rider should bend her elbows and follow the movement from ‘home position’ above the withers.

Julie is training at Second level with Cayenne, which Jane said requires collection, i.e. ‘packaging the horse.’

The first step to achieving this is connection. The poll must be higher than the withers and the croup, and the rider needs to load the hind legs. In a hollow horse the poll is high but the withers are low and the croup is high: you don’t want the withers to be lower than the poll.

Jane noted that dressage movements are a means to an end, not an end in themselves. They are designed to create suppleness and flexibility in the horse, which is only achieved if the movements are done on the bit with the horse in front of the leg. She reminded us that ‘connection is an aid,’ and again outlined the connecting aids (see above).

Cayenne likes to speed up and take over the pace. This was described by Jane as a show of ‘alpha behavior’ which needed correcting. To achieve this, she told Julie to slow the gait by tightening her tummy muscles and ‘thinking Western jog trot.’ Because Cayenne is easy to get in front of the leg when required, there’s no danger of this exercise making her sluggish and unresponsive.

**Defusing tension:**

Jane explained that a fast

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moving horse is exhibiting tension so it is necessary to go back to beginning of the Training Tree:
1. First, slow the horse
2. Second, find her rhythm and relaxation
3. Then connect

To this end, she reminded us of the three main functions of the rider’s seat:
1. Passive seat – following horse’s movement
2. Driving seat – back to front push (think being on a playground swing and pushing it up higher)
3. Still/Restraining seat – ceasing to follow the horse’s movement, while tightening the tummy muscles

An exercise for slowing Cayenne down:
1. Begin with a transition from walk to trot, then use a still seat to bring her back to walk: transition back up to trot, then use a still seat to come back to walk
2. Transition from walk to trot, then use a still seat for a ½ trot speed (instead of walk), drive the mare forward in trot then use a still seat again for a ½ trot speed
3. If the horse doesn’t slow to ½ trot speed, bring her back to full walk, then start again

Be assertive (but not strong) and quick to prevent alpha behavior in a horse.
PVDA Schooling Show

**Chesapeake Dressage Institute, Annapolis, Md • July 19, 2015**

PVDA wishes to thank Christina Dale for managing this show and Debra Nissen for coordinating all of the wonderful volunteers. Wow! With heat indices over 100 riders, supporters, and volunteers braved the weather for a great show at the beautiful Chesapeake Dressage Institute facility in Annapolis. Judge Kim Briel had great comments for the riders showing Intro through Fourth level and both beginner novice and novice level eventing tests! This show would not have been possible without volunteers Hilary Walker, Jenn Seidel, Claire Hill, Leah Bryce, Kerry Burger, Dianne Nestor, Marcia Mia, Kristen Tobey, and Marilyn Jackson. And, a special thanks to Lisa and Ronny at CDI!

**USDF Introductory Level High Score Winners**
- Champion: Zoe Willcutts/67.813%
- Reserve Champion: Peyton Freudigman/64.485%

**USEF Training Level High Score Winners**
- Champion: Michala Nathlar/72.5%
- Reserve Champion: Shira Rosenthal/70.961%

**USEF First Level High Score Winners**
- Champion: Sarah Jones/68.281%
- Reserve Champion: Hilary Walker/67.059%

**USEF Second Level and Above High Score Winners**
- Champion: Marcia Mia/66.892%
- Reserve Champion: Ginny Friedhoff/63.889%

**USEA Beg. Novice and Novice High Score Winners**
- Champion: Hannah Ong/70.5%
- Reserve Champion: Audra Campbell/70%

**Class 1.1. Intro A and B**
- 1. Peyton Freudigman(ILB) / Gr Fancy Action / 67.812%
- 1. Zoe Willcutts(ILA) / Rm Stewart Little / 67.812%
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- 4. Peyton Freudigman(ILA) / Gr Fancy Action / 61.562%

**Class 4. Training Level Test 1**
- 1. Courtney Peiffer / Cowboy Casanova / 66.739%
- 2. Shira Rosenthal / Trey Bear / 65.870%
- 3. Tina Parks / Freidian Slip / 64.878%
- 4. Cheryl Cavalier / A Stylish Olena / 62.609%
- 5. Lynn Adams / Gulliver / 61.957%
- 6. Mary-Pat Hedges / Tinkerbell / 58.696%

**Class 5. Training Level Test 2**
- 1. Shira Rosenthal / Trey Bear / 70.962%
- 2. Hannah Ong / Lump Sum / 67.692%
- 2. Courtney Peiffer / Cowboy Casanova / 67.692%
- 4. Tina Parks / Freidian Slip / 66.154%
- 5. Cheryl Cavalier / A Stylish Olena / 63.462%
- 6. Lynn Adams / Gulliver / 60.962%

**Class 5.1. Training Level Test 2**
- 1. Michala Nathlar / Heineken / 72.500%
- 2. C. Jane Cox / Alexis / 68.654%
- 3. Audra Campbell / Tim Tam (tye) / 61.538%
- 4. Janet Beebe / Superstition / 56.154%

**Class 6. Training Level Test 3**
- 1. Michala Nathlar / Heineken / 67.727%
- 2. C. Jane Cox / Alexis / 63.182%
- 3. Audra Campbell / Tim Tam (tye) / 62.500%
- 4. Katherine Martin / Rm Stewart Little / 62.273%
- 5. Janet Beebe / Superstition / 59.091%
- 6. Sarah Tenner / Prince Charming / 52.955%

**Class 7. First Level Test 1**
- 1. Sarah Jones / Pocket Of Chocolate / 64.815%
- 2. Hannah Ong / Lump Sum / 62.963%
- 3. Hilary Walker / Cruz Bay / 58.889%

**Class 8.1. First 2 and 3**
- 1. Sarah Jones(1-2) / Pocket Of Chocolate / 68.281%
- 2. Hilary Walker(1-3) / Cruz Bay / 67.059%

**Class 10.1. Second Level 1-3**
- 1. Lisa Gruen(2-3) / Fuerst River / 61.707%
- 2. Naomi Parry(2-1) / Trumpet / 61.061%
- 3. Melissa Quinan(2-3) / Hansiros / 57.927%
- 4. Naomi Parry(2-2) / Trumpet / 53.718%

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**The 2015 Show Results**

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Class 3.1. Third Level and Above
1. Marcia Mia(4-1) / Bella Palooza / 66.892%
2. Ginny Friedhoff(4-2) / Chopard / 63.889%
3. Mary Russell(3-1) / Ramazotti / 59.242%
4. Rachel Surkin(4-1) / Davida / 58.514%

USDF Introductory Level High Score Winners
Champion: Allison Nemcosky/69.375%
Reserve Champion: Ali McDowell/64.375%

USEF Training Level High Score Winners
Champion: C Jane Cox/73.270%
Reserve Champion: C Jane Cox/70.271%

USEF First Level High Score Winners
Champion: Dotty Chaney/65.556%
Reserve Champion: Kerry Burger/65.294%

USEF Second Level and Above High Score Winners
Champion: Naomi Parry/66.515%
Reserve Champion: Linda K McDowell/65.769%

Class 4. Training Level Test 1A
1. Darryl Cherry / Dash / 68.043%
2. Allison Nemcosky / Steubenville Stu / 67.174%
3. Sarah Tenner / Ecco / 66.739%
4. Cammie Cavalier / Perpetual Chopper (Romeo) / 49.565%

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Reserve Champion: Katrina Williams/74.375%

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Reserve Champion: Megan McGrain/68.913%

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Champion: Carolyn Steppe/70.926%
Reserve Champion: Caitlin McCully/66.912%

Class 20.1. USEA TOC
1. Hannah Ong(EBNB) / Cma Pop Tarrr / 70.500%
2. Audra Campbell(EBNA) / Tim Tam (tye) / 70.000%
3. Hannah Ong(EBNA) / Cma Pop Tarrr / 65.789%
4. Audra Campbell(EBNB) / Tim Tam (tye) / 65.500%
5. Debby Lynn(ENB) / Royal Charley / 63.250%
6. Debby Lynn(ENA) / Royal Charley / 58.696%

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1. Adara Swanson / Bailey / 66.957%
2. Anette Regan / Aztero / 66.522%
3. Robin Diallo / Gold Digger / 62.609%
4. Constance "Connie" Urdal / Cabin Dancer / 61.087%

Class 5. Training Level Test 2
1. C. Jane Cox / Alexis / 73.269%
2. Cheryl Cavalier / A Stylish Olena / 66.154%
3. Constance "Connie" Urdal / Cabin Dancer / 65.577%
4. Adara Swanson / Bailey / 65.385%
5. Robin Diallo / Gold Digger / 64.615%

Class 6. Training Level Test 3
1. C. Jane Cox / Alexis / 70.227%
2. Cheryl Cavalier / A Stylish Olena / 61.591%

Class 23. USDF Musical Freestyle TOC
1. Marcia Mia / Bella Palooza / 66.333%

Class 24. FEI TOC (Choice 1)
1. Cammie Cavalier / Perpetual Chopper (Romeo) / 64.455%

Class 10. Intro Level TOC
1. Allison Nemcosky(ILB) / Steubenville Stu / 69.375%
2. Ali McDowell(ILB) / Valentina / 64.375%
3. Alexia Lockard(ILA) / Gold Digger / 63.438%
4. Alexandra Lockard(ILB) / Gold Digger / 62.187%

Class 101. First Level TOC
1. Dotty Chaney(1-1) / Mystic Rendez Vous / 65.556%
2. Kerry Burger(1-3) / Was Wilts Du / 65.294%
3. Kerry Burger(1-2) / Was Wilts Du / 57.031%

Class 102. Second Level and Above
1. Naomi Parry(2-1) / Trumpet / 66.515%
2. Linda K. McDowell(3-2) / Ghone With The Wind / 65.769%
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4. Jamie Suever / Sashimi / 69.689%
5. Jennifer Salkeld / Red Spirit / 68.750%
6. Judy Fortin / Quoit Handsome / 65.312%

Class 2.1. Introductory Level Test B
1. Alice Altstatt / Zahira / 71.562%
2. Cheryl Resch / La Albert / 70.938%
3. Kelly Jaeger / Second Chance Girl / 70.000%
4. Kerri Long / Kona The Barbarian / 69.375%
5. Deborah Mcgrain / Otis II / 69.375%

Class 3. Introductory Level Test C
1. Cheryl Resch / La Albert / 69.500%

Class 4. Training Level Test 1
1. Celia Henein / Finders Keepers / 69.348%
2. Megan Mcgrain / Soloist II / 68.913%
3. Courtney Peiffer / Cowboy Casanova / 66.739%
4. Jodi Murphy / Wye / 64.783%
5. Megan Mcgrain / Marine Hymn / 62.826%
6. Valerie Kounelis / Kristopher V / 59.348%

Class 5. Training Level Test 2 and 3
1. Michael Mcgrain / Casanova / 67.727%
2. Betty Thorpe / Arnold / 67.500%
3. Celia Henein / Finders Keepers / 66.346%
4. Carolyn Stepp / Danika / 66.136%
5. Courtney Peiffer / Cowboy Casanova / 65.769%
6. Mary-pat Hedges / Tinkerbell / 62.115%

Class 7. First Level Tests 1-3
1. Carolyn Stepp / Danika / 70.926%
2. Caitlin McCully / Bettina / 66.912%
3. Nicole Hylton / Midnight Moon / 65.441%
4. Nicole Hylton / Midnight Moon / 64.375%
5. Carrie Ahonen / Tempestas SG / 63.971%
6. Carrie Ahonen / Tempestas SG / 62.969%

Class 10. Second Level and Above
1. Alyssa Summers / Renaissance Man / 69.565%
2. Mary-Pat Hedges / Tinkerbell / 69.038%
3. Celia Henein / Finders Keepers / 69.038%
4. Beth Thorpe / Tinkerbell / 68.125%

PVDA Schooling Show

Schooley Mill Park (Open), Highland, Md • August 15, 2015

PVDA wishes to thank Carolyn Steppe for managing this show, Claire McElwain for processing the show entries, and Carolyn Steppe for coordinating all of the wonderful volunteers. The August 15, 2015 weather could not have been better for the PVDA Schooley Mill Open Show. A full day of riders and horses competed to the judging honors of Annmari Ingersoll. Volunteers Claire McElwain, Nancy Albrecth, Alison May, Bonnie Sink, Wendy Emblin and Carolyn Steppe ensured smooth sailing for all.

USDF Introductory Level High Score Winners
Champion: Rose Blain / 72.5%
Reserve Champion: Emma Levine / 71.875%

USEF Training Level High Score Winners
Champion: Nicole Chapman / 70.227%
Reserve Champion: Katie Beierl / 69.807%

USEF First Level High Score Winners
Champion: Renee Roberts / 70.937%
Reserve Champion: Dotty Chaney / 67.187%

USEF Second Level and Above High Score Winners
Champion: Elizabeth Arthur / 67.307%
Reserve Champion: Katherine Martin / 66.794%

USEA Beg. Novice and Novice High Score Winners
Champion: Kaymarie Kredel / 36.74%

Class 2. Introductory Level Test B
1. Grace Lambdin / Days Ends Tortuga / 70.625%
2. Zachary Roberts / Cinnamon / 70.312%
3. Rose Blair / Days Ends Ladies Man / 69.688%

Class 4. Training Level Test 1
1. Alyssa Summers / Renaissance Man / 69.565%
2. Mary-Pat Hedges / Tinkerbell / 69.038%
3. Katie Beierl / Coffee Gossip / 68.261%
4. Holly Kowgios / Zoey / 68.261%
5. Margaret Mckelvy / Runsonstilts / 68.043%
6. Courtney Peiffer / Cowboy Casanova / 68.043%

Class 4.1. IJA Training Level Dressage Test 1
1. Diane Ayers / Blazin Cagin / 64.783%

Class 5. Training Level Test 2
1. Katic Beierl / Coffee Gossip / 69.808%
2. Alyssa Summers / Renaissance Man / 67.692%
3. Mary-Pat Hedges / Tinkerbell / 65.577%
4. Holly Kowgios / Zoey / 64.808%
5. Deanna Williford / Lincoln / 64.231%
6. Tatiana Perez-Mojica / Raising Caine / 63.846%

Class 5.1. Training Level Test 2
1. Courtney Peiffer / Cowboy Casanova / 69.038%
2. Katie White / Tejano Count / 66.154%
3. Sharon Logfren / Acesup / 66.154%
4. Trisha DeRosa / Jules / 62.692%
5. Carrie Collins / Tattonka / 61.538%
6. Shira Rosenthal / Trey Bear / 61.346%

Class 6. Training Level Test 3
1. Nicole Chapman / Moby Dixon / 70.227%
2. Margaret Mckelvy / Runsonstilts / 68.864%
3. Katie White / Tejano Count / 68.182%
4. Sharon Logfren / Acesup / 67.500%
5. Shira Rosenthal / Trey Bear / 62.500%

Class 7. First Level Test 1
1. Dotty Chaney / Mystic Rendez Vous / 66.295%
2. Renee Roberts / Calm In The Storm / 65.370%
3. Hannah Ong / Lump Sum / 61.852%

Class 8. First Level Test 2
1. Renee Roberts / Calm In The Storm / 70.938%

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2. Dotty Chaney / Mystic Rendez Vous / 67.188%
3. Hannah Ong / Lump Sum / 64.844%

Class 20. USEA Eventing TOC (Choice 1)
1. Kaymarie Kreidel / Trey Bear / 63.261%

Class 23. USDF Musical Freestyle TOC
1. Nicole Chapman / Moby Dixon / 73.300%
2. Deanna Williford / Lincoln / 67.833%

Class 23.1. USDF Training Level Freestyle
1. Peyton Freudigman(ILB) / Gr Fancy Action / 75.000%
2. Saskia Paul(ILB) / Xena Warrior Princess / 73.750%
3. Ryan Campbell(ILC) / Pocket / 67.250%
4. Ryan Campbell(ILB) / Pocket / 65.938%
5. Wesley Tipton(ILB) / Edwina / 65.312%
6. Casey Hogan(ILB) / Morgana / 60.625%

Class 23.2. Introductory Level Test A and B (Open)
1. Valerie Kounelis(ILB) / Mast Striker / 63.125%
2. Valerie Kounelis(ILA) / Mast Striker / 62.500%

Class 24. USDF Pas de Deux TOC
1. Rebecca Lazarus / Raven / 79.250%
2. Tatiana Perez-Mojica / Raising Caine / 79.250%

Class 40. Second Level and Above
1. Elizabeth Arthur(3-2) / Amity / 67.308%
2. Katherine Martin(2-2) / Moby Dixon / 66.795%
3. Sarah Conant(4-1) / Geza / 64.324%

Class 50. Intro Level Tests A & C
1. Rose Blair(ILC) / Days Ends Ladies Man / 72.500%
2. Emma Levine(ILA) / Nashville Nights / 71.875%
3. Zachary Roberts(ILC) / Cinnamon / 70.750%
4. Grace Lambdin(ILC) / Days Ends Tortuga / 68.500%
5. Deb Neivert(ILC) / Melody / 66.750%

PVDA Schooling Show

PVDA wishes to thank Carolyn Del Grosso for managing this show and coordinating all of the wonderful volunteers, and Valerie Mallder for processing the show entries. And a big thanks goes to our volunteers: Linda Leshier, Julie Rovner, Cherly Resch, Shira Rosenthal, Courtney Pfeiffer and Maria Stoner who helped with the show today. We couldn't have done it without you! We had good weather and a full day of Junior/Young Riders and Adults with beautiful and talented horses at this Junior/YR show. We had fun welcoming six new non-members to their first PVDA show: Ryan Campbell, Carol Federighi, Casey Hogan, Sisse Langkilde and Deysha Rivera. And it was the first show for a few of their horses as well! And finally, thank you to our judge Aviva Nebesky whose constructive and supportive comments provided a nice relaxed educational experience that was appreciated by all the riders.

USDF Introductory Level High Score Winners
Champion (Jr/YR): Peyton Freudigman/GR Fairy Action/78.00%
Reserve Champion (Jr/YR): Saskia Paul/Xena Warrior Princess/73.750%
Champion (Open): Valerie Kounelis/Mast Striker/63.125%

USDF Training Level High Score Winners
Champion (Jr/YR): Grace Blakeney/Thomas the Cat/71.538%
Reserve Champion (Jr/YR): April Tennyson/Small Town Boy Arthur/67.045%
Champion (Open): Sisse Langkilde/Jazz/78.478%
Reserve Champion (Open): Carold Federighi/Lily Creek Legacy/67.826%

USDF First Level and Above High Score Winners
Champion: Maria Rojas/Drambouie/68.28%
Reserve Champion: Bonnie Sink/Orchestrated by Prelude/66.875%

USEA Test of Choice
Champion: Valerie Kounelis/Kristopher V/62.750%
Reserve Champion: Jodi Murphy/Wye/60.250%

Class 1.1. Introductory Level Test A (Jr/YR)
1. Saskia Paul / Xena Warrior Princess / 71.562%
2. Wesley Tipton / Edwina / 69.375%
3. Casey Hogan / Morgana / 62.187%
4. Peyton Freudigman / Gr Fancy Action / 43.750%

Class 2.1. Introductory Level Test B and C (Jr/YR)
1. Deanna Williford / Lincoln / 67.833%

Class 24. USDF Pas De Deux TOC
1. Rebecca Lazarus / Raven / 79.250%
2. Tatiana Perez-Mojica / Raising Caine / 79.250%

Class 40. Second Level and Above
1. Elizabeth Arthur(3-2) / Amity / 67.308%
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3. Sarah Conant(4-1) / Geza / 64.324%

Class 50. Intro Level Tests A & C
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2. Emma Levine(ILA) / Nashville Nights / 71.875%
3. Zachary Roberts(ILC) / Cinnamon / 70.750%
4. Grace Lambdin(ILC) / Days Ends Tortuga / 68.500%
5. Deb Neivert(ILC) / Melody / 66.750%
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**THE PVDA MEMBERSHIP YEAR RUNS FROM JANUARY 1 THROUGH DECEMBER 31.**

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By The Board The Minutes

Board Meetings are usually held the first Monday of each month at 7 p.m. and are open to all PVDA members.

AUGUST PVDA BOARD MEETING
Date: August 3, 2015; Meeting #53
Location: Linda Speer’s Farm in Clarksville, Md.

ATTENDANCE
Board Members Present: Betty Thorpe, Carolyn Del Grosso, Rebekah Lusk, Camilla Cornwell, Deanna Williford, Linda Speer, Debra Nissen, Claire Lacey, Valerie Mallder, Mimi Mack, Christina Dale
Members Absent: Mary Sue McCarthy, Annmari Ingersoll, Meghan Truppner
Assoc. Members Present: Wendy Emlbin, Ingrid Gentry, Liz Erwin

New Business:
Linda Speer handed out a description of her various jobs with PVDA, and it was suggested that all board members follow this. It should include a time line for each project. Val will be able to include this on the web site.

The donation to the USDF Skvarla Fund is $980, the profit from the Schoolie Mill Schooling Show.

COMMITTEE REPORTS
Chapters: Linda will call the Prince Georges Equestrian Center to see if the Nov. 1 date of the Chapter Challenge can be changed to one week later because of conflicts. (Note: it can NOT be changed). According to feedback, the low turnout from last year was due partly to the office fee and the trailer-in fee. Carolyn pointed out that the show should cover the fee for the facility, even though this competition is viewed as a thank you to the chapters. It was voted that the $10 office fee will be waived for timely complete entries that are in by the closing date which is Oct. 2. Opening date is Sept. 2. Class fees will remain at $25 and stabling will be $35. Liz Erwin will be the entry secretary and Linda Speer will manage if she has a co-manager. We still need a volunteer coordinator.

Education: Claire is considering a spring date for the education festival so it could be advertised over the winter. Carolyn sent her an idea from an ad to the Equiery called Eventing from the Experts that could be a template. Claire is still happy to hear of additional ideas.


Newsletter: We need a section where we outline what skills we need for various projects/committees that is as specific as possible to attract more participation among members. Also Linda noted that previous years, the newsletter had more personal information about members and the series where facility owners who hosted PVDA Schooling Shows were featured.

Youth Riders: There were four PVDA teams at the Youth Team Competition July 25-26. The stall decorating theme was Christmas in July which received honorable mention. The PVDA Dancers Team at Intro Level were reserve champions, the PVDA Prancers at Training Level were third, the PVDA Rudolphs at First Level were third, and the PVDA Dashes were reserve champions. The team members cheered each other on and Meghan has ideas already for next year. She is going to try to organize an additional event to keep the spirit going like a trip to Devon.

Special Events: Mimi is already looking into locations for the Awards Banquet in January.

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