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Melissa Harlinski and Dances in Cahoots, Southern Maryland Chapter, at the PVDA Chapter Challenge on November 4. Melissa was awarded the Elizabeth Pritchard Memorial Trophy. Photo by Vickie Kirkpatrick.
December 2012
1-2 Shannon Dueck Clinic at GoodNess Ridge Farm, Mt. Airy, Md. Contact Shari Glickman at 301-351-5530 or www.goodnessridge.com
2 Dressage Schooling Show Series at Pleasant Ridge Farm, Walkersville, Md. Judge Jocelyn Pearson. See www.pleasantridgefarm.com or 301-304-0739
2 Equilibrium Farm Winter Schooling Show. See www.equilibriumhorse.com
3 PVDA Board Meeting 7pm at Linda Speer's, Clarksville, MD Contact Jocelyn Pearson 703-771-3231
14 Bruno Greber Clinic at Good News Stables, Boyds, Md. (Friday) Contact Judi Coyne at judicoyne@comcast.net or 301-305-2424
15-16 Bruno Greber Clinic at Hall's Choice Farm, New Market, Md. Contact Betsy Smith at hallschoice@verizon.net

January 2013
5 PVDA Awards Dinner at Turf Valley Country Club in Ellicott City, Md. Join us! See www.pvda.org
18-20 Horse World Expo at the Maryland State Fairgrounds, Timonium, Md. See www.horseworldexpo.com

February
17 Schooling show series at Breezy Run in conjunction with LMK Dressage. For more information see www.breezyrunfarm.com

March
23 Schooling show series at LMK Dressage.

Contact lmkdressage@gmail.com or see LMK Dressage at Crawford Chance Farm on Facebook.

May
18-19 PVDA Annual Spring Show at Morven Park, Leesburg, Va. See www.pvda.org

June
22-23 10th Anniversary PVDA Ride for Life at the Prince George's Equestrian Center, Upper Marlboro, Md. All PVDA member are invited to participate. See www.pvdarideforlife.org

Send your 2013 Calendar Items to calendar@pvda.org.

JAN/FEB 2013 Deadline: JANUARY 10
Calendar Editor: Jocelyn Pearson
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PVDA Schooling Shows on separate calendar

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We just got back from the USDF Region 1 Fall Meeting at Morven Park. This is a meeting of all available dressage organizations (called USDF Group Member Organizations) in our region, which includes Maryland, Virginia, North Carolina, New Jersey, Pennsylvania and so on. We discuss topics like the regional championships, the Bengt Ljungquist Memorial Championships (created by our own Sam Barish) and make decisions about how these competitions will best serve our members. This time it was decided that the Region 1 Omnibus, which has been recently produced by Alison Head, will be available online only. With high printing costs and the problem of not being able to upgrade show information, we have all agreed that online is the way to go. You will know who the actual judges are and all of the show information will be up-to-date. As soon as the particulars are finalized, everything will be available to you at the Region 1 website at www.usdfregion1.org.

On November 5 we had our PVDA Annual Business Meeting at Linda Speer’s in Clarksville, Maryland, and the new 2013 Board of Directors were announced. We have 12 Board members signed up for 2013 so far. We are allowed to have a maximum of 15, so if you are interested in joining us, please contact Nominating Chairperson Kate Burgy. Or come to a meeting and see if it interests you. We have lucked out this year. Christina Dale has volunteered for the new Board and has signed up to coordinate all of our Twitter activity.

Welcome to Our 2013 Board of Directors

Thank you to all members who submitted their names for the Board of Directors. Please welcome the new board: Deanna Beal, Kate Burgy, Christina Dale, Carolyn Del Grosso, Rebekah Lusk, Mary Sue McCarthy, Jocelyn Pearson, Jaclyn Sicoli, Linda Speer, Betty Thorpe, Michele Wellman, and Deanna Williford. A big THANK YOU to outgoing board members Camilla Cornwell, Tedi Lesniewski, Hilary Moore, Ninja Nissen, Shari Packard, and Kathryn Tedford.

One Year Memberships End December 31

Please renew your membership now for 2013. Deadline is December 31 to avoid a break in your newsletter and benefits. You can renew online at www.pvda.org/membership. PVDA accepts online applications and payments. Memberships that are using volunteer slips as payment must still be submitted.
via regular mail. There is a 2013 membership form on page 15 of this newsletter. Mail your check, payable to PVDA, to Michele Wellman, PVDA Membership Coordinator, 9205 Bessie Clemson Rd., Union Bridge, MD 21791. For more information contact Michele Wellman, membership@pvda.org.

Next PVDA Newsletter Comes in February
PVDA will skip the normal January issue and have a double month issue, January/February 2013, that arrives in early February. Deadline for submissions is January 10, 2013.

Congratulations to our PVDA Members on Their Recent Achievements:
- Kathy Curtis and her horse Nylis fan Vels for being the Friesian Horse Association of North America reserve champions in the Musical Freestyle at First Level.
- Rebecca Langwost-Barlow for a First place Intermediaire 1 finish on Chesapeake at the CBLM 2012 Region 1 Finals.
- Barb Strawson for her Third place Grand Prix freestyle finish on Amicelli at HITS on the Hudson.
- Jennifer Foulon for her Reserve Champion placing in the Region 8 Freestyle Third Level Championship.

New Training Level Freestyle from USDF
USDF has announced the approval and release of the USDF Training Level Freestyle. This freestyle is designed to encourage development of rhythm, regularity, and consistency of tempo in a horse's gaits through the use of music. The USDF Training Level Freestyle will go into effect on December 1, 2012 for use in competition. Test sheets can be found on the USDF website under the competitions menu.

USDF Launches USDFScores.org
USDF has now launched www.USDFScores.com as the official source for the most accurate and complete dressage scores. Users can use their current USDF user name and password to access USDFScores.com.

Scholarship Report

Heather Mason Clinic
By Alexis Rosetti
I would like to thank the Potomac Valley Dressage Association for giving me the opportunity to ride with Heather Mason. Thanks to the PVDA scholarship that I received I was able to ride with Heather during the July 2012 “Unlock Your Potential” clinic hosted at the Prince George’s Equestrian Center.

Heather Mason’s knowledge of horses and her ability to translate that to instruction for the rider were readily apparent. Heather helped me “go for the 9” on my horse Charlie Dare. She taught me to expect the most from him and to encourage him to keep trying all the time. One example of this is during our second ride. Heather helped me improve my horse’s notoriously lazy walk. We worked on developing the energy in the walk and Heather also helped me introduce Charlie to the haunches-in and half-pass in the walk.

Thanks to PVDA, Heather Mason, and the clinic organizers, I have made progress as a rider. I now have new skills to help improve my horse and I look forward to using these skills to improve our test scores. I also would like to thank Jaclyn Sicoli and the PVDA team for their efforts in organizing this excellent clinic. Not only did we appreciate the air conditioning in the indoor arena on those hot summer days, but I also received a clinic program and the

Alexis Rosetti and Charlie Dare with Heather Mason.
Unlocking My Potential
By Annmari Ingersoll

When I saw the ‘Unlock Your Potential with Heather Mason’ clinic advertised in PVDA, I thought it sounded intriguing but expensive. It could be a great opportunity to train in one of the ‘scary’ indoors that may interfere in my future showing career, but my dressage horse was laid up with Lyme’s disease treatments. I knew who Heather Mason was, but I didn’t know any of her students or noticed her teaching at shows. Then Jackie Sicoli called me in the quest for more riders and interest in the clinic. Jackie knew the expenses were high, but she really believed that this entire venue was great for PVDA.

I volunteered to go first when no one else would, so I got up early to make the 2 hour drive to PGEC and endure the battle of the ramp down to the indoor. Jackie had everything organized with stabling close to the “people doors” into the indoor, gift bags for the riders, and a great program. I checked that we didn’t need a headset and hopped on Rudy with enough time for a 20 minute (which we needed) argument down the ramp and into the indoor. Here I met Heather in a chair at the side of the arena with two microphones, one hooked to the indoor sound system and the other to the video so that all of her comments would be captured on the DVD.

I introduced myself and Rudy, explained that Rudy was recently back from a bout of Lyme’s disease, and that I got my bronze in March, but still battled with limited lateral suppleness and thoroughness. Heather asked me to start warming up and after a few minutes she called me over. She could see that I could move laterally, but that Rudy’s neck was locked. Heather believed that unlocking his neck would allow the created energy to have a path forward and allow him to develop thoroughness.

So, off we went on a big circle. And then when Rudy was heavy (a. the norm and b. immediately) she said go sideways. So I did a leg yield, NO she said – sideways. Yup that old-fashioned, western sidepass we always faked in 4-H but with energy. Only Heather wanted us to maintain energy, so Rudy grunted and groaned and we went sideways around the circle, first with his head to the inside and then with his head to the outside. Every few strides releasing one or both reins to see if he was in self-carriage and when he was in self-carriage then we would go straight ahead and ask for more forward or energy or longer stride. Every time he got heavy we would go back to sideways.

Some observations:
• Rudy still tried a few of the usual evasions, but Heather would say, “That’s ok, just send him forward, then back to sideways to ask again.” We did this at the walk, trot, and even canter;
• I think we spent 30 of the 45 minutes going sideways, but I could feel the change in Rudy’s balance;
• We were both tired at the end of the lesson, but my arms didn’t hurt;
• I took my video home after day one and watched it to prepare for day two;
• I understood the exercise enough to try it once at the top of the ramp on day two and then tackle the ramp like an enjoyable hack in our own field;

At the end of the day on Thursday I asked Heather if she thought we could be ready to compete at Fourth Level in August. She said she didn’t approach our lesson on that evaluation basis, but would do so on Friday. On Friday, Day 2, we went sideways in warm-up and for about 10 minutes during the ride, but were able to capitalize on our progress and go forward. Heather had us ride some of the elements of Fourth Level Test 2 so she could give me a recommendation and see where we needed help. Not surprisingly, we spent most of our time on the pirouette and the collection required.

To train for the working pirouette, Heather had us walk the pirouette then take a diagonal line, pick up the canter and start the pirouette. At any point where it fell apart, we dropped to the walk and finished the pirouette. Heather said the Rudy had to learn that the pirouette is a full turn and if he broke, he still had to hold his balance. A LOT of iterations later, my timing improved and Rudy’s understanding of his job was clarified.

Perhaps because we spent time trying to get Rudy’s self-carriage improved or maybe because we usually battle with extensions, but after all the collection work, the extensions were missing. Heather said to go–go-go, if he breaks at least he understands that he has to go forward, then we can work on the purity of the gait. I also audited several other clinic rides and have implemented some of the exercises that I observed.

Six weeks later, Rudy and I went to a schooling show and posted 60’s in Fourth 1 and 2. Afterwards, we hit some road blocks, but we are back in schooling now and I would definitely sign up for another Heather Mason clinic.
The Trainer’s Take

Addressing the Problem Takes Hard Work

By Janna Dyer

The most rewarding thing that I do as an instructor/trainer is show my students a clear and logical path to achieve their riding goals, and hopefully experience collection and move into the FEI levels.

The most frustrating thing that I experience is that many students do not want to believe that it is really hard work. They do not accept constructive coaching and do not honestly address their own issues. Blaming the horse is so much easier! But without riding the horse forward in self carriage (not running) you have nothing to collect. It is really that simple.

I think it is possible that many turn to dressage because of a fear of jumping or galloping, but riding backwards leads to most of the training injuries I hear about and see. Collection is the compression of forward energy UPWARDS into expression. It is a magical dance that is beautiful, and of course, not easy to achieve or maintain. But once you have felt it correctly, you will struggle to master it and simply explode with joy when you finally get it. The smile on my students’ faces when they feel it says it all.

If the hind end is not moving powerfully, it cannot protect the horse’s back, which needs to relax. A relaxed strong back is easy to sit, but the rider still must learn to sit without balancing on the mouth.

Bouncing is okay as long as you do not cramp the trot down to what is comfortable for YOU. The horse can handle the bounce, but not the disengagement of the motor with the horse on the forehand and crooked. I believe this is what leads to excessive alternative therapies (chiropractic, acupuncture, injections, herbs, saddle fitting craziness). It’s all helpful and good for the economy, but it does not address the problem—it alleviates and helps with the symptoms. A veterinarian is NOT going to say “learn to ride/get another trainer/get fit.” Most instructors won’t say that either. They will lose business. And the horse will get traded in or sold for another horse/commission that is good for the economy.

I know that what I am saying is unpopular. But a good program should lead to a more SOUND and beautiful horse. And the best outcome is when you retire a sound horse that has given you everything it has got, and you honor the horse as your friend instead of riding it into the ground. A good program, good footing, and good farrier are important. And hard work, consistency and kindness.

Janna Dyer is a U.S. Dressage Federation Gold and Silver medalist who actively and regularly competes at the FEI levels both locally and at CDI events. She studied extensively in Germany with both Georg Heyser and Dr. Reiner Klimke and continues to study here with prominent clinicians. She operates Dark Horse Dressage Stables in Rocky Ridge, Md., where she takes horses in training and teaches riders of ALL levels as well as traveling to coach clinics/teach groups at other barns.

Janna has been training her Ukrainian stallion Prezent for a start in Grand Prix.

Our new monthly column, “The Trainer’s Take,” will showcase professional trainer approaches, teaching styles and learning tools. To submit an article for this column, please contact Mary Sue McCarthy, Marysue@equusmediation.com, with a topic. The article can be 800 to 1200 words with two photos with captions and photo credits.
Do You Dream about Being A Better Dressage Rider?

Would you like something to help you increase your scores and improve your ride? Winter is upon us and that means stormy weather and less daylight. It’s time to get creative and keep your skills sharp—time to keep your eye on the prize and your goals! Take advantage of this time to train online when it’s convenient for you with short 15 minute reality videos.

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CLASSIFIEDS DEADLINE IS JANUARY 10, 2013
The PVDA Newsletter and other social media. It's amazing! When you join the Board you find out that everyone has a specialty. How about you? We can use everyone's talents.

Our December Board meeting is always dedicated to meeting with all of the outgoing Board members combined with all of the new Board members for the coming year. Elections for new Officers are held and there is great food! Please plan on attending.

The first week in December also is the time that our PVDA delegates attend the USDF Convention, which takes place in New Orleans this year. Did you know that at each annual convention there are educational opportunities? This year will feature the 2013 USDF Adult clinician Hilda Gurney.

Also, 2013 will mark the 10th year anniversary of the PVDA Ride for Life! It was just over 10 years ago that PVDA member and cancer survivor, Pat Artimovich, thought up the idea of a little schooling show that would benefit breast cancer research at Johns Hopkins. At that time she shyly asked if she could present her idea to the PVDA Board. She had a low key and unassuming idea for the Ride. Now that shy woman has turned into a lion for the cause and our Ride for Life has become a major East Coast dressage competition with national attention. Where do you fit in with all of this? We need riders to get pledges from their friends, and show volunteers, sponsors, folks who look for sponsors and many other members who want to help. Our goal is to get EVERY PVDA MEMBER to participate in some way. Wouldn't that be wonderful? See www.pvdarideforlife.org for more information.

As always, contact me any time, 703-771-3231.

Jocelyn Pearson • PVDA president • president@pvda.org
28th Annual Waverley-on-Chester Chapter Challenge

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   Hannah On/Lump Sum
   Sarah Hume/Blaze
   Erica Greenland/Sin City
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   Camilla Cornell/Serafina CC
   Whitney Johnson/Lion's Share
   Paul Seppe/Allie
3. Charles County Chapter/63.125%
   Brianna Bowling/Golly Gee
   Mary Beth Klinger/Brickhouse Lady
   Pamela Owens/Finni's Chrome Magnum
4. Bayside Chapter/62.500%
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   Alena Wheeler/Connor's Time
   Joy St. Landau/Domination
5. St. Mary's Chapter/61.875%
   Brittany Mitchell/Stormy
   Caroline Tedford/Kacey Majorette
   Lauren Siebert/Tinkerbelle's Pixie Dust
   Elizabeth Konecny/Al Capony

USDF Introductory Level, Test C Challenge
1. Peninsula Chapter/66.500%
   Amie Blackwell/Cheveyo Cody
   Anna Adams/Jockey
   Megan McFarlane/Peanuts
2. St. Mary's Chapter/61.250%
   Janet Beebe/Superstition
   Melissa Dodges/Mr. Beans
   Eva Rodgers/Kacey Brass Prince
   Katelyn Tedford/Kacey Majorette

USEF Training Level, Test 2 Challenge
1. Southern Maryland Chapter/66.667%
   Marcia Mia/Bella Palooza
   Melissa Harlinski/Dances in Cahoots
   Whitney Williams/Otto Know Better
   Claudia Griffiths/Shelby
2. Sugarloaf Chapter/64.702%
   Kate Light/Levi
   Kelly Delpino/Beauty School Dropout
   Nichole Duarte/Shine
   Beth Schmidt/Christopher
3. Clarksville Chapter/63.929%
   Nancy Albrecht/Monica Lu
   Grace Blakeney/Gracie
   Dawn Blanchard/Thomas the Cat
   Zoey Witte/Barney
4. Metro Chapter/63.571%
   Rebecca Wilson/Totonka
   Elizabeth Carole Alcobia/Kodak
   Ryley Holdridge/Chancelor
   Dana Scanlon/Dover Glory
5. Charles County Chapter/61.976%
   Kelly Rose/Arabella
   Katie Herman/Rusty's Fudgecicle
   Hannah Balderson/Impressive by Sonny
6. Bayside Chapter/61.548%
   Velvet Sponagle/Camille
   Wendy Gast/Rollick Again
   Hannah Conway/Hershey
7. Calvert County Chapter/56.012%
   Claire Hill/BB Marley
   Myra McMichael/He's My Beau
   Marilyn Jackson/Callow Double Clover

USEF Training Level, Test 3 Challenge
1. Peninsula Chapter/65.333%
   Amy Schine/Elmhurst's Ariel
   Cindy Acker/Lolita
   Elise Bishop/Catrina TSF
   Linda Gaulden/Guinness
2. Clarksville Chapter/62.667%
   Nikki Witte/Propontis (Barney)
   Candace Snell/Rapal
   Brittany Tober/Call Me Eastwood
3. St. Mary's Chapter/60.667%
   Kathleen Mahaney/D'Artagan
   Amber Clark/Murphy
   Annmari Ingersoll/Bart
   Ihim Boyle/TBD

USEF First Level, Test 2 Challenge
1. Bayside Chapter/69.730%
   Charli Plumtrebe/Arn't I Regal
   Anna Smolen/Oreo
   Brianne Reynolds/Hershey
2. Metro Chapter/65.856%
   Noelle Sherm/All Baba Q
   Alison Ehrlich/Thomas the Cat
   Amy Cobbett/Solicitor General

USEF First Level, Test 3 Challenge
1. Clarksville Chapter/64.011%
   Jaclyn Sink/Sil/Satons Spirit

Ninja Nissen/Resplendent
Samantha Smith/Aurion
2. St. Mary's Chapter/56.183%
   Carmen Torres/Adagio
   Susan Jacobs/Rica Veneziana
   Annmari Ingersoll/Jameson

USEF Second Level and Above TOC Challenge
1. Southern Maryland Chapter/62.221%
   Marcia Mia (I-1)/Casac
   Marija Triebichmann-Dever (PSG)/Briggs
   Linda Kiser (3-2)/AAA Vanity
   Sarah Dunn (4-2)/Murphy
2. Metro Chapter/59.236%
   Laura Strauch (3-2)/Exclusively Sunny
   Rachel Surkin (3-2)/Davidia
   Sherril Holdridge (3-3)/Chancellor
3. Calvert County Chapter/53.553%
   Hilary Walker (2-2)/Cruze Bay
   Jennifer Seidel (2-2)/Apollo
   Kelli Williams (2-2)/Preval

Musical Freestyle Challenge
1. Clarksville Chapter/68.750%
   Jaclyn Sink (FS2)/Sil' Sations Spirit
   Samantha Smith (FS2)/Aurion
2. St. Mary's Chapter/58.977%
   Annmari Ingersoll (FS1)/Jameson
   Amber Clark (FS1)/Murphy

Pas de Deux & Quadrille Challenge
1. St. Mary's Chapter/73.000%
   Caroline Tedford (PaDT)/Kacey Majorette
   Katelyn Tedford (PaDT)/Kacey Brass Prince
2. Clarksville Chapter/71.053%
   Nikki Witte (QB)/Propontis (Barney)
   Candace Snell (QB)/Rapal
   Dawn Blanchard (QB)/Thomas the Cat
   Ashley Speer (QB)/Lads Bar Burner (Lad)

WARM UP CLASSES
USDF Introductory Level, Test A-Warm Up
1. Erica Greenland/Sin City/68.750%
2. Sarah Hume/Blaze/65.313%
3. Alena Wheeler/Connor's Time/63.438%
4. Elizabeth Konecny/Al Capony/62.500%
5. Betsy Jones/Devo/59.688%
6. Lauren Siebert/Tinkerbelle's Pixie Dust/54.375%

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USDF Introductory Level, Test A–Warm Up
1. Camilla Cornwell/Serafina CC/66.875%
2. Pamela Owens/Finn's Chrome Magnum/64.688%
3. Mary Beth Klinger/Brickhouse Lady/63.125%
4. Joy St. Landau/Domination/61.875%
5. Hannah Ong/Lump Sum/58.438%

USDF Introductory Level, Test B–Warm Up
1. Anna Adams/Jockey/64.688%
2. Megan McFarlane/Peanuts/64.375%
3. Eva Rodgers/My Kingdom for a Horse/62.813%
4. Melissa Dodge/Mr. Beans/62.188%
5. Amie Blackwell/Chevyo Cody/60.000%
6. Janet Beebe/Superstition/59.938%

USEF Training Level Test 1–Warm Up
1. Hannah Balderson/Impressive by Sonny/68.958%
2. Kelly Rose/Arabella/66.458%
3. Wendy Gast/Rollick Again/64.167%
4. Dana Scanlon/Dover Glory/62.917%
5. Elizabeth Carole Alcoba/Kodak/59.792%

USEF Training Level Test 1–Warm-Up
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2. Dawn Blanchard/Thomas the Cat/66.042%
3. Katie Herman/Rusty's Fudgecicle/64.167%
4. Whitney Williams/Otto Know Better/62.708%
5. Velvet Sponangle/Camile/57.292%

USEF Training Level, Test 1–Warm-Up
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2. Beth Schmidt/Christopher/65.208%
3. Ryley Holdridge/Chancellor/63.958%
4. Nichole Duarte/Shine/61.250%

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Porter/56.379%
5. Aliyana/Hannah Recknor/55.345%
6. Montanna/Sue Doll/50.862%
USEF First Level Tests 2 and 3
1. Wicked Willoughbie (1-2)/Shannen Sullivan/60.811%
2. Greystoke’s Pegasus By Night (1-2)/Katie Porter/60.135%
3. Emily (1-3)/Nancy Frohman/60.030%
4. Emily (1-2)/Nancy Frohman/59.324%
5. Kodiac (1-2)/Dana Harrison/54.189%

USDF First Level Musical Freestyle
1. Emily/Nancy Frohman/64.667%
2. Echo du Buisson/Allyn Enderlyn/55.500%

USEF Second Level and Above
1. Madchen (4-1)/Anne Buckman/57.314%
2. Capital Oops (PSG)/Chris Webber/53.552%
3. Levino (2-2)/Chris Webber/49.342%

Chapter Challenge 2012: Top left, clockwise: Clarksville Chapter Quadrille Team places 2nd (Ashley Speer, Candace Snell, Dawn Blanchard, Nikki Witte with Linda Speer; Dawn Blanchard and Thomas the Cat (Clarksville) at Training Level, Test 2; Noelle Shema and Iashi; Dana Scanlon and Dover Glory; Clarksville Quadrille Team wins 2nd place (Ashley Speer, Candace Snell, Dawn Blanchard and Nikki Witte); Hannah Ong and Lump Sum; Metro Chapter Third Level Test 1 Team wins 2nd place (Rachel Surkin, Laura Strauch, Sherri Holdridge); Center photo: Clarksville Training Level, Test 2 Team wins 3rd place (Grace Blakeney, Nancy Albrecht, Zoe Witte, Dawn Blanchard). Photos 1, 2, 5 and 8 by Laura Kraucunas. Photos 3, 4, 6, and 7 by Rita Boehm.
Chapter Challenge 2012: Top left, clockwise: Ryley Holdridge on Chancellor and her mother Sherri Holdridge; Melissa Harlinski rides Dances in Cahoots (Southern Maryland) in Training Level, Test 2 (Elizabeth Pritchard Memorial Trophy); Erica Greenwald on Sin City (Metro); Hannah Ong and Lump Sum (Metro), Introductory Level, Test B; Sarah Hume on Blaze (Metro); Rebecca Wilson and Tetonka (Metro); Grace Blakeney and Gracie (Clarksville), Training Level, Test 2. Photos 1, 3, and 5 by Rita Boehm. Photos 2, 4 and 6 by Vickie Kirkpatrick. Photo 7 by Laura Kraucunas.
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Lower left: Casey Minar and No 1 Can’t with family and friends at the Schooley Mill Jr/YR Show on October 7. Photo by Maxine Minar.
Lower right: Theresa Keyes on Ragazzo and Caitlyn Keyes-Fiolka on Navigator.