
NORTHEAST FLORIDA DRESSAGE ASSOCIATION



July 2010

USDF Region 3

NFDA is a Group Member Organization and our members are automatically USDF Group Members

From the President

July 2010 Extended Remarks

With all of the hot weather we've been having, it's difficult to think ahead to December and (hopefully) cooler temperatures. But think ahead we must because the USDF Convention and Symposium will be held in Jacksonville on December 1-4, 2010. NFDA will also host Dressage on the First Coast on December 3-4, doubling up with the Symposium at the Jacksonville Equestrian Center.

The need for volunteers at all three events is critical. We also need volunteers to assist in the advance planning, such as with decorations, transportation and public relations. Contact Mary O'Brien at MOBrien@AdvancedDisposal.com or 904.616.5322 if you would like to get involved.

In addition to volunteering, you should consider attending one or all three events. Programs at the convention include *What's New in Dressage Research* presented by Dr. Hilary Clayton; *Basic Equine Nutrition: The Art and Science of Feeding Horses* presented by Dr. Emily Lamprecht; *Riding with Confidence; A Mental Approach* presented by Jenny Susser, Ph.D.; and *Pain Free Riding for You and Your Horse* presented by Jochen Schleese.

The theme of the Symposium is *Cross the Bridge from Training to Showing*. Lilo Fore and Gary Rockwell will walk you through the new dressage tests which become effective on December 1, 2010. Riders at Dressage on the First Coast will be using the new tests so we will get to see them in action and also see how effective is the instruction at the Symposium.

These events will be a tremendous learning opportunity in our own backyard. Please make your plans now to attend and volunteer. More information can be found at www.usdf.org.

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NFDA CALENDAR OF EVENTS

2010

Sept 18th

NFDA schooling show

NEWS AND CLUB UPDATES

MEMBER SPOTLIGHT WITH TAYLOR RUTH



Taylor Ruth

Personal: I will be starting my second year at the University of Florida in the fall. I am working on getting a degree in Microbiology and Cell Science and am hoping to do environmental research. I ride on the Dressage Team at UF and will be captain for the upcoming school year!

Years in NFDA: 10+ years

Hometown: Orange Park, Fl

Early horse memory: I remember that when I was in 1st grade my mom made me go to a little western summer camp because she absolutely loved horses. I could not have cared less but I went anyway. I ended up loving it and was at the camp for the entire summer. We would barrel race in the pouring rain wearing nothing but our bathing suits! After a few years of this my mom decided to take me for my first English lesson and after a few more years my parents decided to buy me my horse.

Current mount: I own a petite little thoroughbred named Millie. I have had her since she was 3 and many club members probably remember our debut show where she bucked me off in the middle of our test! She is 10 now and we recently received Year End Junior Champion at Training Level. We have definitely come a long way.

Dressage Influence: I am currently training with Maggie Selbert. With her I have gained a whole new understanding for the sport. I used to only look at the ribbons but now I'm looking at the improvements made throughout my tests. I don't care if I am in last place as long as Millie has given me everything she has and we show improvement from our last show. A happy horse and happy rider make a beautiful team!

Other interests: I love to dance, watch the Gators win at anything, go on new adventures, being in or on the water, and I live to learn new things.

DEMONSTRATION RIDERS NEEDED

Demonstration riders are needed for the B and C session of the L program in Live Oak on June 19/20 and Aug 21/22. In June, all of the Training and First level rides are Saturday afternoon with all of the Second level rides on Sunday afternoon. In August, all of the demo rides will be on Sunday. Demo riders get free attendance at the educational session they ride in (\$50 value), lunch and a stall for their horse. Interested people should contact Judy Downer at 352-817-2347 or starrynightfarm55@yahoo.com.

WANTED: articles for the newsletter.

Have a favorite new fly spray? Love your new pair of boots or breeches? Got any tips of tricks? Have you been somewhere that other NFDA members would enjoy? Then tell us about it! Please submit your articles to our newsletter editor, Michelle Martin, at hot77shot@aol.com.

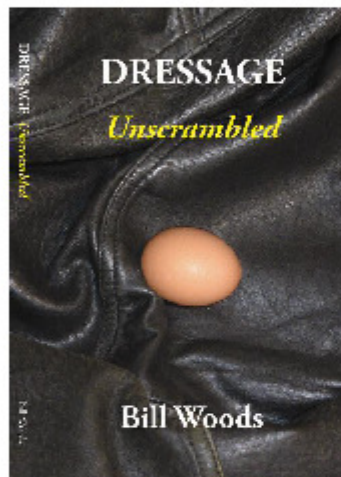
"If dressage were really this funny, more people would be doing it!"

Alpha Dressage Association

presents

Bill Woods

Reading from his new book



Wednesday, August 11th
7 – 9 pm

Bentley's Resort Hotel
1660 South Tamiami Trail
Osprey, FL 34229

For more information, contact
Karen Abbattista 941-376-1736

A quirky, light hearted look at the world of dressage through the eyes of American dressage guru, Bill Woods.

If you are looking for a serious dressage handbook, then this is definitely *not* the book for you! What you do get is a sideways look at the world of dressage from an author who has spent four decades riding and teaching. In a uniquely chaotic style and with over 100 entries, Bill Woods sets out to unscramble many of the myths and urban legends that have become set in stone and entertain readers along the way with his own takes and experiences. This book is one of a kind and deserves a place on the bookshelf of every dressage enthusiast.

About the Author

Bill Woods' career in dressage is long and distinguished. For two decades he was mentored by Olympian Major Andres Lindgren and has a long association with the US Dressage Federation (USDF), particularly since 1983 in the capacity as a dressage judge. For over forty years, Bill has ridden and taught at all levels and was named in 2003 as one of the USDF's 20 most influential members in the organization's history. There is no author better placed to unscramble the world of dressage.

2010 Adequan[®]/USDF National Convention & Symposium

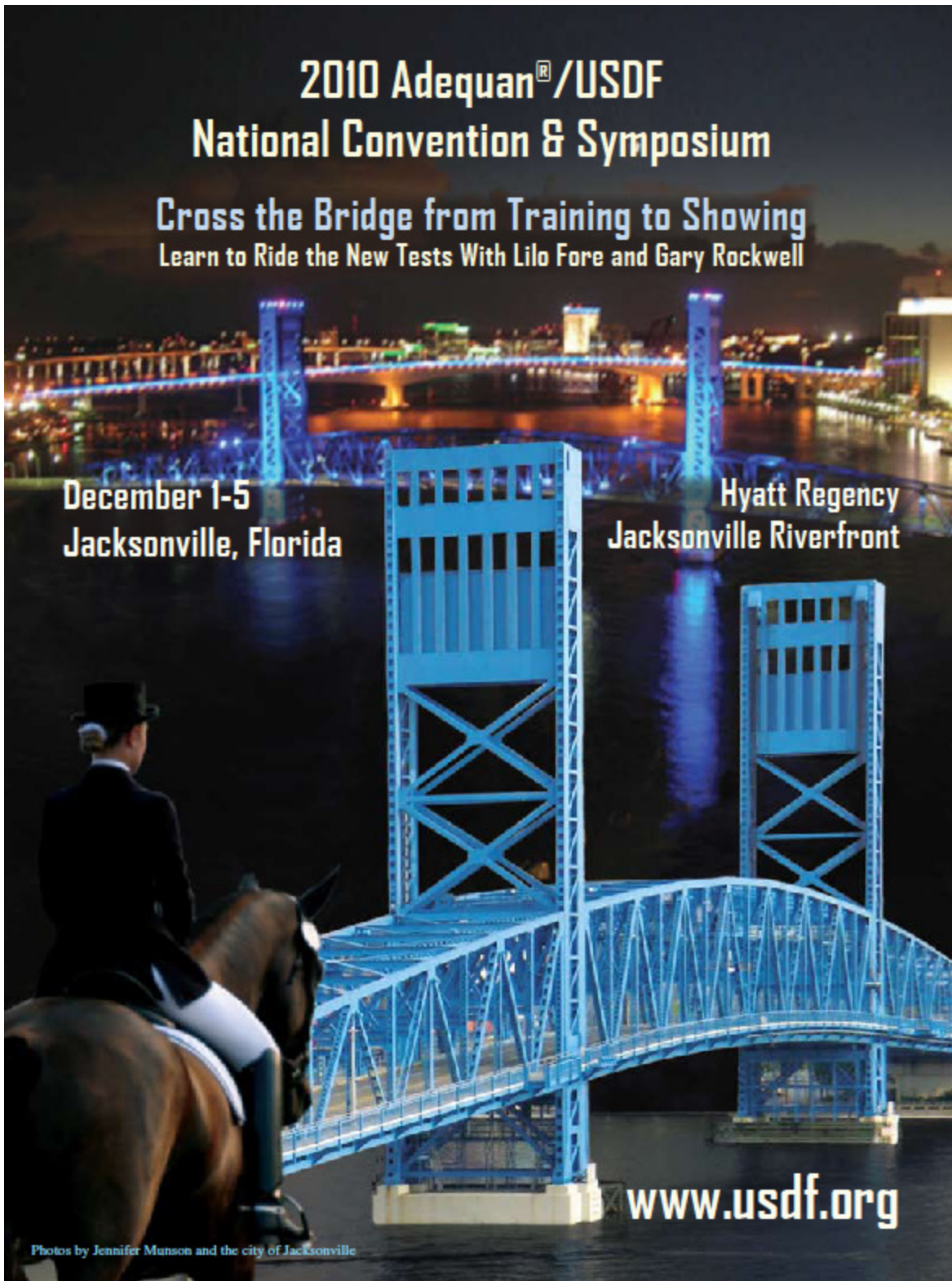
Cross the Bridge from Training to Showing
Learn to Ride the New Tests With Lilo Fore and Gary Rockwell

December 1-5
Jacksonville, Florida

Hyatt Regency
Jacksonville Riverfront

www.usdf.org

Photos by Jennifer Munson and the city of Jacksonville



NFDA 2010 Spring Series Winners

Intro Junior

Champion

Kate Poulson Reason to Smile 64.666%

Reserve Champion

Casey Knowles Bellina 62.333%

Third

Landyn Williams Gradell's Sensation 61.333%

Fourth

Tricia Murphy Buck 58.500%

Intro Adult Amateur

Champion

Honey Rubin Austin 74.833%

Reserve Champion

Anne Cordes Tattersall 67.000%

Third

Lisa Kaatz Veraa Vom
Friesenhof Altmark 65.333%

Intro Open

Champion

Mary Teter San Star 62.500%

Training Junior

Champion

Lizzy Hudson Khanfederate Spy 67.333%

Reserve Champion

Landyn Williams Gradell's Sensation 56.249%

Training Adult Amateur

Champion

Abigail Capone Levitation 67.049%

Co-Reserve Champions

Lisa Kaatz Laterak of Starry Knight 66.666%

Martha Moore Darling Fiona 66.666%

Third

Michelle Martin Meadowrella 65.780%

Fourth

Barbara Turner And a Nod 65.066%

Fifth

Sarah Hayes From Hello 60.123%

Sixth

Phyllis Allyn Simply Jake 57.733%

First Level Adult Amateur

Champion

Debbie McNally Londontowne 63.946%

Reserve Champion

Shantel Brooks Layla 56.966%

Third

Jeannine Grant Brilliant Panache 52.455%

2010 NFDA Championships Update

The Fall show season is right around the corner which means the NFDA Championships is just a few months away. We already have 17 members who are completely qualified and 14 with one qualifying score. Below are the current standings. If you are not listed and believe you have qualified or have one score, please contact Jill Morris immediately at onthebit@morrisholdings.com or 904.230.2158.

QUALIFIED:

Intro Adult:

Abigail Capone
Anne Cordes
Ashley Hughes
Lisa Kaatz
Sarah Lake
Honey Rubin

Intro Junior:

Casey Knowles
Kate Poulson
Landyn Williams

Training Adult:

Abigail Capone
Lisa Kaatz
Michele Martin
Martha Moore
Barbara Turner

Training Junior:

Lizzy Hudson

First Adult:

Debbie McNally

First Open:

Kathy Daly

ONE SCORE:

Intro Adult:

Tracey David
Amanda Jones
Terri Perreault

Intro Junior:

Shannon Groff
Kirsten Prince (Abbey)
Kirsten Prince (Little Prince)
Tricia Murphy

Intro Open:

Mary Teter
Kathy Daly

Training Adult:

Ashley Hughes
Allison Patterson

Training Junior:

Shannon Groff
Kate Poulson

First Adult:

Gwen Taylor-Kirk

From the Awards Chairman:

Just a quick note to all those who are interested in our awards programs. PLEASE be sure to read the rules pertaining to each program. As I tallied the Spring Series results, we had several members who would have been eligible if they had just one more score! Many of you ride a split division, i.e. Intro B and Training 1 or Training 4 and First 1, etc. This often leaves you one measly score short from winning an award. So... if you want a pretty ribbon and a fabulous gift, be sure to enter enough classes!!

A quick refresher going into the Fall season: to compete for a Fall Series award, you need to come to 2 of the 3 shows and have at least 3 scores from one division. One of those scores has to be from the highest test of your level: Intro B, Training 4, First 4, etc. That's it; that is all you need to do!

Also, if you are interested in competing for a prestigious Year End Award (the "Mother" of all awards!), PLEASE remember that you need 2 volunteer credits (Juniors only need one) in order to be eligible.

If you have any questions about any of our awards programs, please feel free to contact me. The awards criteria for all 4 awards programs plus our NFDA Medal Program are listed in this newsletter.

Jill Morris

Onthebit@morrisholdings.com

904.230.2158

USDF NEEDS YOUR HELP!

Are you a competitor with a question? USDF welcomes competition related questions for discussion at the 2010 Adequan/USDF Annual Convention during the Competition Open Forum. Submit your question to ksodt@usdf.org. Or better yet, attend the forum and hear it straight from the expert. This is your opportunity to ask a question of an expert panel representing the USDF Competition Management, Judges, Membership and Technical Delegate Committees.

Be a Demo Rider at the 2010 Adequan/ USDF National Symposium!

See the attached application for demonstration riders at this years' Symposium, to be held December 4-5 at the Jacksonville Equestrian Center in Jacksonville, FL. Send questions to KRobertson@USDF.org.



UNITED STATES *Dressage* FEDERATION

2010 Adequan/USDF National Symposium

Bridge the Gap from Training to Showing with Lilo Fore and Gary Rockwell

DEMO RIDER APPLICATION

December 4-5, 2010
Jacksonville Equestrian Center
13611 Normandy Lane
Jacksonville, FL 32221

(deadline for submission is September 1, 2010 postmark)

Name: _____

Address: _____

_____ Professional _____ Amateur _____ Junior/Young Rider Age, if JR/YR: _____

Telephone (day): _____ (evening): _____

Email: _____

Horse's Name: _____ Farm: _____

Horse Owner's Name: _____

Horse Owner's Address: _____

Breed: _____ Sex: _____ Age: _____ Height: _____

Current level(s) competing: _____ schooling: _____

This will be a through the levels type of programs featuring the new tests that will be effective 12/1/2010. Demo riders will ride a complete test at the level they are chosen for.

Please include biographical information on horse and rider (3 PAGE LIMIT - please attach)

Please include: Training experience and competitive record of both horse and rider at the level you are applying for (or above).

Please include a DVD of approximately 10 minutes duration. Content should include a test ride from a recognized or schooling show and a schooling session. If applying for more than one horse, please send a separate DVD and application for each horse. DVDs will NOT be returned.

PLEASE SEND APPLICATION AND DVD TO:
KATHERINE ROBERTSON
USDF Education Programs Senior Coordinator
4051 Iron Works Parkway



NORTHEAST FLORIDA DRESSAGE ASSOCIATION
2010 Membership Application ◆ 12/1/09 - 11/30/10
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NAME: _____ **USDF#:** _____

ADDRESS: _____
Street City State Zip

PHONE: HOME : _____ **WORK:** _____ **CELL:** _____

EMAIL: _____ (Please be sure to PRINT your email address clearly!)

Member Preferences:

If you do **NOT** want your name & contact information included in the yearly membership directory please check here: _____

The newsletter is sent out via both email and postal service. Email delivery is faster and greatly reduces costs.

If you would be willing to receive the electronic version of the newsletter but opt out of hardcopy (postal) delivery, please check here: _____

MEMBERSHIP CATEGORY:

_____ **Individual / Supporting Membership - \$ 50**
 Vintage (50 years of age or older)

_____ **Junior Membership - \$ 50**
 Juniors must be 18 yrs or younger as of 1/1/09.
 Birthday: _____

_____ **Family Membership - \$50 for primary member plus \$20 for each additional member.**
 Primary: _____
 Additional: _____
 Additional: _____
 Additional: _____

(Note: USDF will recognize one primary member for each family membership. USDF will designate additional family members as GMO supporting members.)

Your membership entitles you to:

- Group membership in USDF
- USDF Connections monthly magazine
- Eligibility for Spring & Fall Series and Year End Awards
- Monthly newsletter and email updates on events
- Opportunity to participate in club sponsored activities (social/educational/clinics)
- Discounted entry at all NFDA sponsored horse shows
- Yearly membership directory
- Eligibility to hold office
- Eligibility to vote in yearly local elections
- Eligibility for scholarship application

VOLUNTEER FOR NFDA (check all that apply):

- Day / Assistant Show Manager Pre-show set-up
 Post-show take-down Ring Steward
 Scorer Scribe Runner

- Assist with Newsletter Host a Clinic/Event
 Elected Official Marketing / Advertising
 Help with Club duties / Anything

WHAT ARE YOUR INTERESTS?

- Schooling Shows Recognized Shows Clinics/Seminars Networking/Social Events

TALENT / OCCUPATION: We know we have a wealth of talent within our own membership – please share! Please list any talent or occupational experience that may be helpful to NFDA from an administrating/management, horse show & special event perspective (Examples: graphic artist, PR or marketing consultant, artist, calligrapher, CPA/bookkeeper, attorney, photographer, woodworker, florist, IT specialist, veterinarian, equine retailer, seamstress, writer, printer/desktop publishing, etc.):

<p align="center">MAKE CHECKS PAYABLE TO: NFDA</p> <p align="center">c/o Lynette Wadsworth 200 Dark Horse Lane Hastings, FL 32145 904-669-1525 cell</p>	<p>For office use only:</p> <p>Date received: _____ Amt: _____ CK #: _____ Cash: _____</p>
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