



ADA Newsletter

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USDF Mission Statement:

Dedicated to education, the recognition of achievement, and the promotion of the sport of dressage.

Next Open Board Meeting Scheduled for November 28, 2005 Huffman Horse Center
Office 6:30pm. Everyone welcome to attend, call Raena for agenda items.

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GOLD "IN HONOR OF MARGARET ADAMS"

THE MUES FAMILY

BOWKER MECHANICAL

Tim & Sharron McLaughlin of ANCHORAGE EYE ASSOCIATES

TIM AND LAURIE COLLINS

Deana Johnson of ALASKA EQUESTRIAN ENTERPRISE

BROWN WALLER AND GIBBS

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Debbie Erickson of SILVER LEGACY

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SUPER-VOLUNTEER AWARD

CHRISTINE ERIKSON

President's pasture:

Hello ADA members! I'll keep it brief this time. Thank you to all of you wonderful members who were able to make it to the annual awards banquet, which was held November 4th at O'Malley on the Green. The banquet went very smoothly, and thanks to Dana Hall of Solstice Saddlery our 2005 award winners received some really excellent awards. Look for the results and winners of the awards further on in this newsletter. We welcome Peggy Bowker to the ADA board, starting her term in January 2006 and we're looking forward to a busy show season next summer. See you all out there bundled up on your horses.

Raena Schraer

FURTHER COMMENTS ON THE BANQUET:

Thank you to everyone who donated to the silent auction. It was a great success and we raised \$706. We also would like to thank Sue Mues for the volunteer awards, Jennifer Lundberg for the 60% Certificates and Marti Miller and Jennifer Lundberg for figuring out the awards, Jori and Jayne Dittmer for the centerpieces, and Raena Schraer for putting the Awards together, Susie and Brittany Kaiser for putting the silent auction together. Hope I haven't forgotten anyone, the teamwork is really paying off and with the duties spread out we all share the chores to make it a good time.

DID EVERYONE CHECK THEIR ASH SCORES—ASH BANQUET JAN 7TH

ADA LEVEL AWARDS--2005

Training Level—Junior

63.736 Dittmer, Jori -- Champion
61.170 Duchanin, Jamie—Res Champion

Training Level—Open

63.736 Dittmer, Jori--Champion
63.14 McCombs, Maureen—Res Champion

Training Level—AA

63.14 McCombs, Maureen--Champion

First Level--Junior

59.714 Opstad, Kelsey--Champion

First Level—Open/AA

65.659 Bowker, Peggy L--Champion
62.624 Miller, Marti—Res Champion

Second Level

None qualified

Third Level Open/AA

60.223 Collins, Laurie M. —Champion

ADA HORSE OF THE YEAR AWARD--2005

65.278 Miss Boston Wonder—Champion

Standings of Qualified Horses

64.286 Tonker Toy (5% added for Third Level)
60.385 Star
58.889 Shahil Fujai
58.636 Zips Nobel Messenger
55.917 Rocket Rick

ADA RIDER OF THE YEAR--2005

65.278 Bowker, Peggy L—Champion

Standings of Qualified Riders

64.286 Collins, Laurie M.*** (5% added for Third Level)
62.885 Miner, Emily
61.296 Miller, Marti
60.385 McCombs, Maureen
59.388 Dittmer, Jori
59.091 Ward, Caitlin
58.750 Hession, Mary Kaye
58.148 Duchanin, Jamie
56.143 Opstad, Kelsey

Winner of Katherine Brooks Award: Laurie Collins

I would like to suggest Laurie Collins for the Kathryn Brooks Perpetual Award because of her perseverance and devotion to the sport of dressage.

She has competed with ADA for about twelve years with her horses Tonker Toy and Suavicito. She trains and studies with passion and in the few years I have known her have found her helpful, friendly and inspiring.

She is active with several state horse organizations, is a successful competitor, a good role model and generous with her time, money and horses.

Being "valley girls" make it difficult to give back to our Anchorage-based organization as much as we'd like but we have hopes of having a dressage show out here next year.

I have only been a member of ADA for one year but have been working, learning, competing and IMPROVING in dressage for five years with my fine mare Star.

Thanks for considering my friend Laurie for this honor.

Sincerely,
Maureen McCombs

Editor's Note:

We missed having Laurie (probably for the first time) at the banquet. What a honor to have her receive this award. Not only is she an avid competitor, she does it with enthusiasm and spirit. We thank her for her past contribution of serving on the board and many years as treasurer. I know she would have squealed with delight at receiving this award. She will be re-presented with the award at the ASH Banquet. Deana

Results of ADA 2006 board member election:

Senior: Marti Miller (2nd term), Raena Schraer (2nd term), Peggy Bowker (1st term)

Junior: Emily Miner (1st term), Jori Dittmer (2nd term)

Valley News From Linda Kelley

Here are the tentative dates for the dressage portion of the valley Mid-Summer horse show -Saturday and Sunday June 24th and 25th.

We (ADA) need to provide scribes, scorers, runners, class list (I am working on), time out the show (I can do this unless someone else really wants the job), provide dimensions of a dressage ring (I have this one covered) and help the ring crew set the dressage ring at the show grounds (I can do this also).

I think this is a good start to bring dressage back to the valley shows. I hope for lots of support for this show and for adding more dressage to other valley shows.

See you all at the board meeting on Monday evening the 28th.

Linda

Editor's Note:

Kudos to Linda. She will continue to be our contact with the Kornegays and the Valley Show Circuit. Sounds like volunteers are really needed, (count me in, Linda) please call her at 746-5994 to help her out. We especially need volunteers for all shows that aren't showing. We can't keep these shows going without our help.

More Show Info:

We have new Managers!! Kim Hale will manage Spring Festival in June and Carolyn Schultz will manage the Biggest Event Ever in August. Pregnant Jennifer Lundberg will still secretary both shows. Thank you for giving Susie Kaiser and Deana Johnson a break. **CALL THEM IF YOU CAN HELP**

USDF Membership Department has a new Master Verification system to make entering competitions much easier. The MV allow as a competitor to list their horse's registration, as well as the rider's and owner's membership information all on one sheet. This will alleviate making copies of all the certificates and cards for each competition. Now, one page will have all the information. It can be customized and printed at anytime, thus creating the most up-to-date membership verification. (I also hear that USEF will coordinate with USDF and print membership verification on the other side of the page.) TBA

Wish List from Susie and Deana:

Susie wants a new office booth at the Center complete with window and door. She also wants a new railing around the arena and new footing. Deana wants a designated dressage (with permanent railing) at the Palmer Fairgrounds. She is told there is plenty of room in the trees. Do you have a wish list item? It doesn't hurt to dream.

Mark your Calendars:

May 13 Margaret Adams Schooling Show—Chamberlin Center Judge TBA

June 2 ADA Spring Festival—Chamberlin Center Judge Diane Royce, TD Debbie Moloznik

June 24, 25 Mid-Summer Horse Show—Palmer Fairgrounds Judge TBA, TD TBA

July ? William Clark Chamberlin Equestrian Center Horse Show—Judge Sue Kolstad, TD TBA

August 12, 13 –Biggest Event Ever --Chamberlin Center Judge Lois Heyerdahl, TD Veronica Holt

The Chamberlin Center hasn't posted their schedule for the 2006 season. We are expecting at least 3 more schooling shows at the center.

Reminder—We need your help, no job is too small

Website Extraordinaire:

Have you surfed the web and found us, how could you miss it!! Master Website Person for ADA, Mary Kaye Hession, has made it easy for you to be informed. Please use it. USDF thinks it is a great website and gave it high ratings. There is an updated Calendar of Events, including clinics, ADA board and show committee meetings. Under "Join ADA" you will find the membership and recording forms. Even Tests are available to be

downloaded. Along with the ADA Handbook and a questionnaire recently filled out for USDF on the history of ADA. It is very informative and fun. We can't thank Mary Kaye enough for her great work with the site. Don't forget, if you do a Sponsorship for ADA it goes on the "WORLD WIDE WEB." <http://www.alaskadressage.org/>

Ramblings from the Treasurer (Editor)

Thank you to all that attended the banquet, it is always good to put on a party and have attendance. Which is what we feel like in putting on shows. What a great party, and no one comes to play. Please put the shows on your "to do list." Without your participation, it isn't worth the effort. We do it for you and because of you. Providing the atmosphere of an USDF/USEF recognized show is very important. The standard is set and we can compare our rides to all rides in the US. Our shows present a venue for you to connect, please take advantage of the opportunity. We need you!! You need us!!

In 2006 USDF will begin the process of converting the USDF Group Membership year to coincide with that of the USDF Participating Membership. That means ADA will have to pay for dues to USDF twice in 2006. The dues will be reduced to \$11.33 for the first part and back up to \$17 per member in November. Please get your memberships back to us as soon as possible.

As many of you know, I recently sold my barn (Huffman Horse Center) to Lynn Paterna. I have also stepped off the board for ADA. No plans for the future, just taking a break. Lynn can be reached at 223-9080 for boarding and lessons.

Deana

Classified Ads:

From Christine's estate:

Sears garden tractor with plow, 20 HP, 12/98 purchase price \$2300,

Sears snow thrower for tractor, 12/98 purchase price \$1500,

Both in excellent condition, hardly used, asking \$2500 for the package deal

Call Carolyn at 345-4076 or 360-8241 or Raena Schraer at 344-0622 or 830-9882.

If you get this newsletter electronically I will be sending a follow up for memberships. Look for your name on the list. Email me back, to include you in the roster for 2006.

Happy Holidays, Deana

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