

TRANSITIONS

"The basic techniques, or what they call basics, are more difficult than what comes later, this is the Trap of Dressage. Correct basics are more difficult than the piaffe and passage."

-Conrad Schumacher



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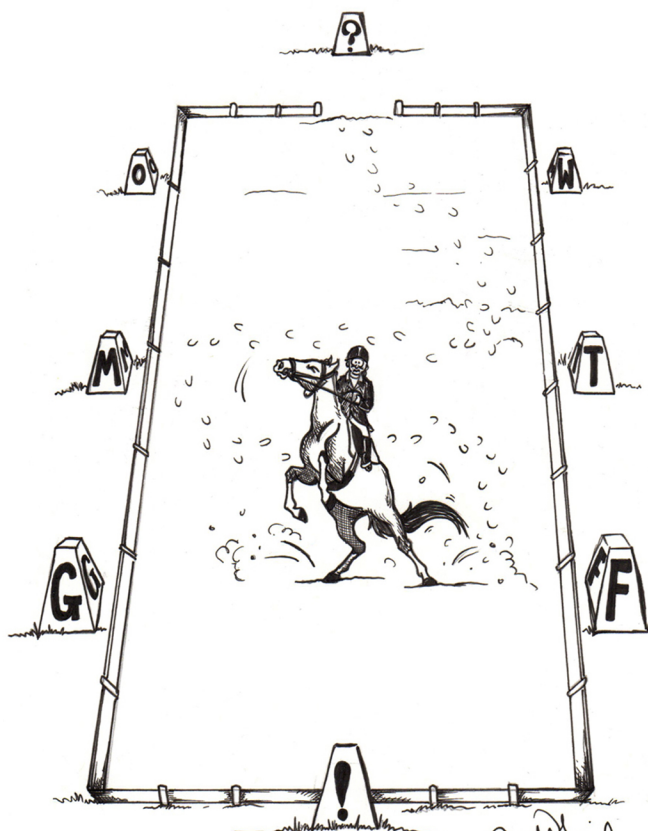
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Franktown meadows
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Made Sense...*



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From our Chapter Chair:

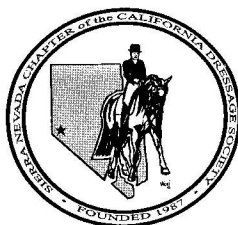
The SNC Board is thrilled to share this first newsletter in a very long time. We realize that we have members across the state of Nevada and we want to do our best to keep everyone updated with information about our chapter and dressage in our community. It is our intent to start with a bi-annual distribution; 1 issue in summer and 1 issue in winter. The content will be printed and mailed as well as available in an electronic version on our website. We would like to go completely paperless in 2019, but for this year, we wanted to be sure that we reached everyone so that we could update our electronic records for next year.

So far 2018 has been spectacular! In March, we hosted our annual awards banquet at Skipollini's Pizza to celebrate last year's accomplishments; we had quite a large turnout! A complete list of the winners was emailed to our chapter members. The silent auction was once again a huge hit, raising over \$1,000 towards our Stacey Berry Scholarship Fund. There were beautiful ribbons and fabulous prizes awarded to our AA, Open, and Jr Champion and Reserve Winners. We are one of the few chapters in CDS who still hosts shows and year-end awards. The board is committed to continuing these traditions to ensure that our local riders have opportunities to compete.

In April we hosted the first show of the year and it turned out to be one of the largest show we've ever held. We had not only local competitors but also California barns that traveled to our beautiful Sierra Nevada. The weather was crisp, with abundant sunshine, and classes ran from 7:30am until 5pm each day. It was a fantastic weekend to kick off the 2018 show season.

Our annual "Dressage in the Sierra" show is right around the corner. It will once be held at Franktown Meadows. The prize list and entry form are available on our SNC website. We hope that you will all plan to attend either as a competitor, volunteer, or spectator. We'd love to see everyone on Saturday evening after the last class at our Annual Potluck BBQ. The chapter will be hosting hamburgers and hot dogs with all the fixings. Please plan to bring a side dish and a bottle of wine with a horse on the label. Everyone is welcome; I hope to see you all there!

Happy Riding,
Holly Hagen, SNC –CDS Chapter Chair



Meet Your Board



Chapter Chair: Holly Smith Hagen

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Fun Fact: I was introduced to dressage when I was 15 years old and I thought it was the most beautiful and harmonious discipline, I had ever seen with a horse and



Treasurer: Joan Wright

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Fun Fact: I paid them \$700 for my first dressage horse in 1986. I have loved it since. I hope to show Tristan I-II or GP this year, but, if not, will have fun trying to get there!



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Fun Fact: I hate winter. Oh, I also draw an equestrian comic.



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Fun Fact: Diet Coke and jelly beans will make us instant friends.



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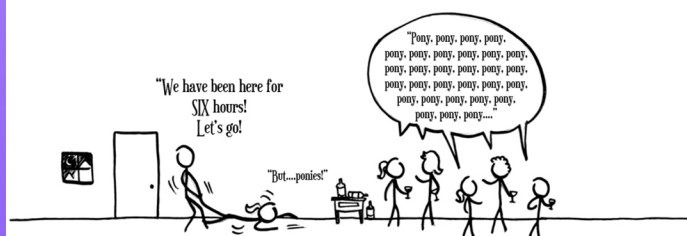
Fun Fact: Minion at Schmidt Dressage.

Equestrian Social Skills:

A Normal Social Function:



An Equestrian Social Function:



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**Have questions?
Please reach out!**

**Phone, email, and
we are also on**

facebook.

CDS 2018 CHAMPIONSHIPS

It's that time of the year when everyone is starting to look ahead to the season's benchmark dressage competitions!

CDS Jr North Championship Show ~ July 27-29 at the Murieta Equestrian Center, Rancho Murieta, CA

CDS North RAAC ~ August 18-19 at the Santa Rosa Equestrian Center, Santa Rosa, CA

2018 CDS/USDF Championship Show ~ September 27-30 at the Los Angeles Equestrian Center, Burbank, CA

Are you up to date on the new \$25 Nomination Fee? The fee needs to be paid to CDS for each horse and rider combination prior to the CDS Jr Championship Show and the CDS/USDF Championship Show. (This fee has always been in place for the RAAC Show.) The CDS website can currently accept payments for the RAAC nomination fee and will soon be able to accept the fee for the Jr Championships and the CDS/USDF Show but until then, you may mail your \$25.00 nomination fee by check directly to the CDS Central Office at PO Box 417, Carmel Valley, CA 93924

Have you read up on the revised open championship divisions for training through fourth level? Adult Amateur divisions remain unchanged. Adult Amateur Futurity competitors should review the changes new for 2018 before entering the class so there is no confusion once you are at the show.

Details can be found in the prize list posted on the front page of the CDS website.

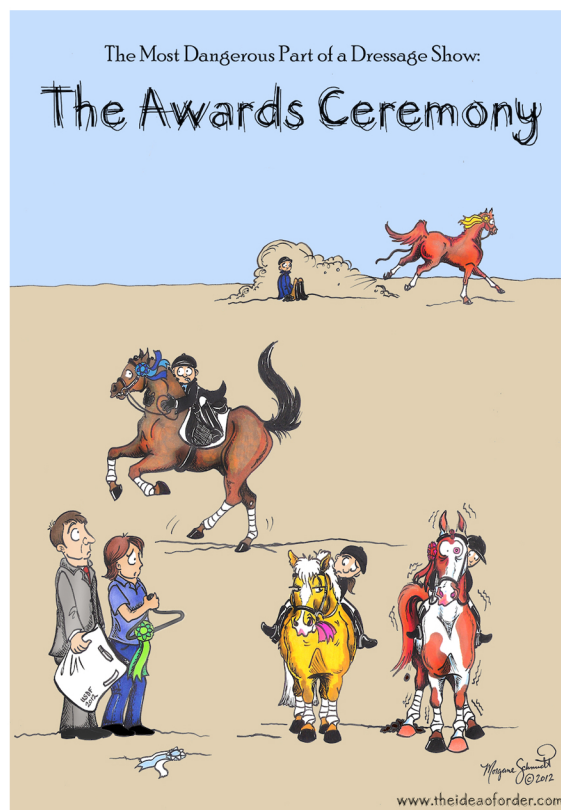
Competitors can confirm the qualification requirements for each of these competitions at the CDS website www.california-dressage.org. These competitions can fill, especially the CDS/USDF Show. Competitors are encouraged to get their entries in before the closing date. Competitors are (strongly) encouraged to read the prize list as most of the answers to your questions can be found in the prize list. One item that often comes up are the award honor round requirements. Make sure you understand these requirements so there is no confusion once you arrive on the show grounds.

Our SN Chapter membership has a wonderful history of representing our chapter well at each of these fun competitions. Last year, Stacey Collier pointed out that our chapter had a rider represented at EVERY level from the Materielle class all the way through Grand Prix! That's an amazing accomplishment for a mid-size chapter!

CDS has a number of scholarship opportunities for its membership including scholarships specific to junior riders, adult amateurs, and open riders; travel to national championships; chapter educational events; and financial help for TD's and Judges seeking assistance to attend training programs. Once again, more information can be found at the CDS website. www.california-dressage.org under the forms and scholarships tab.

There is an opening for a northern CDS Board representative in this coming fall election. If you have ever considered joining the CDS Board, please do not hesitate to reach out to me and I'll be happy to answer any of your questions. ecoffeycurle@gmail.com Joining the CDS Board is an excellent way to contribute back to our wonderful equestrian sport. Anyone interested in running for a position on the CDS Board should contact Paula the CDS Secretary and Office Manager at paula@california-dressage.org and she'll help you through the pre-election process.

Sincerely,
Beth Coffey Curle
CDS Board
Jr/Yr Co-Coordinator
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July SNC SHOW

Date: July 21st and 22nd
Location: Franktown Meadows

The prize list and entry form can both be found on the official SNC website (www.snc-cds.org/showinfo.html).

Ride times will be posted on www.foxvillage.com. To access these, go to www.foxvillage.com and click on "Online Entries, Ride Times and Results." Change the STATE in the upper left corner to NV and select the show you are looking for.

For our July show we will also be having our annual potluck BBQ on Saturday, the 21st! Our Chapter will supply hamburgers and hotdogs. We are asking that you bring a side dish and/or a bottle of wine with a horse on the label. EVERYONE is welcome!

Please contact Avery Hudak (775-220-9420) for more information and to RSVP.

SNC Year End Award Rules:

- All SNC-CDS members are eligible for the Award Program.
- Awards will be given at each level Training - Grand Prix. Awards given for Open, Adult Amateur and Junior/Young Rider categories.
- For scores to count, rider must be an SNC-CDS chapter member AT THE TIME SCORES ARE EARNED.
- The qualifying period is the calendar year, January 1st - December 31st.
- Only scores earned at SNC approved shows will count: SNC Spring Show in April, Franktown Meadows Show in June, Dressage in the Sierra in July, and Stacey Berry Memorial Show in October.
- You must compete in at least 2 of the above shows, at the same level, to qualify for year end awards.
- Places will be determined by the number of points earned during the year.
- Ribbons will be given through 6th place and Awards through 3rd place.
- Points will be awarded for every class completed as follows: 58% - 1 point, 58-60% - 2 points, 60-62% - 3 points, 62-64% - 4 points, 64-66% - 5 points, 66-68% - 6 points, 68-70% - 7 points, 70-72% - 8 points, and over 72% - 9 points.

Educational Opportunities:

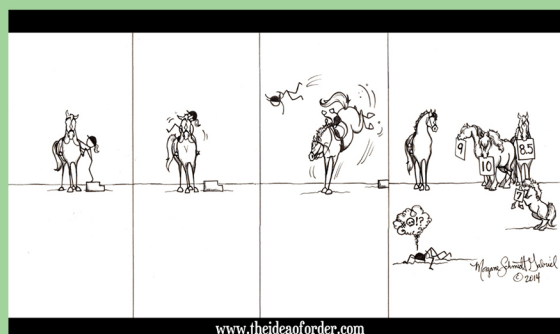
July 14-15 Jeremy Steinberg dressage clinic, Eureka, contact Patti Frink 707-498-6662

July 28-29 Gerhard Politz clinic, Santa Ynez, contact Sarah 323-422-4493

Aug 3-5 Heather Bender riding clinic, Hacienda del Valle (Lake View Terrace), contact Claudia Roberts 818-256-6080

Aug 31-Sept 2 CDS JR/YR Clinic (North) at Pacific Equestrian Center (Wilton), contact Beth Coffey-Curle 775-240-9080

Please email Jennifer Smith with any input or ideas for future educational opportunities!



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Stacey Berry Memorial Scholarship Criteria:

As many \$250 scholarship grants will be awarded each year in March as the income from the scholarship fund allows in the discretion of the Chapter Board, but in no event fewer than one scholarship will be awarded each year regardless of income earned on the fund.

The recipient MUST be present at the presentation event to receive the grant in person each year.

The grant must be used within 12 months of receiving the \$250 Scholarship funds. A grant recipient may not win the scholarship two consecutive years or twice in five years.

Selection Criteria: Scholarship applications may be submitted to the SN Chapter Board in a letter format. Please review the following criteria.

- *Applicant must have been a Sierra Nevada Chapter member for at least one year (at least one year prior to applying for the grant.)
- *Applicant must have a USEF-AA designation.
- *Applicant must have at least one score above 60% at First Level at a USEF recognized show.
- *Applicant must include riding history on the scholarship application including USDF medals, major competition awards and clinic history.
- *Applicant must include the intended use of the scholarship fund.
- *Applicant must include a description of the applicant's volunteer work for the Chapter.
- *Applicant must conclude the experience with a written report within two months of the use of the grant.

