

## FRESNO CHAPTER

| <b>LOCATION OF ALL SHOWS</b>  |   |
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| La Dolce Vita Equestrian Center 13244 East Bullard, Clovis, CA 93619  |   |
| <b>Show date #1 – February 14, 2010 – CDS Dressage in the Valley I</b>  |   |
| <b>Judge:</b> Vicky Stashuk-Matisi (R)<br><b>Recognitions:</b> CDS<br><b>Manager:</b> Rickey Quinn 559-284-2864                                     | <b>Secretary:</b> Connie Davenport<br>davenport@saber.net<br><b>Opening Date:</b> January 1, 2010<br><b>Close Date:</b> February 6, 2010  |
| <b>Show date #2 – June 5, 2010 – CDS Dressage in the Valley II</b>  |   |
| <b>Judge:</b> Melonie Kessler (S)<br><b>Recognitions:</b> CDS, USEF (316958), USDF<br>USEF Level 1<br><b>Manager:</b> Rickey Quinn 559-284-2864     | <b>Secretary:</b> Mary Ann Howard<br>530-269-3449 enita@yahoo.com<br><b>Technical Delegate:</b> TBA<br><b>Opening Date:</b> March 1, 2010<br><b>Close Date:</b> May 19, 2010              |
| <b>Show date #3 – October 31, 2010 – CDS Dressage in the Valley III</b>   |   |
| <b>Judge:</b> Beverly Rogers (S)<br><b>Recognitions:</b> CDS, USEF (317313), USDF<br>USEF Level 1<br><b>Manager:</b> Melissa Cresswick 559-298-1401 | <b>Secretary:</b> Connie Davenport<br>davenport@saber.net<br><b>Technical Delegate:</b> Maureen VanTuyt<br><b>Opening Date:</b> September 14, 2010<br><b>Close Date:</b> October 21, 2010 |
| <b>Show date #4 – December 4, 2010 – CDS Toys for Tots Open Schooling Show</b>  |   |
| <b>Judge:</b> Shannon Lockwood (L)<br><b>Recognitions:</b> Open Schooling Show<br><b>Manager:</b> Freya Mello 559-645-5330                          | <b>Secretary:</b> Carol Parks 559-261-1540<br><b>Opening Date:</b> October 23, 2010<br><b>Close Date:</b> November 20, 2010   |

| CLASS No. | DESCRIPTION              | CLASS No. | DESCRIPTION                         |
|-----------|--------------------------|-----------|-------------------------------------|
| 001       | Introductory, Test A     |           |                                     |
| 002       | Introductory, Test B     |           |                                     |
| 101       | Training Level, Test 1   | 143       | Fourth Level, Test 3 Q              |
| 102       | Training Level, Test 2   | 151       | Prix St. George Q                   |
| 103       | Training Level, Test 3   | 153       | Intermediaire I Q                   |
| 104       | Training Level, Test 4 Q | 155       | Intermediaire II Q                  |
| 111       | First Level, Test 1      | 157       | Grand Prix Q                        |
| 112       | First Level, Test 2      | 159       | Grand Prix Special                  |
| 113       | First Level, Test 3      | 165       | FEI Test of Choice Q                |
| 114       | First Level, Test 4 Q    | 171       | First Level Freestyle Q             |
| 121       | Second Level, Test 1     | 172       | Second Level Free style Q           |
| 122       | Second Level, Test 2     | 173       | Third Level Freestyle Q             |
| 123       | Second Level, Test 3     | 174       | Fourth Level Freestyle Q            |
|           | Dover Medal Class        | 175       | Intermediaire I Freestyle Q         |
| 124       | Second Level, Test 4 Q   | 176       | Grand Prix Freestyle Q              |
| 131       | Third Level, Test 1      | 177       | FEI Miscellaneous Freestyle         |
| 132       | Third Level, Test 2      | 183       | Pas de Deux – specify Level         |
| 133       | Third Level, Test 3 Q    | 191       | Quadrille Compulsory – specify Test |
| 141       | Fourth Level, Test 1     | 192       | Quadrille Freestyle – specify Test  |
| 142       | Fourth Level, Test 2     | 801       | Dressage Equitation                 |

**Q = GreatAmInsuranceGroup/USDF Regional Finals Qualifying – June and October only**  
**Add “O”, “A/A” or “JR/YR” to each Class**  
**TOC/Miscellaneous Classes – Separate class numbers will be issued if more than one level is entered**

**Opportunity Classes – Memberships waived; please review USEF Rule GR 821. Shows 2 & 3 only.**

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| 105 Training Level, Test 1 | 115 First Level, Test 1 | 125 Second Level, Test 1 |
| 106 Training Level, Test 2 | 116 First Level, Test 2 | 126 Second Level, Test 2 |

Cross entry with other classes permitted

## **DIRECTIONS TO LA DOLCE VITA EQUESTRIAN CENTER**

Highway 99 to 180 East to 168 East, go to Herndon Avenue exit.

Go East on Herndon Avenue for approximately eight miles to the stop sign at Academy.

Turn right (South) on Academy and go approximately one and one half miles to Bullard Avenue.

Turn left (East) onto Bullard Avenue and go approximately a quarter of a mile to the first gravel road on the left.

Drive all the way back into the Eucalyptus trees and follow signs.

Panic on day of show? Call Melissa Creswick on her cell, 559-250-1226.

### **VETERINARIAN/FARRIER:**

Numbers posted in show office.

### **HOTEL:**

Marriott Courtyard, Fresno Airport, 559-251-5200

### **AWARDS:**

Ribbons through Fifth. Prizes to First in classes of three or more. O,J,AA classes not combined for awards. USDF/Dover AA Medal is Class 123, awarded to highest scoring Adult Amateur (must be 58% or higher).

### **REMINDER**

Complete reading, understanding of and compliance with all of the rules of the show and the sponsoring organizations is the responsibility of the exhibitor. Questions are welcomed; show officials will attempt to explain any rule or policy.

### **REMINDER**

Signing the Entry Release gives up important rights - read the Release!

### **MISCELLANEOUS**

Longe in designated areas only.

Food available on grounds.

## GENERAL RULES & INFORMATION

### CONDITIONS OF ENTRY

- ◆ *Every class offered herein which is covered by the rules and specifications of the current USEF Rule Book will be conducted and judged in accordance therewith. Quadrille will follow the rules of USDF.*
- ◆ Management reserves the right to arrange for additional judges and to cancel, combine or amend any class, including but not limited to class awards, scheduling and location.
- ◆ Management reserves the right to refuse, accept conditionally or to cancel any entries, disqualify riders or exhibitors, prohibit exhibition of entries, without claim to damages.
- ◆ Show Management reserves the right to interpret all questions and conditions in regard to, or arising out of, or incident to the show, without claims for damages or recourse of any kind. All questions not covered by these rules and regulations shall be decided by the Show Management and such determinations shall be final.
- ◆ Owner/Agent/Participant agrees that every horse entered, or which they bring to the show grounds, will be subject to the rules of the Horse Show management. However, Show Management will, in no case, be responsible for any loss or damage that may occur to any horse entered or on the grounds, and it shall be a condition of entry that each exhibitor agrees to defend, indemnify and hold harmless the United States Equestrian Federation, the United States Dressage Federation, the California Dressage Society, any additional recognizing organizations, the facility at which the event is held (showgrounds), the horse show and its management, employees, volunteers and independent contractors for any loss or accident to his horse, horses or equipment which may occur.
- ◆ All Owners and Exhibitors will be held responsible for any damage incurred by them, their agents, employees or animals to stall buildings and other properties on the show grounds and shall be billed accordingly. All bills for veterinary, farrier services and feed are due and payable during the show. The management reserves the right to deduct any unpaid veterinary, farrier and feed bills from premium, stake or prize money, or refunds due the exhibitor. Any exhibitor not meeting obligations to the official veterinarian, farrier or feed supplier will be termed an undesirable exhibitor and entries from that exhibitor may not be accepted at subsequent shows.
- ◆ Competitors are responsible for all **INSURANCE** for themselves, employees, owners, horses, etc. Competitors are personally responsible for damages to third parties caused by themselves, their employees, agents or horses. They are strongly advised to take out third-party insurance providing full coverage for participation in equestrian events at home and abroad and to keep the policy current.
- ◆ Current USEF, FEI, and USDF and tests will be used.
- ◆ USEF General Rules, Chapter 6 define the protest procedure.

### ENTRIES - SCHEDULING - RIDING TIMES

- ◆ Entries will be accepted on a first-come basis and must include all fees, membership and horse registration proofs, signatures and payment. *Numbers will not be released until this process is complete; entries without payment in full may be returned.* Entries that are received, complete with payment, signatures and proofs will have priority over faxed or emailed entries. Entries received by fax or email and accepted are considered to be legal contracts and are subject to all of the rules of the show, including post/late entry fees. If the show has extended the courtesy of accepting a late, faxed or emailed entry, the responsible party will be liable to pay all class, office, stable and other fees. Withdrawing at any time will not excuse the responsible party from paying all of the applicable fees. Those who do not comply with this will be turned in to the recognizing authorities and no future entries will be accepted until the matter has been resolved.
- ◆ Management will close the show when it is full and place excess entries on a wait list. Entries that have arrived after the show is declared full and prior to the printed entry closing date will not be subject to late fees. Any entry postmarked after the published entry closing date is considered a post entry and all post entry and late fees will apply.
- ◆ Post entries allowed on a space available basis only, prior to the start of the class and after all forms have been completed, signatures obtained and fees paid. Office fee of \$10/class applied to all post entries. PLEASE NOTE: Once the show is scheduled, the fee paid for a scratched class will not be applied to a requested class unless the scratch time is filled.
- ◆ Copies of all membership cards are required. Membership requirements of USEF, USDF and CDS will be strictly followed and the show will collect non-member fees for any individual or horse registration that is required and cannot be proven by presentation of the current card. To enter the Adult Amateur Division, the USEF Membership card MUST indicate Amateur and the individual must reach the age of 22 in the current year. Coaches must check in with the office to sign entry and show proof of USEF membership or pay non-member fee.

**If you do not submit proof of Adult Amateur status, you will be entered in the Open division. If you request to switch to Adult Amateur classes after entry closing, all post entry and/or change fees will be applied.**

◆ Classes will be scheduled to accommodate the judges, riders and management. Rider scheduling preferences, if noted on the entry, will be indulged when possible. The 50 minutes between rides rule will be observed for riders of multiple horses. Requests for specific break parameters will be considered, but not guaranteed. Classes will not necessarily be scheduled in order of difficulty.

◆ **Provisional ride times will be EMAILED the week of the show** and posted on [www.fresnocds.net](http://www.fresnocds.net) and [www.goldenstatedressage.com](http://www.goldenstatedressage.com). It is the obligation of the entrant to contact the Show Secretary at [davenport@saber.net](mailto:davenport@saber.net) if times have not been received. Scheduling conflicts must be emailed to the Show Secretary 48 hours prior to the start of the show. **RIDERS SHOULD BE AWARE THAT IF THE NEED ARISES, THE SHOW MANAGEMENT CAN CHANGE RIDE TIMES AS PER USEF GR 830.** Times will be posted on [www.goldenstatedressage.com](http://www.goldenstatedressage.com) and [www.fresnocds.net](http://www.fresnocds.net).

**Each exhibitor is responsible to check the revised schedule which is posted at the show office.**

◆ An Exhibitor's Letter with updates may be included with the riding times. Information in this document is considered to be as binding as any other show rule or procedure stated in this Prize List.

### **SHOWGROUNDS- RV PARKING**

◆ Please leave dogs at home.

◆ All classes are planned to be held in the large (20mx60m) arena. Warm-up and competition are loamy sand. If a second arena is added, it will be 20mx40m small court with loamy sand.

◆ The assigned bridle number must be worn at all times when the horse is out of the stall or away from the trailer.

◆ Use of the warm-up arenas is limited to those who are entered in the show and, at the discretion of Show Management, will be restricted to those warming up for class(es) in progress when there is congestion. **NO ONE ON FOOT WILL BE ALLOWED IN THE DRESSAGE WARM-UP AREAS AT ANY TIME.** There will be a designated lunge area and lungeing may be restricted to pre- and post- competition hours.

◆ Food will be available on the show grounds.

◆ No RV hook-ups on grounds.

### **STABLING - GROUNDS**

◆ Owner/Agent/Participant agrees that show management is merely providing stabling for the convenience of the participant and management and sponsoring organizations shall have no responsibility whatsoever for any injury, loss, damage, etc., as a result of using said stabling. Owner/Agent/Participant agrees to indemnify, defend, and hold Show Management, their officials, officers, directors, employees, agents, personnel, volunteers and affiliated organizations harmless from any loss, damage or claims as a result of said use. **Owner/Agent/Participant assumes all care, custody, and control with regard to this use.**

◆ Stabling is available through Silver Glen Stables, 8175 W. Ashlan Ave., Fresno. 12 x 12 permanent box stalls with sliding doors. Contact Linda Van Kirk: 559-285-1153.

◆ Please deposit all manure as directed by the facility. Waste materials must be disposed of properly, in accordance with State law and the rules of USEF. In the event of rain prior to show, it is rider's responsibility to call to determine whether show is cancelled. Shows not cancelled unless footing deemed unsafe.

### **AWARDS - PRIZE MONEY - FREESTYLES - MISCELLANEOUS**

◆ Ribbons through Fifth. Prizes to First in all classes of three or more. O, J, AA classes not combined for awards. USDF/Dover AA Medal is Class 123, awarded to highest scoring Adult Amateur.

◆ Show management reserves the right to amend award information by making notification in subsequent advertising and communications such as exhibitor letters and show programs.

◆ Scored tests will be given only to riders or their agents and only after the results are finalized and the class is placed. Any disputes concerning scores, divisions entered (AA, JR/YR, Open), and/or placings must be brought to the attention of the Show Office within one hour of the end of the show day. Scores and placings become final at that time.

◆ **FREESTYLES:** It is the responsibility of the exhibitor to have the cued music at the announcer's stand at the start of the ride and a representative at the stand to tell the announcer when to start and stop the music. A sound check will be conducted at each show; please make arrangements directly with the announcer. Exhibitors are responsible for retrieving their own music after the class.

◆ Except for USEF/USDF Championship classes and for FEI Pony Riders, FEI Junior and Young Rider Freestyles, in order to enter a freestyle class at any level, a horse/rider combination must have received a minimum score of 60% in the highest test of the declared freestyle level or any test of a higher level at a USEF Recognized Competition prior to the competition being entered. A photocopy of the test verifying eligibility must be submitted with the entry for a freestyle class.

## FEES

- ◆ Office Fee - \$30/entry
- ◆ CDFA - \$5/horse
- ◆ CDS TGF - \$2/horse
- ◆ USEF - \$15/horse (includes \$7 Drug and Medication) - N/A for February show
- ◆ Stabling - Contact Silver Glen Stables, 8175 W. Ashlan Ave., Fresno, CA (559) 285-1153
- ◆ Scratch fee - \$20 before closing. No refunds after closing.
- ◆ Bank fee - \$15 plus all bank fees for checks returned by the bank
- ◆ Change/post entry fee - \$10/class
- ◆ Late fee - \$20 for entries accepted after closing date
- ◆ Classes – February:
  - ◆ All Classes \$40
- ◆ Classes – June and October:
  - ◆ Intro \$40
  - ◆ Training-FEI \$50 add \$10 for Great American/USDF Qualifying
  - ◆ Freestyles \$50 add \$10 for Great American/USDF Qualifying
  - ◆ Pas de deux \$50 per pair, each test
  - ◆ Quadrille \$50 per team, each test
  - ◆ Equitation \$40
  - ◆ Opportunity \$50

◆ **NON-COMPETING HORSES.** Each non-competing horse must have a signed release, wear an assigned number, must observe the rules governing the use of the warm-up areas and must pay any required fees, including stabling, haul-in and grounds fees. Any horse brought onto the grounds, including the parking lots, is subject to the rules of the show. This includes horses that never leave a horse trailer. Violations of this rule will result in double the fees due. Note: Priority in availability, location and type of stabling will be given to horses entered in classes

◆ Checks payable to: Fresno CDS. Mail to: Shows #1 and #3: 17930 Highway 20 East, Nevada City, CA 95959. Show #2: 26624 Table Meadow Road, Auburn, CA 95602. Show #4 (Toys for Tots) – Freya Mello, 12753 Road 34 ½, Madera, CA 93636-8458.

◆ Any balance due at the end of the show will be billed with a billing charge of \$25. Payment must be made immediately upon receipt of the bill. Non-payment will result in the individual being turned in to the sponsoring organizations, in addition to legal ramifications.

## REFUNDS - CANCELLATIONS

- ◆ After the entry closing date, no refunds for any reason.
- ◆ Checks returned by the bank will be assessed \$15 plus all bank fees upon the first return and will not be run through a second time. A cashier's check or cash will be needed to clear the entry.

## STATE BORDER CROSSINGS:

◆ The most recent information available on documents necessary for transporting horses across state lines is available at the following numbers: Nevada Department of Agriculture - (775) 688-1180 and California Department of Agriculture - (916) 654-1447. Be sure to ask if there are any prohibitions against feed as well.

## JUNIORS

◆ All minors/juniors must be supervised by their parent/guardian or authorized agent at all times while at or on the show grounds, whether riding or on foot. The parent/guardian or authorized agent shall assume all responsibility to protect juniors from any injury, damage, harm and/or loss and shall indemnify, defend and hold show management, its employees, independent contractors and volunteers, the facility at which the event is held, Golden State Dressage, Inc. and all affiliated organizations harmless therefrom.

◆ USEF GR1301.5: Minors who do not have a valid driver's license which allows them to operate a motorized vehicle in the state in which they reside will not be permitted to operate a motorized vehicle of any kind including, but not limited to, golf carts, motorcycles, scooters, or farm utility vehicles on the competition grounds or recognized competitions. Minors who have a valid temporary license may operate the above described motorized vehicles as long as they are accompanied by an adult with a valid driver's license. Violations of this rule will be cause for sanctions against the parent(s), guardian(s) and/or trainer(s) who are responsible for the child committing the offense. Penalties may include exclusion of the child, parent(s), guardian(s), and/or trainer(s) from the competition grounds for the remainder of the competition and charges being filed against

any of the above individuals in accordance with Rule 6. Wheelchairs and other mobility assistance devices for individuals with disabilities are exempt from this rule.

◆ Protective headgear is required of Juniors, except as stipulated in dressage classes.

### **ALL COMPETITORS**

◆ Except as may otherwise be mandated by local law, the Federation and Golden State Dressage, Inc. strongly encourage all riders, while riding anywhere on the competition grounds, to wear protective headgear with harness secured which passes or surpasses ASTM (American Society for Testing and Materials)/SEI (Safety Equipment Institute) standards for equestrian use and carries the SEI tag. It is the responsibility of the rider, or the parent or guardian or trainer of the junior exhibitor to see to it that the headgear worn complies with appropriate safety standards for protective headgear intended for equestrian use, and is properly fitted and in good condition, and the Federation, Show Committee, and Licensed Officials are not responsible for checking headgear worn for such compliance.

◆ The Federation and this show management make no representation or warranty, express or implied, about any protective headgear, and cautions riders that death or serious injury may result despite wearing such headgear as all equestrian sports involve inherent dangerous risk and as no helmet can protect against all foreseeable injuries.

◆ Any exhibitor may wear protective headgear (ASTM/SEI) and/or a protective safety vest, specifically designed for use in equestrian sport in any division or class without penalty from the judge. The Federation recommends that the vest meet or surpass the current ASTM standard or be certified by the Safety Equipment Institute.

◆ Except as may otherwise be mandated by local law, the Federation strongly encourages all riders, while riding anywhere on the competition grounds, to wear protective headgear with harness secured which passes or surpasses ASTM (American Society for Testing and Materials)/SEI (Safety Equipment Institute) standards for equestrian use and carries the SEI tag. It is the responsibility of the rider, or the parent or guardian or trainer of the junior exhibitor to see to it that the headgear worn complies with appropriate safety standards for protective headgear intended for equestrian use, and is properly fitted and in good condition, and the Federation, Show Committee, and Licensed Officials are not responsible for checking headgear worn for such compliance.

◆ The Federation makes no representation or warranty, express or implied, about any protective headgear, and cautions riders that death or serious injury may result despite wearing such headgear as all equestrian sports involve inherent dangerous risk and as no helmet can protect against all foreseeable injuries.

◆ **PONY MEASUREMENT:**The show will assist with this process but cannot guarantee the presence of a veterinarian. Anyone interested in having a pony measured by the Technical Delegate must make arrangements with the on-call veterinarian to come to the show to participate in the measurement. The show will not be responsible for making any of these arrangements and advises that if the on-call veterinarian feels it is necessary to travel to a sick or injured horse instead of coming to the show to measure, the show will in no way be held responsible or liable for this decision on the part of the veterinarian.

### **USEF MEMBERSHIP STATEMENT**

**Life, senior active and junior active members shall be eligible to participate in all classes at Regular Competitions, Eventing Competitions at the Preliminary Level or above and Combined Driving Competitions at the Advanced Level, Dressage, Reining and Vaulting Competitions and Endurance Rides. A nonmember may participate as a handler, rider, driver, owner, lessee, agent, coach or trainer at Regular Competitions, Eventing Competitions, Dressage Competitions, Reining Competitions and Combined Driving Competitions upon payment of a \$30 nonmember registration fee. Participants in the following classes are exempted from the Requirements of this rule: 1) leadline; 2) exhibitions; 3) games and races; 4) classes for 4-H members; 5) walk trot and academy classes (academy classes are classes limited to horses used regularly in a lesson program); 6) USDF introductory level tests, pas de deux and quadrille classes; 7) NRHA Endorsed Reining Competitions. 8) Opportunity classes, 9) citizens of other nations who have proof, in English, of current membership in good standing of their own National Federation, 10) USEA beginner novice division; and 11) assistant handlers in Dressage Sport Horse Breeding classes.**