



Ninth Annual Weekend Educational Program

for Riders of all Ages and Levels, Instructors, and Parents

with Special Sessions for Dressage and Event Riders

All Day Special Sessions:

“How to Teach” - for Instructors of all Disciplines

Sport Horse Conformation Analysis and Showing in Hand

Session for Dressage Judges

Dressage4kids, Inc is pleased to invite **everyone** interested in horses and riding to their Ninth Annual Weekend Educational Program. The program will take place Saturday and Sunday, January 29/30, 2011 at the Nonnewaug Regional School, 5 Minortown Rd, Woodbury, CT. There are an entire series of lectures dedicated to **Dressage Riders, Pony Clubbers** and **Event riders** as well as those geared to **instructors, adult amateurs** and **youth of all levels and ages**.

There will be lectures on subjects of interest to everyone involved in horses including vet care, stable management, riding theory. There will be peer roundtable discussions for Parents, for professionals, and for youth heading toward the **North American Junior/Young Rider Dressage and Eventing Championships**. There will be a meeting for the Region 8 and Area 1 potential Dressage and Eventing team members for planning fundraising, coaching, and transportation to NAJYRC. The Connecticut Dressage Association Vista Vintage Award Program is sponsoring session geared toward the care and training of the older horse.

Once again Susan Sieber will oversee educational and fun activities for the **youngest children** with the assistance of Nonnewaug students. There will be an extra fee for these youth.

On Saturday there will be a special session in **Judging and Showing sport horses in hand**. For more information contact - Marie Banks at bnks19@optonline.net

Also on Saturday is separate forum for Instructors. This will be suitable for riding instructors of all levels and disciplines as it will cover "**How to Teach**". Speakers will include schoolteachers, psychologists, as well as riding instructors. This session will be limited in number. For more information contact Lendon Gray - graydressage@optonline.net

On Sunday a separate forum for **dressage judges** will be held. The forum will be open only to USEF judges, USDF L graduates and L candidates. The forum will include a review of the new tests and discussion of judging issues. For further information on the Judge's Session, contact [Margaret Freeman](mailto:Margaret.Freeman@optonline.net) - 914-244-8994.

To see a list of the other speakers, a complete schedule of events, and application form go to www.dressage4kids.com and click on Educational Program or call Lendon Gray at 914 234-4158.

Advance registration for adults: \$40 for both days, or \$25 for one day (Lunch included)
Advance registration for youth: \$25 for both days, or \$15 for one day (Lunch included)

If application **received** after January 21 or at the door for adults: \$60 for both days, or \$40 for one day.
Lunch included as available.

If application **received** after January 21 or at the door for youth: \$50 for both days, or \$30 for one day.
Lunch included as available.

Mini-WEP (10 and under) in advance: \$30/day Lunch included
Mini-WEP at the door: \$45/day Lunch included

The Heritage Hotel, 522 Heritage Rd, Woodbury, CT is offering a special hotel rate for "Dressage4kids" participants. As the schedule is finalized details will be available at www.dressage4kids.com. Updates will also be placed on the Dressage4kids Facebook page.

This will be a lovely opportunity to meet and network with riders, parents, and instructors from other disciplines as well as different areas of the country. During lunch times there will be tables set aside for discussion groups: Developing Profiles for Sponsorship; The Life of a Working Student; USDF L Program and Instructor Certification Programs; What Pony Club Has to Offer.

A partial list of the talks offered:

Your Personality Profile and how it relates to your riding and teaching – Kathy Kelly PhD

Dissecting the Dressage Test - Amy von Shultz

Journaling as a Skill Building tool - Allison Brunelli – www.barnbynotes.com

Proper Dental Care and Its Impact on Performance - Todd Behre DVM

On Saturday, there will be five sessions on the new tests with Margaret Freeman:

- 1 and 2 Duplicate sessions on Intro/Training Levels.
3. Session on First/Second Levels.
4. Session on Third/Fourth Levels.
5. Collective remarks and general analysis of dressage tests

Mental Preparation for Competition – Jenny Susser PHD

Learn About the Horse's Skeleton – Liz Webb

A Fitter Rider is a Better Rider - Susan Rainville

Roundtable Discussion: Raising the Horse Crazy Child and Surviving – both days

Roundtable Peer Discussion for Professionals only: Bring your questions and problems -- both days

Does the Training Scale Weigh Your Training? – Lendon Gray

Teaching Beginners -- Alison Overtfeld

How do you know when you are ready to move up to next Eventing Level

Choosing the right event horse - for each stage

Eventing 101 - Introduction to Eventing: Explanation of the levels

Eventing 102 - Discussion of Upper levels, FEI events

- 3-year plan to Championships (Training up) -- Nancy Marks

12011 Young Rider Eventing Program

Looking at a career that relates to horses? – Panel

Understanding Lyme Disease

Evaluating Hay



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