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Alpha Dressage Association

Alpha Dressage Association Newsletter

December **2008**

Greetings!
Wow, Time Flies! Last time I blinked I was making Thanksgiving Dinner, and now I am late with the newsletter! Sorry! Lots of stuff has been going on, some good, some sad... Hopefully this finds everyone gearing up for Christmas and in good spirits!

Amie

The Prez Says....

Hi Everyone!

Well, its been a whirlwind month, and boy is it COLD! We've got lotsa events coming up in the next few months. I can't wait for the Zen and the Horse clinic in January! Hopefully, we can all stay warm and riding until then!

Thanks,
Betty

20 Signs.....

"20 Signs Your Dressage Test Needs Work"

1.Under judges remarks she writes only: "Nice braid job."
2.Horse confuses dressage arena rail for a cavaletti; exits at K.
3.Your circles shape reminds the judge that he should pick up eggs on the way home.
4.Your serpentine was perfect, except that it was supposed to be a straight centerline.
5.Sitting trot has caused some fillings to be loosened in lower molars.
6.Your horse believes "free walk" means leaving the arena and heading towards the nearest patch of grass.
7.Your working trot had you working harder then your horse.
8.In your salute, your inadvertently use your whip hand causing your horse to perform airs above the ground.
9.Your walk seems to be more "rare" than "medium."
10.Impulsion improves only after the horse sees monsters in the decorative shrubbery near letters.
11.Your horse's response to the canter aid is "Can't, er, what?"
12.Your twenty meter circle involved jumping the rail twice.
13.Your halt took place in the judge's lap, instead of at X.
14.Your thoroughbred interpreted elasticity to involve trying to kick himself in the head with his back feet during the working canter.
15.Your horse entered the arena at A, and M, and H, and B...

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16.Judge's comments include words like "unusual, dramatic, explosive, and tragic"
17.Leg-yields involve your leg yielding before the horse does.
18.Free walk was interpreted by your Arab to involve prancing, a rear, and a few bucks.
19.The judge asks you take the broken letters with you when you leave.
20.Voodoo dolls of your horse were found in the possession of the show's grounds manager.

A message from Caryl Faso…

Alpha Dressage, thank you so much for you kind thoughts and well wishes to our family on Joe's passing. I'd like to say he's in a better place, but I want him w/ me. The flowers were beautiful and much appreciated. I look at them all the time.

Ialso want to thank Alpha Dressage for sending a contribution to The Dressage Foundation in remembrance of Pachmann. That is a thoughtful way to keep his memory alive. He was 6 months old when I got him and 15 yrs old when he passed. I miss him every day.

Thanks again for the thoughtful gifts.

Caryl Faso

Go to www.dressagefoundation.org to see Pachmann's name in the Book Of Memory.

Upcoming Events….

December;
Tuesday, the 9th, meeting at Marthas house

January;
Tuesday (13th) Meeting and Gift Exchange
17th and 18th Zen and the Horse Clinic

February;
Tuesday (10th) Meeting

March;
1st(Sunday) Schooling Show at Shady Oaks
Tuesday (10th) Meeting

April;
4th and 5th Double Delight, Fox Lea Farms
Tuesday (14th) Meeting

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A note from Martha:

To celebrate Christmas, we will have the meeting at my house at 7 pm, Tuesday, Dec. 9.

Directions: From I 75, get off at exit # 195, Laurel Road. Go west on Laurel for 2 miles, turn right onto Mission Valley Blvd. Go .6 miles, turn left at the 5th drive on the left - Percheron Circle. We are last house on left, #490.

From 41, go 7.2 miles south of Sarasota Square Mall, turn east (left) on Laurel Road, go .8 miles, turn left on Mission Valley Blvd. Go .6 miles, turn left at the 5th drive on the left - Percheron Circle.

Please bring a dish to share - no gifts. I will have coffee and soda, please bring your own alcohol.

If you need more info, please email me at Koeh2337@comcast.net or call me at 320-7673.

Sincerely,

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