



Established in 1971, The **Oregon Dressage Society**, an affiliate of the United States Dressage Federation, exists to educate, promote and inspire its members and the general public through programs, publications and competitions, in a way that enhances the image of Dressage and promotes the welfare of the horse.

Oregon Dressage Society Retreat Agenda

Saturday, February 1, 2014

Silver Falls Conference Center

Noon: Arrival and Lunch – Dining Hall

1 PM: ODS Retreat – Brainstorming and Creative Time – Smith Meeting Hall

1. Welcome and Introductions – *Rose Newman*
2. Overview of ODS Governance – *Rose Newman & Gaye McCabe*
 - a. *History*
 - b. *“Who” ODS is*
 - i. *Board*
 - ii. *Committees*
 - iii. *Chapters*
 - iv. *Staff*
 - c. *Bylaws*
 - d. *Minutes*
 - e. *Important Financial Documents*
 - f. *Policies and Procedures Manual*
3. Brainstorming – *Rose Newman & Gaye McCabe*
 - a. Member Benefits, specifically publications (Dolores Morgan)
 - b. League Championship Show, brainstorm options to bring programs back (Gaye McCabe)
 - c. Outreach, Publicity, Advertising, Marketing (multiple retreat attendees)
 - i. Youth Outreach and Programs; what opportunities are specific to youth
 - ii. Adult Outreach and Programs; what opportunities are specific to adults
 - d. Communication Strategies: (multiple retreat attendees)
 - i. What is working, what needs improvement; how are messages filtered from Board to Members, from Staff to Members, from Chapters to Members, from Chapters to Board, etc.
 - e. Western Dressage at League Shows (Gaye McCabe)
4. Budget and Finance Workshop – *Dolores Morgan & Chris Main*
5. Policies and Procedures Manual Review – *Ed Miller* * note: *Please pick up your Policy Manuals or updated chapters prior to this segment*
6. Insurance Review – *Corinne Stonier*
7. Question and Answer Time - topics from registration form not covered above and open floor

Oregon Dressage Society Board Meeting Agenda

Sunday, February 2, 2014

Silver Falls Conference Center – Smith Meeting Hall

1. Call to order – *Rose Newman*
 - a. Announcements
2. Approve minutes of December Conference Call – *Rose Newman*
3. Adopt agenda – *Rose Newman*
4. Correspondence – *Corinne Stonier*
 - a. Amanda Lamp – letter of complaint and sanctions request
 - b. TDF – sponsorship request
5. Executive Director report – *Corinne Stonier*
 - a. Membership
 - i. Numbers
 1. *See written report*
 - ii. Effort
 - iii. Member Decals (*directive from last year's retreat*)
 - b. Publications
 - c. Insurance
 - i. Riding Club Liability
 - ii. Horse Shows / Clinics
 1. Explain Additional Insured
 - iii. Directors and Officers Coverage
 - iv. Workers Comp
 - v. Recommend: Business Owners Policy; review of umbrella policy
 - d. Website
 - i. Review of calendar (format updated in 2012)
 - ii. Contact information page
 - iii. Chapter webpages
 - iv. New Committee Page Format (in 2013)
 1. Collapsing High School into Youth – single page
 2. Para-Committee Page
 - v. Other:
 - e. Outreach
 - i. Booths
 1. Pacific NW Endurance Riders
 2. National Pony Club Convention
 3. Washington State Horse Expo
 4. NW Horse Fair
 5. Other:
 - ii. Other organizations:
 1. Oregon Horse Country

6. Financial report – *Chris Main*
 - a. Budget & Financial Reports
 - i. ODS Office/Board Accounts: General Account, ODS Education Fund Account , Other Misc. ODS Accounts
 - ii. Status Report: Combination of Chapter/Committee/HS Team Accounts for Annual CT-12 and IRS Taxes
7. Standing Committee reports
 - a. ODS Adult Programs Committee – *Francy Haupt*
 - i. *See written report*
 - ii. **Motions before the board** – *Two separate Connie J Keith Adult Amateur Camp Grant Applications (1 new, one clarified); see applications attached to this agenda and reports document*
 - b. ODS Awards Committee – *Ed Miller*
 - i. *See written report*
 - ii. **Motions before the board** – *see report for details*
 - c. ODS Finance Committee – *Christopher Main*
 - d. ODS Competitions Committee – *Rose Newman*
 - i. Planning classroom education – Volunteering – 2014; Show Biz - 2015
 - e. ODS Dressage Sport Horse Committee / Breeders Group – *Dolores Morgan*
 - i. **Motion before the board** – *update banking credentials for DSHB checking account*
 - f. ODS Youth Programs Committee – *Gaye McCabe*
8. Ad Hoc Committee reports
 - a. Publications Committee
 - i. *No volunteers yet; no report as of January 28, 2014*
 - b. Para-Equestrian Committee – *Sharon Knowlton*
9. State Volunteer reports
 - a. ~~Asst. Treasurer~~ – *No report as position is currently vacant*
 - b. Historian – *Kim Hixson*
 - i. *No report as of January 28, 2014*
 - c. Librarian – *Francy Haupt*
 - i. *See written report*
 - ii. **Motion before the board** *financial request to purchase DVDs for the Library*
10. Region 6 Director report – *Donna Longacre*
11. Chapter reports
 - a. *Several written reports are included in pages to follow agenda*
 - b. *Oral chapter reports from chapter officers present*
12. Old Business
 - a. Sending Reps to 2015 USEF Convention
 - b. .
 - c. .
13. New Business
 - a. League Championships – *Gaye McCabe*
 - b. Policy & Procedure Manual Updates for Board Approval – *Ed Miller*
 - c. Education Fund – need to set up program for its use and longevity (fundraising plan) and committee (advisors? Grant decision makers?)
 - d. Authorizing a paid staff position for Assistant Treasurer – *Dolores Morgan*
 - e. .
 - f. .
14. Adjourn – *Rose Newman*
15. Next Meeting Dates: see website calendar (updated recently)

Committee Reports

Adult Programs Committee

Committee Members: Francy Haupt, Chair; Patty Armstrong, Sharm Daggett, Sharon Knowlton & Jill Campbell. I would still like to include a member from the LPS Chapter but have not received a response yet.

The NW Horse Fair and Expo will start off the year for our committee. The dressage clinician for 2014 is Janet "Dolly" Hannon. Her topics are:

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| Friday: | Tips for Better Dressage Test Scores & Improved Equitation |
| Saturday: | How to Improve Your Musical Freestyle from the Judges View
Lecture - Judging Musical Freestyles - What to consider when preparing your ride. |
| Sunday: | How to get your horse on the bit |

Dolly did want to include some Western Dressage Riders in her sessions so we have reached out to the OR Western & Cowboy Dressage Association for rider interest. And I have received calls from a couple of our Traditional Dressage Trainers who said they would turn in Western and regular applications. At this time we only have 3 applications turned in.

There are costs for stabling at the expo again this year. So we will be looking for sponsors to cover that cost again this year.

Other Programs that the committee will look at for 2014 are:

1. USDF Instructors Education Program to start in the fall. We are gathering information at this time for potential facilities.
2. The topic of Instructors Training has been brought up by Michelle Merkin and Janice Dill. I have been working with them to develop a survey to send to all the Instructors & Trainers in ODS to see what their feelings are about doing such a clinic.
3. Quarterly Lectures on business and health topics for members.

In light of the Fall Festival and considering the feedback from the member survey we sent out we will not be hosting a Gerd Heuschmann clinic in the fall of 2014 but hope to in the spring of 2015.

Looking into 2015 the committee will plan another 'Intro to the New Tests' Clinic. Potential instructor would be Janet Foy.

Respectfully submitted by: Francy Haupt

Awards Committee Report - Feb 1, 2014

The awards committee addressed the issue of the DSHB and Licensed Show horse/rider awards following the USDF ruling denying ODS the ability to charge the \$1.00 fee to fund the program. Note that the discussion and recommendations that follow only address the licensed show program. League show awards are unaffected at this time and are to continue as currently implemented.

DSHB Awards:

Dolores Morgan obtained a sponsor to fund the DSHB awards. The sponsor will fund the awards for this year and going forward. In return, ODS needs to acknowledge the sponsorship on the ODS Website and the in Policy and Procedures Manual.

Motion before the ODS Board: The committee recommends the Board vote to accept the sponsorship effective immediately.

Licensed Show Horse/Rider Awards:

The committee considered two options for funding the program.

Option 1. Participation in the program would be optional and based upon an annual fee to be assessed. Suggested fee was \$25.00 per year. The fee would be required prior to the end of the year in 2014 and subsequently by applied as an “opt in” during renewal of annual dues. ODS would continue to tabulate scores as currently practiced and plates would be made up for those who had “opted in.”

Option 2. This is option is also a voluntary participation on a per plate basis. Riders who qualify for a plate would have the option of requesting a plate and paying a fee sufficient to cover the ODS cost of engraving and mailing. Suggested fee is \$10.00 per plate. ODS would continue to compile scores and publish them as is the current practice. Riders would submit a form along with the fee to ODS by a specified date. The form would also act as verification of horse/rider information on the data is correct. Plates would be obtained and distributed by ODS as is the current practice. Although not specifically stated, ODS has allowed owners of horses to obtain duplicate plates (for a fee). This policy could be formalized in the revision of the PPM.

It is also suggested that the orders be placed by a specified date to reduce the administrative time required. After the specified date, the fee would go up by \$5.00.

Motion before the ODS Board: The committee recommends the Board accept Option 2.

Preliminary 2013 Horse/Rider Awards Results

TYPE	Shows	Plates	Rides/plate	Income	Est. Cost	
League	29	372	6.24	\$ 2321	\$ 2604	-\$ 283
Licensed	41	489	8.86	\$ 4334	\$ 3423	\$ 911

ODS Video Librarian Report

In 2013 the ODS Video Library was used less than in 2012. Only twelve checkout requests were placed for a total of 34 videos compared to 15 requests for 63 videos in 2012. I still feel that we could do a better job of publicizing the library to our members. I am working on different email blasts that can be sent out explaining what the library is all about.

I was contacted by Cheri Bly from Horse World Media. She found our library listing during a Google Search. She is willing to sell ODS videos in DVD format at 30-50% off retail. I have put together a list of what she has in stock compared

to what we have and the total for that is \$402 plus shipping so I will use this year's video budget plus the money made from selling the books at the silent auction in 2012 which comes to \$365 to purchase as many as I can and I will ask the Finance Committee for help with the remainder. I think upgrading the library to DVD as much as we can will greatly enhance the use of it.

The videos she is offering that are on a 'Wish List' that would be great to add to the library total \$710 plus shipping. Examples of videos on that list are 2012 World Cup for \$15, the 2013 European Championships for \$18, Carl Hester's Master Class for \$18 and the Klimke series DVDs are only \$32 each. Her list is pretty extensive.

New videos that we got donated this past year include Jochen Schleese's 'Beyond the 9 points of Saddle Fitting and the USDF's 'The American Training Program' series. Kudos to Corinne for obtaining the later!!!

I would welcome any ideas of how to continue to promote the library to the membership as I feel that it is a valuable ODS Member Benefit.

Respectfully submitted,
Francy

Annual Chapter Reports

Cascade Chapter

- 1- Awards Banquet in Jan for chapter and Pony Club competitors in schooling shows
- 2- Schooling shows in May, June, July, Sept [Sept show canceled due to incimate weather]
- 3- Tulelake show - always 4th weekend in June
- 4- Monies donated to Pony Club and Spirit Horse Rescue
- 5- Donated money to Pony Club member to further Dressage education at clinic

Proposed in 2014

- 1- Play day in March to play games and have fun
- 2- Sports psychology clinic in April ; 2 -3 days depending on interest
- 3- Four schooling shows planned; May, June, July, Sept
- 4- Tulelake show June 28 & 29
- 5- Holiday get together

Cascade Chapter Pres.
Mary N Wood

Central Oregon Chapter

2013 Officers

President: Heather Wymore

Vice-President: Michelle Anderson

Secretary: Laura Swenson

Treasurer: Lisa Koch
Member at Large: Marsha Williams

The 2013 year was a busy one for the Central Oregon Chapter. We started out the year with 3 of our officers going to the ODS Board and Chapter Retreat at Silver Falls. This was a very informative and educational endeavor. There is a lot involved in keeping the ODS going.

Our Spring Social was held at Pizzacato in March. This was a great opportunity to present some new ideas and enthusiasm for the new year. We had a great turn out with good pizza and old friends.

We began our first of three league shows in May, with a full show schedule, at Horse Butte Equestrian Center. Our second show was held at a Nancy Stearns facility "Stonepony Dressage" in July. The last show was back at Horse Butte Equestrian Center in October.

The Central Oregon Dressage Classic at Brasada in June is the only local UDSF/USEF recognized show. This year we had a new challenge for our show committee: we offered the JR/YR qualifying classes. Once again we had a full show. Thank you to all of our competitors.

August is a great month for Adult Amateurs, as we host the Adult Amateur Camp at Future Street Farm. We provided a clinic with Nicki Grandia and Brooke Voldbaek with full days of instruction as we filled the clinic once again. Thank you to Lisa Koch for all of her hard work organizing this event and booking the clinicians.

We had wanted to sponsor a local youth for the ODS over-night youth camp at Devonwood, but unfortunately we did not have anyone apply for this opportunity, so we donated that money to the camp to use at their discretion.

We also sponsored 2 classes at the ODS Championship show in September.

We held monthly board meetings to discuss show progress and how we felt things were going as a club and discuss if we had any new ideas and plan for upcoming events.

Unfortunately we were not able to have our Awards Ceremony until January, but it was a great success. We had 30 in attendance at Joolz for appetizers and drinks. We awarded winning members with saddle pads or buckets of carrots and beautiful ribbons for their accomplishments at the league show series.

In October we held electronic nominations for 2014 board members. The results were:

President: Heather Wymore
Vice President: Mari Valceschini
Secretary: Laura Swenson
Treasurer: Lisa Koch
Member at Large: Marsha Williams

Columbia County Dressage Chapter

Chapter Mission: To help promote the art of Dressage thru educational lectures, demonstrations, viewing DVD's. and inviting guest speakers during our monthly meetings and special events. Specializing in teaching young riders, including 4-H, by lectures, demo riders, Ride-A-Tests, providing assistance to 4-Hers during Pre-Fair week and Fair.

REPORT: We have been able to accomplish our Mission with our Chapter this year, because we assist at all the Pre-Fair, Fair, and 4-H activities and help organize the Shows at these functions. This year, for the first time, our Chapter did a full day Dressage Show for the Fair as the Opening Day. We handled orchestrating the entire show as volunteers for the Columbia County Fair. The show was a huge success and this year the Fairgrounds built beautiful Dressage Letter Boxes with Flower containers on top for our Dressage Arena. (Our Chapter built and funded the full court arena several years ago) We have agreed with the Fairgrounds to help them organize a series of Dressage Shows this year as their volunteers, and in turn, they have promised to put in new arena footing in the Dressage Court for us. The Dressage Court will then be opened to the Public during the summer for open riding.

We meet the first Monday of every month. We go over events that the Dressage Society is doing and encourage volunteers. Several of our members volunteered at the DevonWood Championship show to help, and we encourage all to do at least one volunteer service a year to help. We also have a "Learning Session" every Chapter meeting that includes articles or book excerpts for consideration and discussion. We meet also several times a year and watch videos of our lessons to analyze each other and encourage each other's training.

One of our members is a coach and a judge at Horse'n Around Stables for the Dressage Show that benefits their Handicapped Program and donates her fees to their Program in order for them to continue their work. Our Chapter has sponsored a Mustang, and one of our members personally sponsored a teenager to do the Mustang Challenge.

This year we hope to organize a Chapter camping trip to either Long Beach or Cougar to enjoy some riding and camp fires. We are scheduling a Ride-A-Test this summer and hope to bring a trainer we know in from California to do this.

We are a very small Chapter because our County is mostly all rural and Western riders. Our issues are we would love to have more come and join our group to help make things more fun. We have the same people who volunteer and do all the work every time. Some have joined and then when asked to help or volunteer, they leave to join a big group so that they don't have to volunteer or do anything. At one show we had in the past, we offered an entry discount if the rider volunteered for two hours. We had people take the discount and then never show up to assist. Our trouble is getting people to help when we want to do functions.

We all feel our Oregon Dressage Society is doing a wonderful job. We have attended most all of the Events offered by them for education. Lilo Fore and Stephan Peters clinics were the best and we really enjoyed being there. Hopefully we will have some in our Chapter who will actually be showing this year, so that will be fun to support them.

Our new Chapter Officers still needs to be put on the WEB. President: Lesley Everett, / Vice President: Debbie Spitzenpfeil, / Secretary: Kristy Larsen, / Treasurer: Ann Hughes, / 4-H and Newsletter: Mary Schulte. We will work on photos ASAP.

Thank you, and I hope that helps let you know where our Chapter is - Debbie Spitzenpfeil

Eagle Cap Chapter of ODS

Our chapter had activities almost every month of 2013. Our focus was to hold some activities that would spark the interest of non dressage riders and offer them a chance to participate in some of our activities. The 4 weeks of sessions explaining and demonstrating dressage were received enthusiastically and we had a couple participants who went on to ride in our schooling show. They are now still attending meetings and want to continue to learn with us this new year.

Our activities were:

1. Christmas party right after New Years
2. January: Movie night at the Youth Center (ODS film that was great.)
3. Feb: Rider Yoga with Amy Zahm
4. Mar/April: Introduction to Dressage: 4 weeks of topics to learn the whole process of doing dressage, plus exercises on horseback. Members rode to demonstrate to newbies and helped facilitate.
5. Quadrille Practice at Dunham Ranch (several sessions to prepare for competing at Dressage at the Pond in LaGrande, OR.
6. June: Dressage show: judged by Marina Paris Woodhead
7. Second dressage show: schedule in September but cancelled due to lack of entries
8. Trail Ride: October loop of Dunham Ranch.
- 10 Nov. Demo by Marina Woodhead of Grand Prix Regional Championship musical kur, and lessons with Marina.

Lower Puget Sound Chapter – ODS

The Lower Puget Sound had a BUSY and SUCCESSFUL year in 2013. And we are pleased to say we have an even busier year planned for 2014!

We held five shows in 2013 and filled every show to the brim. We held two clinics with Jennifer Williams, a renowned Grand Prix Dressage Instructor from our Region, a Pilates clinic with Beth Glosten, and a Ride & Review clinic with Kari McLain. All of those clinics were extremely well attended and inspires us to expand our horizons even broader in 2014.

Our first clinic of 2014 will be on January 26th at Chalice Farms with Jennifer Williams. This is the second clinic in a series of three in a Winter Series. Jennifer will return for a third clinic on April 27th.

On February 1st we will hold our Annual Awards Banquet at the Silverdale Hotel. The Volunteer of the Year and the Gene Dueber Awards will be awarded during the Banquet, along with High Point Awards, 1st place prizes, and ribbons through 5th place for each of our divisions. We will also recognize our members who are part of the Washington State Horseman's Association, as many of our members have received awards within WSH's Dressage Division.

On March 27-28th we will host our first Musical Freestyle Clinic with Cynthia Collins. This clinic is open to all riders both professionals and amateurs. But most excitingly, we are hosting a second clinic directly following from March 28-March 30th exclusively for Adult Amateurs with ODS membership. We are pleased and grateful to ODS for awarding our club the Connie J Keith Grant that will allow us to cover the majority of our overhead costs to bring Cynthia to the area. In doing so, we are able to keep the cost of this clinic to \$175 per rider, which is a tremendous opportunity to begin the process of a musical freestyle. We believe that this clinic will inspire riders around our region to break into riding with music and hopefully continue to build our Musical Freestyle classes at the shows. As of January 27th, we still have 2 openings for the AA clinic if anyone is interested.

Our official show season will begin on May 3rd and 4th with two 1-day shows at Green Hills in Gig Harbor. During our show on Saturday, May 3rd, we will be offering a Prix Caprilli Exhibition class. And there has been much buzz and excitement about that!

Our next two shows will be on June 8th and July 5th at Sawda Equestrian Center. Our July 5th show will be judged by yours truly, Donna Longacre, and Donna will stay for a Ride and Review Clinic to be held on July 6th.

On August 10th we will hold our Hot August Nights show at Silver Spurs in Silverdale, Washington and on September 14th Chalice Farms will host our Final Fall Fling.

We are proud to be members of the Oregon Dressage Society and appreciate all that you do! Our Board will continue to become more involved with ODS as time permits, and we are all grateful for the opportunities ODS provides for our club.

Pacific Crest Trail Chapter

2013 Chapter Officers:

Marci Sanders, President

Lynore Hay, Vice President

Jae Gober, Secretary

Wendy Redhouse, Treasurer

In 2013, the Pacific Crest Trail Chapter (PCTC) enjoyed a full year of activities and events that have become the tradition and hallmark of the chapter over many years. Highlights included:

- Five clinics with Ernst Herrmann in April, May, June, August and October. The two-day clinics were held at Joyce Stride's farm in North Plains and Eileen Parent's barn in Ridgefield, WA.
- Dressage Can Be Fun Show over Halloween weekend. The two-day show, which always features a practice show on Saturday and a League Show on Sunday, was judged by Holly Griswold from The Dalles, and managed by chapter veterans Joyce Stride and Rennie Squier who have done a fantastic job of running the show for 27 straight years! As always, the show couldn't be successful without the support of our great volunteers. The traditional focus is on the lower level rider, who wants a place to begin showing in a less stressful environment, and have some fun while doing it. The popular exhibitor's dinner on Saturday evening offered great food and an opportunity to relax and get caught up with each other.

In addition to our clinics and the Fun Show, several other activities were spearheaded by chapter officers and members including:

- Chapter president Marci Sanders and founding member Joyce Stride attended the ODS Board and Chapter Retreat at Silver Falls Conference Center. It's a great way to start the year with a planning focus!
- Education Night at the home of Vice President Lynore Hay on June 20 where ten chapter members enjoyed pizza and watched the DVD "If Horses Could Speak" by Dr. Gerd Heuschmann, who was featured at this year's ODS Fall Symposium.
- A demonstration of Pranic Healing for Horses was provided by ODS member and guest speaker Liza Burney from Heart to Heart Healing at the August chapter meeting.
- The chapter was well represented at this year's ODS Annual Banquet, where we were pleased to toast two PCTC members, Christiana Logan who received the Sportsmanship Award, and Heather Oleson who received the Mary Ann Judkins Instructor of the Year Award. The chapter sponsors the Volunteer of the Year Award, which was presented to Sally Temple of Eugene, OR.

With funds raised from the Ernie clinics and the Fun Show, the chapter was able to make a donation to support the care of one of the horses at Children's Farm Home in Corvallis. It has been a goal of the chapter to provide support that covers all or partial care for one of the therapy horses at this wonderful facility that is so important to children with disabilities. Additional sponsorships and donations that the Chapter was able to make in 2013 included:

- Sportsmanship Award at the JR/YR show (and gift)
- Adult Team Show Class Sponsorship
- ODS Championship Class Sponsorship
- ODS Volunteer of the Year Award (and gift)
- Chapter Basket for the Silent Auction at the ODS Awards Banquet

The chapter held four meetings over the year in February, April, August and October. The chapter welcomed several new members, and said "thank you" to our long-time treasurer, Wendy Redhouse, who moved with her family to North Carolina. 2014 chapter officers were elected by electronic communications in November:

President: Marci Sanders
Vice President: Joyce Stride
Secretary: Jae Gober
Treasurer: Lillian Logan

State of Jefferson Chapter

In 2013 the SJODS Chapter worked to host two shows, produce a new Youth Scholarship and sponsored a clinic series and Adult Amateur Camp.

In April, the chapter held the SJODS Spring Fling League Show at Cygnet Farm in Talent, and in October the club hosted Dressage in the State of Jefferson (recognized) at the Expo in Central point. Both shows were full, the league show offered a full day of competition and the recognized show offered two.

The club also installed a Youth Scholarship Fund for young riders (and ODS members) in southern Oregon. The intention of the scholarship is to offer financial support to young riders for educational dressage purposes. Two youth members were awarded the scholarship in 2013 and used the support to attend a local dressage camp.

SJODS continued its sponsorship of the Jutta Schott clinic series. A popular clinician in southern Oregon, Jutta's clinics filled quickly and had waiting lists. In the fall, the club brought back Jeremy Steinberg and Shauntel Bryant for the Adult Amateur Camp. The camp lasted five days and was also full, pulling riders from around the region to attend.

Also in 2013, the SJODS website was reinstated as an informational resource. The chapter's calendar of events is posted there as well as minutes from all the meetings and information on the Youth Scholarship Fund, the Jutta Schott clinics and club members.

Twin Rivers Chapter

2013 was a productive year for the Twin Rivers Chapter.

We started the year with our Annual Tack Sale which was a great success. We invited Pony Club to help, and split the profits with them.

We met each month and had some well attended programs. Lisa Simmons brought her beautiful clothes line, Cheval Amour, for a "trunk show" and several very happy Twin Rivers members left with coats, riding shirts, and vests. Gina Gardner made a presentation with slides from her trips across the American West for members interested in horse camping. Skip Hubbard made a presentation on leather quality, leather selection, and good leather care. He brought in numerous leather samples to help us understand how leather is prepared, the various types of leather, and their appropriate selection. Photos of his lovely custom work were admired by all. Early in the summer Kim Barker came down to get people brushed up on scribing for the show season. We also had Dr. Chris Wickliffe to speak on colic. He gave a dramatic presentation on equine colic - complete with an example of the length of the equine intestines. The program on equine nutrition led by Harris Statema was well attended and we even attracted equestrian friends from outside TRC. Carolyn Wesolek recommended we obtain the DVDs *Through the Eyes of the Judge*, which is a great educational video. Club members met in the Fall to watch these videos which show riders and horses at each level with a judge's commentary.

Our two day League Show July 27, 28 was a great success with 69 rides each day. The show was held at Diane Hollstrom's beautiful McKenzie View farm and incorporated Western Dressage classes as well. Proceeds were split with Pony Club.

Immediately afterwards our amazing team re-grouped to put on the Adult Summer Camp at Norma Richardson's farm in Yoncalla. Twelve riders enjoyed 4 days training with Carol McArdle and Debbie Spence.

TRC gave a \$500 donation to the local 4H club, prepared a basket for the Silent Auction at the ODS Annual Meeting. Our member Tami Davis won the newsletter award at the ODS annual meeting for the second year

Umpqua Valley Combined Training and Dressage Chapter of the Oregon Dressage Society

2013 Annual Chapter Report.

Year-end Rider Accomplishments: We had several riders earn national awards or recognition this year, (in no particular order) the following riders earned USDF awards, high ranking or recognition.

- Cindy Sanders with Cymphony: National Champion KWPN second Level Horse for Vintage riders and ranked 5th nationally for KWPN second Level Open. Also, together we earned the USDF Bronze Medal with Third Level scores each over 68%. My goal for Cymphony is to move her into the Developing Horse program (Prix St George for 7,8 and 9 year olds)next year and so with that in mind I am planning on going to the CDI at Rancho Murieta in April
- Geri Zickert and Slimmerik: Placed third USDF second level adult amateurs, and was reserve champion KWPN 2nd level adult amateurs, having a very consistent year with many second level scores in the 70%. Goals for the year include moving to third level and earning her USDF bronze medal.
- Luann Urban and Draco: (not a UVC member, but a local GM who deserves recognition) finished the year ranked First nationally in the Curly Sport horse at Dressage first level!

There are other members who show and accomplished their goals, including Marilyn Ulicny who showed her lovely Haflinger mare at second level, and Jill Giri who debuted her Trakehner mare in recognized competition at first level at the State of Jefferson show.

Local chapter activities included our annual Hearts and Horses Fun Open show in February, the Summer Solstice Dressage Practice show in June, and the DCHSDT hosted an L show in July. The Hearts and Horses show is the main fundraiser for our Horse People Helping Horse People Fund, the June show is our main club fundraiser. The club also joined forces this year with the Colliding Rivers Chapter to provide food/fundraising at the show in June. The Hearts and Horses show was a big success, raising over \$1000 for the HPHHP fund, while the June show was lightly attended and barely broke even. The L show was held at Wishing Well Farms and was of great benefit to the DCHSDT. Other chapter activities include sponsoring several participants in the 4-H hippology and horse bowl as they competed nationally in Kentucky. The annual Poker Ride as a fundraiser for HPHHP was cancelled this year, after it became clear that we would not be able to require or enforce the ODS helmet policy

This leads us to the greatest trial our chapter weathered this year. The cancellation of the poker ride caused a rift with some of the membership, and some hard feelings with the cancellation of a much loved community event. The club president, in particular, was adamant that we must either commit to fully enforcing the ODS helmet policy or terminate the event. This has been held at the Mildred Kanipe Memorial Park since its inception 15 years ago, and the park itself has become embroiled in politics and turmoil. The trust that ran the park has been terminated, ceding ownership to the county. There are some amongst the county supervisors and parks department who are pushing hard for logging of the old growth forest on the parklands. The UVC opposes this, and has supported an alternative plan that includes construction of (horse) campgrounds to generate revenue for the park without logging the trails. We are continuing to lobby for the campground option as this proposal makes its way through the county government.

The club continues to fundraise for and administer the Horse People Helping Horse People Fund. This is a fund open to all community members; they do not need to be members of the club, just "horse people". This fund is used in times of crisis or emergency to help out a community member. A club member must bring a request to our business meeting, and the club votes on how much support to give the recipient from the fund. Two major donations from the HPHHP fund are for a woman in Yoncalla (northern Douglas County) whose horse was cruelly shot from the freeway by someone attempting to poach deer on her property. The club helped her with veterinary expenses. The second was for one of our own club members, Karen Goirigolzarri lost her son, Nick to an extremely aggressive and fast acting form of leukemia. Nick was stationed at the Air Force Academy in Colorado, and succumbed after illness of just a few weeks. A donation was made in his name to the Roseburg High School Scholarship fund.

We are looking forward to a busy and productive 2014. We will once again host the Hearts and Horses show, June Summer Solstice Practice show and possibly an L show in the late summer/early fall to benefit the DCHSDT. We continue the HPHHP fund, and are adding an educational segment to our monthly business meetings, in place of the formal lecture series we had done in the past. Many members will be showing at practice, League and Recognized shows, so it is our hope that a solution to the rider awards plates will be found for the Recognized shows.

Respectfully submitted,
Jill Giri, DVM Current Chapter President

Proposed Amendments to Policy and Procedures Manual:

Proposed amendments to Policy and Procedure Manual – see green sheets of paper for proposed Chapter plus the following:

Chapter IV. Show and Activity Information

Section II. Show Approval

Deleted requirement for collection of the Participation Fee.

Chapter VI. ODS Sponsored Shows

Section IV. ODS League Championship and Open show

Deleted in its entirety. Renumber following sections.

Chapter VII. Awards, Scholarships, Grants

Section III. Sustainability of ODS Awards Program

Delete paragraph 1 as follows:

- ~~1. ODS shall assess a participation fee of \$1 per ride down the centerline or DSHB “go” at all ODS approved shows. The fees are dedicated to funding the ODS horse/rider and DSHB awards. ODS seeks and receives approval from USEF to assess the fee. USEF rules require that the fee be assessed to all participants regardless of ODS membership. Exceptions previously granted for breed restricted shows and shows outside specific areas are no longer permitted. To be consistent with USEF rules related to Opportunity Classes at USEF/USDF licensed shows, ODS will waive collection of the participation fee for those classes only.~~

Section IV. Horse/Rider awards

Introductory paragraph. The show committee recommends the League Show Championship award be the responsibility of both the Awards Committee and the Show Committee. All other awards remain the responsibility of the Awards committee. Note: Awards Committee Chair disagrees with recommendation.

Revise introductory paragraph by adding an exception to the responsibility of the committee as follows:

ODS Horse/Rider Awards fall within the responsibility of the Awards Committee except for the League Show Championship High Point Award

A. ODS Horse/Rider Awards for USEF/USDF Licensed and ODS Approved Shows

Amend subparagraph 2. Eligibility c. to make duplicate award plates available to horse owners as follows:

2. Eligibility requirements:
 - c. Riders must be a current member of ODS in good standing at the time the score was earned in order to be eligible to receive ODS awards. The rider need not be the owner of the horse. *Duplicate plates are available for owners of award winning horses if all other participation and eligibility requirements are met.*

Add a new paragraph 3. to describe the new horse/rider award program for licensed shows.

3. *Award Program Participation*

- a. *Participation in the ODS Licensed show program is optional. A fee of \$10 per award plate is applicable to participants in order to cover the cost of the program.*
- b. *Application Forms for award plates may be made at any time up to 30 days after the scores are posted on the ODS web site. Applications submitted after 30 days will be assessed a \$5.00 processing fee.*
- c. *The application form shall include either verification that posted information is correct or alternatively, the opportunity to provide any necessary corrections. Correction of errors on award plates will be made only at the expense of the applicant.*
- d. *The application form and fee are to be submitted to the address stipulated on the form.*

B. ODS Horse/Rider Awards for ODS Approved League Shows

Amend subparagraph 2. Eligibility c. to make duplicate award plates available to horse owners as follows:

2. Eligibility requirements:

- c. Riders must be a current member of ODS in good standing at the time the score was earned in order to be eligible to receive ODS awards. The rider need not be the owner of the horse. *Duplicate plates are available for owners of award winning horses if all other participation and eligibility requirements are met.*

Add a new paragraph C

Note: The following has already been implemented by publication on the ODS web site.

C. League Show High Point Awards (LSHPA):

The Rider Awards Coordinator will manage the LSHPA program under the direction of the Show and Awards Committee.

League Show Highpoint Awards are for horse/rider combinations demonstrating consistent excellence at ODS Approved League Shows.

1. League Show High Point Awards will be awarded in the following divisions:
 - Adult Amateur (as defined by USEF GR1306)
 - Open
 - Junior/Young Rider
2. Champion and Reserve Champion Ribbons will be awarded at the following levels for each Division. Ribbons will be presented at the annual ODS Awards Ceremony.
 - USDF Introductory Level
 - USEF Training Level
 - USEF First Level
 - USEF Second Level
 - USDF Musical Freestyle Training-Second level
 - USDF Pas De Deux Introductory-Second level
 - USDF Quadrille Introductory-Second Level
3. Eligibility
To receive a LSHPA, a horse/rider combination must:
 - have competed in the minimum number of tests for each level as shown in the following table.

- submit copies of the front of the test score sheets (showing score, percentage and judge's signature) from which the Champion/Reserve Champion Award is calculated by the required due date (see paragraph 6).

Test Level Required test	# or required scores
USDF Introductory Level	
Test A	2
Test B	2
USEF Training Level	
Test 2	2
Test 3	2
USEF First Level	
Test 2	2
Test 3	2
USEF First Level	
Test 2	2
Test 3	2
USEF Second Level	
Test 2	2
Test 3	2
USDF Musical Freestyle Training-Second level	2 at the same level
USDF Pas De Deux Introductory-Second level	1
USDF Quadrille Introductory-Second level	1

4. Method of Calculation of LSHPA
 - a. Introductory-Second level
Total number of points earned in the four tests divided by the total number of points possible in those tests.
 - b. Musical Freestyle
Total number of points earned in the two tests divided by total points possible in those tests.
 - c. Pas de Deux and Quadrille
Total number of points earned in the test divided by the total number of points possible in the test.
5. Qualifying Year
For the first year, the qualifying period shall be May 7, 2013 to Aug 20, 2014. In subsequent years, the qualifying period shall be that of the ODS Championship Show.
6. Submission of Scores
Riders may submit scores at any time during the qualifying year. Scores must be postmarked by the closing date of the ODS Championship show to be considered as eligible. Late submissions will not be considered.

Section V. Dressage Sport Horse Breeder Awards

Add a line acknowledging the sponsor of the DSHB Awards as follows:

*ODS DSHB Awards fall within the responsibility of the Awards Committee
Dressage Sport Horse Breeder Awards are sponsored by Diane Nauman, Hardenberg Farms.*

Section VI. Scholarships/Grants

Connie Keith Adult Amateur Camps

Amend the application requirements to require foreign clinicians to have proper documentation to work in the US. Requirement approved at the Fall Board meeting.

Application:

1. The camp organizer must complete and submit the ODS Keith Adult Camp Application Form. The application form is provided in the Connie J Keith Adult Amateur Camp Grant Information and Application Packet (see Appendix 2 or the ODS web site).
 - Among other things the application includes intended dates, location, instructors, and the procedure for choosing participants.
 - *The camp organizer must make sure that the proposed instructors are US Citizens or have the proper documentation to work in the US. If the instructor is not a US Citizen, proof of proper documentation must be submitted with the application*

Attachments:

Amanda Lamp – Correspondence

TDF – Request for Century Club Sponsorship

Membership Report

Policy Chapter VII – proposed changes

Connie J Keith Adult Amateur Camp Grant Request: Update from LPS-ODS (because their first grant approved was for a different clinician), recommended approval by ODS Adult Programs Committee

Connie J Keith Adult Amateur Camp Grant Request: Twin Rivers Chapter, recommended approval by ODS Adult Programs Committee

Sample chapter newsletter – Twin Rivers Chapter