



GLDC

PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

Happy May Day to my fellow GLDC members!

Where to begin? First of all, a big thank you to the Schroeder's for hosting two great events last month. I think we all enjoyed seeing the Freisans and the Gypsy caravan horses. By the time you receive this newsletter the Tack sale will probably be history, but from the sounds of things, it 's going to be a big success also, Centerline Farm is a regular hub of equine activities!

The minutes of the last meeting are enclosed so I won't rehash them, but I would like to mention the disappointing attendance. We knew people would be selective this year, as to events they attend, but there are so many free things being offered.. and the price of gas is so much better this year. The only thing that seems to be lacking is member interest. No one is comfortable making decisions for the entire membership, but sometimes there is no choice. For instance, because of the feedback of the few in attendance at the last meeting, we decided there was not sufficient interest to make the show at Rose Town a GLDC event. (Judy Finkel is going to go ahead with the show for her students and has invited any GLDC members to participate if they would like). There were several other motions made that I thought best to table until more members were involved in the discussion. Please try to attend whatever meetings and events you are able to so your officers know what your thoughts are.

Several of us did attend the Intercollegiate National Dressage Competition in Findlay on Sunday and it was quite interesting. I had forgotten that students are assigned to ride horses minutes before their tests! It was fun seeing how different students handled the same horse. Those poor horses got a work-out that day.

One great thing that came of the event was we met a woman there who does saddle fittings. Although she sells County saddles, she said she would be happy to do a clinic for us on how to assess your saddle's fit....without trying to sell anyone a saddle, or a pad. Further, if you would care to bring your horse, she will assess your horse and saddle for fit for \$35. If you want her to assess the fit while at work, the cost is \$75. (She has me convinced that I do not need a new saddle - just a different pad. Gads I hope she is right!) The clinic will be our regular June meeting (June 8th) at Centerline Farm. We will need to know how many people are interested in having the clinician assess the horse and saddle so that we can schedule times before and after our meeting. The woman has a 4 hour drive from Pennsylvania and is doing the clinic for free so we would like to

schedule the fittings as close together as possible. You can email or call me if you are interested.

Also.... Don't forget the Albert Gersierich clinic May 2 at 10:00 AM at Sterling Cross Stable in Milan. If you plan on doing the first Ride-A-Test (at that same location) you need to have your entry form to Tammy Hand by May9th.

I hope to see you all soon!

Ruth Anne Walsh

SECRETARY'S REPORT Thank you Joan Kamm for filling in for Judy (again)
GLDC Meeting at Charlies Restaurant

Mon., April 13, 2009, 7pm

Note: see Clinics section for Amendment to be voted on June 8th

Pres. Ruth Ann Walsh brought the meeting to order. Attendance taken with 14 present.
Joan Kamm taking minutes.

Treasurer Linda Urbanski reported that we have \$3065.65 in checking and \$2740.44 in savings. We have 41 paid members. A number have not paid.

To remedy this we need reminders. (See later motion.) It was asked that the newsletter be put in pdf. file as about a third of members were not able to download Word.

SCHOLARSHIPS: Former recipients are reminded to report how scholarship was used.

FALL TRAIL RIDE: Ginger is looking for a co-chair in case she is not able to be there. Some changes in the sign-up form have been made. We'd like a formal (shadbelly) demonstration ride or freestyle at lunch time.

APPAREL: Bonnie Droessler brought all apparel—it sold at mtgs.' end.

Members discussed bright colors vs. muted, long vs. short vs. sleeveless. Please make suggestions to Bonnie. No new items have been purchased since 2007 at which time the Chairman bought \$600 dollars worth of merchandise.

Motion passed to purchase DVD's suggested by Jane Kelly. Missy brought videos for members to check out.

Pam Shipley reported feeling a lack of coordination of clinics.

After discussion, Joan moved that no GLDC events shall be scheduled without the approval of the Exec. Board. This to be made a by-law.

We need to know what is being advertised in our name. Obviously the quality of the event is important, and cancellation of a clinic, etc. could be costly.

Ruth Ann reminded us that any amendment of our Constitution shall be published at least 2 wks. ahead of voting on it. We will vote on this June 8th.

Tammy arranged a clinic with Albert Gersierich in Milan May 2.

Lessons are \$110, Stalls are \$15, Auditors \$10.

GLDC SHOW: Crystal reported Sue Snethcamp will judge.

NEW BUSINESS: Motion by Missy that members will get discounts on show, clinics, etc. passed. Motion: One must be member to get scholarship. Passed.

Ginger suggested upgrading our prizes at show. Motion passed. Pam will look for prizes. Motion to upgrade year end awards narrowly failed.

Cindy Fisher offered to teach Exercises for Riders or equi-massage at a future meeting.

Lori Schroeder's chiropractic clinic was well attended. Kit&Kelly will be back in September. Proceeds from Centerline's Used Tack Sale will be split by GLDC & Fulton County 4-H. \$5 reserves a table for 10 – 3 pm Sale on Sat. April 28
Mtg. Adjourned at 8:45 pm. Enjoy the Show Judy! We are so jealous.

P.S. Judy and Sue Burton attended the World Cup in Las Vegas. This was our third time and I (Judy) think the best. I bought the DVD's and would love to share our experience with club members. From Stephen Peters double win to Bretinna's retirement, there wasn't a dry eye in the Thomas and Mac Arena. Because of the economy, Las Vegas Events did not bid on the 2011 World Cup. Guess we will have to go to Germany.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

ALBERT GERSIERICH CLINIC, Milan, MI May 2nd

Brent Graef Horsemanship Clinic
July 3-5 at Centerline Farm, Swanton, OH
Foundation class 9:00am-12:00pm
Advancing class 1:00pm-4:30pm
3 days: \$325 one class or \$580 for both classes
4 days: \$450 one class or \$780 for both classes
Auditors \$25/day
www.BrentGraef.com or contact 419-826-5852
-- Lori Schroeder

[USED TACK SALE - Centerline Farm, Swanton, OH Saturday, April 25, 2009](#)

CLASSIFIED AD

For Sale

Stirrup Leathers 60" , Nylon backed Black Leather. Never Used.
I purchased them off eBay and never used them. They were sold to me as Henri De Rivals but no tag to prove it. Heavy duty with roller buckles.
Asking \$65.00 OBO. Cleaning out my tack room. More to follow.
Located in Tecumseh, MI, can ship for \$6.00 Priority Mail .
Mary Goldy - 517-423-0802
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GLDC CALENDAR 2009

- APRIL 25th Tack sale/swap with Fulton County Horseman's Council at Centerline Farm, Swanton, Ohio FMI 419 826-5852
- MAY 10th GLDC Ride-A-Test - Centaur Equestrian Center, Milan, MI
Contact - Tammy Hand 734 439-3121
- 29th Kenny Harlow 5-day symposium, "Training with Trust"
Bryan , OH FMI Randy, 419 826-2419
- JUNE 8th 7:00 PM GLDC meeting. Centerline Farm
- 13th First Flatlanders Schooling Show in Findlay. More Info to follow.
- JULY 13th 7:00 PM GLDC Summer Picnic. Irish Mist Farm, Swanton, Ohio
- 18th 2nd Flatlanders Schooling Show in Findlay. More info To follow
- AUGUST 8th GLDC Schooling Show at WC Ranch, Country Rd "B" Swanton, Ohio
- SEPTEMBER 14th "Bomb Proofing Your Horse" Location TBA
- 19th Final Schooling show with Flatlanders in Findlay, OH More info to follow.
- OCTOBER 4th GLDC Fall Fundraiser, Trail Ride. More info to follow.
- 24th GLDC Ride-A-Test
- NOVEMBER 9th GLDC Planning meeting at Charlie's Restaurant, Swanton, Ohio
- DECEMBER 14th 6:00PM GLDC Holiday Party, Whitehouse Inn, Whitehouse. OH Ohio More info to follow.



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*Dressage: when horse
and rider move as one*



Welcome new member

Lauren Dalton
Manchester, MI

See us on the web at:
www.greatlakesdressage.com

GREAT LAKES DRESSAGE CLUB
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Great Lakes Dressage Club at Sterling Cross Farm

Entry Form

Great Lakes Dressage Ride-A-Test Series is hosted by Sterling Cross Farm 13770 Darling Road Milan MI. US 23 to Plank Road Exit. Turn East on Plank road Turn left on Darling Road farm is on the left about 2 miles from expressway.

Time Blocks are 15 minutes long each block is \$20.00

Stalls are \$15.00 each for stalls call 734-439-3121 for reservation

High Percentage Award: attend two or more Ride-A-Tests dates to be eligible.

Novice Rider: A Rider new to Dressage or in their first or second year of showing.

Checks payable to Great Lakes Dressage Club. Mail to show Manger Tammy Hand 515 Ideal St. Milan, MI. 48160.

Ride time available May 14 after 7:pm 734-439-3121

Date of Show May 16

Closing Date May 9

Enclose 2009 Negative
Coggins with entry form

Class List

- 1.Intro Test A Novice Rider
- 2.Intro Test A Open
- 3.Intro Test B Novice Rider
- 4.Intro Test B Open
- 5.Training Level Tests
- 1 2 3 4
- 6.First Level Test 1
7. Open Block
- 8.Musical Freestyle

CLASSES

*Circle Class from
Class List to Enter*

Entry Form

Print Name _____

Address _____

Phone number: _____

Name of Horse: _____

Method of Payment

Check

Signature _____

Total: _____