

eQuester

Wisconsin Dressage & Combined Training's Monthly Newsletter



EVENTING ISSUE

2019 WDCTA-Southwest Mini Event

The Ministry of YES

By Nikki Butler

Wow, it was HOT!

Saturday, July 21—Clinic Day

We were all concerned about the welfare of horses and riders in the heat. There were water stations with coolers full of ice and bottles around the farm, as well as water bottles carried by support crews and clinicians, plus we had many walk breaks for horses. Jump clinician, Prairie Stipe-Maas, and dressage clinician, Binky Krahn, did a great job of concentrating on the most important basics for horse and rider without overworking the horses. Who invented black helmets anyway?!

With care and management, we all made it through a wonderful day of dressage and jumping sessions until about 4 p.m., when the red spots on the radar caught up with us, and all riders returning from a cross-country session quickly assembled in the coverall arena with the dressage folks sheltering from the BIG, pouring thunder-storm that featured horizontal rain and a power outage. As it passed on, we cheered the 30-degree temperature drop and speculated about the effect of the downpour on the cross country footing. Will it rain all night? We'll never be able to run cross country tomorrow! Jump judge volunteers started to call in.... Are we running tomorrow? Wait 'till morning, just maybe, if the rain goes around us overnight, it'll be ok.

Sunday, July 22nd—Show Day

The day dawned bright, clear and 72 degrees! It did not rain on the course overnight, so after some downed branches were cleared, the cross-country course was officially certified as a YES! We had 18 horse/rider combinations ready to go for the day.

Dressage started with our judge, Binky Krahn, at 8:30 a.m. There was a spread of only 5.5 points in the Junior

Hear from two competitors who share their experiences on page 3



(Top) Office door at the MiniEvent to convey important information. (Right) Baby ridden by Montana Joles, jumping the fearsome Tiger Trap in the Saturday clinic.



Started Division scores, from 29 to 35.5. The Adult Starter Division went from 27.75 to 33.25. Beginner Novice Division scores (Junior and Adult) went from 25.56 to 31.12. (For those of the dressage-only persuasion, remember, it's the penalty points that are counted in eventing with the lowestL score of the three phases being the winner.

Cross Country began with the Starter Divisions and all went well. A couple of riders took advantage of the "go around it" provision of the mini-event, so the "this is fun, just get around the course" made it a positive experience, and we had a lot of clear rounds as riders remembered their coaching from the day before. "Steady rhythm!" "Leg on!" , "Commit to the fence!" "Ride assertively not aggressively!" Lots of YAHOO!s were heard echoing through the woods.

The Beginner Novice competitors rode the course that has been described as "highly technical" and "a good

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MiniEvent continued

move-up course.” There were a couple of changes from last year’s course. A new fence 3 “Steadier” was added to settle horses on the long gallop to fence 4, “Ramp Oxer,” which has been noted as one of the more imposing fences on course. In addition, a new fence 14 “In the Clear” required precise placement for a good take off from the woods into the field heading for the last three fences.

The Stadium Jumping course was held on the grass next to the “playground” and allowed riders to practice and show off their turning skills with nine fences and five changes of direction. With a tight point spread, there were a few place changes after rails down and refusals.

Two riders in **Junior Starter** finished on their dressage scores after clear rounds in cross country and stadium. **First place** Duke of Earl with rider Rosalyn Blair scored 29. **2nd place** Dewey and Emily Werner scored 29.5. Half a point difference! **Third Place** Cougar and Hattie Stoor moved from 8th place after dressage to 5th after a clear cross country and to third with a clear stadium round to a final score of 33.5. Finishing in **Fourth Place**—less than a rail out of a blue, Jimmy and Isabella Roske were sitting at third with 30.25 after dressage, had a clear cross country round, but had

a rail down in stadium to finish in fourth with a 34.25. **Fifth Place** went to Montana Joules and Baby with 37 penalty points. **Sixth Place** winner was Grand Master of Sunshine and Josie O’ Sheridan (43.5). The pair also won the **Best Cross Country Outfit award**. **Seventh Place** went to Shez Got Wings and Mia Breuer (55.25) and **Eighth Place** was SSSacred Spirit with Annika Zimmerman (72.5). It was a hotly contested finish, with everyone enjoying the ride!

Adult Starter was also closely contested with three of the four riders finishing on their dressage scores after clear cross-country and stadium rounds. **First place** Tate and Emily Lehl ended on a score of 27.75 penalties. Sockdolager and Lauren Winkler took **Second place** with 28.25. Mount Joy’s Cash Five and Kathryn Merriman earned **Third place** with 33.25, and Dublin and Liz Bachhuber received **Fourth place** with 37.25.



Jumping clinic. Foreground: Jan Ketzler, volunteer organizer.

Junior Beginner Novice riders Katie Thelan and Ella Burnett switched places after cross country and ended up with Prince and Katie Thelen in **First place** with 51.12 and Ella Burnett and Grime’s Ace took **Second place** with 68.81.

Adult Beginner Novice finished out the day with **First place** finishers, Catherine Gallagher and Higher Calling, winning it on their dressage score of 25.56. Ann Nelson and Keepin The Faith took **Second place** with 48.06.

Now is the time to hug, kiss and thank all of the wonderful volunteers who make this whole thing work! We had 17 jump judges, a starter, traffic management, warm-up stewards, scribes, runners, scorers and everyone who just picked up something and carried it instead of walking by!!

Special thanks to our Horse First people, Kelly Mesera, Carlos Osorio and staff, who did all the jump building, mowing and stuff you don’t even notice unless it isn’t done. Thank you for letting us use your beautiful facility. Jon Ketzler: thanks for letting us borrow your dressage ring. Jan Ketzler: thanks for doing the work of three people and coordinating the volunteers!! And thanks for having a golf cart this year so the technical delegate with a bad knee didn’t have to walk 10 miles this week end!!



Photo Left: (L-R) Cathy Gallagher, Roslyn Blair, Liz Bauchhuber, and Emily Lehl. Photo Right: Mother and daughter winning their divisions: Cathy Gallagher and Roslyn Blair.



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Back to Eventing After 15 Years

By Liz Bachhuber

Participating in the Capital Mini Event was a thrilling accomplishment for me that has been years in the making!

My horse is as green as spring grass. In fact, this time last year, I wasn't even able to ride him! I distinctly remember the participants from last year's event returning to our barn afterwards. I thought the idea of participating myself in 2019 was a far cry, but something I'd love to do. With the help of an amazing tribe of supporting individuals, we made it!

After being away from eventing for 15 years, I immediately tapped back into all the reasons I love the sport. The excitement of cross country, the quiet, early mornings at the show grounds, and most importantly, the wonderful community of participants, professionals, volunteers and supporters.

To say I was thrilled with a clean round on cross country is a huge understatement! I couldn't contain my excitement when we crossed the finish line and I was met by some of these wonderful people who were right there to celebrate with me.

Thank you to all the WDTCA volunteers and The Horse First staff who made this event happen. I appreciate the feedback and coaching the clinicians provided. I am also incredibly grateful to everyone who helped Dublin and I in the past year; we never would have made it without you! What an incredible weekend, and I can't wait for next year!

Editor's Note: Liz ended with a Fourth place finish in the Adult Starter division! Congratulations!



Dublin and owner/rider Liz Bachhuber in their first event together.

Another Rider Comes Back to Eventing After 15 Years

By Emily Lehl

For the last three years, I have been looking forward to riding in the Capital Mini Event, since I first heard some of my barn mates had signed up for it in 2016.

I had completed a few mini events in my previous riding life—15 years ago, and they were always my favorite type of horse show! I was very excited to get my entry in to participate last year, but soon after that, I had a bit of a hard fall during a jump lesson. After recovering, I took my courage for a test drive before the mini event and decided that it was best to hand my entry off to someone else. This past winter and spring, I focused on dressage and bought my very first horse, a beautiful and fun OTTB mare!

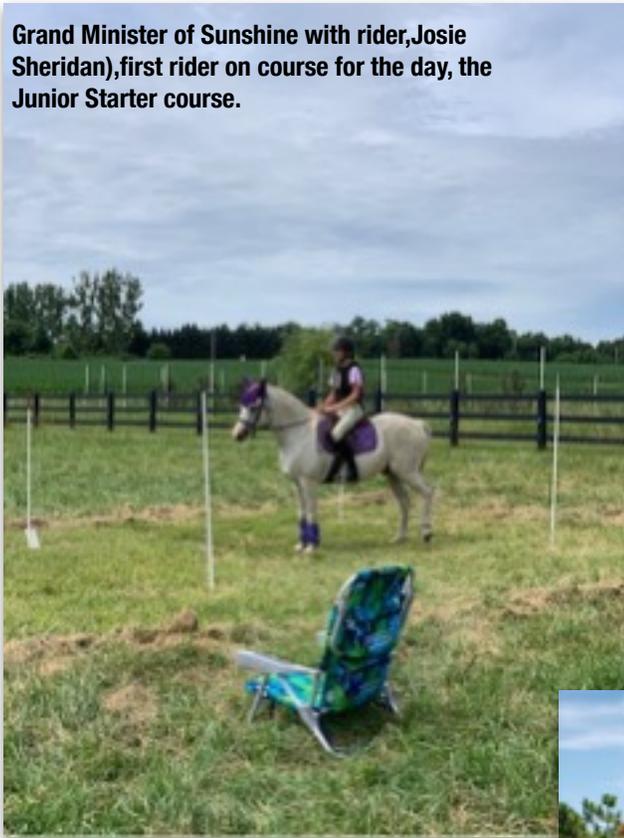
When the Capital Mini Event entries opened again this year, I couldn't pass it up. Although I didn't feel comfortable riding my green horse over jumps yet, I'd gained back enough confidence to ask if I could ride my trainer's (Andi Bill) horse, Tate. Tate is a gem among steeds. Not only did he haul me over the finish line, he did it in style! He started me out with one of my highest dressage percentages ever; said "we're cantering the whole way!" on cross country; and even made sure I knew when we needed to slow down and change leads on the stadium course. Along with my fellow Sugar Creek Stables riders, Tate made the weekend for me. I had such a great time with him that I joined a jump lesson with my own mare the week after the event. (We walked over the rails, but I'm looking forward to showing off our progress at the Capital Mini Event in 2020!)

Huge thanks to The Horse First Farm: staff, friendly boarders and riders and, of course, volunteers! It was wonderful to network with a fun and supportive community of horse people. And, it all starts at home-- I'm so very grateful for everyone who makes Sugar Creek Stables feel like a family.

Editor's Note: Emily ended up in First place in Adult Starter! Way to go!

MiniEvent continued

Grand Minister of Sunshine with rider, Josie Sheridan), first rider on course for the day, the Junior Starter course.



Keepin The Faith and Ann Nelson



SS Sacred Spirit and Annika Zimmerman ready to launch onto the course in Junior Starter.



Trying New Things



Caryn Vesperman Editor

All advertisements, articles and photographs (with photo release) should be submitted by the 15th of the preceding month of publication.

Calendar of events will appear in both the eQuarter and on the WDCTA website.

Payment for advertisements should be submitted via PayPal through the WDCTA website (wdcta.org) or mailed with a check made out to WDCTA and mailed to the editor.

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Every time I see an event WDCTA is putting on that is outside my dressage realm, I start thinking that I'd like to try that!"

Seeing the stories and photos from the **WDCTA Southwest Chapter Mini-Event** is just such an opportunity! I haven't jumped in years, but I still get the bug on occasion. What a kick it would be after not eventing for more years than I care to admit! I remember how much I liked it, but I stopped because my horse at the time was a big chicken, so if he hesitated, I was right there with him, communicating non-verbally that I wasn't sure either—not a good combination for successfully completing the jumping phases! Maybe next year if my niece hasn't taken the hunter/jumper I gave her back to California, I'll try it. Why not?

The other event I think would be fun to participate in with one of my dressage horses is the upcoming working equitation clinic near Madison on Aug. 24. If I wasn't going to be on vacation, I might try it. What would be better than exposing a dressage horse (ANY horse, for that matter) to obstacles that might end up making a dressage show's distractions ho-hum? I hope some of you take advantage of trying something out of your usual realm of activities with your horse, and go to this clinic .

So here's to enjoying your horse no matter what you do under saddle!

Happy trails...happy eventing...happy jumping...happy equitation...happy dressage.

Caryn

Reminder to all GMO: Last chance for your members to submit Refund of Multiple GMO dues. Deadline August 1, so hurry!.
Click on: [MultipleGMORefundForms](#)

Classified Ad

2017 Prestige X-D1 Zero dressage saddle, medium tree, excellent condition, \$3,000 firm. **Pikeur Diana black wool dressage coat**, never worn, some 8R, \$99. (Not a U.S. size 8. Please look up Pikeur sizing chart for specific measurements.) If interested in either item, contact Penney via email: ponypenney@gmail.com.

A Heavenly Experience

By Mary Barr

As a horse-crazy kid growing up in New Jersey in the 70s and 80s, I attended horse camps through church, Girl Scouts and YMCA. This was my main way to get my horse fix. I worked as a camp counselor when I was old enough. I rode all summer long, mostly trail riding. I was in heaven.

Then I grew up. I bought my own horse and evented at the lower levels. We were scrappy and mostly self-taught. I bred my mare to get my next event horse. I was in heaven.

Then I had kids and became a 4-H mom. I carted my girls all around Wisconsin to shows and clinics. My baby event horse became my older daughter's all-around show horse. I was in heaven.

Then my kids went off to college, and we sold our farmette. I still had my baby horse who is now 20. I decided to return to eventing. I was missing the athleticism, bravery and endurance I had in my early eventing years, and began to think I was in a form of purgatory.

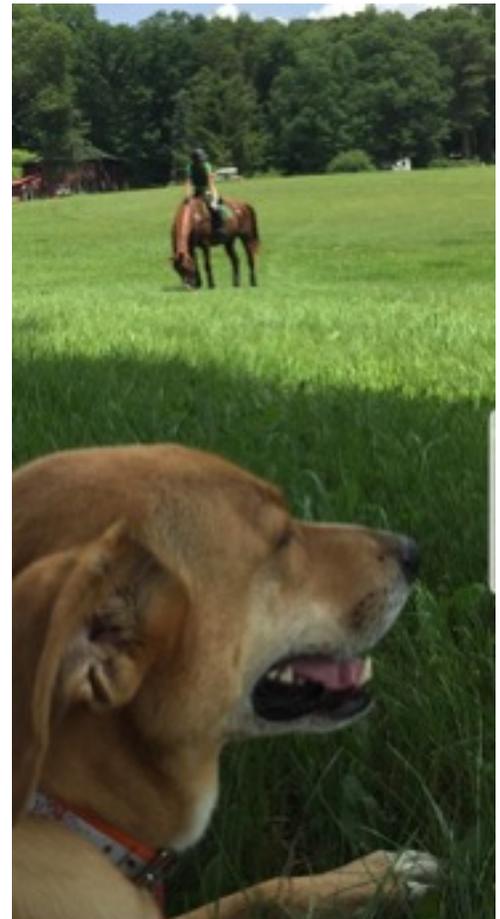
I came across a promotion for the United States Eventing Association Area IV ADULT Rider Camp, held at Otter Creek Farm in Wheeler, WI. If you have not been to Otter Creek, you are missing out on a beautiful, well-run venue. They hold eventing and dressage competitions and clinics and, for three years running, the Area IV adult camp. This was going to be heaven.

WDCTA Southwest Chapter offers scholarships for educational opportunities, and I applied for one to go toward the camp. I was thrilled to find out I was awarded it. (Note: WDCTA offers many scholarship opportunities. Check them out on the website.)

The camp was July 13-14. I arrived on the 12th and was met by coordinator Lija Siltumens, who was also riding her two horses in the camp. I was impressed by her friendliness and organization. Riders and horses arrived in a steady stream that evening; everyone was excited to be there!

I set up camp with my dog Spenny. This was our first solo camping adventure. Chip, Spenny and I set out for an evening hack around the vast cross-country field. Chip's ears perked up at the sight of the obstacles—he remembered them

(R) Chip and Mary Barr in the background, while Spenny enjoys the shade. (Below) Group stadium jumping lessons with clinician Sarah Gumbiner, first on left.



from the competition in May. We picked up an active walk (with snatches of grass here and there) and took in the beauty of the terrain, well-constructed jumps, and the wildlife. Yup, heaven.

Then next morning, everyone met at 7:30 a.m. to set up stadium fences. Many hands made short work. My first ride, stadium schooling, was at 10:30. The horse, dog, and I meandered out to watch some of the other groups' dressage and stadium lessons. Then it was our turn!

Our clinician for stadium and cross country jumping was advanced level competitor, Sarah Gumbiner, who stepped in when our original instructor experienced a tragedy earlier in the week and had to understandably bow out. As a warm-up, Sarah set up poles and had us canter them in 5-, then 6-, then 4 strides, finding our horse's flexibility. Then we built a course, centered upon a simple bounce with two cross rails. We practiced long

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Heaven continued

and short approaches, with the mission of setting the direction, then getting out of our horse's way so he could figure out the rhythm and jumps. It was great to watch Anna Sornberger and her new Off-the-track Thoroughbred (OTTB), Sharky, who had not done any of these shenanigans previously. He was a quick study, and the trust he had in Anna was breath-taking! His first turn through the bounce was awkward but successful, and he just got better and better every round! Chip and I worked on our usual "forward" and had good experiences.



Lindsey Kahn of County Saddlery was offering saddle test riding and reflocking. I took her up on it to have my jump saddle looked at. She added some wool to the front of it. I resisted the temptation of trying out one of her many lovely saddles, as a new saddle is NOT, nor can be, in my budget. But I was thrilled to have the convenience of a saddle fitter right there! She even gave Chip some horse cookies; he was in heaven.



Our dressage lesson was shared with Deb from Minnesota. She and her mount were at a more advanced level than Chip and I, but our clinician, Jessica Niles, capably juggled both of us, by giving us each her undivided attention and expertise, assigning us some individual work, then checking back after working with the other rider. Jessica is not only a Grand Prix rider and experienced dressage instructor, she is a physical therapist, so she was able to identify our weaknesses. (Chip needs to flex more on the right; and I need to engage the correct muscles by keeping those elbows in and bent!) She had me ask lightly with my legs, thump him when I got no to little response, then ask again to my satisfaction. We worked on his responsiveness from my seat and thighs—that was so fun! We had the best canter departs in a long time. He felt so light and responsive—heaven!

I washed my awesome horse, hand-walked him, fed him, then prepared my contribution to the potluck dinner: tacos. Dinner was at the airy covered pavilion adjacent to the show jumping

arena. Everyone was well fed and relaxed. We shared reasons to live in the Midwest verses the east coast with our jumping clinician, Sarah Gumbiner—many of these involved alcohol. The day ended with the warm laughter of fellow equestrians. Spenny and I went back to our tent with our bellies and hearts full, ready for the next day.

Sunday morning I watched other groups school cross country, while hand grazing my boy. Lija was riding her young, green OTTB. It was so fun to watch him figure out how to

tackle these obstacles. Their partnership was admirable—they are going places!! The 2017 WDCTA eventing award recipient, Kristin Leigh Kubusch, stayed for an unplanned second cross-country schooling, after a frustrating Saturday school where her nerves got the best of her. Sarah worked with her and her horse, and they experienced success. Kristin was on cloud nine when they were done. Another pair that I loved to watch were Lauren Drobyski and her fire-breathing dragon of a horse. This guy had extensive eventing experience and was KEEN, but Lauren was just starting out in eventing, after a past life of hunter-jumpers. He blew fire, whirled around, cantered sideways, and balked when he thought Lauren wasn't sure. Lauren took it all in stride and exhibited excellent horsemanship. In the end, she piloted him around the obstacles, and I could see a new attitude in her horse, that maybe Lauren knew what she was talking about and he could trust her to pilot their rides. A heavenly partnership was developing.

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I was excited for Sunday not only because we would be jumping cross country (the reason eventers are eventers), but because my college roommate was coming to visit. I had not seen her since my wedding 26 years ago! Karen showed up that hot morning with root beer. We drank it in the pavilion while catching up and watching the morning cross-country rides. The day turned HOT—in the high 80s, but the wind was lovely.

Karen came along to cross country with Spenny on a leash. Many of the jumps were familiar to Chip and me from the May competition, but Sarah had me work on my position (staying back) and Chip's energy (forward!). I shared with her that my goal for the day was to have Chip canter through the water complexes. (At the competition, we broke to a walk and Chip tried to drink.) I was instructed to keep my leg on, and we had success! Chip was even a "baby-sitter" of sorts. He went first over the ditch (where we had our refusal in May, because I stopped riding and Chip thought we were done), and Anna and baby Sharky followed us!

We wrapped up in late afternoon, hot, sweaty, tired, and in heaven. We were surrounded by beauty in the meticulously groomed fields and jumps, majestic horses, and friends old and new. We said goodbye to heaven and hello to the drive home and the reality of Monday.

And so ended my horse camp experience of 2019. I cannot thank WDCTA Southwest chapter enough for sponsoring me through the scholarship. I gained so much skill, knowledge and friendships. I hope those who read this are inspired to compete at Otter Creek in Wheeler and/or ride next summer at Area IV adult camp!



**(Above and Below)
Mary schooling
cross country.**



WDCTA SW Chapter ¶

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Working Equitation Clinic with Heather Lekan ¶

August 24, 2019 ¶

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Registration Form ¶

Only one Rider/Auditor per registration form ¶

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CLINIC LOCATION ¶

Beomor Farm ¶

1785 Fish Hatchery Road ¶

Fitchburg, WI 53575 ¶



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Clinic Format—This one-day clinic is limited to 12 riders. Riders are split into groups of 6 with each group riding 1.5 hours in the morning and 1.5 hours in the afternoon. Riders of all levels will receive help to improve their partnership with their horse, and learn to take classical dressage movements onto the obstacle course, putting purpose to the movements. Riders will be given the chance to complete the course with feedback and guidance from Heather. ¶

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Clinic Date: Saturday, August 24, 2019 ¶

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Clinic times: Gate opens at 8AM. Clinic start time -- 9AM. Lunch noon -- 1PM. End time -- 4PM. ¶

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Rider Fee: \$115.00 for WDCTA members, \$125 for nonmembers. ¶

Clinic fee covers instruction from Heather Lekan. Full payment must accompany registration. WDCTA members may apply for WDCTA scholarship to help cover cost. ¶

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Auditing Fee: \$25/person, WDCTA members audit for free. Same-day registration for auditing is permitted. ¶

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Statement: I wish to participate in the WDCTA SW Chapter's Working Equitation Clinic located at Beomor Farm at 1785 S. Fitch Hatchery Rd, Fitchburg, Wisconsin, taught by Heather Lekan of Heather's Horsemanship. Enclosed are the required fee(s). I understand **ALL fees are non-refundable.** If riding, I also understand that if I am unable to attend that I am still responsible for full payment, although I may transfer my riding spot to another rider or contact the clinic organizer, Suzanne Alexander, to fill my spot from the waiting list if one is available. If auditing, I understand that I may transfer my auditing spot to another person upon notifying the clinic organizer, Suzanne

Send checks, registration, stable registration, waivers x 3, and Coggins to: ----- Questions? ¶

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Cindy Ishoy Clinics

Aug. 3-4
(Opening Date: July 1)
Oct. 5-6
(Opening Date: Sept.)
Nov. 23-24
(Opening Date: Oct.1)



Cindy Ishoy & Dynasty – Team Bronze Medalists, 1988 Seoul Olympics

CLINIC LOCATION

Touchstone Farm
W1619 King Road
Brooklyn, WI 53521

Just 15 minutes southwest of Oregon, WI or 25 minutes southwest of Madison beltline

Cindy Ishoy competed for many years on the Canadian team, earning a team Bronze at the 1988 Seoul Olympics. Cindy coaches on a daily basis and enjoys teaching those who really want to learn no matter what level they are.

One Form Per Horse/Rider

Rider Name _____ Address _____

City _____ State _____ Zip _____ Phone _____

Email _____ WDCTA Volunteer: Yes _____ Not Yet _____

Horse's Name _____ Breed _____

Age _____ Level Schooling _____ Level Showing _____

Rider Fees

**NOTE: Negative Coggins and rider release must be included with this application!
Vaccinations must be current.**

★ WDCTA Member: \$200/ride

★ Non-Member: \$250/ride

Ride Time Preferences: Saturday _____ Sunday _____ A.M. _____ P.M. _____

Will you need a stall? Overnight* _____ Day Stall _____ Just In and Out _____

* Stall fee per night: \$25 (payable to Caryn Vesperman)

Auditor Fees (Can be paid at the door. Bring your own lunch and chair.)

★ All WDCTA Members – FREE!

★ Non-WDCTA Member: 1 day = \$25 Both Days = \$40

Total Enclosed: \$ _____ Make rider and auditor check payable to: WDCTA Southwest Chapter

Send check, application, release form and Coggins to:

Caryn Vesperman
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Questions?

Phone: (608) 695-9914
Email: touchstonefarm@gmail.com

**WISCONSIN DRESSAGE & COMBINED TRAINING ASSOCIATION
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In consideration for my participation in the **Cindy Ishoy Clinic Aug. 3-4 OR Oct. 5-6 OR Nov.23-24 at Touchstone Farm** (hereafter, "the Activity"), I (the "Participant") hereby acknowledge and voluntarily agree to the following (hereafter, "Agreement"). "Participation" includes, but is not limited to, riding, handling, instructing, or spectating.

1. Acknowledgment of Inherent Risks of Equine Activities. I acknowledge and understand that there are numerous inherent risks of participating in equine activities, including, but not limited to: (a) the propensity of an equine or other animal, irrespective of its training, to behave in ways that may result in injury, harm, or death to persons on or around them (for example, jump, run, kick, buck, bolt, spin, rear, strike, or bite); (b) the unpredictability of an equine's reaction to such things as sounds, sudden movements and unfamiliar objects, persons or other animals; (c) certain hazards such as conditions at or below the surface or ground, whether seen or unseen; (d) collisions with other animals or objects; (e) the potential for another person participating in an equine activity to act in a negligent manner that may contribute to injury to me, or to others, such as failing to maintain control over the equine or not acting within his or her ability; (f) the breakage or failure of tack or other equipment; and (g) the potential that an equine or other animal may cause injury or harm to the rider or to other persons or animals in the vicinity. I understand these risks and further acknowledge that I am not relying on the Wisconsin Dressage and Combined Training Association (hereafter, "WDCTA") to list in this document all possible inherent risks of participating in equine activities or the Activity.

2. Acknowledgement that Participation in the Activity is Voluntary and Requires Personal Judgment. I acknowledge and understand that riding instruction by its nature requires that the instructor issue directions in the form of "commands." I understand that while I should consider such commands, I must and will use my own judgment during my participation in the Activity. I understand that while participating in the Activity that: the commands and all activities engaged in as part of the instruction are entirely voluntary; that the instructor is not entitled to nor requests absolute obedience; that I may elect not to comply with any command or suggested act; and that I am expected to at all times be alert and thinking while participating in the Activity. I represent that both my equine and I have the requisite level of physical fitness and mental alertness to enable us to participate in the Activity, and are in good health and free from injury, illness or other defects which may impair our ability to engage in the Activity.

3. Waiver and Release of Liability. I understand and voluntarily accept the inherent risks of engaging in equine activities, including risks from my voluntary compliance or noncompliance with instructor commands associated with the Activity. I voluntarily agree to hold harmless, release, waive, and covenant not to sue Cindy Ishoy, WDCTA, its officers, members, non-members that pay an auditing fee, Touchstone Farm/Caryn and Mark Vesperman, as well as all other participants in the Activity ("Released Parties") from any and all injuries, death, liability, or damage to person or property arising from my participation in the Activity, unless caused by Released Parties' reckless, intentional or willful misconduct. Thus, I understand that this waiver and release is effective even if the injury, death, liability, or damage to person or property is caused or contributed to by the negligent action or inaction of Released Parties.

4. Equine Activity Liability Law. I acknowledge that I have read the State of Wisconsin's notice regarding equine activities:

Notice: A person who is engaged for compensation in the rental of equines or equine equipment or tack or in the instruction of a person in the riding or driving of an equine or in being a passenger upon an equine is not liable for the injury or death of a person involved in equine activities resulting from the inherent risks of equine activities, as defined in section 895.481 (1) (e) of the Wisconsin Statutes.

5. Governing Law. This Agreement shall be construed and enforced in accordance with the laws of the State of Wisconsin. Any controversy, dispute, or claim arising out of or related to this Agreement, shall be resolved exclusively through proceedings filed in the federal or state court in Brooklyn County, Wisconsin. The invalidity or unenforceability of any provision or sentence of this Agreement shall not affect the validity or enforceability of any other provision or sentence of this Agreement, which shall remain in full force and effect.

I have read this waiver, release, and hold harmless agreement, fully understand its terms, understand that I am assuming risks inherent to my participation, and agree to be fully bound by its terms. I understand that I am free to consult with any counsel about the terms of this agreement.

Signature of Participant _____ Date _____
(or parent or legal guardian of behalf of Participant, if Participant is under 18 years of age)

Name of Participant (please print) _____

Address _____

City/State/ZIP _____ Phone _____

Announcing

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WDCTA Mentor Challenge

July 2019 - October 2020

Share your passion for horses and WDCTA with a youth!

Help grow WDCTA membership!



- Are you an adult WDCTA member who knows an under-18 equestrian?
- Have this youth join WDCTA (\$35) in 2019 or 2020
- Participate together in a minimum of 2 WDCTA events (clinics and/or shows)
- Have the youth renew for the following year
- Receive recognition at the annual banquet and
- Your name will be put in for a drawing for a free 2021 membership!

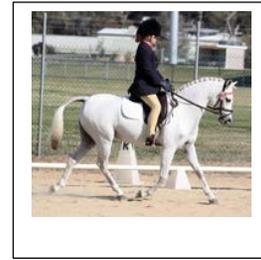
Contact: Mary Barr (rmbarr255@gmail.com; 608-214-5985)

to register for the 2019 Mentor Challenge. DEADLINE: March 1, 2020



2019 Eventing Clinic Series

Sunday, May 26
Sunday, June 23
Saturday, July 13
Sunday, Aug 18



Nicki Butler is a freelance equine professional from Madison, Wisconsin. She is a certified Wisconsin Open Show Judge and a nationally certified riding Instructor.

As an Equine Sports Massage Therapist she is also trained in Functional Movement Therapy, Myofascial Release, Reiki and Cranio-Sacral techniques. Her goal is to help create connection and improve communication between horses and their people. Nicki has competed to second level dressage and Preliminary level Eventing.

This clinic series is a fun way to gather with new and old eventing friends and watch each other's progress through the summer. Each clinic will include both dressage and jumping lessons, both in a small group environment. Stadium and cross country style jumping are both available during the clinics. Both beginner and intermediate level groups will be available. Our August date will be an actual Mini Event! Held at For The Horses Farm, Wautoma WI.

Don't want to jump? That is OK! Just come for the Dressage lesson!

Rider Name _____ Under 18? Guardian Name _____

Horse Name _____ Breed _____

Phone number _____ Email _____

Eventing/Dressage Experience _____

Individual Eventing Clinic \$100 – register for all four \$350!! Dressage clinic only \$50 each date

Clinic Fee payable to **WDCTA Central Chapter** 5/26 6/23 7/13 8/18 All Four

Please Check Date and Clinic Options Eventing Dressage Only Beginner Intermediate

Stall Fee (payable to Cari Schmidt) \$20 per clinic

Waivers to be signed upon arrival

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Years of study with international experts, including training sessions with USET coaches. 45+ years of teaching. Teach beginner to Grand Prix. Earned many USDF Horse of the Year awards, long/short list for USET. Students winning national awards and qualifying for USDF Nationals and USET Festival. Emphasize harmony and clear communication through correct dressage principles for competition or enjoyment at home.

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FEI trainer, USDF-certified instructor thru 2nd Level. 2014 national champion with Kingsley. USDF Gold, Silver, Bronze medalist, all USDF bars. Competed two horses at GP. Competed 4th level and small tour at Dressage at Devon. Year-end USDF, USEF, WDCTA awards. 15+ years teaching experience. Students competed through GP, earned rider awards and medals. Will teach all levels. School horses available. Travel for lessons and clinics.

Andrea Schten
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USEF/USDF "r" dressage judge, USDF Bronze and Silver medals and ridden to Grand Prix on self-trained horses. Trains own horses through FEI. Available for lessons through FEI and dressage clinics. 25 years experience. Will travel.

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Call or text: (608) 695-9914

August 18

Central Chptr Beginner Eventing Clinic

Instructor: Nicki Butler
central@wdcta.org
(See form in this newsletter)

Oct. 5-6

Cindy Ishoy SW Chapter Clinic

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Nov. 23-24

Cindy Ishoy SW Chapter Clinic

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SHOWS & OTHER EVENTS

Sept. 2

Para-Dressage Seminar

Location: Ann Arbor, MI
Contact: Jennifer Beyer (989) 860-9980
Email: jen@therapeuticridinginc.org

Sept. 8

Racine Co. Pony Club Dressage

Schooling Show

Location: Racine, WI
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