



NEWSLETTER

Dianne's Paddock

The past few months have been very interesting to say the least as we have tried to work within the framework of the new competition levels set by Dressage Canada (DC), remain a grassroots riding club, and meet the diversified needs of all our membership. The rules have changed so many times in the past few weeks that I can only hope they don't change again before the newsletter is posted or you will not be receiving accurate information!

Here are the highlights of the latest bulletin regarding changes for the 2008 show season, hopefully NOT subject to change, that are pertinent to LIEC and the show structure the Board of Directors has agreed upon:

- Until further notice, all Equine Canada (EC) sanctioned dressage competitions will use the 2007 Section E Dressage rules with one exception being for the 2008 Sport License requirements.
- Competitors showing at the Bronze (Primary) level will require a Bronze license, the yearly fee for which is \$20. You may obtain the Bronze EC license from HCBC or from EC - www.equinecanada.ca.
- Competitors with Silver or Gold licenses may compete at the Bronze level.
- The DC Affiliate Fee, previously called the DC Membership Fee, is optional for all competitors at the Bronze (Primary) level and the Silver level.
- The DC Levy is a new fee for competitors in 2008, \$7 per horse/rider combination – this will be reflected on the Entry Form for the Bronze level shows to be offered in May and August.

I have been told by Kelly Coughlin at HCBC that our schooling shows will remain the same for 2008 – this is absolutely wonderful news not only for LIEC but for all grassroots riders across the country. **All our schooling shows will be sanctioned** through HCBC as a result.

Our fee structure will remain the same for this year (\$20 for your first test which includes the EBLES fee; \$16 for the second test; \$20/test for the June 2 day show; non-members add \$5 per test for all shows). There will be extra fees for the Bronze level shows which will be reflected on the Entry Form – DC Levy, \$7; drug testing fee, \$5; and HCBC fee, \$2.

There are some rule changes for LIEC for 2008 that are summarized here:

- There will be a \$15 NSF charge to all applicable cheques
- Your Membership Application must be received 45 days prior to show date for you to be considered a member for that show
- To be eligible for the Travel Fund, riders must compete on 4 of the 7 days of showing offered this year
- Overall Champions and Reserve Champions for year end awards in all divisions must compete in 4 shows
- Refund of Entry Fees once entries have closed (10 days before show date) is obtainable only on presentation of a Vet/Physician/Farrier certificate received within 2 weeks of the date of the competition

Enclosed in this newsletter is the 2008 Show Information and General Rules. I cannot emphasize enough that you **read these carefully**. I would also like to request that you read your Entry Forms and make sure they are filled in correctly before mailing them off – please use the correct form for the show you wish to enter and make sure to send in the correct amount of money.

If you have any questions, please don't hesitate to contact one of the Directors. We will keep you informed of new developments to the best of our ability via the web site and/or email.

Good luck and have fun with your horse this year – see you at the shows!

Dianne



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2007 AWARD RECIPIENTS

TEST	JUNIOR	SENIOR	OPEN
WALK TROT		Kailie Hitchings & Balou <i>R: Virginia Wilmin Browne & Renovare Kelmore Nu Thomas</i>	Barb Bishop & MJ Beckham
TRAINING LEVEL			
TEST 1	Thea Warren & Cookies 'n Cream <i>R: Maia Smith & Rocketman</i>	Lois Cameron & Arigato <i>R: Emily Browne & Duffy's Ringo</i>	
TEST 2	Thea Warren & Cookies & Cream	Lois Cameron & Arigato <i>R: Heather Warren & Park Ranger</i>	
TEST 3	Karen West & Radix	Lois Cameron & Arigato <i>R: Wendy Bottomley & Mandalay</i>	
TEST 4		Wendy Bottomley & Mandalay <i>R: Lois Cameron & Arigato</i>	Kathie Dorval & Migay Party Chaser
FIRST LEVEL			
TEST 1	Amy Wellburn & Phantom Quest	Sue Elliott & Legacy <i>R: Lorna Moth & Kostarico</i>	Ruth Lick & Mombasa <i>R: Kathie Dorval & Migay Party Chaser</i>
TEST 2	Amy Wellburn & Phantom Quest	Sue Elliott and Legacy	Ruth Lick & Mombasa <i>R: Kathie Dorval & Migay Party Chaser</i>
TEST 3	Karen West & Darby	Lisa Bricknell & Kryptonite <i>R: Lorna Moth & Kostarico</i>	Ruth Lick & Mombasa
TEST 4	Karen West & Darby	Lisa Bricknell & Kryptonite <i>R: Lorna Moth & Kostarico</i>	Ruth Lick & Mombasa
SECOND LEVEL			
TEST 1	Chelsea Fercho & BMF Walkin' Tall	Michelle Garnett & Striking Resemblance	
TEST 2	Chelsea Fercho & BMF Walkin' Tall	Michelle Garnett & Striking Resemblance	
THIRD LEVEL			
TEST 2			Ruth Lick & Double Eagle
TEST 3			Ruth Lick & Double Eagle
FOURTH LEVEL			
TEST 1		Melanie Houston & Odaymira	
HAROLD GETSON FREESTYLE MEMORIAL AWARD & STERLING SILVER GOBLET		Ruth Lick & Double Eagle for their Third Level Freestyle	
CHAMPIONSHIP TROPHIES			
CHAMP.	Chelsea Vivian & Le Vito	Wendy Bottomley & Mandalay	Ruth Lick & Mombasa
RESERVE	Lauren Newman & Molly	Lois Cameron & Arigato	Kathie Dorval & Migay Party Chaser
HIGH PERCENT NEW MEMBER		Barb Bishop & MJ Beckham	

Congratulations!

2008 SHOW CALENDAR



Have you entered the June show name contest yet?

This show needs a new name. Send your suggestions to Linda Edgell, ledgell@shaw.ca. The winner will receive 2 free tests worth \$32 (non-riders will receive cash). See the website for more information!

SUNDAY, APRIL 13
Percentage Day at EBLES
Judge: Penny Kemshaw
Show Chair: Lorraine Bardua
665-6385 or hytail-1@shaw.ca

SATURDAY, MAY 10th
Bronze Level
Judge: Judy Turner
Show Chair: Lisa Coburn
656-6348 or lcoburn@shaw.ca

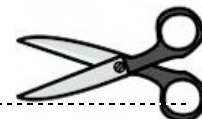
SATURDAY, JUNE 7th
Schooling Show
Judge: Margaret Ames
Show Chair: Dianne Moore
652-5189 or diannemoore@shaw.ca

SUNDAY, JUNE 8th
Schooling Show
Judge: Deborah Fox
Show Chair: Dianne Moore
652-5189 or diannemoore@shaw.ca

SUNDAY, JULY 6th
Percentage Day
Judge: Joseph Pauze
Show Chair: Carey Davies
658-2982 or careydavies@shaw.ca

SUNDAY, AUGUST 17th
Bronze Level
Judge: Monique Fraser
Show Chair: Ruth Lick
652-9534

SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 20th
Percentage Day
Judge: Sue Rutherford
Show Chair: Amanda Wilson
388-6322 or agwilson@bluebottle.com



Scribes Clinic

Scribing is a great way to get involved in the show scene! As a rider or as a volunteer who wants to glean more knowledge it is a great opportunity to learn more about tests and individual movements from a judge's perspective.

There is a tentatively scheduled Scribes Clinic for Thursday March 6th with well-known judge and coach, Dawn Ruthven. If are interested in attending what is sure to be an informative evening, please email Berit Turner (beritturner@shaw.ca).

Warm up Ring & Spectator Department

It seems very difficult to believe looking at soggy rings, shaggy horses and icy roads that show season is just over 2 months away. You will notice on the general rules for the shows that we have now addressed issues pertaining to the warm up ring. This has been done to make it safer for all riders and horses and spectators as the rings are small in size with limited access in and out.

Here is a summary of the new guidelines:

- All hand walking should be done outside the warm up ring
- Coaches are asked to remain outside the ring
- When you've finished warming up or are in between classes, please leave the ring; do not stay mounted and stand along the rail
- Avoid gathering near the gates to the warm up ring and the competition ring
- Ride left hand to left hand
- If you are working your horse at the walk, please leave the rail free for riders who are trotting or cantering

We would also like to ask all of you to not bring your horse to the show office area at either venue and, when at EBLES, to not stand with your horse in the area between the 2 rings. This is a busy area with spectators along the rails and competitors checking in at the office or picking up their test results. Please be mindful of the competitors at all times and respectful of their efforts. While we are there to have fun and enjoy each other's company, too much "joie de vivre" can be disruptive to someone riding their test and distracting to the judge and scribe.



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Greenhawk Lecture and Workshop Series

Please pre-register by calling Greenhawk 652-1002

<p>Emergency First Aid II: Colic, Eye Wounds, Natural Disasters</p> <p style="text-align: center;">+</p> <p><i>Colic: how to reduce the risk factors beyond Banamine and mineral oil. Eye emergencies: when to call the vet. Natural disasters and trailer accidents: what to do.</i></p> <p style="text-align: center;">Dr. Tino Martinez 7.00pm Thursday, February 21st \$10.00 - Proceeds will be donated</p>	<p>A Guide to Routine Veterinary Care for the New Horse Owner</p> <p style="text-align: center;">+</p> <p><i>Pre-purchase exams: what tests to do and what to expect. Routine health care: proper shoeing and nutrition.</i></p> <p style="text-align: center;">Dr. Tino Martinez 7.00pm Thursday, March 6th \$10.00 - Proceeds will be donated</p>	
<p>Sports Performance for Dog Agility Handlers</p> <p>David Freeze, <i>Sports Psychologist</i> Friday, February 29th 7.00-9.00pm \$25.00</p>	<p>Riding your Dressage Test: The Mental Preparation</p> <p>David Freeze, <i>Sports Psychologist</i> Saturday, March 1st <i>Please contact the store for details and registration.</i></p>	<p>Alternative Healing Modalities I: Chiropractic Care for Horses Dr. Jane Kettner Thursday, March 13th 7.00pm <i>Please contact the store for details and registration.</i></p>

Coaches upgrading applies to these workshops



Jammin for Joel. This fundraiser event is to support Kathie Dorval's grandson Joel, who has leukemia. Join them February 22nd at the Esquimalt Legion for a dance, silent auction and live music with Ken McCoy. Tickets are \$20.00. Call Kathie for info 743-2431.



The EBLES Poker Ride is at 10.00am on Sunday April 6th. Cost is \$20.00 per person (include EBLES membership). Contact Val Hughes at 544-6111.

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