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RMDS President Letter

I am sure many of you missed attending the awards banquet, catching up with friends, and listening to Julie Barringer-Richers' stories! I know I did.

Unfortunately, the banquet is not the only event to be canceled this year. Lilo Fore has decided it is still not safe for her to travel and so will not be coming out for our Professionals Symposium in April. The Professional Committee is working on putting together an alternative educational forum.

Boulder Valley Dressage Association has put together an auction on the BetterWorld platform and has raised just over \$1,000.00 for the Build-A-Byte fund! If you did not place the winning bid or if you didn't bid on anything, you can still contribute to the fund. (*Link to donate is below*).

I am sure some of you have heard that HIPICO is on the market. Let me assure you that this will not displace Region 5 Championships! They will take place as planned.

"When you are doing something you love to do, the only reward you need is the experience of doing it" Bill Gove

~Your RMDS President, Dorothy Kapaun

Using the New RMDS Website

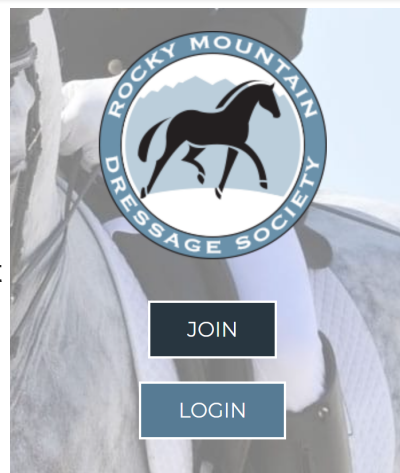
By Karen Harkin

By now everyone has likely seen and or used the new Rocky Mountain Dressage Society (RMDS) website. Here are a few tips to ensure that your membership is accurate, that you are accumulating the scores that you need to

Joining as a NEW member at

<https://www.rmids.org/> :

Use the **JOIN** button and complete the form and payment information. It is especially important that you select the correct chapter you intend to be affiliated with. If you have any questions, please contact rmids@indra.com to assist you.



If you are **RENEWING** your membership, use the **LOGIN** button.

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USDF Region 5 Update

February 2021

I hope everyone is staying warm and getting a little horse time this winter! I'm much thinner skinned these days and the winters feel colder and colder to me each year. I took a bit of time for my horse and myself this year and headed to Florida for a bit of training and showing. It is always amazing to me how my bond with my horse, which is already so strong, is reinforced and renewed when we travel together and have an opportunity to really be in each other's pockets so to speak. We are blessed to have our horses in our lives.

We are accepting bids for the 2022 Great American/USDF Region 5 Championships through February 8th. If anyone is interesting in placing a bid for the Regional Championships or has any questions about the process, please contact myself or the USDF office and we'll be happy to help! The final date for a Regional Championship to be held in 2022 will be October 10th in order to fit into the National Championship time frame, so please keep that in mind when looking at facilities and possible weekends. The Finals will be held in Lexington, Kentucky in 2021.

If you have an educational activity that your barn, group or organization is

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would love to keep everyone as informed as possible. Things are a bit different with Covid, but we'd love to let our members know of anything being offered in our region that folks might be able to audit or ride in.

If you intend to qualify for Region 5 teams to the North American Youth Championships, then please make sure you take note of the application structure for 2021. The application and fee should be turned in to the USDF office by March 16, 2021 in order to avoid stiffer fees. If you apply by March 16th, the fee is only \$50 per application. Applications submitted between March 17th and April 27th are \$100 and the final application deadline is May 11th, but it will cost you \$300 to apply between April 28th and May 11th. At this point in time, absolutely no applications will be accepted after May 11th. If you plan to compete for NAYC, please also be sure to contact Joan Clay, our Region Coordinator for the FEI Juniors and Young Riders and let her know your intent. Her email address is jnclay@comcast.net and her phone number is 970.420.0887. The 2021 NAYC will be held at the Great Lakes Equestrian Festival, Flintfields Horse Park, Traverse City, Michigan – August 9-15, 2021.

Till next month!

Heather Petersen

Region 5 Director

Upcoming Events

Feb 6 - Grand Valley "Saddle Fitting" with Jen Wright

Feb 8 - BVD Board Meeting, Sue Martin will be giving a talk on "What Makes a Million Dollar Horse"

Feb 10 - HP Amelia Newcomb Seminar 6 pm

Feb 20-21 - GVDS Gail Hoff Clinic

Feb 27-28 - GVDS-The Dressage Foundation sponsored Clinic with Susan Martin

Mar 1 - GVDS- Clinic with Susan Martin

Mar 11 - RMDS Executive Board Meeting 6:30 pm

Mar 20 - High Plains Dressage Youth Clinic with Sara Storch

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Five Ways to Win in Dressage Competition!

By Sally O'Dwyer, Dressage Amateur

"Winning and losing isn't everything; sometimes, the journey is just as important as the outcome." - Alex Morgan



Winning means success, offering fulfillment and validation of our riding. Winning motivates us to improve and helps us to move beyond ourselves, which is thrilling. Competition is a great way to measure progress, get valuable feedback, to develop and learn.

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The graphic for the RMDS Build a Byte Barn Fund features a dark blue header with a circular logo of a horse and the text "RMDS BUILD A BYTE BARN FUND". Below this is a light blue background with a stylized barn silhouette. To the right of the barn is a vertical progress bar with a red fill level. The progress bar has a scale from 0 to 50k in increments of 5k, with the top mark labeled "50k Goal". The red fill reaches approximately the 20k mark.

RMDS had a new database built and website designed. Our previous database was over 30 years old and needed to be revamped in order for our organization to move forward.

Make your tax-deductible donation for 2021! RMDS is a 501(c)3.

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\$500 donation = 1 Gigabyte

\$1000 donation = 1 Terabyte

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