

THE CENTAUR

RMDS Youth Summer Camp!

by Beverly Swanson

Although small in numbers this year, our campers were mighty: Mighty smart, mighty nice, and working hard to become mighty good riders.

K. C. Parkins Kyle again volunteered to be chief "cat-herder" along with help from staff at host 8th Heaven Farms and several guest train-



Christina Rudman working with Haley Davis.

ers and educators. Campers this year pitched tents on the lawn outside the barn (thank you to the fathers who assisted) and each morning were up early, feeding their horses and mucking stalls with smiles on their faces.

Mornings were dedicated to training sessions, starting with Gigi

Brittain, FEI dressage trainer at 8th Heaven, who evaluated the riders and their horses for division into two like groups of students. Former

Young Rider Christina Rudman instructed on Monday, and Dee Kirby of Spoiled Rotten Sporthorses on Tuesday. All trainers had an ex-

cellent rapport with the young ladies and were given good scores as instructors.

Additional activities included demonstrations by Tyteeka Ray, Equinese thermographic imaging; Georgia Burleson, Pilates for the equestrian; Jan Kelley, Healing Touch and Reiki; Al Agnew, farrier;

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Roger Kyle, in-hand work and fear management coach; and an impromptu equine dentistry lesson from Dr. Michael Pavsak, due to one of the 8th Heaven horses needing dental work.

Campers went on an in-property trail ride on Monday, which included a turn on several of the trail



Haley, Lysette, McKinley and Caitlin toasting marshmallows on the grill for S'mores



KC Parkins Kyle, McKinley Harvey, Haley Davis, Lysette Johnson, Caitlin McMillon, Madison Lee and Midnight in her tutu!



McKinley Harvey gives her final salute after riding First-I test on Midnight.

obstacles built on the farm for trail reliability courses. All of the horse/rider pairs did well, including going over bridges, up and down steps, and along the elevated walkway, among other "scary" things. The next day took two teams on a treasure hunt around the property, both on foot and on horseback.

Thanks to Charles at Horse & Hound for providing the "treasure!"

The Artist & Creative room was set up in one of the wash stalls, and campers did not disappoint with their imaginative stall card posters and other projects. This year campers even came up with a new category, "Costuming Your Horse." Not sure how the horses felt about this, other than resigned, but the costume designers managed to give each horse a look made just for them.

The final day was devoted to the traditional dressage show, judged by Linda Ohlson Gross. All had chosen their tests on Tuesday, and spent time diagramming them and walking through them in the arena. Wednesday morning, riders groomed and braided their horses,

although not quite in the formal manner of USDF guidelines, with assistance from Hannah Lewis, current Young Rider, and Jessica Sheppard, a junior rider and secretary for the High Plains Chapter. Parents came to watch and film their budding young stars, and all riders received at least one blue ribbon from two tests ridden. The determination and effort put forth by all was apparent in their rides, which were ridden quite competently and correctly.

A big thank you to everyone who volunteered their time and expertise to supporting the RMDS Jr/YR 2008 camp. It is an incredibly rewarding experience to spend four days and nights with enthusiastic and dedicated young riders who are the future of our sport.

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Editor's Page

From the desk of RMDS President Laura Speer

The show season is well underway and a lot of us are busy competing or volunteering at the wide range of shows that are offered in our area. I would like to take this time to address those riders who show or are planning to show. I have some reasonable experience with the competitor's side of showing and this year I've become more involved with the show management side. This has been an eye-opening adventure!

I've learned a few things that I'd like to share based on my experience this year. Hopefully, some of these things will be a reminder to fellow competitors and will make show personnel's lives a little easier.

1. Have all of your memberships in order before you send in your entry. Not doing so adds extra paperwork and stress the day of the show. Don't get upset with the show secretary when you are running late because you had to sign paperwork the morning of the show. Read the entry form carefully before you send it and double check that you've filled out and signed every space necessary.

2. The competitor is responsible for knowing the rules. This includes whips, spurs, bridles, fly bonnets, etc. Personally reading the USEF rules is sound advice. Do

not rely on show management, trainers, friends, what you saw at the last show and so on to provide you with information regarding competition rules. Rules change or are re-worded so read these every year before you start showing.

3. If you forgot to read the rules, ask before you do something that may get you eliminated. Can your sensitive horse wear that fly bonnet? This is covered in the rule book and it is something you will need to ask to use before your class begins at each show. The USEF rulebook covers this and every other circumstance that could cause elimination.

4. The competitor is responsible for his (or her) ride time. Those sun-pruned volunteer ring stewards are there for safety reasons, i.e. making sure the EMT is called if you are bucked off your horse or making sure nobody is being abusive. They will help you get to your ride on time in most cases but it is the rider's responsibility to get to the show arena on time. Bring a watch or a friend with a watch. Ask the ring steward on your way in to let you know when the rider ahead of you has left but don't rely solely on the ring steward!

5. The competition management is responsible for following the rules. Most managers know a lot of the competitors which sometimes makes it emotionally hard to follow through with penalizations/eliminations. Please don't take it personally if management has to ask you to do something, ask you not to do something, or must eliminate you. If the rules are not followed, the competition gets fined and the results will be no competitions. We'll all lose then.

I hope after reading this you will find time to read the USEF rules and your showing adventures will go a lot more smoothly.

Best of luck this season!
With forward thoughts,
Laura Speer
RMDS President



Region 5 Report

Congratulations to our riders who qualified for the North American FEI Junior and Young Riders Championships at the Colorado Horse Park this year. Our Region 5 Junior Team: Brandi Roenick and Pretty Lady, Brittney Klasic and Wadi Draa, Cassy Fitch and Kilroy, and Morgan Heinrichs and Orlando; and our Young Riders Team: Holly Bergay and Soliloquy, Anya Bershada and Wonder Boy, and Sara Winkleman and Icarus. Ellie Stine-Masek was our Chef d'Equip for both teams. It really has been a team effort from the shows that hosted Qualifying classes, and a big Thank you to all the efforts of the riders, parents, silent auction contributors, and supporters throughout our region. Tammy Fitch, our FEI Jr/Yr Coordinator, was assisted by Susan Rudman in the northern tier with extra fundraising help from Julie Barringer-Richers, our Youth Coordinator.

Everyone who participates in this premier competition with its Olympic-like atmosphere is a winner.

Our regional championship show will be at Westworld in Scottsdale, Ariz., October 31-November 2, 2008. The prize list and entry form will be on the USDF website www.usdf.org.

Arizona Dressage Association will be conducting a USDF "L" program starting with session D2, November 1-2 if you are interested in participating contact Kay Lorenzen 602-789-7782 or kaylorenzen@cox.net.

Deadlines: Region 5 GMO volunteer of the year award is due to USDF by August 31. The Ruth Arvanette Grant for three members to go to the USDF convention (up to \$500 airfare expenses, plus free registration, and _ hotel expense) is due to USDF by August 31. Also it is time to start thinking about GMO baskets for the con-

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The Dressage Foundation has many grants and programs that you should know about. Vanessa Simon, Colo., went to Europe in July this summer as part of the Olympic Dream program. We should get a great story about her trip. The Carol Lavell Gifted Grant programs offers \$900 grants to amateurs, one per region, deadline September 12, 2008. A new program, Anne L. Barlow Ramsey grant is for \$25,000 to an American-bred PSG horse or higher to compete in Europe, deadline October 30, 2008. Other grants are available for GMO educational programs. The web site is www.dressagefoundation.org. Check it out!

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- 2-3 Cheyenne Dressage & Eventing Open Show**
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Contact Rowena Heckert 3007-632-4151
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- 4 Dolly Hannon Clinic** Meadow Creek Farms, Erie
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- 5 Janet Foy Clinic** Reiterhoff Ranch
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- 5 Ballet on Horseback**
Boulder County Fair, Longmont (7 PM)
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- 8 Dressage in the Rockies #1** Parker USEF
Contact Glenda McElroy 818-841-3554
jennifer@glenroys.com
- 9 Dressage in the Rockies #2 USEF & USDFBC Sport Horse Competition** Parker
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- 10 Dressage in the Rockies #3** Parker USEF
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- 16 Pay It Forward Clinics** Legacy Hill Farms, Castle Rock
Contact Michelle/Anna 303-663-9494/303-585-0018
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- 16-17 Dressage at Sun Prairie (USEF) & USDFBC Sport Horse Competition** Peyton
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- 16-17 Paul Belasik Classical Dressage Clinic**-Grand Junction
Contact Lynea Schultz-Ela 970-872-3961
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- 17 Autumn Hill Sunday Series #3**, Longmont.
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- 19 Janet Foy Clinic** Reiterhof Ranch
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- 22 Paragon Dressage I & USDFBC Sport Horse Competition** Parker USEF
Contact Heather Petersen 719-683-8435, slush@drwg.net
- 23 Paragon Dressage II** Parker USEF
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- 24 Paragon Dressage III** Parker USEF
Contact Heather Petersen 719-683-8435, slush@drwg.net
- 23-24 USEF "r"-Paragon Dressage** Parker
Contact Heather Petersen
719-683-8435, slush@drwg.net
- 23 Utah Dressage Society Annual Show #1** USEF
Contact Eva-Marie Adolphi 801-254-3247
- 24 Utah Dressage Society Annual Show #2** USEF
Contact Eva-Marie Adolphi 801-254-3247
- 24 Centaur Rising Dressage Show III** Pine RMDS
Contact Kristannn Cooper, 303-838-5086
- 25 Dolly Hannon Clinic** Meadow Creek Farms, Erie
Contact Gwen 303-885-3363
clinics@meadowcreekfarms.net
- 29-31 Equine Touch Level 1**, Fort Collins
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- 30 2008 Dressage Classic Boulder Valley/Meadow Creek** Erie
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or Sarah Barns 303-817-2783
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- 30 Aspen Ridge Schooling Show** Monument
Contact Simone Windeler 719-287-2040
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- 31 Aspen Ridge RMDS Dressage Show** Monument.
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- 31 - 9/1 Sarah Martin Clinic** Meadow Creek Farms, Erie
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- 6 Pendragon Stud RMDS Dressage Show** Larkspur
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- 6 Grand Valley Dressage Fall Show**
Grand Junction USEF
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- 7 Western Slope Championships & Open Show**
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- 6-7 Boulder Valley/Meadow Creek Dressage Classic #2**, Erie.
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- 13-14 Biomechanics Symposium with J Ashton Moore**
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Contact Mary Ann Towsley 970-382-3485
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- 14 Foothills Last Chance Show** Golden
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- 16 Janet Foy Clinic** Reiterhof Ranch
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- 20 Cottonwood Riding Club Show** Littleton
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- 25 Rocky Mountain Sport Horse Breeding Championships & Qualifying Open Breed Show (USEF) & USDFBC Sport Horse Competition**
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- 26-28 RMDS Championships & Open Show** Parker USEF
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- OCTOBER 2008**
- 3-5 Ralf Schmitzer Clinic** Whispering Winds Farm Monument
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- 4-5 Nancy Smith Clinic at 8th Heaven Farms**
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- 7-9 Ralf Schmitzer Clinic** Whispering Winds Farm, Monument
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- 11-12 Ralf Schmitzer Clinic** Casa Serena, Monument
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- 11-12 Milbrook Farms Autumn Dressage Show**
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- 14 Janet Foy Clinic** Reiterhof Ranch
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- 15-16 Patrice Edwards from ITT Trust-England.**
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- 28 Janet Foy Clinic** Reiterhof Ranch
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- 31-11/2 Great American Insurance Group/USDF Regional V Dressage Championship** Scottsdale, AZ
Contact Sue Plasman 530-695-0509
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- NOVEMBER 2008**
- 4 Janet Foy Clinic** Reiterhof Ranch
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- 18 Janet Foy Clinic** Reiterhof Ranch
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- DECEMBER 2008**
- 3-7 USDF Convention** Denver
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- 6-7 Adequan/USDF National Symposium * Kyra Kyrklund**
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- SEPTEMBER 2009**
- 24 Rocky Mountain Sport Horse Breeding Championships & Qualifying Open Breed Show** USEF
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- 25-27 RMDS Championships and Open Show** Parker-USEF
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These events depend upon volunteers. If you can help, please contact the event organizer.

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Chapter News

Boulder Valley Dressage

The Boulder Valley chapter is going to finish our show season with a bang! As I write this, we are coming up on the opening date for our final two shows: The Prelude to the Classic (Aug. 30), an RMDS-recognized show, Training through Second Level; and the Dressage Classic to Benefit Renee's Friends Fund (Sept. 6 & 7), a two-day RMDS-recognized show, Training Level through Grand Prix. The Classic will be held at Meadow Creek Farms in Lafayette and is the last show of the season that gives upper-level riders the chance to qualify for championships. In addition, Meadow Creek is hosting a clinic with Sarah Martin (Aug. 31 & Sept. 1). We have lots to do, as you can imagine.

Let me tell you a little about Renée's Friends Fund, the charity that the Dressage Classic benefits. Renée Coble is a Colorado dressage trainer and rider and a breast cancer survivor. She and her friends founded Renée's Friends Fund (RFF) in 2004, shortly after Renée got her diagnosis. The first benefit horse show was held in 2004 and only four years later, the Dressage Classic is

the 12th horse event this year to benefit RFF.

The horse community has stepped up in a big way to help cancer survivors cope with household bills and other expenses that patients cannot afford after paying the doctor, hospital or pharmacist. Along with dressage shows, there are rodeos, polo matches, trail rides, jumping shows, and even a Julie Good-night natural horsemanship clinic all organization to benefit RFF.

This Fund has raised money and awareness and supported those engaged in a fight for their life—and it all started with people who saw a need and used their hearts, minds and muscles to address it. This is the inaugural year of the Dressage Classic and I invite you to join us and volunteer for this worthy charity.

How can I help?

These four simple words pack a complicated punch for many. I'd like to share some of my own observations about how wonderful people can be when you invite them to help. There is a wonderful phenomenon that occurs when people are invited to share in something worthwhile. When you really

look at the transformation that occurs when people give their time, talent and energy you find a powerful source of gratitude and accomplishment.

Our dressage community is fragmented into those who will (always), those who won't and those that don't understand how. We need every one to come together for a number of very important events and causes right now.

I have personally experienced the amazing results of asking for help at my own farm and was blown away by the talent and resourcefulness of the wonderful volunteers' right in my own backyard. Let's see if there isn't something each of us can be doing to make our events more successful by merely participating.

I appeal to the trainers for our young riders. BRIDLE that energy! The clinicians who travel the various facilities WHOOP IT UP! Tell them all about the satisfaction and learning opportunities surrounding the volunteer positions.

When is the last time you went horse showing and stopped to give a big THANK YOU to those that had given their weekend or stayed up all night fussing over footing or brought their

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messages to share with everyone? We have become spoiled and disinterested in making the effort to participate in the BIG PICTURE of what is really being conducted at our events and its time to reach out and support each other by getting involved. Honest, it's really fun and maybe if you're lucky you'll make a new friend or two. It works for me!
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Page C-71 **Dressage at Sun Prairie Stables** - Aug 16 & 17

ADD Sunday to prize list – now have stalls

Change TD to Debbie Moloznik

Page C-74 **Paragon Dressage I, II and III Shows**

This competition is now a NAJYRC and USEF Programs Qualifying Competition for 2009. The following classes have been added:

- 150 J,Q Junior Team Test - NAJYRC Qualifying and USEF Qualifying
- 151 J,Q Young Rider Team Test - NAJYRC Qual. and USEF Qual.
- 152 O,Q Brentina Cup Test
- 154 O,Q Developing Horse Test
- 250 J,Q Junior Individual Test - NAJYRC Qual. and USEF Qual.
- 251 J,Q Young Rider Individual - NAJYRC Qual. and USEF Qual.
- 252 O,Q Brentina Cup Test - USEF Qualifying
- 254 O,Q Developing Horse Test - USEF Qualifying
- 350 J,Q Junior Freestyle - NAJYRC Qualifying and USEF Qualifying
- 351 J,Q Young Rider Freestyle - NAJYRC Qual. and USEF Qual.
- 352 O,Q Brentina Cup Test
- 353 O Young Horse TOC - USEF Qualifying
- 354 O,Q Developing Horse Test

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Elaine Thomas email should be: Elaine.Thomas@yahoo.com

Page C-87 **RMDS Championship Show**

This competition is now a NAJYRC and USEF Programs Qualifying Competition for 2009. The following classes have been added:

- 113 O Young Horse TOC
- 114 O, Q Brentina Cup Test - USEF Qualifying
- 214 O Young Horse TOC
- 310 O Young Horse TOC - USEF Qualifying
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