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Third Monday of the Month

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NEXT MEETING June 21

6:15pm

A Message from NODA's President Niki Sackman

Greetings!

Spring is in full swing and so is NODA's [calendar of events!](#)

NODA's Dressage Schooling Show Series begins on May

23 at Chagrin Valley Farms with COVID safety precautions in place. All individuals, when not riding, will wear face coverings. Each horse/rider combination is limited to one groom and one trainer in addition to rider present in warm-up and stabling (exception for parents) of minors. NODA and Chagrin require Covid waivers to be signed. Show office will have limited admittance at all times. COVID restrictions may change during the season and will mirror USDF/USEF rules. Find out more at www.nodarider.org.



Niki Sackman & Raina

NODA's two recognized shows (June 26 and 27) open on May 10. Pure Gold Stables has excellent stabling, see prize list at www.nodarider.org. Enter early as the show will fill fast.

NODA is sponsoring a Junior/Young Rider Clinic with Cassandra Hummert-Johnson on July 10, opening on May 10. [See page 20](#) for the registration form.

Welcome Emily Gill, NODA's new Professional Liaison! Emily is a USDF Gold, Silver, and Bronze Medalist and earned her rider medals on her Morgan, Coulee Bend Kahlua, who she trained up through the levels. Emily is also a USDF certified instructor and provides instruction, training, and clinics in Dressage and Working Equitation. We look forward to having Emily on the NODA board!

NODA is excited to feature each USEF/USDF professional and all members who registered for the 2021 Member Services Directory. NODA values each member professional and what you bring to the equestrian community. The directory starts on [page 14](#) and will also be on NODA's website soon.

This month NODA is featuring USEF/USDF member professionals and we are happy to have interviews with Heidi Kohl, [page 6](#) and Cassandra Hummert - Johnson, [page 18](#), and a site visit to Barb Soukup's BaR S Ranch [page 23](#). Also check out, "Getting to Know NODA's Recognized Show Officials," on [page 22](#).

NODA News is unveiling a new column this month, "Equine Essentials, WHAT'S NEW for the Equestrian and Their Horse," written by Kelly Jones, co-owner of Equine Essentials. Check out this month's review on [page 21](#).

Are YOU the person to organize the 2021 Awards Banquet? The banquet is an annual event to celebrate our volunteers, competitors, and horses, as well as friends and supporters. **Let Niki Sackman know if you can lead the banquet team!**

President@nodarider.org

And of course, NODA is nothing without YOU, our members - Check out who joined NODA in the past month and other member news on [page 21](#).

Enjoy your horse! Niki

Cassandra Hummert-Johnson competing in the FEI 6 Year Olds in Wellington on her 2015 mare Dianella (Flower) by Danone (De Niro) in Wellington, Florida.
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Recognized Shows OPEN on May 10

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Announcing *NODA*'s Recognized Show Cover Art Contest Winner Congratulations, Jennifer Cooper!

By Mosie Welch

Jennifer Cooper's artwork (not pictured) **has been selected by the Recognized Show Committee to be used on the cover of the 2021 Recognized Show program.** Jennifer's drawing conveyed the feeling of partnership between horse and rider and the dressage training scale, both which are necessary to excel in dressage at every level.

"I am very honored to have my artwork as the cover for NODA's recognized show. Since high school, I wanted to have a career in the arts so I could enjoy what I do for the rest of my life. What a journey that thought has been!

My art experience started at Mercyhurst College for Interior Design and I quickly added a second major of art studio to spend more time doing art as well as architectural drawings. Soon after, a Master's of Education from Ursuline College followed so I could teach art. I have 18 years of experience in the classroom, mostly with high school students, but I really enjoyed a quick stint with college kids too! I have also done painting parties, created horse jewelry and artwork, and worked in a retail art making studio helping others design



We won't unveil the winning design until the show program is released and instead share "TUNA" courtesy of Jennifer Cooper.

their pieces. I have entered and won a college design competition and my photography has been used for calendars and cards for our local township's fundraisers. A drawing of our pony, Arwen, was the cover of NODA's 2019 banquet program. I'm thinking of something really amazing to create for the USDF art competition!"

Jennifer is the owner and artist at "Bay & Gray Designs," NODA's Advertising Editor, and NODA's Junior/Young Rider Liaison. **Jennifer received a \$100 gift certificate to Big Dee's Tack and Vet supply for her winning submission.**

Four NODA members sent artwork and the final decision was difficult. Valarie Grava, Kayda Strah, and Gail Browning each received a \$10 gift certificate to Big Dee's Tack and Vet Supply and their artwork will be featured in a later edition of the *NODA News*.

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An Interview with Heidi Kohl

Interview by Mosie Welch

Photos courtesy of Heidi Kohl

When did you start riding horses and what can you tell us about your first horse?

I started riding when I was 5 years old. We just had some fun backyard horses. One was a ex Polo Pony who was 15.3 hands of spicy! His registered name was Purty Punkin. I grew up in Atlanta, Georgia. We did not have a horse trailer when I was young so I would ride my horse to the local show which was about 8 miles away. I would ride in the Western saddle and have the english saddle strapped to me like a backpack. I hung a bucket with supplies from the saddle horn. I was very determined at 11 years old!

What else do you enjoy outside the horse world?

My husband, Jack and I really enjoy our farm with our family and all the dogs and horses. We have two sons who are married to great gals and have 3 grandkids that also love the farm! I was a competitive swimmer throughout my youth and swam in College. I love any water sports. I water ski and swim for fun. Recently, Jack and I have started side by side ATV trips. We enjoy getting out in the middle of nowhere and camping!

How long have you been “riding dressage” and what hooked you on the sport of dressage?

Growing up I had a wonderful mentor, Mr. Harold Reeves, that taught me so much about riding and handling horses. He was trained in classical dressage and was from Germany. He was in his 80's when I rode with him and he put me on some amazing horses...and some really crazy horses! He would say my long legs could hang on!

After I left for college in N.C. I was eager to sit on anything as I could not take my horses to school. I rode for a horse trader in Raleigh, NC whose farm was close to my campus. I rode many horses for him and led out trail riders who would rent a horse. Most of these riders had never ridden a horse before so it was interesting! He had a big old type Warmblood come through the sales barn. I was in love but I could not afford a horse at the time and promised myself one day I would get a Warmblood. I moved on to AQHA, Paint, and Appaloosa breed shows



Heidi Kohl competing

and even barrel racing. I enjoyed them all but always wanted to get back to my roots in dressage. I always rode every discipline with the same idea of classical dressage. Rhythm, relaxation, connection, Impulsion, straightness, and collection do apply to all disciplines if ridden correctly. I started getting TB's right from the track and trained them to be a fun and safe rides that could go into any discipline. Dressage is a passion of mine as it is something different everyday on every horse. One might have a weaker right hind,

one may have trouble really bending left, or using its top-line to go to the bit. It is fun to play with them and find those little glimmers of understanding and building from there. It is addictive!

What level do you school and show now and what have you learned moving up the levels?

Currently, I am schooling the I-1 and PSG and will show a few different levels this season with my two young horses. I earned my bronze and silver medals along with silver freestyle medal on horses I trained up the levels. I love the journey of training a horse. It has peaks and valleys but it is the process of building the partnership with my horses that I love. There is no quick fix, no magic potion, it just takes time and patience to help them understand what the training pyramid is all about. Everyone is in such a hurry to show at the upper levels and they rush the basic training to start the “tricks”. It ruins so many horses. I personally find watching a beautiful ridden Training Level test on an elastic harmonious partner is just as beautiful as watching a Grand Prix test. Every horse is different and will let you know when they are ready to move up.

Tell us a little about your current horse(s):

DG Edoryke is a KWPN that was training GP but is currently enjoying a little down time. I will start him back to work this summer.

Furstendell aka Zee, is a 16.3 h black gelding by Furstenball that is like a little Ferrari. He is athletic and quite the character. He is schooling 3rd and 4th levels.

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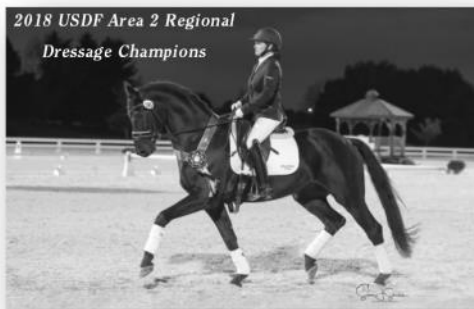


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Frandrokus aka Frankie, is a 17.2 h brown gelding by Franziskus. I just got Frankie in November and we are working on basics. He is such an incredible athlete with a super mind I am having lots of fun!

Dolce is my semi retired schoolmaster. I trained and showed him up to I-1. He is a gentle giant at 18 h of sweetness. I use him now to give occasional lessons to people that want to feel the movements of an FEI horse. He is such a patient teacher.

Do you cross train and if so, what do you do?

I strive to keep it fun for my horses. I do not drill them everyday. I ride them out and about around the farm after every ride. We do ground poles and hill work to build strength. Trail rides through our woods keep them looking where they are going! I also enjoy ground work with my horses. Simple movements in hand can really help build a horses confidence.

What are some key horse management tips you believe makes for a happy dressage partner?

I believe in as much turnout as possible. My horses go out year round no matter what the weather is. In the summer they go out all night. I think this helps them in so many ways. I also keep them on a balanced healthy diet. Not lots of treats but solid nutritional based diet. I also keep regular “wellness” checks with my vet. I have chiropractor and massage therapy schedules for my horses that are in heavy work. It is important to catch an issue before it becomes a problem.

When I ride my horses I always have a plan of what I am going to work on and precisely what exercises I am going to do. Too many people just show up to the ring and ride in circles with no plan. I journal my rides so I know what, where, and when things got better or worse. Keeps the guessing game out of it all. I always try to do a short hack after a workout for a reward to both of us!

In your riding career, what has been the biggest challenge and what have you learned from facing the challenge?

Personally, I have had to deal with orthopedic issues. In the past 10 years I have had a total hip replacement, a to-

tal knee replacement, shoulder surgery and hip flexor surgery. I feel fortunate that these were things that could be “Fixed”! I have learned how sensitive horses can be to our “weaker” side or joint. I worked diligently to return to the saddle as soon as possible after each “fix”. What I have learned from this all is that we only have a “window” of opportunity to ride and I do not want to waste one day of this precious time! I love riding and everything about it. Staying fit to help my horse as well as myself is a priority.

What trainers and clinicians do you credit with helping you throughout your career?

My two mentors are Janet Foy and George Williams. They are my rocks of knowledge and expertise. Their skill sets really compliment each other when I work with them. George sees and feels through a trainers eye. Janet sees things from a judges perspective then can add her “trainers’ skill to fixing the issue. Jack and I are lucky to call Janet and George along with their spouses our friends. We are truly blessed.

Is there one or more people who are “there for you” in your riding career?

My husband, Jack is my everything. We met when I was a college freshman at 17 years old and have never been apart since. Being married to my best friend is the easiest thing I do! He supports my passion for horses and he enjoys the farm work that comes with it. (Think Big Boy toy-

land, tractors, loaders, trailers,etc) I also am very lucky to have a barn full of wonderful women that I call friends. We all support each others passion for horses and the journey that we are all on.

What is a key piece of advice you would give any adult amateur or young rider who schools and shows in dressage?

KEEP IT FUN!!!! I see far too many that just take it

all too seriously. Mistakes are just learning opportunities. We all make them. You can not succeed if you do not push past your comfort zone. Dressage tests are made up of so many movements. If you blow one movement the next one is a fresh opportunity to succeed. Do not give up, keep it fun, and enjoy the ride!

See Heidi's Member Services listing on [page 14](#).



Heidi experiences the mountain trail course at Stone Gate Farm.

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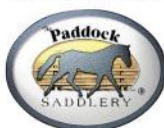
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As in the past, Dressage 2021 and **Dressage Encore 2021** competitions are licensed and recognized by the United States Equestrian Federation (USDF) and the United States Dressage Federation (USEF). This means that qualifying scores can be earned for the USDF Regional Championships.

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We count on your support to sustain NODA's growth and make our recognized shows a success each year. Your support also helps provide much needed funds for educational events and scholarships that benefit all members of our organization.

Thank you for your efforts in continuing to help NODA grow!

Sincerely,

Dee Liebenthal, Treasurer

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**More Information on NODA's
Recognized Shows Sponsorship Opportunities**
Sponsorship Levels and sign-up [page 12](#)
Detail and FAQ's, [page 11](#)
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**TDF Announces Two Recipients of the
 Karen Skvarla Fund Grant
 for Young Professionals**

March 30, 2021 - The Dressage Foundation is pleased to announce that the 2021 Karen Skvarla Fund Grants for Young Professionals have been awarded to **Briana Cavett of Columbia Station, OH**, and Emily Goldstein of Frederick, MD, who will each receive \$1,000 for their dressage education.

Briana, who has been a dressage instructor for two years, has 11 full-time students and five part-time students with a wide variety of ages and levels. Briana plans to use the grant funding to complete a month of training with her two horses with Joanne White.

Briana said, "I am appreciative for this grant beyond words! This is the first time I will be able to go into full training on my own horse, and I am so fortunate to have this opportunity. I cannot wait to see what I am able to learn and bring back to my amazing clients."

Emily has spent the past few years working for Amy Howard and Barbara Strawson and recently embarked on a solo training career. She currently works with 13 students who are of varying ages and levels. With this funding, Emily will take monthly lessons with Michele Wellman and participate in three clinics with Bent Jensen.

The purpose of the Karen Skvarla Fund is to provide grants enabling dressage professionals to pursue training or educational opportunities. Grant applicants should be in the beginning stages of their dressage careers as instructors and/or trainers. The Karen Skvarla Fund Grant selection committee will especially look for applicants who are eager to grow and improve, and who are fair and respectful to both students and horses.

The Karen Skvarla Fund for Young Professionals awards two annual \$1,000 grants, with applications due on or before February 15th of each year. The application can be found at www.dressagefoundation.org.



Briana Cavett of Columbia Station, OH has been awarded the Karen Skvarla Fund Grant for Young Professionals.

USDF University Virtual Education Series

Lexington, KY (April 1, 2021) – The United States Dressage Federation™ (USDF) announced today the launch of its new USDF University Virtual Education Series. Developed with the support of the USDF Adult Programs Committee, this series will feature quarterly live webinars, covering a variety of topics of interest to our members. These webinars will be open to all members at no charge and after completion, will be converted into virtual courses hosted through USDF University. The first webinar of this series is Tips for Improving Scores with Kathy Rowse and Bill McMullin (USEF Senior Judges and USDF L Education and Instructor/Trainer faculty members, respectively), which will take place on April 14, 2021, followed by the second of the series in June.

USDF Education Department Director Kathie Robertson shared her excitement, "After such a positive reception to the education made available during the 2020 Adequan®/USDF Virtual Convention, we are delighted to be able to provide a new and exciting educational experience to our members and to connect them in a more direct way to the experts on these fundamental topics."

For more information on USDF University, the new virtual education series, or other USDF educational offerings, visit the USDF University page of the USDF website or contact us at education@usdf.org.

NODA 2021 Recognized Shows

- ❖ June 26th and 27th at Pure Gold Equestrian Center in Salem OH
- ❖ USEF/USDF Qualifying Shows for Regionals
- ❖ Saturday Show is 1-ring with "S" judge Heidi Berry
- ❖ Sunday Show is 1-ring with "S" judge Sue Mandas
- ❖ Stabling available on-site

Save the date!

Plan to enter on opening day to secure your spot!!

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NODA's 2021 Member Services Directory

The directory is designed to provide the opportunity to our USEF/USDF professionals and NODA members who own a business to let other's know the services they offer.

The Member Services Directory will be listed on the NODA Website through April 30, 2022 and available to members and non-members alike.

**If there is an error in your listing please
let Mosie know at Directory@nodarider.org**

No listings will be added to the directory until we compile the 2022 Member Services Directory. The Member Services Directory was advertised beginning in February 2021 in the *NODA News*, on NODA's website and in our email blasts.

NODA provides this directory as a member service and makes no endorsement concerning any entry.

An Interview with Cassandra Hummert - Johnson

Interview by Mosie Welch

photos courtesy of Cassandra Hummert-Johnson

When did you start riding horses and what can you tell us about your first horse and what you learned?

I grew up on a family farm in the Cuyahoga Valley National Park. My dad built sleighs and my parents ran a business that did horse drawn carriage and sleigh rides. We bred and raised Norwegian Fjord ponies. My dad loved them for their kindness and safe demeanor around the public. I started riding on those ponies around age 5. My dad taught me how to ride. We had a handful of fjords, and I started riding a mare called Karen, who was very sweet and kind and safe. When I was seven I wanted to learn to jump, so signed up for riding lessons at an equestrian center. I took some group lessons on lesson horses, and then turned to riding our other ponies that weren't so saddle broke. That little journey led me to Thor, a gelding who was a bit headstrong to ride, and he really took me into dressage.

Tell us about your experience with driving and carriage rides.

We did a plethora of cool things in the area with horses. My dad did the Carousel Dinner Theater with horses (indoors, on a stage, with a vehicle). He was longtime employed for Sea World to take people across the park via carriage. I participated in many of these jobs as a child. We were employed for "Breakfast with Santa" at the Portage Lakes Country Club many times. We used a mare named Karen, who was a perfect angel, and the sleigh to transport Santa across the snow-covered golf course and deliver him to the clubhouse in front of the many eager and waiting children. One year we came across



Above: Norwegian Fjord pony pulling a carriage in the Cuyahoga Valley national Park where Cassandra grew up. Fjord ponies lazing in the sun.

Below: Cassandra with dressage pony, Thor



the snow, delivered Santa successfully, waved to the happy people, and then turned the sleigh right into an (invisible beneath the snow) sand trap. The whole sleigh flipped over with the shafts pulling on the horse, we spilled out, and people came running to help us. My dad jumped up, helped me up and righted the sleigh. After patting Karen, we jumped back in and off we went. What a different time that was. I have a lot of respect for my dad as a horseman. He raised our ponies to be brave and kind and in turn they were wonderful animals. We also did the Polar Express for many, many years in Peninsula, but sadly, the Cuyahoga Valley Scenic Railroad decided to eliminate the horse aspect in 2008.

How long have you been "riding dressage" and what hooked you on the sport of dressage?

As a kid I wanted to jump, because my friends were jumping. I tried to get my pony Thor to jump but he just wasn't agile or willing enough. Fjords are short and stocky, and Thor was especially short and especially stocky. I took him to Chagrin Valley Farms and tried to jump him around and it really didn't go well. Instead of giving up, I looked into what else I could do at the horse shows, and decided to give dressage a go. I eventually told my mom I wanted a horse, and she told me if I took lessons on the pony I could get a horse. I flipped through the phone book for riding stables and found Timberlane Farm in North Royalton. I brought the pony, met Joanne White, and

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that's how I got started. My first horse was a chestnut gelding called King Archibald, who I showed first and second level.

You ride dressage and teach YOGA – what is the connection and how does YOGA help your riding?

I love learning about teaching. Teaching yoga is similar to teaching people how to ride. You have to be understanding and empathetic, yet challenging and encouraging. I did my 200-hour Yoga Teacher Training at an Ashram. It was intense, but the all-day intensity and focus on every part of the day, from eating to drinking to practicing yoga to resting really made me fitter, more relaxed and more focused. I try to take that attitude into my rides each day. I try to give myself plenty of time to act with intention and methodically, and really do everything I need to do at 100% effort.



Cassandra riding King Archibald

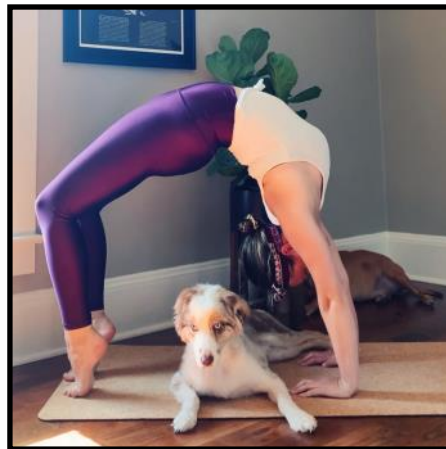
those programs I realized I had been shielded from a lot of the hatred and nastiness that circulates in the dressage world, and suddenly became much more exposed to it. I choose to face it head on, I choose to go to Wellington and face criticism, and it's made me stronger and more confident. Life is so short, and dressage, in the end, is so silly. We trot horses around a sand ring. Don't let anyone ever tell you that you don't belong. Do what makes you happy and surround yourself with people that support you.

What can you tell young riders about the transition from Jr/Young Rider to professional.

Be brave and be humble. Take some risks, but when things go wrong, have the self-awareness to understand why and how to fix it and move forward.

Tell us a little about your current horse.

Currently I have a 2015 mare by Danone (De Niro) called Dianella. We call her Flower in the barn. She really is a fantastic horse. She has a super attitude, is brave and sweet and fancy as well. I was in Wellington this season (2021) and we competed pretty extensively in the FEI 6 Year Olds with CDI scores to 78% and National Show scores to 86.8%. Our plans are the young horse championships, and then the FEI Seven Year Olds and developing horse classes in 2022. I think she will make a really super Grand Prix horse.



Cassandra is a certified Yoga Instructor.

What is a key piece of advice you would give any adult amateur or young rider who schools and shows in dressage?

I recently did a podcast and talked about this (Dressage Radio Show with Philip Parkes and Reese Koffler Stanfield). If you are at home schooling and schooling and schooling and never go to the horse show, I think you are only hurting yourself. Go do the show. Give it a wack. See what happens. Same goes for schooling. If you only ever practice the canter pirouette by spiraling in the circle, that's nothing

like the test. Go on the diagonal and try the canter pirouette, see what happens. I think we all get so caught up in the process of being successful that we often forget to just attempt the end goal. Be brave.

Do you cross train and if so, what do you do?

I try to do yoga 3-4 times a week. I teach some private classes in the area as well. I just recently completed my 300-hour Teacher Training course and am a Registered 500 Hour Yoga Teacher with the Yoga Alliance. I like to walk my dog, Kiwi, and occasionally I'll row on the rowing machine.

See Cassandra Hummert-Johnson's Member Services listing on [page 15](#).

In your riding career, what has been the biggest challenge and what have you learned from facing the challenge?

I've had a few monumental moments that have shaped my career, and I'm thankful for all of them, good and bad. My time doing the junior/young rider/U25 was pretty amazing and perfect and I really had experiences that helped me learn and grow on appropriate horses. After I graduated



Northern Ohio Dressage Association
Dressage Clinic for Junior/Young Rider NODA Members
with Cassandra Hummert-Johnson,
a USDF Gold Medalist, owner of Lavendel Dressage LLC

When: Saturday, July 10, 2021 (9am – 5pm) **Open Date:** **May 10** **Close Date:** **June 10**

Where: Fair Winds Farm, 16490 Munn Rd, Chagrin Falls, OH 44023

What: Here is your opportunity to improve your dressage riding with a local professional trainer/instructor who also was a successful young rider.

Ride Times: Rides will be scheduled every 45 minutes and will be emailed the Wednesday before the clinic. If you are trailering with another rider/horse, please indicate in the special notes below. There is no stabling available. If you would prefer morning or afternoon, indicated below in special notes. Auditors WELCOME.

Cost per Ride \$25 for NODA Jr/YR members. (You will also receive a NODA polo type shirt!)

Circle Shirt size here, Youth: S M L XL **Adult:** S M L XL

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REGISTRATION FORM (Please print and mail in the form below with your clinic payment)

Name _____
Address _____ **City** _____ **State** _____ **Zip** _____
Phone _____ **Cell** _____ **Email** _____
Horse Name _____ **Dressage level(s)** _____
Clinic Fee - NODA member \$25 x _____ **Total Enclosed \$** _____

SPECIAL NOTES: _____

Make Check Payable To: Northern Ohio Dressage Association (or NODA)
Mail Check To: Jennifer Cooper, 6395 Paine Rd., Painesville, OH 44077

Questions & Clinic Contact: **Jennifer Cooper, NODA Jr/Young Rider Liaison** 216-469-3920 (Voice/Text) or
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A waiver of liability may be required by the organization and the facility. Rider/owner will accept full responsibility for themselves and the horse in regards to risk of injury. Rider/owner will abide by all facility regulations. Regardless of any agreement between the rider and owner, the rider is ultimately responsible for any fees owed to the facility for stabling and/or bedding.

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(If rider is under 18)

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Membership News

Fran Cverna, Membership Chair
NODA's 2021 Membership Year
12/01/2020 – 11/30/2021

Welcome New or Renewing
Members

Sam Bohner
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Michelle Hrnchar
Kristen Kaput
Makenna Sladky
Philip Stauss

As of April 16, we have 219 members for 2021.
144 Adult Amateur, 26 Youth, 49 Professional
We have 42 new members for 2121;
some were members in the past, but not in 2020.

Compared to last year at this time we are down 9 members.
Compared to 2019 at this time we are down 40 members!
Tell all your friends to join NODA!!

if you have membership questions contact
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Member Milestones!



Happy Birthday, Star!

Pamela White's filly,
Star, turns 1 year old on May 9!
Photo courtesy of Pamela White



Equine Essentials

WHAT's NEW for the Equestrian and their Horse

By Kelly Jones

Short tail coats are becoming quite the popular show item in both the Dressage and Eventing show rings. Their nod to tradition paired with updated styling and technical fabrics are making them a favorite among equestrians!



The Montar short tail coat is a new, personal favorite of mine! It has a bit of bling on the collar and under the lowest button which gives you a little flash, but not too much. The Montar jacket has a nice form-fitting cut and is made with a soft, stretchy material that moves with you so you don't feel inhibited while you ride! On top of that, the lining is a breathable mesh which helps to keep you cool on those hot, summer show days. It's available in both black and navy. On top of that, the coat is \$189 which makes it a nice mid-price range that won't completely break the bank.

The Montar short tailed coat comes in black and navy with a little bling!

Kelly Jones is an Eventer who also likes to dabble in the Dressage and Show Jump world! She has 2 wonderful and dependable horses, Hendrix and Jude and currently rides out of Ridgewood Stables. Kelly co-owns the tack shop Equine Essentials in Avon Lake with her mom, Gail Davis.
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Do You or Your Horse Have Something to Celebrate?

A milestone? A new horse? New to NODA?



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Getting to Know NODA's Recognized Show Officials

By Patty Keim, Recognized Show Manager

We are pleased share with you that we have two esteemed judges and an experienced technical delegate lined up for NODA Dressage 2021 and NODA Dressage 2021 Encore the weekend of June 26th and 27th at Pure Gold in Salem Ohio.

The technical delegate for the show weekend will be

Janice Welch. Having grown up on a cattle ranch in Kansas, Janice first encountered dressage in the late 1970's when she moved to Los Angeles, CA. Immediately falling in love with the sport, Janice worked with her GMO as show manager for the LA Chapter shows and actively showed up thru 3rd level. Becoming the 2nd Dressage TD in Southern California in the 1980's, Janice has enjoyed this role for over 30 years. In recent years, she has bred warmbloods for her daughter to show in Dressage. Janice is semi-retired. She is licensed as a USEF Dressage R TD, USEF Vaulting TD, FEI *** Vaulting Steward and currently working her C2 steward certification.



Janice Welch

On Saturday June 26th Heidi Berry from Virginia will be judging. Heidi has been a Horse Enthusiast from an early



Heidi Berry

age, Rider, Trainer, Instructor, and Judge. Heidi hunted and evented in the late 1970's and early 1980's, but since that time has focused her equestrian talents exclu-

sively on dressage. She has competed successfully at FEI levels, earning the USDF bronze, silver, and gold medals. Heidi teaches at her farm (KinsmanFarm.com) in Loudoun County, Virginia and at several other facilities in Northern

Virginia. Her students have ranged in age from 10 to 75 and most are successful competitors. Heidi teaches clinics and often works with pony clubs, promoting dressage for young riders. Heidi is a Senior dressage judge ("S"), having completed USEF's highest level of certification in 2013. She also received her FEI 3* license in 2018. She travels all around the country, judging at all levels of competition. She is currently competing on a 11-year-old American Warmblood gelding at PSG and is bringing along a newly purchased 4-year-old DHH that she feels is very exciting. Heidi loves being a judge and teaching all ages and working with a variety of breeds of horses. Her advice to competitors: Follow the training scale and ride for harmony. A harmonious ride, even with small mistakes, can win the class!

On Sunday June 27th Sue Mandas from Ohio will be judging. Sue has been involved in the sport of Dressage as competitor, trainer, breeder and instructor for over 40



Sue Mandas

years. She is a Senior "S" dressage judge, an "R" Sport Horse Breed judge, and a member of the USDF Sport Horse Faculty. A longtime member of the USDF Sport Horse Committee, she currently also serves as an At Large Director on the USDF executive board. Involved with breeding warm blood Sport horses for many years, her first Grand Prix horse was one she bred, raised and trained herself, with instruction through clinics. Sue is a USDF Bronze, Silver and Gold Medalist and

earned the Silver and Gold Freestyle Bars. Sue has trained many horses to the FEI level, winning Regional Champion or Reserve Champion at every level, Second through Grand Prix, and making the USET longlist several times. Currently she is living in Centerville, Ohio where she rides a young red mare, trains and teaches.

NODA is pleased to welcome these USEF officials to Dressage 2021 and Dressage 2021 Encore. Don't miss your change to ride for these judges! NODA's recognized shows open on May 10. We look forward to seeing you at Pure Gold Stable in June.

A Visit to Barb Soukup's BaR S Ranch

by Mosie Welch with photos courtesy of Barb Soukup

I scheduled an afternoon visit to Barb Soukup's BaR S Ranch so Alaska and I could tour Barb's new barn and upgrades for both horses and their humans. And Alaska and I needed to brush the cobwebs off from the winter with an "off the farm" experience. So off to Chardon we went!

Barb's hospitality and attention to Alaska's needs were greatly appreciated. Right off the trailer, Alaska exchanged neighs with the horses in the paddocks. While Alaska checked out one of the new "comfort" stalls, I took a tour of the tack room, restroom, lounge/viewing room, wash rack and solarium.

Of course the best part of our afternoon was our lesson with the positive and on point tips Barb gave us to work on! The price point was comfortable for the wallet. And Barb complimented Alaska on his calm and relaxed "visiting manners!" It was fun to catch up and Barb was there to help Alaska with the butt bar. Even gentleman have quirks!

BaR S Ranch added six stalls, ensuring personalized care. Haul-in's are welcomed by appointment and horses have the opportunity to "settle in." You can find out more in Barb's **Member Services listing on [page 16](#)** of this newsletter.



Above: The new barn at BaR S Ranch with the paddock fencing in progress.



Right: The beautiful, full sized indoor arena.



Above and below, left : Amenities for turnout have been upgraded with loafing sheds and hay huts. Above right: Stall aisle. Right and below right: The lounge with viewing window, restroom, and tack lockers ensure the rider has comforts too.





**Northern Ohio Dressage Association
2021 Membership Form**

NODA membership runs
12/1/2020 through 11/30/2021

**NODA is a United States Dressage Federation
Group Member Organization (GMO)**



A portion of your NODA membership dues goes towards your group membership in USDF. A USDF Group Membership (GM) makes you eligible for USDF Rider Awards. Group Members may participate in recognized shows without the payment of USDF non-member fees, are eligible to earn university credits, receive member discount rates for USDF events, and receive the *USDF Connection* magazine. (Supporting Family members do not receive a subscription to the *USDF Connection* – one magazine per "family.") See www.nodarider.org or www.usdf.org for eligibility to qualify for USDF regional and national championships. Note that Participating Membership in USDF is needed to compete in USDF Regional Championships.

Important INFORMATION:

- The printed Schooling Show Prize List which includes the Year-End Awards Program details is mailed to members who join **before May 1, 2021**.
- NODA By-Laws, club information, shows, awards, newsletters, and events are available at www.nodarider.org.
- NODA membership includes a subscription to the printed newsletter *NODA News*.
- Join or renew at or before December 1, 2020 and be entered in a drawing for a free 2022 membership!
- Online sign up fees are \$2.00 more because of processing fees
- **Two ways to join:**

Mail this form along with a check or

Sign up ONLINE from the MEMBERSHIP page at www.nodarider.org

Date _____ ☐ Renewal ☐ New

Approval to release your contact information to Big Dee's Tack and Vet Supplies?

(Big Dee's reimburses club 5% on members' purchases.) Yes, I approve _____ No, I do not approve _____

Name _____ USDF # _____

☐ Adult Amateur

☐ Professional

☐ Youth, birth date required: _____

Youth is a NODA membership category that includes both Juniors (JR) and Young Riders (YR). Sign up for YOUTH membership unless you turn 22 or older in 2021.
If you turn 22 or older in 2021, you must sign up for Adult Amateur or Professional membership.

Address _____ City _____ State _____ Zip _____

Phone _____ E-mail _____

Additional Family Member Name _____ USDF # _____

(Must live at same address; includes ALL benefits except for USDF magazine and NODA newsletters)

☐ Adult Amateur

☐ Professional

☐ Youth, birth date required: _____

Phone _____ E-mail _____

Additional Family Member Name _____ USDF # _____

(Must live at same address; includes ALL benefits except for USDF magazine and NODA newsletters)

☐ Adult Amateur

☐ Professional

☐ Youth, birth date required: _____

Phone _____ E-mail _____

To add more family members, use other side of form, or contact membership@nodarider.org

Newsletter subscription without membership Fill out this section only for a Newsletter subscription without membership. This is not a membership and excludes USDF GMO Membership, discounts, eligibility for NODA awards or Schooling Show Championship.

Name _____ E-mail _____

Address _____ City, State _____ Zip _____ Phone _____

Membership Dues

Adult Amateur or Professional \$49.00 \$ _____

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Must be 75 years old or older as of December 1, 2020

Additional Family Member \$20.00 \$ _____

Full membership, must live at same address

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Additional Donation \$ _____

TOTAL ENCLOSED \$ _____

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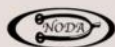
Fran Cverna
NODA Membership
12212 Snow Rd
Burton, OH 44021

QUESTIONS?

Membership questions: Contact Fran Cverna
440-834-1774 or Membership@nodarider.org

Other questions: Contact Kathy Kirchner
330-995-6010 or MemberRep@nodarider.org

NODA is a 501(C)3 Educational Organization. All donations are tax deductible.



Northern Ohio Dressage Association

TWO NODA Board Position Available! NODA Needs Your Help!

2021 Awards Banquet Chair

Plan and organize the annual banquet
Including a social hour, meal, and program

Work closely with
the Awards Committee
to plan a celebratory event for all attendees

Former chairs will assist with overview and
suggestions on format.

2021 Silent Auction Chair

Organize and run the silent auction including soliciting
auction items and set up, managing the auction &
collecting payment.

Contact Niki Sackman: President@nodarider.org

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Classified Ads Info

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One free ad at a time for 2 issues

60 words or less FREE

60- 80 words \$10.00

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Non-member Ads/2 issues

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**Submit Ad & Payment
by 15th of the Month**

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Email ads to:

Classifieds@nodarider.org

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1/2" like new. Asking
\$1795.00
Ask for Barb 440-942-4860.
Leave message if not
answering.

OTHER

Member Benefit

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Ad HERE

NODA Positions

Banquet Chair Needed to coordinate the 2021 NODA Year End Banquet.

Plan the venue, the menu, the
favors, and the decorations.
If you'd like more information
please contact Niki Sackman
President@nodarider.org

Silent Auction Chair Needed: Organize and run the annual silent auction including soliciting items, setting up auction, and receiving payments.

This is a huge
fund raiser for NODA and help
with education and
scholarships.
If you'd like more information
please contact Niki Sackman
President@nodarider.org

ISO Lease

Petite mature AA dressage
rider looking to lease low-
er/mid level dressage
horse-east side only. Ask
for Kathy (440)364-9570,
Please leave voice message.

HORSE FUN

sent in by Fran Cverna

Horse Term History

Etymology of the word



"Canter"

After Canterbury, a city
in England, the home of
Thomas Becket's shrine,
toward which medieval
pilgrims supposedly rode
at an easy pace. Earliest
documented use: 1706.

Photo and Article Submission Guidelines for NODA News

PHOTO Submission Guidelines

All Photo Requirements: high resolution, 300
dpi or higher in JPEG/JPG

Photos must be submitted as attachment to e-
mails

NODA reserves the right to determine which
photos will be published

*NO photo will be used of any mounted rider
without a helmet*

Please include your name and the
photographers name, horse's name, breed,
hands, age & a description of the activity

Cover Photos for NODA News

Size: Portrait friendly format with uncluttered
background—send without cropping.

Article Guidelines

Articles should highlight subjects of interest
to NODA membership such as horsemanship,
equestrian experiences, dressage, Western
dressage, cross training, education, clinic
reviews, horse management, rider training,
horse or rider fitness, member spotlight or
interview.

NODA reserves the right to edit for grammar,
flow, and space constraints without changing
the intended meaning.

NODA specific articles will have priority in the
NODA News.

Photographs enhance your article – see Photo
Submission Guidelines

NODA News Editors will determine when an
article runs based on space

NODA reserves the right to refuse an article

Photos and articles are eligible for NODA bucks

Mosie-editor@nodarider.org

Articles Wanted

**NODA is seeking informational
articles for NODA News. As
a 501(c)(3) Non-Profit
Education Organization,
NODA provides members the
opportunity to share you
knowledge, skills, riding journey,
and lessons learned!**

You don't have to be an expert!
Telling your story and how you've
overcome challenges or what
you've learned in bringing your
horse along is welcome.

If you are a professional—
NODA would love to have you
share your wisdom with our
members!

Articles are eligible for NODA
bucks and USDF Annual GMO
newsletter awards! Contact
Mosie-editor@nodarider.org with
your article or story ideas!



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All members of NODA are USDF group members.

For USDF participating membership, apply directly to the USDF at www.usdf.org

NODA Board Meetings, Third Monday of the Month — Your Ideas are Welcome

NEXT BOARD MEETING: June 21, 2021 at 6:15pm - Virtual Meeting

NODA welcomes member comments, concerns, ideas, and questions regarding NODA activities, shows, and policies.

Please contact your member liaison ([page 3](#)) to get a link to the board meeting

find *NODA* on social media



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Calendar of Events

Full calendar at www.nodarider.org

*May 15/16 ODS Spring Warm Up

Sat is schooling, Sun. is recognized.

Entry form at: www.showsecretary.com

<https://www.ohiodressagesociety.com>

Brave Horse Equestrian

Johnstown, OH

May 16 Chagrin Valley Farms Schooling Dressage Show

CVF@chagrinvalleyfarms.com

Chagrin Valley Farms, Chagrin Falls, OH

May 22/23 Creekside Eventing Complex, Combined Test and Dressage Show, Dressage on Saturday, Entry form at

[https://cseventingcomplex.com/](https://cseventingcomplex.com/downloads)

[downloads](#)

Brunswick, OH

*May 22, CADS Summer Series

Schooling Show #1

Brecksville Stables

www.cadsdressage.org

*May 23 NODA Schooling Show

Chagrin Valley Farms, Chagrin Falls

CVF@chagrinvalleyfarms.com

*June 12-13 Dressage Derby of Ohio I & II

Lake Erie College, Painesville, OH

www.lec.edu/school-of-equine-studies/

June 13 CADS Summer Schooling Show

<http://www.cadsdressage.org>

Brecksville Stables

Brecksville, OH

*Count toward NODA 2021 Year-end Awards

Virtual Shows DO NOT COUNT toward Year-End Awards

Due to COVID-19, Please check with the event coordinator to ensure a clinic or show has not been cancelled.

*June 19/20 ODS Down Centerline 1 & 2

<https://www.ohiodressagesociety.com>

Brave Horse, Johnstown, OH

*June 20 NODA Schooling Show

Rocky River Stables, Rocky River

*June 26 NODA Dressage 2021

USDF/USEF Level I Recognized Show

*June 27 NODA Dressage 2021 Encore

USDF/USEF Level I Recognized Show

Pure Gold Stables

July 10 NODA Jr/YR Clinic

Fair Winds Farm, Auburn, OH

Jr-YR@nodarider.org

*July 16-18 Mid Ohio Classic I & II

<https://www.midohiodressage.com>

Brave Horse, Johnstown, OH

July 24-25 L Program, Session A: Intro

to Judging & Biomechanics, [Maryal](#)

[Barnett](#), Westerville, OH

www.ohiodressagesociety.com

July 22-25 Dressage Camp For Adults

Is FULL, a wait list is started.

sabcampisme@yahoo.com

*July 25 NODA Schooling Show

Chagrin Valley Farms

*Aug 14/15 ODS Down Centerline 3 & 4

<https://www.ohiodressagesociety.com>

Brave Horse, Johnstown, OH

*Aug 22 NODA Schooling Show

Rocky River Stables, Rocky River

*Sept 12 NODA Schooling Show

Chagrin Valley Farms, Chagrin, OH

Sept 25 NODA Schooling Show

Chagrin Valley Farms, Chagrin Falls

Sept 26 NODA Championship Show

Qualification Required

Chagrin Valley Farms

October 23-24 L Program, Session B:

Judging Criteria for Gaits & Paces,

Movements & Figures, [Debbie Riehl-](#)

[Rodriguez](#),

www.ohiodressagesociety.com

**NODA Events: more
information at
www.nodarider.org**

Send calendar submissions including date, event, location, and contact information by the 15th of the month prior to the edition it will run in to Advertisers@nodarider.org

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Select high quality or commercial printing, 300 dpi or higher when saving the file.

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