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FROM THE EDITOR'S SEAT

Summer may bring slower schedules for some, but the Arizona dressage community continues to move forward with remarkable dedication and enthusiasm.

This special combined July/August issue celebrates one of the highlights of our show season with results and memorable moments from the Summer Heat Recognized Show. You'll also find an inspiring feature, *The Road to CDI*, offering insight into the journey toward international competition.

As we take a brief publishing break during August, I want to thank everyone who has contributed articles, photos, ideas, and encouragement throughout the season. The Centerline is truly a reflection of our membership, and I look forward to returning in September with more stories, education, and highlights from across our Arizona dressage community.

Callie Bonine
The Centerline, Editor

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FROM THE PRESIDENT

As we wrap up another successful Summer Heat recognized show, I want to extend my heartfelt thanks to everyone who made the event possible. Our judges, exhibitors, sponsors, vendors, volunteers, committee members, WestWorld staff, and the many individuals working behind the scenes all played an important role in creating a wonderful experience for our competitors and spectators. Your dedication and support continue to make ADA events something our entire community can be proud of.

While the Association will not hold Board meetings during July and August, our educational programming continues with the second session in our Sports Psychology webinar series on July 22. We hope you'll join us as we continue providing valuable learning opportunities for riders at every level.

As we enjoy the remainder of summer, we're also looking ahead to an exciting fall season. Our fall Schooling Show schedule will be announced soon, giving members even more opportunities to learn, compete, and prepare for recognized competition. Registration for our Janet Jones educational clinic, taking place on October 24, opens in September, followed by entries opening in early October for our Fall Fiesta Recognized Show & Arizona State Championships on November 7–8.

Thank you for your continued support of the Arizona Dressage Association. Enjoy the rest of your summer, and I look forward to seeing many of you this fall.

Ann Damiano
President
Arizona Dressage Association

MEMBER VOICES

We want to hear from you! Please share your stories and build real connections with our community.



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The Road to CDI:

From Local Rings to the International Stage

For many dressage riders, the journey begins in familiar places - schooling shows, local competitions, early mornings at the barn, and the steady rhythm of training rides that build over time.

For a select few, that journey continues onto a much larger stage: the international arena.

Known as **CDI**, or *Concours de Dressage International*, these competitions represent the highest level of recognized dressage events governed by the Fédération Équestre Internationale (FEI). Riders competing at CDI events step into a global field, where standards are exacting, competition is fierce, and every detail matters. But the path to CDI doesn't happen overnight.

What Is a CDI?

A CDI is an international dressage competition sanctioned by the FEI, bringing together riders from around the world to compete under standardized rules and judging.

These competitions are held at various levels, including:

- **CDI1*** (entry-level international)
- **CDI2*** and **CDI3*** (intermediate levels)
- **CDI4*** and **CDI5*** (top international competition, including Grand Prix)

Each level reflects increasing difficulty, precision, and expectation - both for horse and rider.

More Than Just a Show

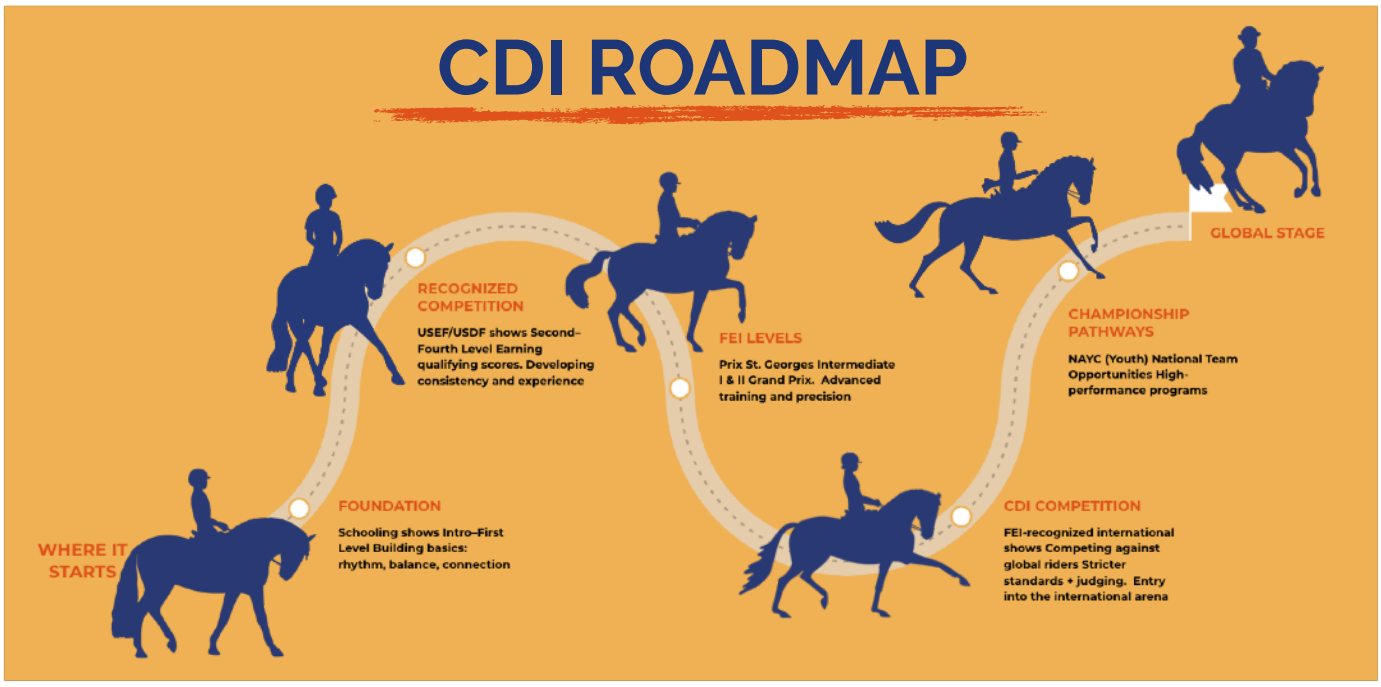
Competing at a CDI involves far more than entering a class.

Horses must meet FEI registration requirements, including:

- FEI passport and identification
- Strict veterinary inspections
- Compliance with international medication and welfare standards

Riders must also meet eligibility criteria and navigate the logistical demands of travel, scheduling, and preparation at a higher level of scrutiny.

It's a process that requires not just skill - but planning, commitment, and a deep understanding of the sport.



The Journey There

The path to CDI competition is built step by step.

It begins with:

- Developing a solid training foundation
- Gaining experience at recognized shows
- Achieving qualifying scores at the appropriate levels

But beyond the technical milestones, the journey is shaped by something less tangible:

- Consistency
- Patience
- Partnership

At this level, success is no longer about isolated moments - it's about the ability to produce harmony, balance, and precision consistently under pressure.

A Milestone Worth Celebrating

For riders within our community, qualifying for a CDI is more than a competitive achievement - it's a reflection of years of dedication, thoughtful training, and a commitment to continuous improvement.

It represents early mornings, setbacks, breakthroughs, and the quiet, daily work that often goes unseen.

In this issue, we're proud to highlight members of our community who have reached this milestone, sharing their journeys, their horses, and the path that brought them to the international stage.

Because while the letters "CDI" may stand for *Concours de Dressage International*, they also represent something more:

A goal pursued.
A partnership developed.
And a journey worth celebrating.

Where the Journey Leads

For many Arizona riders, the path to CDI competition often extends beyond state lines, with California serving as a key hub for FEI-level competition. Venues such as Del Mar and Temecula regularly host CDI events, offering riders the opportunity to gain international experience while staying within a manageable travel distance.

These competitions provide not only a chance to test skills at a higher level, but also to step into the broader dressage community on a national and international stage.

Key venues:

- **Del Mar (CDI shows)**
- **Temecula (Galway Downs)**
- **Thermal / Desert Circuit**





Cyndi Jackson & Florisson, owned by Ann Damiano, riding in a CDI in Del Mar. Photo by Terri Miller

Coming This Fall... The Road to CDI

From local schooling shows to the international stage, every rider's path is unique. This fall, *The Centerline* will feature inspiring stories from members of our ADA community who are pursuing the dream of competing at the FEI and CDI levels. Follow along as they share the milestones, challenges, lessons learned, and unforgettable moments that shape the journey - because every international competitor's story begins in a local arena.



RESULTS & HIGHLIGHTS

The Arizona Dressage Association's 2026 Summer Heat Recognized Show once again brought our dressage community together for two outstanding days of competition, education, and camaraderie at WestWorld of Scottsdale. From impressive rides and personal bests to dedicated volunteers, generous sponsors, and smiling exhibitors, Summer Heat showcased the passion and spirit that make our association so special. Enjoy a look back at some of the highlights from an unforgettable weekend.

SUMMER HEAT SHOW 2026













BREED HIGH POINT

Breed Participating Organization	Horse	Owner	Rider	Test	Score
American Hanoverian Society	Beneciano BG	Alyssa Barngrover	Alyssa Barngrover	Third Level Test 3	67.500%
American Warmblood Society	Primrose DF	Susan Mucha	Susan Mucha	Training Level Test 2	66.034%
International Georgian Grande Horse Registry	Wallace G	Susan Skripac	Kenzie Riddell	Grand Prix	61.848%
International Andalusian & Lusitano Horse Association	Jeitoso XIV	Rebecca Lindy	Rebecca Lindy	Prix St. George	64.414%
KWPN of North America	Reatta Rose MGE	Ashley Wolfe	Ashley Wolfe	Training Level Test 3	65.400%

SUMMER HEAT HIGH POINT AWARDS

FEI GP

Jr/YR	n/a		
AA	Kenzie Ridell	Wallace G	62.283%
Open	Cyndi Jackson	Florisson	67.391%

FEI PSG – I-II

JR/YR	n/a		
AA	Rebecca Lindy	Jeitoso XIV	64.412%
Open	Rachel Derminio	General	62.206%

3rd Level – 4th Level

JR/YR	Felicity Thunes	Oodles	63.514%
AA	Alyssa Barngrover	Beniciano BG	67.500%
Open	Cyndi Jackson	Fanfare HSR	70.250%

Training Level - 2nd Level

JR/YR	Abby Falconbridge	Hocus Pocus	68.800%
AA	Ali Lafferty	Indiano De JJ	73.462%
Open	Taylor Lindsten	Dixie Paradise	66.944%

SATURDAY RESULTS

Training Level Test 1

(C) Wysocki, (B) Lindsten

332	Ali Lafferty	Indiano de JJ	USEF Training Level, Test 1 2023	Adult Amateur	353.0	67.885%	1
297	Shawn Smith	Nesquik	USEF Training Level, Test 1 2023	Adult Amateur	313.5	60.288%	2
271	Shea Creed	Reck-It-Ralph HHF	USEF Training Level, Test 1 2023	Adult Amateur	311.5	59.904%	3

Training Level Test 2

(C) Stine-Masek,

282	Susan Mucha	Primrose DF	USEF Training Level, Test 2 2023	Adult Amateur	191.5	66.034%	1
297	Shawn Smith	Nesquik	USEF Training Level, Test 2 2023	Adult Amateur	180.0	62.069%	2

Training Level Test 3

(C) Wysocki, (B) Lindsten

277	Ashley Wolfe	Reata Rose MGE	USEF Training Level, Test 3 2023	Adult Amateur	327.0	65.400%	1
203	Michele Gross	Ixtapa	USEF Training Level, Test 3 2023	Adult Amateur	302.5	60.500%	2
310	Miriam Atkins	Primrose DF	USEF Training Level, Test 3 2023	JR/YR	304.0	60.800%	1
290	Mariska Sherlin	Electra KF	USEF Training Level, Test 3 2023	Jr/YR	263.5	52.700%	2
330	Wendy Riddell	Indiano de JJ	USEF Training Level, Test 3 2023	Open	344.5	68.900%	1

Training Level Test of Choice

(C) Wysocki, (B) Lindsten

282	Susan Mucha	Primrose DF	USEF Training Level, Test 3 2023	Adult Amateur	311.5	62.300%	1
590	Abby Falconbridge	Hocus Pocus	USEF Training Level, Test 3 2023	Jr/YR	340.5	68.100%	1
290	Mariska Sherlin	Electra KF	USEF Training Level, Test 3 2023	Jr/YR	314.5	62.900%	2
286	Willow Creed	FHE Pirata	USEF Training Level, Test 1 2023	Jr/YR	326.5	62.788%	3

First Level Test 1

(C) Wysocki, (B) Lindsten

295	Carlene Anolick	Xceptional	USEF First Level, Test 1 2023	Adult Amateur	326.0	60.370%	1
234	Joy Golden	Golden's Ray	USEF First Level, Test 1 2023	Adult Amateur	285.5	52.870%	2

First Level Test 3

(C) Stine-Masek,

203	Michele Gross	Ixtapa	USEF First Level, Test 3 2023	Adult Amateur	227.0	63.056%	1
289	Leslie Sherlin	Wynn Royalty Wins	USEF First Level, Test 3 2023	Adult Amateur	205.5	57.083%	2
224	Taylor Lindsten	Dixie Paradise	USEF First Level, Test 3 2023	Open	236.5	65.694%	1

First Level Test of Choice

(C) Stine-Masek,

289	Leslie Sherlin	Wynn Royalty Wins	USEF First Level, Test 3 2023	Adult Amateur	207.0	57.500%	1

Second Level Test 1

(C) Stine-Masek,

494	Heather Montierth	Krystof	USEF Second Level, Test 1 2023	Adult Amateur	238.5	68.143%	1
272	Gwen Geraci	Sportsfield Silver Lining	USEF Second Level, Test 1 2023	Adult Amateur	216.0	61.714%	2

SATURDAY RESULTS

Second Level Test 3

(C) Wysocki, (B) Lindsten

283	Heidi Helton	Iadro	USEF Second Level, Test 3 2023	Adult Amateur	498.5	59.345%	1

Second Level Test of Choice

(C) Wysocki, (B) Lindsten

494	Heather Montierth	Krystof	USEF Second Level, Test 3 2023	Adult Amateur	525.5	62.560%	1
283	Heidi Helton	Iadro	USEF Second Level, Test 3 2023	Adult Amateur	473.0	56.310%	2

Third Level Test 1

(C) Stine-Masek,

270	Kelly Horton	Roxstar WF	USEF Third Level, Test 1 2023	Adult Amateur	227.0	61.351%	1
269	Lindsey Roffey	Rodrigo RM	USEF Third Level, Test 1 2023	Adult Amateur	225.5	60.946%	2
365	Victoria Elena Beall	Donna Bella	USEF Third Level, Test 1 2023	Adult Amateur	216.5	58.514%	3
287	Felicity Thunes	Oodles	USEF Third Level, Test 1 2023	Jr/YR	226.0	61.081%	1

Third Level Test 3

(C) Stine-Masek,

274	Alyssa Barngrover	Beniciano BG	USEF Third Level, Test 3 2023	Adult Amateur	270.0	67.500%	1
285	Erica McLaughlin	Formally Cooper	USEF Third Level, Test 3 2023	Adult Amateur	244.5	61.125%	2
294	Cyndi Jackson	Fanfare HSR	USEF Third Level, Test 3 2023	Open	281.0	70.250%	1

Third Level Test of Choice

(C) Wysocki,

276	Alyssa Barngrover	Furstinbella BG	USEF Third Level, Test 3 2023	Adult Amateur	252.5	63.125%	1
270	Kelly Horton	Roxstar WF	USEF Third Level, Test 3 2023	Adult Amateur	248.0	62.000%	2
285	Erica McLaughlin	Formally Cooper	USEF Third Level, Test 3 2023	Adult Amateur	246.5	61.625%	3
269	Lindsey Roffey	Rodrigo RM	USEF Third Level, Test 1 2023	Adult Amateur	206.5	55.811%	4
287	Felicity Thunes	Oodles	USEF Third Level, Test 1 2023	Jr/YR	230.5	62.297%	1

Fourth Level Test 1

(C) Stine-Masek,

288	Karen McGee	Kasch is King	USEF Fourth Level, Test 1 2023	Adult Amateur	212.0	55.789%	1
370	Cindy Hitchcock	Rubiana MSF	USEF Fourth Level, Test 1 2023	Adult Amateur	211.0	55.526%	2

Prix St. George

(C) Stine-Masek,

487	Rebecca Lindy	Jeitoso XIV	FEI Prix St. Georges 2022	Adult Amateur	219.0	64.412%	1
600	Cynthia Ganem	Imperio do Castanheiro	FEI Prix St. Georges 2022	Adult Amateur	198.0	58.235%	2

Intermediate I

(C) Stine-Masek,

293	Christopher Brusnighan	Bailo	FEI Intermediate I 2022	Adult Amateur	216.5	63.676%	1

SATURDAY RESULTS

Grand Prix

(C) Wysocki,

300	Kenzie Riddell	Wallace G	FEI Grand Prix 2022	Adult Amateur	284.5	61.848%	1
291	Cyndi Jackson	Florisson	FEI Grand Prix 2022	Open	310.0	67.391%	1

FEI Test of Choice

(C) Stine-Masek,

223	Nicola Valentine	Everdeen	FEI Young Riders, Individual 2021	Jr/YR	235.0	69.118%	1
333	Rachel Derminio	General	FEI Prix St. Georges 2022	Open	211.5	62.206%	1

FEI Junior Team Test

(C) Stine-Masek, (B) Wysocki

296	Ellis Venkatesh	L'Aqiedo	FEI Junior, Team 2021	Jr/YR	409.5	62.045%	1

FEI Intermediate II

(C) Stine-Masek, (B) Wysocki

268	Molly Martin	R U 4 Me	FEI Intermediate II 2022	Open	437.5	64.338%	1

USDF Freestyle Test of Choice

(C) Stine-Masek,

344	Taylor Lindsten	Bon Jovi RS	USDF Freestyle, Fourth Level 2023	Open	268.3	67.075%	1

FEI Freestyle Test of Choice

(C) Stine-Masek,

321	Karrin Mayberry Taylor	Last Chapter	FEI Freestyle, Intermediate I 2017	Adult Amateur	270.4	67.600%	1
311	Karrin Mayberry Taylor	San Laurino H	FEI Freestyle, Grand Prix 2017	Adult Amateur	263.7	65.925%	1
394	Wendy McLaughlin	Jordan WRF	FEI Freestyle, Intermediate I 2017	Adult Amateur	260.2	65.050%	2

USEF Developing Horse PSG Test

(C) Stine-Masek,

273	Cyndi Jackson	Mooiboy	USEF Developing Horse, PSG 2023	Open	248.0	68.889%	1

USEF Four-Year-Old Test

(C) Wysocki,

279	Taylor Lindsten	Morrissey M	USEF Four-Year-Old Test 2023	Open	37.5	75.000%	1

FEI Seven-Year-Old Preliminary Test

(C) Stine-Masek,

278	Cyndi Jackson	Online H	FEI Young Horses, 7yo Preliminary 2021 - T	Open	194.4	69.429%	1

FEI Seven-Year-Old Preliminary Test

(C) Wysocki,

278	Cyndi Jackson	Online H	FEI Young Horses, 7yo Preliminary 2021 - A	Open	38.2	76.400%	1

Dressage Seat Equitation AA

(C) Wysocki,

332	Ali Lafferty	Indiano de JJ	USEF Dressage Seat Equitation	Adult Amateur	7.6	76.000%	1
272	Gwen Geraci	Sportsfield Silver Lining	USEF Dressage Seat Equitation	Adult Amateur	7.1	71.000%	2

Dressage Seat Equitation JR

(C) Wysocki,

590	Abby Falconbridge	Hocus Pocus	USEF Dressage Seat Equitation	Jr/YR	7.7	77.000%	1

SUNDAY RESULTS

Training Level Test 1

(C) Wysocki,

332	Ali Lafferty	Indiano de JJ	USEF Training Level, Test 1 2023	Adult Amateur	191.0	73.462%	1
271	Shea Creed	Reck-It-Ralph HHF	USEF Training Level, Test 1 2023	Adult Amateur	163.0	62.692%	2

Training Level Test 2

(C) Wysocki,

282	Susan Mucha	Primrose DF	USEF Training Level, Test 2 2023	Adult Amateur	193.0	66.552%	1
297	Shawn Smith	Nesquik	USEF Training Level, Test 2 2023	Adult Amateur	187.5	64.655%	2

Training Level Test 3

(C) Stine-Masek, (B) Lindsten

332	Ali Lafferty	Indiano de JJ	USEF Training Level, Test 3 2023	Adult Amateur	352.5	70.500%	1
277	Ashley Wolfe	Reata Rose MGE	USEF Training Level, Test 3 2023	Adult Amateur	346.0	69.200%	2
234	Joy Golden	Golden's Ray	USEF Training Level, Test 3 2023	Adult Amateur	310.0	62.000%	3
203	Michele Gross	Ixtapa	USEF Training Level, Test 3 2023	Adult Amateur	308.0	61.600%	4
590	Abby Falconbridge	Hocus Pocus	USEF Training Level, Test 3 2023	Jr/YR	344.0	68.800%	1
310	Miriam Atkins	Primrose DF	USEF Training Level, Test 3 2023	JR/YR	327.5	65.500%	2

Training Level Test of Choice

(C) Stine-Masek, (B) Lindsten

282	Susan Mucha	Primrose DF	USEF Training Level, Test 3 2023	Adult Amateur	308.5	61.700%	1
290	Mariska Sherlin	Electra KF	USEF Training Level, Test 3 2023	Jr/YR	314.5	62.900%	1
286	Willow Creed	FHE Pirata	USEF Training Level, Test 2 2023	Jr/YR	353.0	60.862%	2

First Level Test 1

(C) Wysocki,

234	Joy Golden	Golden's Ray	USEF First Level, Test 1 2023	Adult Amateur	177.0	65.556%	1

First Level Test 3

(C) Wysocki,

203	Michele Gross	Ixtapa	USEF First Level, Test 3 2023	Adult Amateur	222.5	61.806%	1
289	Leslie Sherlin	Wynn Royalty Wins	USEF First Level, Test 3 2023	Adult Amateur	210.0	58.333%	2
224	Taylor Lindsten	Dixie Paradise	USEF First Level, Test 3 2023	Open	241.0	66.944%	1

First Level Test of Choice

(C) Stine-Masek, (B) Lindsten

289	Leslie Sherlin	Wynn Royalty Wins	USEF First Level, Test 3 2023	Adult Amateur	418.0	58.056%	1

Second Level Test 1

(C) Wysocki,

494	Heather Montierth	Krystof	USEF Second Level, Test 1 2023	Adult Amateur	222.0	63.429%	1
272	Gwen Geraci	Sportsfield Silver Lining	USEF Second Level, Test 1 2023	Adult Amateur	188.5	53.857%	2

Second Level Test 3

(C) Stine-Masek, (B) Lindsten

494	Heather Montierth	Krystof	USEF Second Level, Test 3 2023	Adult Amateur	536.0	63.810%	1

SUNDAY RESULTS

Second Level Test 3

(C) Stine-Masek, (B) Lindsten

494	Heather Montierth	Krystof	USEF Second Level, Test 3 2023	Adult Amateur	536.0	63.810%	1
283	Heidi Helton	Iadro	USEF Second Level, Test 3 2023	Adult Amateur	522.0	62.143%	2

Second Level Test of Choice

(C) Stine-Masek, (B) Lindsten

283	Heidi Helton	Iadro	USEF Second Level, Test 3 2023	Adult Amateur	521.5	62.083%	1

Third Level Test 1

(C) Wysocki,

365	Victoria Elena Beall	Donna Bella	USEF Third Level, Test 1 2023	Adult Amateur	235.0	63.514%	1
269	Lindsey Roffey	Rodrigo RM	USEF Third Level, Test 1 2023	Adult Amateur	223.0	60.270%	2
287	Felicity Thunes	Oodles	USEF Third Level, Test 1 2023	Jr/YR	221.5	59.865%	1

Third Level Test 3

(C) Wysocki,

285	Erica McLaughlin	Formally Cooper	USEF Third Level, Test 3 2023	Adult Amateur	254.5	63.625%	1
276	Alyssa Barngrover	Furstinbella BG	USEF Third Level, Test 3 2023	Adult Amateur	251.5	62.875%	2
270	Kelly Horton	Roxstar WF	USEF Third Level, Test 3 2023	Adult Amateur	226.5	56.625%	3
294	Cyndi Jackson	Fanfare HSR	USEF Third Level, Test 3 2023	Open	277.0	69.250%	1

Third Level Test of Choice

(C) Stine-Masek,

270	Kelly Horton	Roxstar WF	USEF Third Level, Test 3 2023	Adult Amateur	250.0	62.500%	1
287	Felicity Thunes	Oodles	USEF Third Level, Test 1 2023	Jr/YR	235.0	63.514%	1

Fourth Level Test 1

(C) Wysocki,

288	Karen McGee	Kasch is King	USEF Fourth Level, Test 1 2023	Adult Amateur	223.5	58.816%	1

Fourth Level Test 3

(C) Wysocki,

344	Taylor Lindsten	Bon Jovi RS	USEF Fourth Level, Test 3 2023	Open	236.0	65.556%	1

Prix St. George

(C) Wysocki,

333	Rachel Derminio	General	FEI Prix St. Georges 2022	Open	208.0	61.176%	1

Intermediate I

(C) Wysocki,

293	Christopher Brusnighan	Bailo	FEI Intermediate I 2022	Adult Amateur	177.0	52.059%	1

Grand Prix

(C) Stine-Masek,

300	Kenzie Riddell	Wallace G	FEI Grand Prix 2022	Adult Amateur	286.5	62.283%	1

FEI Test of Choice

(C) Wysocki, (B) Stine-Masek

268	Molly Martin	R U 4 Me	FEI Grand Prix 2022	Open	568.0	61.739%	1

SUNDAY RESULTS

FEI Junior Individual Test

(C) Wysocki, (B) Stine-Masek

296	Ellis Venkatesh	L'Aqiedo	FEI Junior, Individual 2021	Jr/YR	452.5	66.544%	1

FEI Junior Freestyle Test

(C) Wysocki, (B) Stine-Masek

296	Ellis Venkatesh	L'Aqiedo	FEI Freestyle, Juniors 2017	Jr/YR	490.7	61.338%	1

FEI Young Rider Freestyle Test

(C) Wysocki, (B) Stine-Masek

223	Nicola Valentine	Everdeen	FEI Freestyle, Young Riders 2017	Jr/YR	569.0	71.125%	1

FEI Freestyle Test of Choice

(C) Wysocki, (B) Stine-Masek

311	Karrin Mayberry Taylor	San Laurino H	FEI Freestyle, Grand Prix 2017	Adult Amateur	522.6	65.325%	2
321	Karrin Mayberry Taylor	Last Chapter	FEI Freestyle, Intermediate I 2017	Adult Amateur	504.5	63.063%	1
394	Wendy McLaughlin	Jordan WRF	FEI Freestyle, Intermediate I 2017	Adult Amateur	496.6	62.075%	2
291	Cyndi Jackson	Florisson	FEI Freestyle, Grand Prix 2017	Open	559.9	69.988%	1

USEF Developing Horse PSG Test

(C) Wysocki, (B) Stine-Masek

273	Cyndi Jackson	Mooiboy	USEF Developing Horse, PSG 2023	Open	477.0	66.250%	1

USEF Four-Year-Old Test

(C) WYSOCKI STEIN-MASEK,

279	Taylor Lindsten	Morrissey M	USEF Four-Year-Old Test 2023	Open	39.5	79.000%	1

FEI Seven-Year-Old Final Test

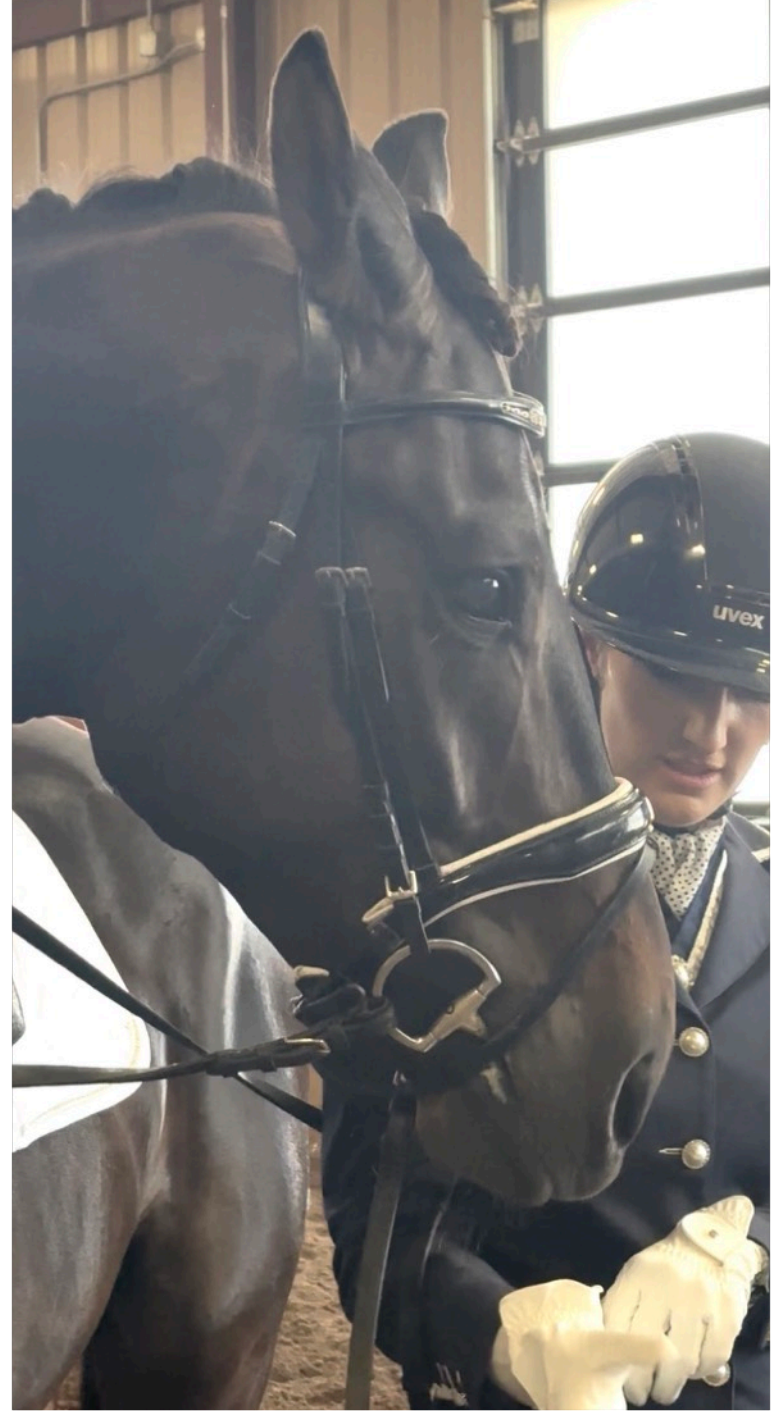
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278	Cyndi Jackson	Online H	FEI Young Horses, 7yo Final 2022 - T	Open	238.5	68.143%	1
275	Taylor Lindsten	Beniciano BG	FEI Young Horses, 7yo Final 2022 - T	Open	210.0	60.000%	2

FEI Seven-Year-Old Final Test

(C) Stine-Masek,

278	Cyndi Jackson	Online H	FEI Young Horses, 7yo Final 2021 - A	Open	40.3	80.600%	1
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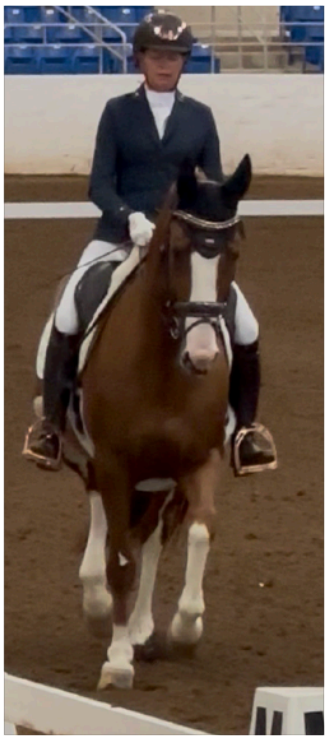


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"Dixie Paradise" (Perry) Owned by Debra Langdon, Ridden by Taylor McAnally (Lindsten)





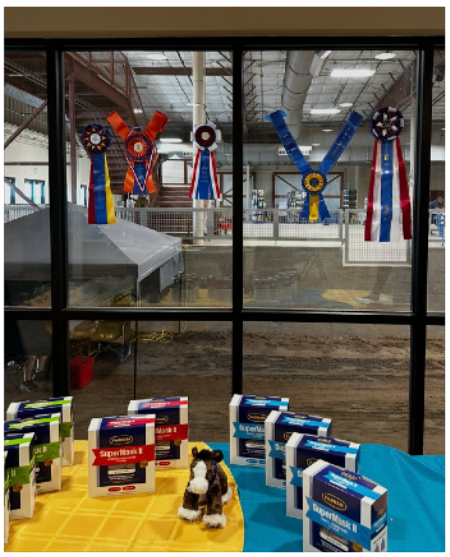


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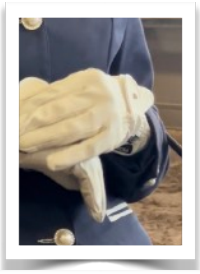


























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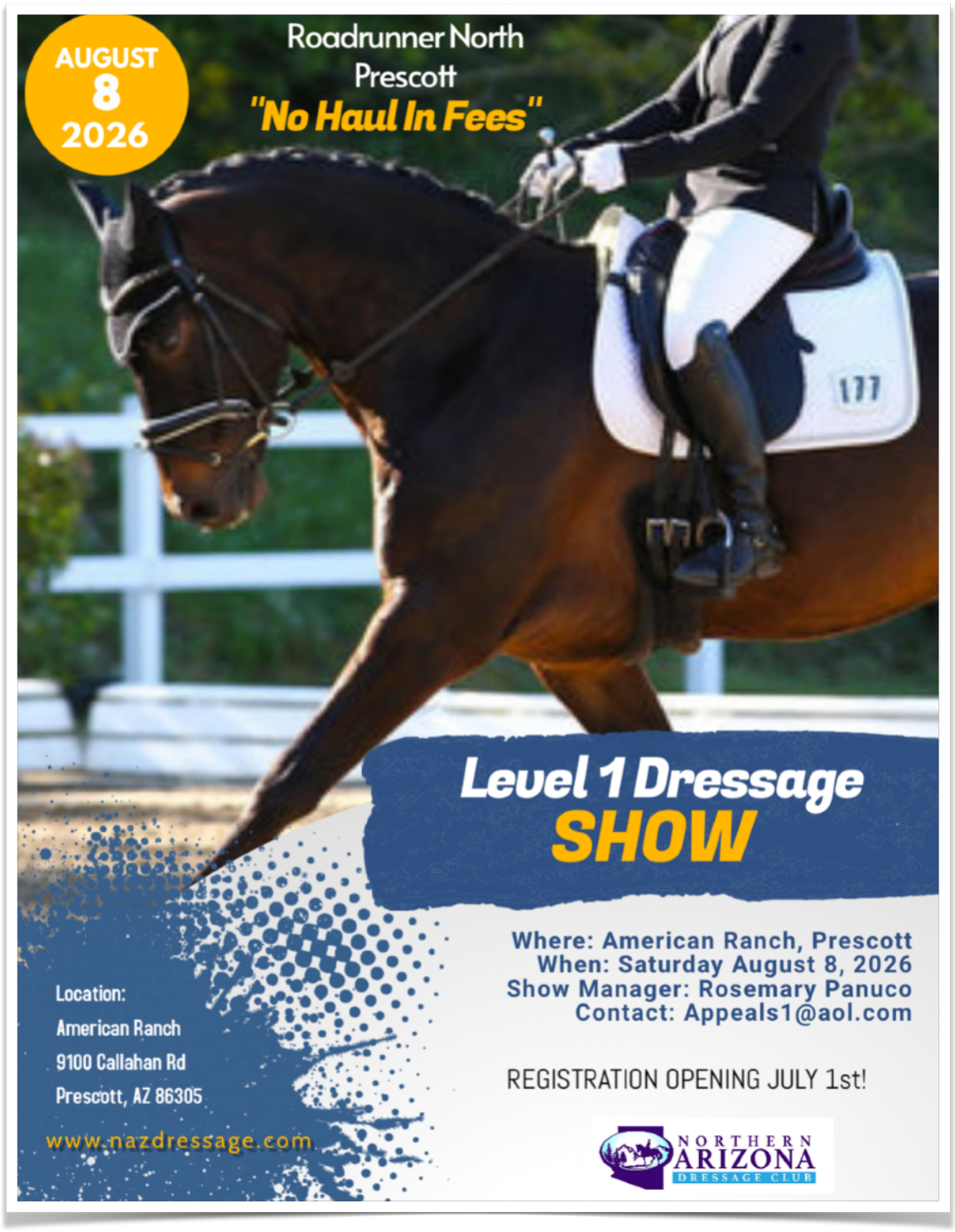
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SESSION TWO: July 22, 2026 6:00 PM AZ

Nerves, Mistakes, and the Next Movement:
A Sport Psychology Approach to Performance Anxiety

If you have ever had a great warm-up and then fallen apart the moment you entered at A, this session is for you. We will cover what performance anxiety actually is, why trying to eliminate it usually makes it worse, and how to ride effectively even when nerves show up. The session will also address recovering from mistakes mid-test and building a pre-ride routine that helps you show up focused and ready. Practical strategies you can practice at home and put to work at your next show.

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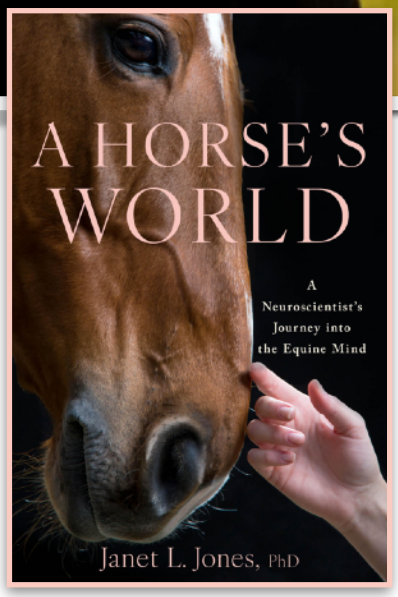
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REGISTRATION OPENS IN SEPTEMBER

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How horses think, learn, remember, and connect -

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A Horse's World will be released on June 23, 2026, in audio and hardcover formats.

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Fall Fiesta I & Fall Fiesta II Recognized Show and Arizona State Championships

Saturday & Sunday November 7 & November 8, 2026 @ 8:00am

Kick off the new competition year with ADA's Fall Fiesta I & Fall Fiesta II, two USDF/USEF-recognized shows held at the world-class WestWorld of Scottsdale.

This premier venue offers top-tier amenities, including climate-controlled arenas, permanent stalls, and a scenic desert backdrop that creates a memorable experience for horses and riders alike. As the first rated show of the new season, Fall Fiesta is the perfect opportunity to set the tone for your year, earn qualifying scores, and reconnect with the dressage community. Join us for a weekend of excellence, sportsmanship, and celebration of progress at every level.

Judges: Katy Barglow, David Schmutz, Donna Richardson
Technial Delegate: Victoria Powers
Location: WestWorld, 16601 N Pima Rd, Scottsdale

USDF REGION FIVE

July 2026 Update

I pray everyone is surviving the summer months, we are currently experiencing a lot of fires up in Colorado. Add this to the potential VS and screw worm issues, it's been an interesting year so far. Hopefully everyone has lots of time with family, friends and horses scheduled and you're taking some time to relax. I'm optimistic that educational activities and shows are doing well in our region this year.

The 2026 Great American/USDF Region 5 Championships will be September 17-20 at the Colorado Horse Park in Parker, Colorado. The Rocky Mountain Dressage Society will be hosting the Rocky Mountain Sport Horse Championships in addition on September 16th, also at the Colorado Horse Park, for in-hand classes and the USDF Breeders Championships. The 2027 Great American/USDF Region 5 Championships will be September 23-26 at the Colorado Horse Park in Parker, Colorado. We are continuing to work on trying to rotate these championships through the region, so if you have ideas for facilities, please don't hesitate to reach out so we can look at possible options!

The 2026 USDF Convention will be December 2-5 in at the Marriott Griffin Gate Golf Resort & Spa in Lexington, Kentucky. The host hotel is quite close to the Kentucky Horse Park. There will be plenty to do and explore outside of meetings and educational programs.

All breed declarations for USDF Year End awards are due for horses by August 1st without late fees, so if you're interested in awards and have a new to you horse, don't forget to get them turned in! Here's the link: http://www.usdf.org/docs/awards/all-breeds/DeclarationForm.pdf

We have 4 Juniors and 4 Young Riders on our nominated entry for the 2026 NAYC in Traverse City, Michigan. We're very excited to be fielding two full teams and we have a great group of kids going to represent Region 5. It's an expensive venture and they could use your help. If you would like to contribute or help with their fundraising efforts, please contact Joan Clay, our Region 5 Jr/YR FEI coordinator at jnclay@comcast.net or 970-420-0877. These young adults work very hard, as do their parents, trainers and friends and every little bit of support is greatly appreciated.
Congratulations to our riders (in alphabetical order) who are heading to NAYC: Taylor Allen, Bailey Armbrecht, Catherine Burlew, Ava Hupp, Samantha MacDonald, Kali Riddell, Nicola Valentine, and Ellis Venkatesh.

The qualifying period for the 2026 USEF Championships Programs for Young Horses, Developing Horses, Small Tour, Large Tour, Children, Ponies, Young Riders, Juniors and U25 Grand Prix will close during July. We wish all our intended competitors good luck in their endeavors for those championships as well.

USDF REGION FIVE

July 2026 Update *Continued*

Several important **DEADLINES** are coming up:

USDF National and Regional GMO volunteer nominations, as well as GMO award nominations, are due to the USDF office by August 31.

- GMOs can submit nominations for Newsletter Awards, Website Awards, and Photography Awards. Don't forget that all nominations are due to the USDF office by August 31. No more submitting hard-copy nominations! See the nomination forms for detailed information.
  - Regional GMO Volunteer of the Year nominations can be submitted by any participating member, group member or the Region Director.
  - One deserving group member will receive the Ruth Arvanette Memorial Fund Grant to attend the 2026 Adequan/USDF Annual Convention. The grant includes full convention registration and partial reimbursement for travel expenses. Applications are due by **August 31**
  - GMOs must start to think about returning their GMO Delegate/Proxy Authorization form to the USDF office to appoint representation to the Board of Governors meeting at the USDF Annual Convention.

Don't forget about applying for the The USDF Region 5 FEI Jr/YR Clinic with George Williams October 17-18 at Nighthawk Equestrian Center in Longmont, Colorado. For more information, please see www.usdf.org.

If you have news you'd like to share, please let me know, we're happy to get it out and about. for you.

Till next month!

Heather Petersen

Region 5 Director

Board of Directors
Regular Meeting

June 15, 2026 | 6:00 pm
Minutes

Call to Order and Attendance
President Ann Damiano called the meeting to order at 6:00 PM.
Present: Ann Damiano, Karen McGee, Rebecca Bruening, Erin McHenry, Tracy Case, Leslie Sherlin, Michell Combs, Susan Skripac, Jaime Pollack, Beth Mulcahy
Absent: Christa Severns

Officer Reports
President: Ann Damiano noted that she did not have a full written report due to her focus on Fundraising and the Show committee due to the Summer Heat Show.

Secretary: Rebecca Bruening reported May board minutes were submitted to the Centerline.

Treasurer: Leslie provided a financial update indicating the organization is in solid financial position with most expenses for the show yet to be paid. The Board previously approved purchasing a new dressage arena for state championships.

EOM Cash Balance Trend

	2025		2026					
	Jan	Dec	Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Notes
xx1521	$ 8,011	$ 42,526	$ 32,068	$ 27,793	$ 25,042	$ 18,399	$ 49,948	General checking
xx6796	$ 5,215	$ 2,977	$ 2,491	$ 9,792	$ 2,274	$ 566	$ 3,871	Debit card & Paypal link
xx9563	$ 66,622	$ 26,742	$ 26,743	$ 26,743	$ 26,743	$ 26,743	$ 26,743	Savings
CDs	$ 23,580	$ 40,233	$ 40,233	$ 40,788	$ 40,788	$ 40,233	$ 40,233	Two CDs: 6738 + 6739
Petty Cash	$ 400	$ 400	$ 400	$ 400	$ 400	$ 400	$ 0	Deposited to operating in May
PayPal			$ 4,743	$ 535	$ 2,360	$ 1,627	$ 227	
NAC Acct			$ 6,274	$ 6,274	$ 6,274	$ 6,274	$ 6,274	NAC operating account
Total	$103,828	$112,879	$109,332	$107,972	$ 99,929	$ 94,243	$127,297	

May Inflows	
Recognized show entries (Fox Village + deposits)	$22,721
Show sponsorships (Stripe, Fidelity, checks, FV)	$ 9,850
Voided check reversals (prior show credits)	$ 3,498
Schooling show deposits (Mar/Apr)	$ 702
Memberships / Donations / Other	$ 829
May Expenses	
Professional services (ESG tax prep + bookkeeper)	$ 1,381
Recognized show awards (Hodges Badge)	$ 1,805
Website maintenance	$ 400
NAC membership portion	$ 360
Operating (software, insurance, fees, licenses)	$ 351
Storage	$ 99
May Net Revenue	**$ 33,054**
YTD Net Revenue	**$ 5,624**

Committee Reports

Nominating & Governance: Karen McGee presented a new complaint handling procedure, and the group discussed ensuring contract versions are current across all committees.
MOTION: To approve the new complaint handling policy. Passed unanimously.

Scholarship: Karen McGee reported no signifiant updates other than we have received a few new travel grant applications.

Schooling Shows: Susan Skripac reported that they are exploring possibly new locations for the fall schooling shows.

NAC: Beth Mulcahy reported on NAC's transition to a new organization, including upcoming clinics and shows, while noting they are working to obtain nonprofit status expected to take about a year. The clinic with Dolly Hannon was such a success they are looking at bringing her back in September. Communication about the dissolution of the NAC Chapter and formation of a new Northern Arizona club will be sent out later this week.

Volunteer: Tracy Case mentioned plans to start a volunteer spotlight feature in the Centerline publication to encourage more volunteerism.

Education: Rebecca Bruening reported Claire Thunes will present a Managing Heat with Our Horses webinar on June 23rd at 6pm, in July a second webinar with Leslie Sherlin and plans are being made to promote an upcoming lecture featuring Janet Jones in October. The group discussed maintaining a steady flow of educational content, including webinars, to serve both beginners and experienced members while keeping costs effective.

Membership: Michell Combs reported 225 current 2026 members, including 27 new.

Communications: Erin McHenry confirmed the successful transition to Callie Bonine and advertising plans for upcoming educational events. Erin reported that using the new step and repeat backdrop was a great addition for the past Summer Heat show and will be used for future events including state championships.

Futurity: Susan Skripac confirmed the Futurity event for 2026 would be postponed due to lack of viable alternatives and insufficient survey results. The group agreed to continue brainstorming alternative ideas for the event.

Shows: Ann Damiano reported feedback from the Summer Heat show, with most participants noting it went smoothly and received positive feedback. They identified areas for improvement including announcements in the barn area. The group discussed challenges with expanding the current horse show format, explaining that adding a third day would be cost-prohibitive for the North Hall, and noted logistical issues with scheduling across multiple days. The team also explored the possibility of adding more rings but determined it would require significant additional facility fees. Tracy Case thanked

volunteers for their support during a recent show where she was unable to attend, and Jaime Pollack reported that all awards were well-received at the event.

Fundraising: Ann Damiano reported that $11,485 was raised in sponsorships for the Summer Heat Show. Ann also mentioned plans to meet with a sponsor to discuss potential title sponsorship for the state championships. (Please see the attached sponsorship graphic.)

2026 SUMMER HEAT SPONSORSHIP - FINAL BOARD REPORT

June Board Meeting | Final as of June 8, 2026

EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

Metric	2026 Final	2025 Final	YoY Change
Total Sponsors	24	28	-4
Cash Sponsors	22	26	-4
Total Classes Sponsored	33	50	-17
Total Committed ($)	$11,485	$8,485	$3,000
Total Collected ($)	$11,485	$8,485	$3,000
Collection Rate (%)	100.0%	100.0%	0.0%
Classes Goal	54	50	4
Classes To Go	21	0	

SPONSORSHIP BY TIER

Tier	Count	Amount	% of Total
Platinum	3	$7,600	66.2%
Silver	2	$1,400	12.2%
Bronze	3	$1,400	12.2%
Class	11	$700	6.1%
Other (Hosp/Ad/Banner)	3	$385	3.4%
TOTAL	22	$11,485	100.0%

collected (100%)

TOP DONORS

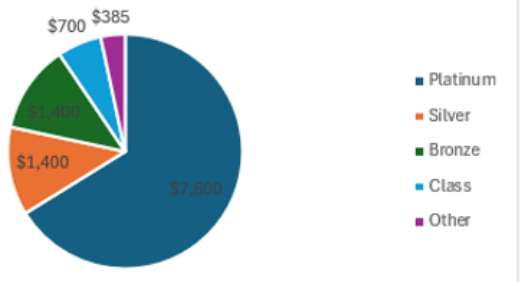
Donor Name	Classes	Status
Ann Damiano	4	Paid
Debbie Venkatesh	4	Paid
Christopher Brusnighan	4	Paid
TOTAL TOP 3	12	$7,600

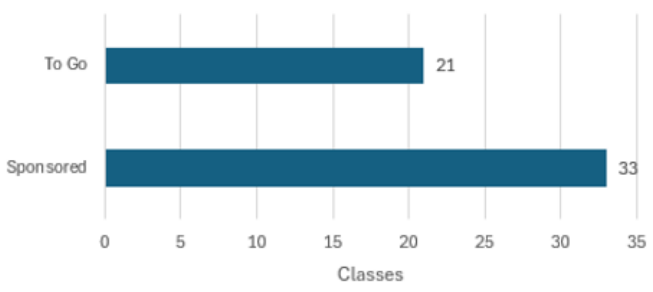
HOSPITALITY SPONSORS

Sponsor	Contribution	Amount
Allen Kalchik	Afternoon Sweet Treats	$700
Karen McGee	Morning Breakfast Snacks	$300
Rebecca Bruening	Morning Breakfast (Co-host)	$450

RECOMMENDED ACTIONS

1. Maintain sponsor recognition and receipts tracking
2. Secure 21 more class sponsorships
3. Confirm board-ready sponsor acknowledgements
4. Promote remaining class sponsorship openings





* In-Kind sponsors (2) provide gift certificates & prizes - no cash value included

Awards: The board discussed plans to improve championship ribbons and prizes for the upcoming State Championships and splitting out the FEI horse of the year award between rider classifications.

OLD BUSINESS
None.

NEW BUSINESS
None.

The Board will not be meeting in July or August, Committee reports are still expected to be circulated on a monthly basis.
Next Meeting: September 21, 2026
Adjournment: Board adjourned at 7:15PM.

Respectfully submitted,
Rebecca Bruening
Secretary, Arizona Dressage Association

Upcoming 2026 Board Meetings:

September 21
October 19
November 16

***If you would like to attend**, please contact Ann Damiano at a.damiano@azdressage.org*

OPEN BOARD SEATS
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GOLD ~ $1,250

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SILVER ~ $700

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BRONZE ~ $450

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HOSPITALITY ~ $500 - $10,000 (Varies by show & # of entries)

Partial Sponsorships available; pls discuss with Fundraising Committee

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- Snack / Breakfast Breaks - $500-$1,500
- Mixers (E.g. appetizers/snacks) - $2,500 - $6,000
- Full dinner with entrée - $7,500 - $10,000
- Wine/Beer/Specialty Drink Bar - $2,000 - $2500
- Additional event tickets - $35 to $80

CLASS SPONSORSHIP

Open Show Class	$50
(when applicable/GAIG classes not available)	
Championship Class	$100
(when available)	

A La Carte Sponsorship

Banner Display	$50
Flyers in Show Packets (150)	$30
(you provide flyers)	

For custom sponsorship packages, please discuss with Fundraising Committee.

SHOW PROGRAM ADVERTISING

Business Card	$35
Quarter Page	$50
Half Page	$100
Full Page	$150
Cover	$175

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2026 CALENDAR OF EVENTS



AUGUST

AUG 30: NAC Roadrunner North Prescott, Level 1 Dressage Show
American Ranch, Prescott, AZ

SEPTEMBER

Sept 5: NAC Schooling Show, Freeman Farms, Ellie Stine Masek 'S'

OCTOBER

October 17-18 CARA HARVEST SHOW

NOVEMBER

Nov 7-8: ADA Fall Fiesta I & II & State Championships, Westworld Scottsdale

Nov 21-22: TDC Fall Festival at Circle D Ranch, Tucson

DECEMBER

Dec 12-13: Dressage @ Spear-Cross Equine Center Show

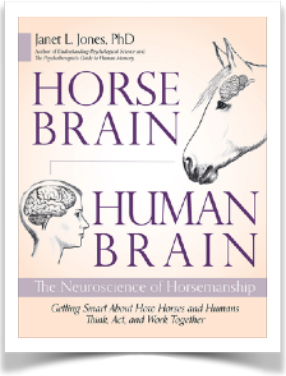
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Next Issue: September

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