

## 2017 KCDS Show News

KCDS Dressage at Longview May 6 & 7, 2017

KCDS Summer Dressage July 15 & 16, 2017

KCDS Schooling Show July 14, 2017

Volunteers needed! KCDS shows are known for their outstanding volunteers! Help make our shows a success by signing up to help for a few hours. For year-end horse/rider awards, 8 hours of volunteer work at either horse shows or other KCDS events are required. Remember that friends & family can volunteer to help earn your hours. Show setup will be Thursday PM, May 4<sup>th</sup>. Hospitality/greeter is needed Friday from 2-6 PM. Jobs available during the show are gatekeeper, bit check, scoring, ribbons, runner & on-call helpers. Training available! Don't know much about horses? No problem – help with set up, scoring, passing out ribbons & tests or picking tests up (runner). Linda McCormick is scheduling volunteers for 2017 shows. On-line sign up for volunteer positions will be available by mid-March. You may contact Linda at [linda5819@gmail.com](mailto:linda5819@gmail.com) or 816-853-7461.

NEW for 2017 USDF Recognized Shows – Competitors now have 2 opportunities to earn a qualifying score per show! For the May & July KCDS shows, sign up for the 2<sup>nd</sup> test under Test of Choice (TOC) & specify which level you want. There will be 4 TOCs available: Training - 4<sup>th</sup> level, FEI level, Musical Freestyle Training-4<sup>th</sup>, Musical Freestyle FEI. These tests will be scheduled at the end of the competition day. You may also add this class on the day of the show with a \$10 late fee. If you qualify in your earlier ride of the day, you may request your \$10 qualifying fee be returned. You may also change your requested test to another test with a \$10 change fee. For example, you are scheduled for 2 Training Level qualifying rides & earn your score on the first ride. Perhaps you want to try First Level test 1 or maybe try for a qualifying score at First Level test 3. Notify the office as early as possible of any changes requested. Please note that horses are limited to 3 rides per day at Training through 4<sup>th</sup> level; 2 rides per day at FEI level.

New FEI tests for 2017. Please make sure you have the new FEI tests which are available on the FEI website. The FEI Freestyle tests have been updated effective Feb. 21 to allow for 0.1 decimals for the artistic marks.

Musical Freestyle Music. Please note that competitors must provide to Competition Management a compact disc (CD) recording at least 2 hours prior to the start of the class. Sound checks will be provided at the beginning of the Lunch Break.

Pony Measurements. Notify the Show Secretary by Monday before the show to reserve a measurement spot. Measurements are currently scheduled for 6-7 pm on Friday before the show. A Veterinarian charge may be levied.

Opportunity classes: Want to try a recognized show but don't have USEF/USDF memberships for horse, rider, owner or trainer? Check out the Opportunity Classes for USDF Intro B & C or Training 1 & 2. Horses & riders may cross enter but must then meet the membership requirements for recognized classes. For example, a trainer has 2 students with a school horse. 1 student doesn't have memberships & should enter under Opportunity. The other student may show in the recognized classes. (note, limit of 3 classes per horse). Or perhaps a trainer has a client horse & owner who don't yet have

memberships – sign up under Opportunity Classes for a less expensive chance to get the young horse out for show experience.

Pas de Deux & Quadrille rides offered. Like to ride with a friend or friends? Why not try these crowd pleasing rides for 2 or 4 horses & riders? USDF has extensive information available to help you plan your ride. And if this is the only class entered, horse & rider are exempt from nonmember fees & horse ID fees.

Derby Party! Join us on Saturday, May 6<sup>th</sup> for a Kentucky Derby Party in the tent starting at 5 PM. Enjoy a Kansas City Barbecue dinner, visit with friends, watch the Kentucky Derby race & vie for a prize for the best Derby hat. Tickets are \$10 in advance or \$15 at the door for this fun event. 1 free ticket will be included for each horse entry on Saturday; order extra tickets on the entry form. Or send your check to Angie Cumberland, 37604 E Cline Rd, Lone Jack, MO 64070 by Friday, May 5th.