

## Transitions – A Publication of the Kansas Dressage and Eventing Association

### **Minutes of the KDEA meeting held on Monday, October 5<sup>th</sup>, 2009 at Bekki Moore's.**

**Present:** Pam Wrona, Susan Lang, Bekki Moore, Maranda New, Stacey Fitzsimmons, John & Sue Clarke, Missy Bartel, Marilyn Lee, Lisa Bryant, Maribeth Willard, Blair & Fern McGehee, Lisa Sutherland, Tim Griest, Barb Deenihan, Wes & Karla Dolatta, Cassie Black.

**Apologies:** Natalie Petz, Nancy Harvieux, Elaine & Erin McEwen

Before the meeting, Dr. Speer gave a very informative talk & demonstration on flexion tests.

### **Minutes of August 3<sup>rd</sup> Meeting**

The minutes were approved – proposed by Tim Griest, seconded by Barb Deenihan.

**Treasurer:** Pam Wrona reported that the checking account balance as of 10/05/09 was \$XXXXX. The Education Fund is \$XXXX, which includes \$74.00 from the September schooling show rides. The September schooling show made a profit of \$500. Tim Griest proposed and Sue Clarke seconded that the Treasurer's report be accepted as presented – carried unanimously.

**September Schooling Show:** Thank you to all the volunteers who helped make the show a success. This year's schooling show competitors have been approximately 50% members & 50% non-members.

**KDEA Recognized Show:** The proposal for different levels of shows has now been passed. We are a Level 2 show. A Level 2 show does not permit lungeing in the same area as warm-up. This will need to be addressed. It was proposed by Maribeth Millard and seconded by Missy Bartel that we hold a Dressage Foundation class again – First Level Test 4 – with a donation of \$100 to the Foundation. The motion was carried. Next year we have to submit results electronically. Pam Wrona proposed & Cassie Black seconded that we purchase Fox Village software for \$334 with an annual fee of \$45. The motion was carried. At

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### Minutes of Meeting, Continued

the USDF Convention there will be a class for Fox Village for beginners & advanced (cost \$75 for both). Susan Lang will try to attend. If there are problems, Bonnie Griest had said she would help Susan with the program. Competition forms are now available only on a USDF flashdrive for a one-time fee of \$15.

**Nominating Committee:** Cassie Black reported that the current list is:

President Susan Lang

Vice President Sherry Engel

Treasurer Pam Wrona

Secretary Natalie Petz

Membership Chair Lisa Bryant

Cassie needs more volunteers for board membership. (See other newsletter notes for those who have come forward for the Board for 2010).

**Volunteer Hours:** Proposed by Marilyn Lee Seconded by Bekki Moore:

From 2010 & beyond, 5 volunteer hours will be required to qualify for awards. In addition all members would be required to donate 2 volunteer hours. Attendance at 2 KDEA meetings would account for 2 hours towards these requirements (or can continue to volunteer at KDEA events). If up for awards, members would have to do 3 extra hours for a total of 5. Proposal carried unanimously.

**Laura Hedlund Clinic:** 9 riders are signed up for Saturday & 8 for Sunday. This is a sponsored clinic – the \$65 fee does not cover all the cost.

**USDF Dressage Convention, December 2<sup>nd</sup> – 6<sup>th</sup>, 2009:** The delegate form must be in by October 15<sup>th</sup>. Delegate registration is paid by the club. Other expenses are the responsibility of the delegate. Susan Lang agreed to be our delegate.

**KDEA Awards:** The deadline for Recognized show submissions is October 31<sup>st</sup>.

**KDEA Memberships** are due by December 1<sup>st</sup>.

**USDF Memberships:** There will be no increase in dues. There will be 10 issues of “Connection” next year (was 12).

**USEA Convention:** John & Sue Clarke will be attending the USEA Convention in Reston, Virginia.

**New Business:** There was discussion on the future direction of KDEA. Do we want to continue our Recognized show? Do we want two judges – one of which could be an “r” judge? How many schooling shows do we want to run? Lisa Sutherland suggested KDEA awards & a party at the Briar Fox Farm Horse Trials to raise awareness. It was suggested that everyone bring a member to the next meeting to increase attendance. We could restructure the board of directors – the bylaws allow this, e.g. education & awards directors should be on the board. It was suggested that two people run the schooling shows - one person to do the work ahead of time and one to be the secretary on the day. We could have a mini-education session on managing a show. Other suggestions were: flyers to local barns one week before meetings; a social event before the meeting starts e.g. a cheese tasting; door prizes e.g. a ticket good for one entry for the Show auctions and members bios to go in the newsletter or on the website. KDEA may be able to combine with Pony Club clinics. We would need insurance for this.

**Next Meeting:** The Awards/Dessert meeting will be on January 10<sup>th</sup> 2010 at John & Sue Clarke’s house, 222 Hillsdale Drive, Wichita. Meeting adjourned

**USDF Convention.** The USDF Convention is Dec 2-6 in Austin, TX. As no one else indicated they would be going to the Convention, Susan Lang will be attending as the KDEA delegate. Susan is also going to the Convention for the USEF Pony Measurement class (a part of her technical delegate licensing) but will attend all the business meetings and educational sessions. She will write up a summary for the next newsletter. If you have any concerns you want voiced at the convention, please contact Susan before December 1.

**Notice:** If anyone else has anything to announce (birth, deaths, awards or honors you have received) please contact Susan at president@kdea.org. We want to recognize our members!

**Body Clipping:** Price varies on size of horse and type of clip. I am also available to do mane pulling, trimming, and braiding. Please

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### **KDEA Classifieds:**

**For Sale:** "SNOOPY", Chestnut, Thoroughbred, gelding, 15.3hh foaled in 2004. This horse is well broke, quiet and honest. He NEVER raced. Jumping 2ft 6" to date. Snoopy would make an excellent family horse (goes English and has been ridden in a Western saddle). He would also make a great Pony Club horse and I would not hesitate putting a young rider on him. At the end of the day I think he would excel in any aspect and would be a wonderful addition to a horsey family!! \$4000.00 See him on Equine.com. Contact Bekki Moore @ 316-218-1275

**Slate of Officers/Board for 2010.** We have had some difficulty in coming up with people who are willing to be Officers and Board for 2010...Cassie Black, our nominating committee person, has called and asked a lot of you...and so far, only these people have allowed their name to be placed on the slate for 2010...

Susan Lang – President  
Sherry Engel – Vice President

Pam Wrona – Treasurer  
Natalie Petz - Secretary

Carla Dolatta – Board Member (Pony Club liaison)  
Lisa Bryant - Board Member (Membership Chair)

Cassie Black has also agreed to help out with the website content and keeping it updated in 2010 and sending things to our webmaster for inclusion. Lisa Bryant will be our membership chair for 2010, and Nancy Harvieux will continue as our Awards chair. **If you want to inquire about a Board or Officer position for 2010, please contact Cassie at [evanandcassie@aol.com](mailto:evanandcassie@aol.com)**

**Education Committee.** The KDEA Educational committee has put together some very good opportunities this year, and they are looking for ideas for next year. In fact, they are also looking for new educational committee members for 2010. If you have any ideas for educational sessions, or you would like to inquire about being on the committee, please contact [marie.Maloney@hotmail.com](mailto:marie.Maloney@hotmail.com). The Education committee welcomes new committee member Abby Anderson (see next paragraph)

**Pilates Clinic with Betsy Steiner.** The Education Committee is pleased to announce that KDEA has been granted a 2010 Vi Hopkins grant through The Dressage Foundation to host a Betsy Steiner Equilates clinic. Thanks to Education Committee member Abby Anderson for her efforts in applying for the grant and following through with TDF. Now they will begin looking for a suitable date and location for the clinic in 2010. More to come in future newsletters.

**KDEA Library.** Don't forget that KDEA has an extensive book, VHS tape and DVD library available to any member. For a list of the books (or to donate), please contact Sherry Engel.

**KDEA Recognized Show.** Don't forget to put the June KDEA show on your calendar for 2010. Our judge is Joan Darnell of TX and our TD is Diane Stanley from Montana.

**Membership Applications for 2010.** Don't forget that DECEMBER 1 is the deadline for submission of your 2010 KDEA dues. Along with USEF, USDF, USEA...we are now aligned to the December 1 to November 30<sup>th</sup> membership year. So don't forget to send in your dues, or you might miss out on an issue of USDF Connection. We also don't want you to miss out on emails and newsletters with KDEA happenings. There is a membership application elsewhere in the newsletter.

**Check Your Scores with USDF.** All competition results through September 30, 2009, which is the close of the USDF competition year, have been entered into the USDF database. Go to [www.USDF.org](http://www.USDF.org) to review your scores. USDF **must** be notified by October 15th, 2009, 5 pm EST of any corrections. No changes to scores and/or year-end awards placings will be made after that date. E-mail corrections to [scorecorrections@usdf.org](mailto:scorecorrections@usdf.org).

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**KDEA Volunteer Hours.** This is not an exhaustive list at this time, but if you should be credited for more volunteer hours, please contact Nancy Harvieux, Awards Chair. There is a Volunteer Form in the newsletter that is to be used to submit your volunteer hours. Some of the show/event chairs have submitted hours for their volunteers, but we know there are people out there who have volunteered who are not on this list. Please check the list...check it twice...and contact Nancy before October 31 to update your volunteer hours. **We really need for you to submit the forms,** as Nancy is not at every event to see who is volunteering....but we appreciate every hour that you put in!

<b>Name</b>	<b>Date</b>	<b>Activity</b>	<b>Hours</b>
Black, Casandra	Feb-09	Equifest table	
Bryant, Lisa	5/29/09	Hutch	4.0
Bryant, Lisa	5/29/09	Hutch	4.0
Clarke, John	5/31/09	Hutch	9.0
Cornell, Elaine	5/16/09	Schooling show	9.0
Cornell, Elaine	5/31/09	Hutch	9.0
Cornell, Elaine	7/16/09	Schooling show jump setup	1.0
Deenihan, Barb	5/31/09	Hutch Show Raffle	1.5
Engel, Sherry	Feb-09	Equifest table	3.0
Engel, Sherry	5/2/09	Paint party	7.0
Engel, Sherry	5/29-31/2009	Hutch	30.0
Engel, Sherry	7/16/09	Schooling show	6.0
Feltner, Karyn	2/13/09	Equifest table	3.0
Feltner, Karyn	2/15/09	Equifest table	3.0
Feltner, Karyn	5/24-31/2009	Hutch	40.0
Fletcher, Ariel	7/2/09	Paint party	2.0
Fletcher, Ariel	7/15/09	Show setup	1.5
Harvieux, Nancy		Schooling show May	8.0
Harvieux, Nancy	6/1/09	Ribbon/plate inventory	2.0
Harvieux, Nancy		Donations followup	2.0
Harvieux, Nancy	7/16/09	Schooling show	8.0
Kent, Stan	5/15/09	Schooling show May	8.0
Kent, Stan	4/1/09	Prime paint jumps	7.0
Kent, Stan	4/8/09	Prime paint jumps	7.0
Kent, Stan	7/16/09	Schooling show	8.0
Lang, Susan	5/24-31/2009	Hutch Show	300.0
Lang, Susan	5/2/09	Paint party	2.0
Malone, Missy		Equifest table	2.0
Maloney, Marie		Hutch	0.5
Massey, Kathy	5/30/09	Hutch	10.0
Massey, Rainer	5/30/09	Hutch	10.0
Mick, Jolene	5/31/09	Hutch	9.0
Moore, Becki		Equifest table	3.0
Mullen, Cindy	5/31/09	Hutch	2.0
Mullen, Cindy	7/16/09	Schooling show	4.0
Petz, Natalie	5/16/09	Schooling show	2.0
Pinkall, Charlotte	5/31/09	Hutch	9.0
Riva, Maria	7/15/09	Show setup	1.5
Riva, Maria	7/16/09	Schooling show	4.0
Sanders, Cindy		Equifest table	3.0
Staples, Nick	5/2/09	Paint party	2.0
Staples, Nick	7/15/09	Show setup	1.5
Steinberger, Elise	7/15/09	Show setup	1.5
Steinberger, Elise	7/16/09	Schooling show	4.0
Sullivan, Jenny	7/16/09	Schooling show	2.0
Sullivan, Shannon	7/16/09	Schooling show	2.0
Sutherland, Lisa	5/2/09	Paint party	1.0
Sutherland, Lisa	5/16/09	Schooling show	2.5

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Sutherland, Tessa	5/2/09	Paint party	1.0
Williard, Maribeth	5/24-31/2009	Hutch Show	40.0
Williard, Maribeth	7/15/09	Show setup	1.5
Wrona, Pam	2/13/09	Equifest table	3.0
Wrona, Pam	5/30-31/2009	Hutch Show & Award gathering	14.0
Wrona, Pam	7/16/09	Tack Sale Schooling show	

### **October 31<sup>st</sup> is THE DATE. October 31<sup>st</sup> is THE DATE**

Be sure to get your scores in to Nancy Harviuex prior to October 31<sup>st</sup> if you want to be eligible for KDEA Annual Awards and Medals. There are forms in the newsletter...you have to submit scores if you are trying for Recognized show awards – schooling show awards are automatically figured off of KDEA Schooling shows. You may submit one outside schooling show score. Of course, you must also have your 2 volunteer hours documented for 2009. See the awards flyer on the website for more information, or contact Nancy Harviuex. [www.kdea.org](http://www.kdea.org)

**KDEA Awards and Election Meeting** – January 10 at 2:30 at the home of John and Sue Clarke. Back in August, we discussed the difficulty of scheduling this meeting prior to Christmas, so now our December meeting is a January meeting! As in prior years, this is a “Bring your Favorite Dessert” meeting, but we will also welcome healthy items as well. Come see who won awards for 2009....

**Schooling Shows in 2010.** We need commitments for managers and secretaries for 2010 schooling shows, as too few people stepped up this year. Sherry Engel secretaried 2 shows, Susan Lang managed 2 and secretaried 1, and Maribeth managed 1. Pam Wrona stepped up and was day-of secretary when Susan was out of town and she also helped extensively with the 1<sup>st</sup> and 3<sup>rd</sup> KDEA schooling shows. Although many of you are busy, and others want to ride, it is not fair that the same people end up running the schooling shows for the club. If you want to continue to take advantage of low cost schooling show opportunities, someone needs to step up and volunteer. You won't be left to the wolves...you will have adequate help and training so you know what you are doing. Everyone who rides in a show should be required to run a schooling show so that you know the time/effort put in on each show. It can be a lot of fun to organize and run a schooling show, but it gets old when that same person does it time and time again or when that person is already pulling their weight in other ways for KDEA. This now ends this whining session...

**KDEA Re-Vamp Committee.** As a result of the last KDEA meeting and the discussions similar to the above paragraph about lack of volunteers and people to run shows and clinics, there is a new committee that will look at new ideas for KDEA. The members are Bekki Moore, Cassie Black, Missy Malone, Barb Deenihan, Lisa Sutherland and Pam Wrona. They are going to get together and toss around ideas about growing the membership, increasing volunteer time, social events along with KDEA meetings or shows, member-taught clinics, door prizes at schooling shows and meetings...etc. If you have any ideas for KDEA (Lisa Sutherland has already put some of her ideas in writing, and the committee will be discussing them), please contact one of the committee members.

**Betsy Steiner Pilates Clinic – Coming in 2010!** The Dressage Foundation has awarded KDEA a \$1000 grant to be used for a Betsy Steiner clinic in 2010. The clinic is attentively scheduled for March/April with 8 riders and auditors are also welcome. For more info contact Abigail Anderson @a2gypsy@yahoo.com.

### **KDEA Awards and Election Meeting ....KDEA Awards and Election Meeting**

Next KDEA Meeting: January 10<sup>th</sup> 2010 at John and Sue Clarke's –

Contact Susan for directions....smlang2@juno.com

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Member	Name	Horse Name	Class
1/16/2009	Anderson, Abigail	Baltic Serenity	Training Level
1/16/2009	Anderson, Abigail	Baltic Serenity	Training Level Certificate
2/24/2009	Black, Casandra	Gossemer Bay	First Level
2/24/2009	Black, Casandra	Gossemer Bay	Second Level
2/24/2009	Black, Casandra	Gossemer Bay	Bronze Medal
5/6/2009	Dolatta, Adrian	Static	First Level
	Fletcher, Arial	Snapshot	Training Level
	George, Breanna		Training Level Certificate
11/3/2008	Lang, Susan	Peter Pan	Second Level
11/3/2008	Lang, Susan	Peter Pan	Third Level
	Lipman, Randee	Calypso	Training
	Lipman, Randee	Calypso	First Level
1/13/2009	Mackay, Simone	Manu Forti's	Walk/Trot Intro
1/13/2009	Mackay, Simone	Clover Connection	Training Level
1/13/2009	Mackay, Simone	Clover Connection	Training Level Certificate
10/28/2008	Maloney Marie	Lazulite	Third Level
	Malone, Missy	Bartel	First Level
	Malone, Missy	Bartel	Bronze Medal
2/27/2009	McEwen, Elaine	Jelmer	Prix St. Georges
2/27/2009	McEwen, Elaine	Jelmer	Gold Medal
2/27/2009	McEwen, Patricia	Little Star Love	First Level
2/27/2009	McEwen, Patricia	Little Star Love	Bronze Medal
2/27/2009	McEwen, Patricia	Little Star Love	Training
11/5/2008	Moore, Rebecca	Bentley	Training Level
	Moore, Rebecca	TBA	First Level
2/11/2009	Moore, Rebecca	Phoenix	First Level
1/13/2009	Sanders, Cindy	TBA	Bronze Medal
	Sutherland, Tessa	Tobay	Training Level

- This is Award Chair Nancy Harvieux's list of who is signed up for Recognized Show awards for 2009. If your name is not on the list, and you think you signed up, please contact Nancy at [hkacres@hotmail.com](mailto:hkacres@hotmail.com)
- You are automatically signed up for Schooling Show awards by being a KDEA member. You must be a member at the time your scores are earned.
- Both Recognized Show awards and Schooling Show awards required 2 hours of volunteer time in 2009. This will increase for 2010.
- If you have further questions about the Awards Program, you can also look at the Awards Flyer on the KDEA website at [www.kdea.org](http://www.kdea.org) or contact Nancy Harvieux.
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**Calendar of Events - 2009**

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Oct 31-Nov 1    Region 9 Great American Insurance Group Regional Championships, Katy, TX  
Oct 31-Nov 1    Briar Fox Farm Fall Horse Trials  
Oct 30-Nov 1    Sarah Martin clinic at Kaufman Farm. Contact Barb Deenihan at [halfpass24@yahoo.com](mailto:halfpass24@yahoo.com)  
Dec 2-6         USDF Convention in Austin, TX.  
Jan 10          KDEA Awards and Election meeting – Sue Clarke's – 2:30  
Sep 25-Oct 10 2010 – World Equestrian Games, Lexington, KY. Go to [www.feigames2010.org](http://www.feigames2010.org) for more information and to sign up for their email newsletter. Tickets go on sale 9/25/09.

### Surgeon Generals Warning on Horse Hair

This is a public service announcement. In a press release today, the National Institute of Health has announced the discovery of a potentially dangerous substance in the hair of horses. This substance, called "amobacter equuii" has been linked with the following symptoms in female humans:

- ♣Ⓜ reluctance to cook,
- ♣Ⓜ reluctance to perform house work,
- ♣Ⓜ reluctance to wear anything but boots,
- ♣Ⓜ reluctance to work except in support of a horse,
- ♣Ⓜ physical craving for contact with horses (may be an addiction)

If you come in contact with a female human infected by this substance, be prepared to talk about horses for hours on end. I have been suffering with amobacter equuii for decades!! I have also been known to wear the most disgusting clothes (beet pulp splatter, green slobber, eye buggers, etc.) around the barn and house and then forget I have them on and go to town! I'm sure that this too is a symptom.

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