

# THE READER

CenterLine Dressage is a Group Member Organization of USDF founded in 1972. CLD members are automatically members of the United States Dressage Federation.



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## CALENDAR

- ◆ **MELANIE MICHALAK CLINIC  
FEBRUARY 15 - 16  
@ PRATENSÉ FARMS**
- ◆ **CLD POTLUCK  
FEBRUARY 15 FOLLOWING  
CLINIC  
@ PRATENSÉ FARMS**
- ◆ **CLD BOARD MEETING  
FEBRUARY 29, 2 PM  
@ STARWEST**
- ◆ **ILLINOIS HORSE FAIR  
MARCH 6 - 8  
@ ILLINOIS STATE  
FAIRGROUNDS  
MELANIE MICHALAK CLINIC  
HELD DURING**

## Letter from the President

*by Teresa Litchfield, President*

Hello CLD members and friends,

I would like to take this opportunity to thank Judy Nordstrom for her six years of service as President. I have some big shoes to fill. At the same time I am looking forward to changing hats from Awards Chair to President.

Mark your Calendar: February 15th CLD will be having a Valentine Social (Potluck). Come out with the family to visit with fellow new and old members, play some games, and enjoy a good old fashioned potluck. See flyer for details.

Horse Fair is just around the corner, March 6 - 8th at the Illinois State Fairgrounds. Melanie Michalak will be doing a dressage Clinic this year. CLD will be there to hopefully recruit a few new members.

As presidents before me have stated their goal to be, I also have the same goal. To grow the club's membership, however I would like to focus on the youth membership. So if you have any suggestions on how to accomplish this goal, I would love to hear them.

Stay warm and think warmer weather is coming!! Not soon enough for some of us, but it is coming.

Your CLD President,  
Teresa Litchfield

## 2019 CLD Year End Awards

The 2019 CLD Awards Banquet was held at the Sangamo Club for the second year in a row on Saturday, November 2. John Simpson served as Master of Ceremonies and outgoing President Judy Nordstrom presided. Attendance was down from previous years but all enjoyed themselves. Awards chair, Teresa Litchfield performed her usual magic with awards and prizes. Full year-end results, including scores, available online at [centerlinedressage.com/results](http://centerlinedressage.com/results) *Italicized rows indicate level high point.*

| <b>Intro Level Schooling</b>                    | <b>Horse</b>           | <b>Rider</b>             | <b>Owner</b>           |
|---|------------------------|--------------------------|------------------------|
| <i>Intro Jr Champion</i>                        | <i>Travis</i>          | <i>Ryley Skultety</i>    | <i>Marsha Harshman</i> |
| <b>Training Level Schooling</b>                 | <b>Horse</b>           | <b>Rider</b>             | <b>Owner</b>           |
| <i>Champion Jr/YR</i>                           | <i>Travis</i>          | <i>Ryley Skultety</i>    | <i>Marsha Harshman</i> |
| <b>Western Dressage</b>                         | <b>Horse</b>           | <b>Rider</b>             | <b>Owner</b>           |
| <i>Champion Open Western Dressage Level 1</i>   | <i>Forte WF</i>        | <i>Marilyn Weber</i>     | <i>Marilyn Weber</i>   |
| Res. Champion Open Western Dressage Basic Level | R Genga                | Marilyn Weber            | Marilyn Weber          |
| <b>Training Level Rated</b>                     | <b>Horse</b>           | <b>Rider</b>             | <b>Owner</b>           |
| <i>Champion Open</i>                            | <i>Jameson SW</i>      | <i>Martin Kuhn</i>       | <i>StarWest</i>        |
| Res. Champion Open                              | Travis                 | Chantae Erickson         | Marsha Harshman        |
| 3rd Place Open                                  | Wilona HSR             | Kate Fleming-Kuhn        | StarWest               |
| Champion Novice                                 | Won Wolfe              | Chantae Erickson         | Marsha Harshman        |
| Res. Champion Novice                            | Wild Card HSR          | Martin Kuhn              | Jordan & Ben Wilton    |
| 3rd Place Novice                                | R Genga                | Marilyn Weber            | Marilyn Weber          |
| <i>AA Champion</i>                              | <i>Zip N Incognito</i> | <i>Teresa Litchfield</i> | <i>Judy Nordstrom</i>  |
| AA Res. Champion                                | Tapatio 2010           | Heather Weitzel          | Heather Weitzel        |
| <b>First Level</b>                              | <b>Horse</b>           | <b>Rider</b>             | <b>Owner</b>           |
| <i>Champion Open</i>                            | <i>Ronin</i>           | <i>Martin Kuhn</i>       | <i>StarWest</i>        |
| Res. Champion Open                              | Jameson SW             | Martin Kuhn              | StarWest               |
| 3rd Place Open                                  | Won Wolfe              | Chantae Erickson         | Marsha Harshman        |
| Champion Novice                                 | Dante Divino           | Jenna Upchurch           | Jenna Upchurch         |
| Res. Champion Novice                            | Indiana TF             | Kate Fleming-Kuhn        | Rebecca McBride        |
| 3rd Place Novice                                | Qamii                  | Sheila McElwee           | Sheila McElwee         |

# 2019 CLD Year End Awards

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| Second Level         | Horse          | Rider                | Owner                |
|----------------------|----------------|----------------------|----------------------|
| <i>Champion Open</i> | <i>Ronin</i>   | <i>Martin Kuhn</i>   | <i>StarWest</i>      |
| Res. Champion Open   | Frazier        | Martin Kuhn          | Joe & Jodi Lemkemann |
| Third Place Open     | Sir Earl Grey  | Paula Briney         | Jeffrey Winton       |
| Champion Novice      | Dante Divino   | Jenna Upchurch       | Jenna Upchurch       |
| Res. Champion Novice | Indiana TF     | Kate Fleming-Kuhn    | Rebecca McBride      |
| <i>Champion AA</i>   | <i>Havallo</i> | <i>Sara Davisson</i> | <i>Sara Davisson</i> |

| Third Level          | Horse              | Rider                    | Owner                                       |
|----------------------|--------------------|--------------------------|---|
| <i>Champion Open</i> | <i>Washburn SW</i> | <i>Kate Fleming-Kuhn</i> | <i>StarWest</i>                             |
| Res. Champion Open   | Latino             | Chantae Erickson         | Marsha Harshman                             |
| Champion Novice      | Frazier            | Martin Kuhn              | Joe & Jodi Lemkemann                        |
| Res. Champion Novice | Marwans Inferno WC | Marilyn Weber            | Katie Keim                                  |
| <i>Champion AA</i>   | <i>Eschaton</i>    | <i>Kelly Griffith</i>    | <i>Lyle &amp; Casey Eiten with Amy Blum</i> |
| Res. Champion AA     | Havallo            | Sara Davisson            | Sara Davisson                               |
| Third Place AA       | Madroño XXXVI      | Pinky Noll               | Pinky Noll                                  |

| Fourth Level         | Horse           | Rider              | Owner                                       |
|----------------------|-----------------|--------------------|---|
| <i>Champion Open</i> | <i>Eschaton</i> | <i>Martin Kuhn</i> | <i>Lyle &amp; Casey Eiten with Amy Blum</i> |
| Res. Champion Open   | Latino          | Chantae Erickson   | Marsha Harshman                             |
| <i>Champion AA</i>   | <i>Eschaton</i> | <i>Casey Eiten</i> | <i>Lyle &amp; Casey Eiten with Amy Blum</i> |
| Res. Champion AA     | Esteban         | Judy Nordstrom     | Rob & Judy Nordstrom                        |
| Third Place AA       | Rapson          | Colleen Rull       | Colleen Rull                                |

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| PSG                  | Horse        | Rider             | Owner                |
|----------------------|--------------|-------------------|----------------------|
| Champion Open        | Madroño      | Kate Fleming-Kuhn | Jon & Pinky Noll     |
| Res. Champion Open   | Chambord     | Paul Briney       | Denis Kerasotes      |
| Champion Novice      | Zlatan M. Ge | Pinky Noll        | Pinky Noll           |
| Res. Champion Novice | Willemina    | Paula Briney      | Paula Briney         |
| Champion AA          | Esteban      | Judy Nordstrom    | Rob & Judy Nordstrom |
| Res. Champion AA     | Richthofen 7 | Judy Ethell       | Judy Ethell          |
| Third Place AA       | Aureo        | Pat McVary        | Pat McVary           |

| Intermediare 1 | Horse        | Rider       | Owner           |
|----------------|--------------|-------------|-----------------|
| Champion Open  | Chambord     | Paul Briney | Denis Kerasotes |
| Champion AA    | Richthofen 7 | Judy Ethell | Judy Ethell     |

| Intermediare 2   | Horse         | Rider       | Owner                |
|------------------|---------------|-------------|----------------------|
| Champion Open    | Rapson        | Martin Kuhn | Brian & Colleen Rull |
| Champion AA      | Richthofen 7  | Judy Ethell | Judy Ethell          |
| Res. Champion AA | Rubin Raphael | Judy Ethell | Judy Ethell          |

| Intermediare B | Horse        | Rider       | Owner       |
|----------------|--------------|-------------|-------------|
| Champion AA    | Richthofen 7 | Judy Ethell | Judy Ethell |

| Freestyles  | Horse         | Rider             | Owner            |
|---|---------------|-------------------|------------------|
| Champion Open 1st - 4th Level (Second Level)        | Ronin         | Martin Kuhn       | StarWest         |
| Res. Champion Open 1st - 4th Level (Third Level)    | Washburn SW   | Kate Fleming-Kuhn | Deb Klamen       |
| Champion Open FEI Level (I1)                        | Madrono       | Kate Fleming-Kuhn | Jon & Pinky Noll |
| Champion Novice 1st - 4th Level (First Level)       | Dante Divino  | Jenna Upchurch    | Jenna Upchurch   |
| Res. Champion Novice 1st - 4th Level (Second Level) | Sir Earl Grey | Paul Briney       | Jeffrey Winton   |
| Champion AA 1st - 4th Level (Fourth Level)          | Eschaton      | Casey Eiten       | Casey Eiten      |
| Champion AA FEI (I1 Level)                          | Richthofen 7  | Judy Ethell       | Judy Ethell      |
| Champion Jr/YR (PSG)                                | Venivici      | Jenna Upchurch    | Betty Cronin     |

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| Materiale                            | Horse                    | Rider                     | Owner                     |
|--------------------------------------|--------------------------|---------------------------|---------------------------|
| <i>Champion Open</i>                 | <i>Vanidad Inspirado</i> | <i>Rachel Hill-Jordan</i> | <i>Rachel Hill-Jordan</i> |
| Young Horse Classes                  | Horse                    | Rider                     | Owner                     |
| 4 Yr Olds Champion                   | Wild Card HSR            | Martin Kuhn               | Jordan Wilton             |
| 5 Yr Olds Champion                   | Jameson SW               | Martin Kuhn               | StarWest                  |
| Developing Grand Prix (8-10 Yr Olds) | Rapson                   | Martin Kuhn               | Colleen Rull              |



### CLD Valentine (Potluck) February 15th from 4 - 7 pm



#### Hosted by Pratense Farms

CLD will provide the main dish along with beverages (water, tea, and lemonade). Attendees need to bring a dish to share. So we don't end up with all deserts, I suggest that if your last name begins with A through L bring a salad or hot dish. If your last name begins with M through T, please bring a dessert. Those whose last name starting U through Z, please bring chips, dip or appetizers. RSVP to President Teresa Litchfield [Teresa.Litchfield57@gmail.com](mailto:Teresa.Litchfield57@gmail.com) with how many you are attending with. We want to provide enough entrée and drinks for all.

There will be **Valentine Games** for the kids and the kids at heart.  
So bring the family out for some good old fashioned family fun.  
All are welcome new, old and prospective CLD members.

(The Potluck will follow the Pratense Farms Melanie Michalak Clinic)



# January 18, 2020 CLD Executive Board Meeting Minutes

The first meeting of 2020 was called to order at 2:15pm by President Teresa Litchfield. Present at today's meeting was Jordan Wilton, Paula Briney, Marilyn Weber, Katie Keim and Judy Nordstrom. Inclement weather prohibited Leslie Burket from attending.

## Treasurer Report - Katie Keim

- Bank balance: \$5,753.63
- Savings: \$25,893.96
- 2019 Net Loss: (\$1,925.31)
- Classic is showing a profit of \$666.70
- Firecracker: \$420.39
- Icebreaker: \$382.78
- Lost (\$1,668.04) on the awards banquet
- Made \$1,111.00 on memberships
- Lost (\$2,838.14) on misc.
- 2019 1099's will be sent this week by the 1/31/20 deadline

## Membership Chair - Jordan Wilton

- Jordan reports that we currently have 34 members on our roster. Judy and Jordan plan to work together to mail out reminders to past members to renew their memberships.
- The issue of holding member's checks too long, before depositing them in the bank, was discussed, as well as solutions to get them deposited in a more reasonable amount of time.

## Social Media Chair - Judy Nordstrom

- Judy has agreed to be the CLD Social Media Chair. Welcome, Judy!

## Schooling Shows

- Dates have been set for our 2020 schooling shows. Icebreaker will be held on May 2 and Firecracker on July 11.
- Teresa will manage both schooling shows.
- In light of the recent increase in number of participants and long show days, as well as a

shortage of stabling, a discussion was held as to the feasibility to hold two-day schooling shows. The conclusion was that the added expenses would out-weigh the benefits.

## Directors at Large

- Paula is hosting Melanie Michalak clinic at



Pratense Farm on February 15-16, 2020. Rides will be \$105 each. Please contact Paula.

- Paula informed us that the dates for the 2020 Illinois Horse Fair are March 6-8.
- Melanie is doing a freestyle clinic at the 2020 Illinois Horse Fair.
- The Illinois Horse Fair is hosting a freestyle competition on Saturday afternoon. It will be open to Dressage, western dressage, reining and costume categories and will have an overall Champion. The contest will have its own warmup.
- Paula asked that CLD sponsor the freestyle event at Horse Fair. Marilyn suggested that the sponsored amount be set at \$200, as we have done in previous years. A vote was taken and a majority was obtained through text messaging. The motion was unanimously passed.

## New Business

- Teresa asked for suggestions on having a social event this winter. After some discussion, a decision was made to hold a pot luck get-together at Pretense Farm on February 15, from 4-7pm. CLD will provide the main meat dish. We will have a Valentine

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theme and try to entice more youth to attend.

- The question of whether to try the CLD clothing line again was presented but tabled for a later time.

### Thank You Judy!

Teresa, on behalf of the CLD board, presented a beautiful, embroidered Eddie Bauer jacket to Judy Nordstrom for her 6 year tenure as President. Judy was surprised and elated. She promptly put the jacket on, which fit perfectly.

The meeting was adjourned at 3:17pm

Respectfully Submitted,  
Judy Nordstrom for Leslie Burket

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## Safe Sport Requirement Initiative Reminder

On Aug. 27, the U.S. Equestrian Federation Board of Directors approved **a rule change requiring that effective Jan. 1, 2019, all USEF adult members with a competing membership must complete USEF's Safe Sport Training in order to be eligible to participate in USEF activities.** Members can immediately access the free Safe Sport training directly through their member dashboard or can [click here](#) to learn more. USEF encourages members to complete the training as soon as possible.

The rule has three main requirements.

1. Every USEF member and federation participants shall abide by USEF's Safe Sport Policy and the U.S. Center for SafeSport Code of Conduct.
2. In order to comply with S. 534, the Protecting Young Victim's from Sexual Abuse and Safe Sport Authorization Act of 2017, the USEF Safe Sport Policy, and the Center's SafeSport Code of Conduct, every USEF adult member and USEF participant, with the exception of the victim, is required to report suspected sexual misconduct within 24 hours to the appropriate authorities and to the U.S. Center for SafeSport.
- 3. Beginning Jan. 1, 2019, every USEF adult member with a competing membership must complete USEF's Safe Sport Training, as approved by the U.S. Center for SafeSport.**

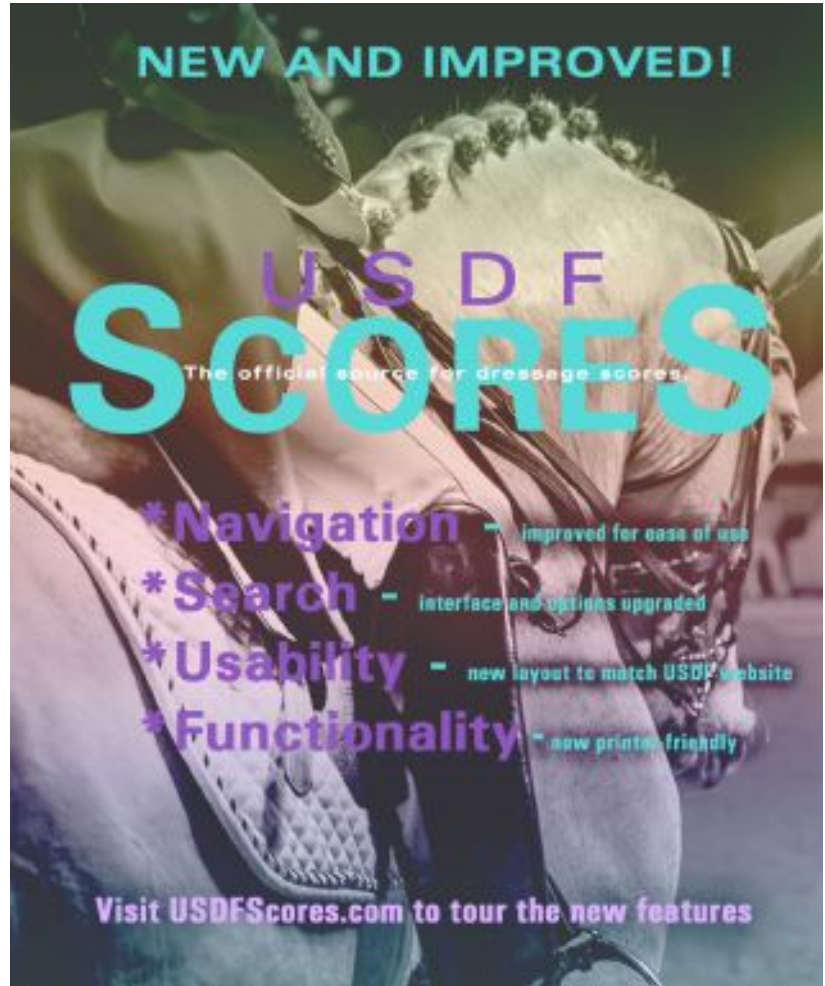
**Frequently Asked Questions: [www.usef.org/faqs/safe-sport](http://www.usef.org/faqs/safe-sport)**



## **Revised USDFscores.com**

USDF recently revised and improved the resource [USDFscores.com](https://www.usdfscores.com) which allows you to look up all rated show information for every horse and rider in the United States going back well over a decade. Perfect for reference, year-end score checking and tracking changes.

Check it out.



## **Current Club Officers & Personnel**

|                      |                   |  |
|----------------------|-------------------|--|
| President            | Teresa Litchfield | president@centerlinedressage.com           |
| Vice-President       | Casey Eiten       | vice-pres@centerlinedressage.com           |
| Treasurer            | Katie Keim        | treasurer@centerlinedressage.com           |
| Membership Secretary | Jordan Wilton     | membershipsecretary@centerlinedressage.com |
| Secretary            | Leslie Burket     | secretary@centerlinedressage.com           |
| Newsletter Editor    | Alice Martini     | reader@centerlinedressage.com              |
| Awards Chair         | Casey Eiten       | awards_chair@centerlinedressage.com        |
| Social Chair         | Judy Nordstrom    | social@centerlinedressage.com              |
| Web Site             | Moiety Design     | admin@centerlinedressage.com               |
| At Large Members     | Paula Briney      | Jordan Wilton                              |





## CenterLine Dressage New Member & Renewal Form

(Membership year is December 1 through November 30)

Name: \_\_\_\_\_ USDF #: \_\_\_\_\_

Name: \_\_\_\_\_ USDF #: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

City: \_\_\_\_\_

State: \_\_\_\_\_

ZIP: \_\_\_\_\_

Telephone: \_\_\_\_\_

E-mail: \_\_\_\_\_

Birth Date for Youth Members (21 & Under): \_\_\_\_\_

|                                     |             |                          |
|-------------------------------------|-------------|--------------------------|
| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> | Renewal:    | <input type="checkbox"/> |
| <input type="checkbox"/>            | New Member: | <input type="checkbox"/> |

| Reader Preference                   |               |                          |
|-------------------------------------|---------------|--------------------------|
| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> | Paper Copy:   | <input type="checkbox"/> |
| <input type="checkbox"/>            | Digital Copy: | <input type="checkbox"/> |

| Membership Type                   | Details  | Totals   |
|-----------------------------------|--|----------|
| Individual Membership             | <p style="text-align: center;">\$50</p> <p>Includes 1 Reader, 1 Vote, USDF Membership, Discounts at CLD Shows, Discounts on Advertising, Horse Nomination (requires separate form <a href="http://centerlinedressage.com/horse-nomination-form">centerlinedressage.com/horse-nomination-form</a>)</p>    | \$ _____ |
| Junior Membership<br>(21 & under) | <p style="text-align: center;">\$30</p> <p>Includes 1 Reader, 1 Vote, USDF Membership, Discounts at CLD Shows, Discounts on Advertising, Horse Nomination (requires separate form <a href="http://centerlinedressage.com/horse-nomination-form">centerlinedressage.com/horse-nomination-form</a>)</p>    | \$ _____ |
| Family Membership                 | <p style="text-align: center;">\$70</p> <p>Includes 1 Reader, 2 Votes, 2 USDF Membership, Discounts at CLD Shows, Discounts on Advertising, Horse Nomination (requires separate form <a href="http://centerlinedressage.com/horse-nomination-form">centerlinedressage.com/horse-nomination-form</a>)</p> | \$ _____ |
| <b>Total Dues:</b>                |  | \$ _____ |

**Please send to:**

Jordan Wilton  
 CLD Membership Secretary  
[membershipsecretary@centerlinedressage.com](mailto:membershipsecretary@centerlinedressage.com)  
 1736 South Farmingdale Road  
 New Berlin, IL 62670

# DEADLINE FOR READER ITEMS



CenterLine Dressage

Items for publication or inclusion in the READER should be received by the editor by the 1st of the month. Items for THE READER, activity forms, ads, etc should be sent with a check for the charges, if any, to:

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c/o Alice Martin  
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