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## Suncoast Dressage and Combined Training Association April 2016 Newsletter

### **SDCTA MEETING**

**March 12**

**The Red Barn**

**Contact Joan Potter for directions**

**813-679-6013**

**Starts at 7:00**



Karen Abbattista, a member of ADA our neighboring south GMO and a good friend of many SDCTA members, recently lost her husband suddenly and unexpectedly. I got a chance to speak with her and in true Karen fashion she is holding up remarkable well. We never know when a loved one will be taken away and for those of us who have the responsibilities of a farm and all that goes with owning land it can be monumental. Karen now finds herself not only losing her love but alone in what was a working partnership at the farm. Please go on her facebook page and you can see where ADA has set up a GOFUNDME account. The money will be used for medical bills.



## HAPPY BIRTHDAY TO YOU!!!

Lots of April Birthdays!!! Happy Birthday Ladies!

Kim Rose

Tanya Kelly

Barbara Robertson

Wendy Mantell

Rebecca Ruthberg

If I left anyone out this past year please let me know. Everyone's birthday should be recognized!!

MINUTES BY SDCTA SECRETARY KIM ROSE

### Board Meeting Minutes – February 2016

Jenn West, Lori Roe, Debra Cangialosi, Nina Baker, Elizabeth Campbell, Alberta McEuen, Sabrina LaGrou, Kim Rose, Harvey Rose, Samantha Sawyer, Jamie Sawyer, Rebecca Ruthberg, Sally Cahill, Jeannette Squirtiro, Carol Smith, Karson Jones, Jane Whitehurst

The Charlotte Lassiter clinic was a huge success. It went 3 1/2 days and was very well attended. There were up to 11 rides per day and a total of 37 rides.

The schooling show is April 3<sup>rd</sup> at Keystone Sporthorse

We are using a new judge for the June show – N. Brett Hicks from California and Sue Malone Casey. Contact Sally Cahill for volunteer positions. There is a good chance we will have three full rings and if that is the case we will use the Lykes indoor.

Also we are anticipating our September 3 and 4th Rated Show to be well-attended. Chopra will once again be one of our judges.

We have an upcoming clinic with Sue Kolstad - \$100 per ride

We are looking for guest speakers

The May meeting will be held at Bakas

Meeting adjourned at 8:30

# The April Meeting will be at the Red Barn!

By then we will have had our 2<sup>nd</sup> schooling show on April 3<sup>rd</sup>. I have been told that participation is going to be very high for this show. If your aren't riding, please plan to attend to support those who are.

It's time to think about riding or volunteering at the June rate show. Please contact Sally Cahill if you are interested in volunteering and she will let you know if there are any positions remaining.

The weather has been great for riding. Enjoy, this is the best time to ride.

Jane would like members to write articles for the newsletter. There are no rules on the length, just something that you want to share. Consider it an analog Facebook post. We all have interesting things that happen to us by the very nature of owning and or riding a horse. Share them through the newsletter.

Emails and phone numbers you may need!!!!\*\*\*\*\*

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## Recognized Shows

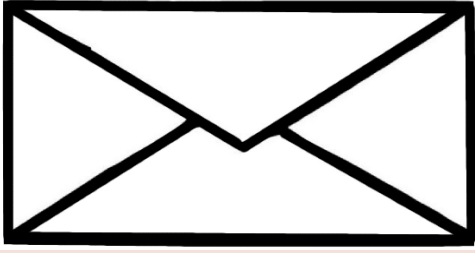
Sally Cahill (as above)

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# Newsletter



By Jane Whitehurst

Stolen from facebook. For all of you backyard barns and boarding barns. I couldn't have said this better. See if you agree!!

Quite regularly, someone seems to say to me "Oh but doesn't that farm and all those animals really tie you down?"

Why yes, yes they do.

They tie me to starting my day when the sun rises and ending it well after the sun sets...but it means I always get to see them both.

They tie me to the rhythm of the seasons...the might of the winter blizzard, the first spring breeze carrying the scent of rain, the towering glory of a summer thunderhead and the fall of leaves from the poplar trees.

They tie me to concentrating on the chores that need to be done right now...not the regrets of yesterday nor the worries for tomorrow.

This farm and all these animals keep me tied down to earth when the rest of the universe tries to flip me upside down.

And so I would much rather be tied down here than set adrift in the tumultuous sea I see so many others in. I find this mooring rather to my liking.

June 11-12  
SDCTA Rated  
Show  
September 3-  
4  
SDCTA Rated  
Show

**SDCTA CLASSIFIEDS**

**Instruction**

Joan Potter, USDF Bronze and Silver Medalist, instructing beginner to advanced, Pinellas County and Odessa/Lutz area. 813-855-3780.

Elizabeth Campbell, USDF Bronze Silver and Gold Medalist offers lessons for beginners to advanced riders. Lunge lessons to improve their independent seat. School horse at Royal Blue Stables, Odessa. (813)-613-5775

Jane Whitehurst, USDF Bronze, Silver and Gold Medalist at Nosara Farms, Odessa. I can come to you or you may trailer in for lessons/training and use full length mirrors. Experienced with all types of training issues. Love to help people achieve a better seat either for dressage or everyday riding. Call 727-254-3554 Website Nosarafarms.com

Sally Cahill, USDF Bronze and Silver Medalist, L Program, offering dressage and basic equitation instruction throughout the Tampa Bay area. Experienced with Junior/Young Rider USDF programs as well as schooling show judging. 813-690-5607 or 813-286-1698

**BOARDING/TRAINING**

Full board and dressage training at Royal Blue Stables with 12 stalls on 6 acres. 3 stalls open up to their own pastures. Separate small pasture available with 12x24 stall for horse with limited turnout. Owner/trainer on premises. Individual turnout and special care provided. Lighted 60x20m sand/clay boarded arena, with full length mirrors on the short side. \$700month. (813)-613-5775

Nosara Farms full-boarding or full boarding and training. Perfect place to keep your horse in the summer. We are very dry even after a hard rain and our barn always has a cool breeze. Horses go out individually or in a group in fields of grass. Feed 3X a day, owner lives on premises, and horse's schedule is the same 7 days a week. Check us out at Nosarafarms.com Our dressage arena has full length mirrors on the short side, lights for night riding, and music for your listening pleasure. Footing is 250 sand which drains quickly and gives great support and cushion for the horses. \$675 month Jane Whitehurst 727-254-3554

**HELP WANTED**

Nosara Farms looking for barn work in the mornings. 5 to 6 days a week. May have one or both weekend days off. Hours are approximately 7-12 with some wiggle room, Stall Cleaning, water buckets, feeding and turning horses in and out. Must have experience and must have references.

Call Jane 727-254-3554

**NEWSLETTER  
AD RATES**

*(listings for 3 months)*

	<u>Members</u>
<u>Non-Members</u>	
Business Card	
\$10.00	\$15.00
1/8 Page	\$20.00
\$25.00	
1/4 Page	\$25.00
\$35.00	
Half Page	\$40.00
\$50.00	
Full Page	\$60.00
\$80.00	
Classified Ad	<i>Free</i>
\$10.00	

