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## Suncoast Dressage and Combined Training Association February 2018 Newsletter

Hi Everybody!!!

We had another great schooling show at Soaring Eagle. A much needed addition to our schooling shows was La Petit France. This is a food truck with the most tasty French crapes. They will be at our next schooling show so Bon Appetit!!!

Soaring Eagle is proving to be a great venue for our schooling shows. Plenty of room to warm up and the ring was much better because of all the watering. This is a sand ring so we don't have to worry if we have a heavy rain the night before.

All of our upcoming shows and judges are listed in the newsletter. Plan now on which ones you will ride in and which ones you can work to get your volunteer hours.

I actually got a little bit of input from the club members for this newsletter. Keep it coming!!

Jane

Next meeting

Feb 13

At the Red Barn Please contact Joan Potter for directions if this is your first time!!!

Happy Valentine's Day

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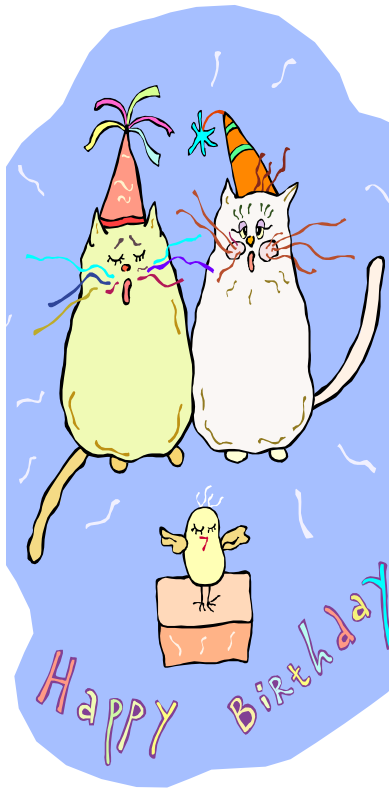
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February Birthdays

Happy Birthday Joan Potter!!

As usual I am sorry if I left someone out. Waiting for updated membership list as the dues come in

Product Recommendation from Jessica Combs

Equifuse equine hair products

This stuff is great for manes and tails, especially Vanners and Friesian type horses!!!!

Product Recommendation from Jane Whitehurst

Thin line reins. They are so comfortable in your hands and if you are anything like me you have a touch of arthritis. I love these reins and feel like I have a much better connection, especially with my rehab horse that had the broken atlas.

## SDCTA January 2018 Minutes

In attendance Jane Whitehurst, Rachel Stevick, Sally Cahill, Bryn Cahill, Kim Rose, Harvey Rose, Elizabeth Campbell, Joan Potter, Carolina Blanton

1. Correction on last minutes. Christine Spoor who owns the Red Ranch, (aka Red Barn), was the one who suggested the caterer we used for the Christmas Party. "Mothers" is the caterers name. They are located on Linebaugh and are amazing. Please consider them if you are thinking of hosting a party.
  2. There was some discussion on schooling shows supplies that we need to purchase.
  3. Charlotte Lassetter will be at Royal Blue Stables for a clinic April 6-8. This clinic fills up quickly. Please contact Elizabeth Campbell to get your name on the list.
  4. FEI tests change in 2018. Please be aware.
  5. SDCTA is now able to take credit cards for horse shows. You can also register for our horse shows all online!!!
  6. Get with Sally Cahill if you need volunteer hours or for the club. If you would like to get paid instead then it is crucial that you are proficient at the job you sign up for. If you are still learning a job then you need to be a volunteer first!!
  7. There was discussion on the newsletter and what direction it should be taking. Jane Whitehurst would like to see more members participating with things like :  
Personal product reviews. Summary of a clinic you attended either riding or auditing,.  
A brag about a recent horse show. A helpful training tip.
- Meeting adjourned approximately 8:30

## Here are the dates for the SDCTA rated shows in 2018

March 3 and 4 Suncoast Spring Break Classic I and II Judges: Sue Kolstad Bill Solyntjes

June 9 and 10 Suncoast Sunburn Classic I and II Judges Tom Poulin Pam Wooding

August 18 and 19 Suncoast Dressage Among Friends I and II Amy McElroy Dinah Babcock

\*We have our next schooling show date below!!!!

November 5 Soaring Eagle Sally Cahill

January 21 Soaring Eagle Tracy Schlabach

\*April 22 Soaring Eagle Laura Swain



# PRÉSIDENT

Dear Members,

We are off to a great start for the new year!

I want to thank all of you for your help and participation last season, lets keep up the good work.

Our schooling show was a great success and the catering stand with the lovely crepe's was a special treat. They are coming back for our April show.

I want all of you to put your thinking caps on in terms of programs or speakers for our meetings. Or, if you would like to give a talk or share an article in the newsletter, that would be good too. It is the conversation and exchange of ideas that keeps things fresh. So STEP UP!!!!

We have no speaker for February meeting but lots to talk about with the upcoming March show.

If anyone is interested in bringing the food and setting up for the next meeting at the Red Ranch please contact me at 813-679-6013. It is an easy way to get volunteer hours.

See everyone at the meeting,

Joan Potter

P.S. My foal is turning one on February 2. He is such a treat. I truly love all phases of this endeavor.... Horses are the BEST!!!

**TIP FOR THE DAY!!!** If you think your fly spray isn't working well enough try putting it on correctly. Most of us spray are horses at the end of our grooming session. It is better to spray then brush the spray into the horses coat. Then you can use the same brush, (as long as it is soft), to brush their head.

Congrats Jessica Combs on your first showing with Zangus, (LFG A Grande Decision). STIDE put on a show at the Horse Park and Jess showed Intro Test A and received a 69.68. They won their class and with that score and also got High Point Champion for Novice Horse Intro Level!!!

Nice to see Jess back in the saddle and showing. She is always supportive of many of our club members and last weekend it was her turn.

## News from Jess

At the Grand Oaks Show Debra Cangialosi and her 22 year old mare Chloe (Point D'esprit) earned their USDF Training Level Performance Certificate. Chloe has taught numerous riders up the levels to earn their medals but she has never earned her performance certificates. Debbie has made honoring Chloe for her successes a personal goal. Anyone who has ridden this mare is thankful for the education and success she provides her riders. Now it's her turn to be in the spotlight!

Royal Blue Stables news. Wendy Mantell has qualified for Regionals with Royal Diamant

The following have all earned their first score for Regionals

Debbie C at Training Level Toni Miller at Training Level and Wendy Mantell at third level

This was also during the grand Oaks show

Nosara Farms news also from Grand Oaks

Kathy Newton competed in her first rated show with her Thoroughbred CL Monty at training level. The first ride was a total disaster because Monty was taken back by the four horse carriage that were working in the next ring. As unfortunate as that was it is what we have to deal with at shows. After that Monte scores got better and better ending with a 68% and winning the class.

Jane rode her student's horse Colonel first level and got some really nice scores and great comments from the judge. This horse is for sale go to Nosarafarms.com website and take a look.

Jane also rode Romeo Reigns for the first time at second level. He did well and even squeaked into the 60's. Romeo is now leased and will be taking his new person to a bunch of shows this season

My apologies for not putting in any pictures— and there were a few. I am not very computer savvy as you might have already guessed. For some reason I was having a hard time with copying and pasting to Publisher which is what I use for the newsletter. Yes, I know I need lessons. Hopefully I will get it right next time. For all of you on FB Jess puts a lot of information and pictures on the SDCTA page.

I will be sending out an email as a reminder to get newsletter information to me. The cut off will be around the 25 th of the month. Thank you in advance!!

If you have anything you would like to contribute to the SDCTA newsletter please send to leadchanges@verizon.net

This can be a certain horse product that you like and want to give a review.

A review of a clinic that you rode in or audited.

A personal experience you have had that other riders might benefit from reading

Refer to the USDF Region 3 Calendar For all of the rated Shows. Please send me information about clinics that your farm may be hosting or non SDCTA schooling shows!!!

## SDCTA CLASSIFIEDS

### Instruction

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

Leslie O'Sullivan, USDF Bronze and Silver Medalist and USDF "L" judging graduate is offering lessons, beginner to advanced at Admiralty Farm in Odessa, Fl, or will travel to you. 813-920-9041 or 727-510-2338.

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

FOR SALE

### 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. \$750 month Jane Whitehurst 727-254-3554

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