

WESTERN DRESSAGE ASSOCIATION OF ILLINOIS

NEWSLETTER



ENJOY THE JOURNEY!



PRESIDENT'S LETTER:

Happy Halloween!

The leaves are changing colors and falling from their branches. How fortunate we are that the horses love to eat the leaves!

CW Equestrian Center is having their final show of the season on November 15th. At the show we will be awarding 2 Rider Medal Recipients. Brynn Ballard has earned her Bronze and Silver Medals and Jackie Moss has earned her Bronze Medal! Congratulations!!

If you would like more information regarding the WDAIL Rider Medal program, please look through the newsletter pages. I have attached the criteria and form for you to participate.

Western Dressage is the fastest growing equine discipline in the history of the United States Equestrian Federation (USEF). The focus of Western Dressage is truly about the Journey between horse and rider. They truly value Harmony. Plus the added bonus of really cool tack and attire!!

We are always looking for new ideas, especially with the change in season. If you have any ideas, please shoot us an email, stop by, or give us a call.

~ Crystal Welsh



** 2025 WDAIL Virtual Show **

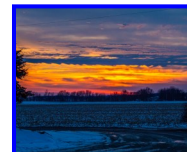
We had a good turn-out for our Virtual show! A huge "Thank You!" to all who participated. Our High Point Award for the levels was a thermal travel mug—great size for coffee. Overall Highest Score receives the WDAIL Neck Sash!

Congratulations to the following High Point Award Winners in their Levels!!

Intro Level	Marilyn Weber	74.500%
Basic Level	Jackie Moss	78.200%
Level 1	Jennifer Roberts	62.000%
Gaited		
Intro Level	Kathleen Cheshire	69.167%
Upper Level	Brianna Swilling	61.250%
Physically Challenged Rider		
Intro Level	Kelley Entekin	74.500%



Overall Highest Score for the Show goes to WDAIL Member Jackie Moss, with a score of 78.200%!!



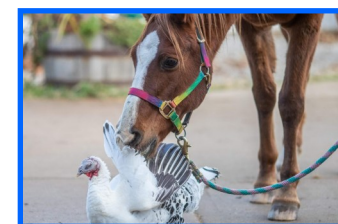
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FOR MORE INFORMATION:

- Website: [www.http://wdailinois.org/index.html](http://wdailinois.org/index.html)
- FaceBook: <https://www.facebook.com/Western-Dressage-Association-of-Illinois-1600623146839250/>
- President: Crystal Welsh (618) 960-7772
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- Secretary: Dianne Doll (618) 910-7946
- Board Member: Brianna DeBlasi (703) 999-2271
- To get something put into the newsletter, please contact Dianne Doll by email: ddoll@cwequestriancenter.com or by phone (618) 910-7946



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2025

**** Show are linked to their prospective website ****

YOU NEED TO PRE-QUALIFY FOR THE WORLDS SHOW!

- The horse must qualify in every level that it will show in at the World Show
- Intro through Basic, horse must earn 63% or higher, in at least 1 WDAA recognized Show (in person or online)
 - Level 1 - 5, horse must earn 60% or higher, in at least 1 WDAA recognized Show (in person or online)
 - If the horse has qualified, as stated above, no need to qualify for rail classes or freestyle

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WESTERN DRESSAGE ASSOCIATION®

OF AMERICA

ILLINOIS AFFILIATE



MEMBERSHIP APPLICATION

General Memberships expire December 31 of the current year.

Date: ____/____/____

☐

New Member

☐

Annual Renewal

Make checks payable to:

Western Dressage Association® of Illinois
(WDAIL)

1801 Lemen Rd., O'Fallon, IL 62269

or

Pay Via PayPal to:

Choose: "DONATION" support@wdaillinois.org

PLEASE NOTE: You must also be a member of the Western

Dressage Association of America to be a member of the State Affiliate. Membership can be made online at:

<http://www.westerndressageassociation.org>

WDAA # _____

State Membership (please choose one)

- () \$25 **Adult Membership** (yearly renewal)
() \$25 **Youth Membership** (yearly) Age as of December 1, 2024: ____
() \$15 **High Point Awards for each Horse/Rider/Level Combination** (Please use another sheet for more High Points entries)

*Name of Rider: _____ Name of Horse: _____

Competition Level: _____ (ie Intro, Basic, First Level...)

Name of Rider: _____ Name of Horse: _____

Competition Level: _____ (ie Intro, Basic, First Level...)

TOTAL \$ _____

Pay by Check or Online ~ support@wdaillinois.org – Please note what payments are for! Choose "friends & family" option with PayPal.

Paying by check — **Make checks payable to:**

Western Dressage Association® of Illinois (WDAIL) and send check & Form to: WDAIL; 1801 Lemen Road; O'Fallon, IL 62269

PERSONAL INFORMATION

PLEASE PRINT CLEARLY AND COMPLETE THE FORM IN ITS ENTIRETY. (Illegible forms may be delayed in processing).

*Last Name: _____ *First Name: _____ MI: _____

*Mailing Address: _____

*City: _____ *State: _____ *Zip: _____

*Phone: _____ Date of Birth: _____ Would you join us as a volunteer? Yes or No (check all below that apply):

Want to help at events _____

Have a venue available for events _____ Describe _____

How far are you willing to travel? _____

Other (please specify) _____

About the Western Dressage Association® of America and Western Dressage Association® of Illinois: The Western Dressage Association® of America is a 501(c)(3) educational non-profit organization focused on providing a model of horsemanship that optimizes the partnership of horse and rider for their mutual benefit. The mission of the Western Dressage Association® is to honor the horse, to value the partnership between horse and rider and to celebrate the legacy of the American West which it focuses on through its offerings of educational opportunities and events to the equestrian community.

WESTERN DRESSAGE ASSOCIATION®

OF AMERICA

MEMBERSHIP APPLICATION

General memberships run from January 1st – December 31st

Date:

☐ New Member

☐ Annual Renewal

This form can be completed using Adobe Reader (FREE app) or Adobe Acrobat

TYPE OF MEMBERSHIP

- ☐ \$30 **Junior Membership** (under 18 previous Dec. 1)
- ☐ \$45 **General Membership** (Yearly renewal)
- ☐ \$45 **Veteran Membership** (Yearly renewal)*
- ☐ \$500 **Veteran Lifetime** (Lifetime membership)**
- ☐ \$1000 **Founding Pioneer** (Lifetime membership)
- ☐ \$2500 **Silver Concho** (Lifetime membership)
- ☐ \$5000 **Gold Concho** (Lifetime membership)

Donation \$

TOTAL \$

*New veteran yearly membership includes a small gift of appreciation from WDAA for your service.

*Veteran Lifetime membership includes a beautiful silver belt buckle engraved with your name and military branch as a gift of appreciation from WDAA for your service to our country.

PERSONAL INFORMATION (*required for membership profile) **Please print clearly**

*First Name: MI: *Last name:

*Street Address:

*City: *State: *Zip: *Country:

Home Phone: Mobile Phone:

*Email: A unique email is required for each member

Date of birth: (ONLY for Junior members who have not reached their 18th birthday as of December 1st of previous year)

*Veterans: Branch of service

Please send copy of confirmation of military service along with this form and payment

PAYMENT: Check or money order (in US funds)

Check #:

Make checks payable and send to: Western Dressage Association of America (WDAA), PO Box 2349, Parker, CO 80134
Check must be accompanied by a copy of this form

The Western Dressage Association® of America (WDAA) is a 501c3 educational non-profit organization focused on providing a model of horsemanship that optimizes the partnership of horse and rider for their mutual benefit. The mission of the WDAA is to honor the horse, to value the relationship between the horse and rider, and to celebrate the legacy of the American West, which it focuses on through its offerings of educational opportunities and events to the equestrian community.



WDAIL Rider Medal Program



The WDAIL (Western Dressage Association of Illinois) is offering a Rider Medal Program. This program is offered to all Western Dressage Association of Illinois Member in good standing (current membership with WDAIL and WDAA).

PARTICIPATION: open to current WDAIL members. Scores submitted have to be earned while a current member of WDAIL. Recognized WDAA shows only qualify towards Medals. Register below for the Rider Medal Program. Submit eligible rides by scanning copies of the face sheet of the written test from the judge with the score, date and location of the ride. Judge's signature and the WDAA recognized show number must be included.

- Rider must be a current WDAIL/WDAA member at the time of the medal submission and the time scores were earned.
- All scores submitted must be from WDAA Judges, from WDAA recognized shows.
- Medals may be earned out of order.
- Scores from 2019 forward will be accepted as long as membership requirements have been met.
- Medals may be earned on multiple horses.
- All scores submitted must be 65% or higher with one test from each test level coming from Test #4.
- Scores for each medal level must be from two separate judges with the exception of the Bronze Medal Submission. If turning in two scores from Intro and four from Basic, Intro will need at least one judge and Basic will need two. If turning in six scores for Basic, scores must be from three different judges.
- Scores from online shows will count as half (twice as many rides will be required from online shows – with twice as many judges).
- Application and submission can be filed out and emailed to:
 - mareweb@frontiernet.net
 - Send payment to support@wdailinois.org (PayPal Friends/Family please)
- Submit application, fee and score sheets at one time.
- Submit one application per medal level.

LEVELS:

- **BRONZE MEDAL:** Two scores from WD Intro Level along with four scores from WD Basic Level or six scores from Basic Level.
- **SILVER MEDAL:** Three scores from Level 1 along with three scores from Level 2
- **GOLD MEDAL:** Three scores from Level 3 along with three scores from Level 4.

Bronze, Silver and Gold Medals are custom made conchos with the WDAIL Logo engraved on them. When a rider has earned all three medals, they will be eligible for a custom-made Belt Buckle with the WDAIL Logo on it for a small additional fee.



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TO PARTICIPATE: you must be a current WDAIL/WDAA member and been a member when the scores were earned. Ride at WDAA recognized shows. Register below and include copies of the fact sheet of the written test from the judge with the score, date, location of the ride and judge's signature. The WDAA recognized show number must also be included. See detailed program rules posted on the WDAIL website: <https://wdaillinois.org/index.html>

WHEN TO FILE: file this application and send in all your qualifying score sheets when you have met all the requirements for each level. One application per Level.

\$50 Open Amateur Youth (Please circle one)

Rider's Name: _____

Email address: _____

WDAA # _____

Phone Number: _____

NOTE: You MUST be a WDAIL/WDAA Member in Good Standing to Participate!

Competition Level: Bronze Silver Gold (Please Circle One)

Payment: Please send Payment via PayPal (Friends/Family) to support@wdaillinois.org

Send Application to Marilyn Weber at mareweb@frontiernet.net



WDAIL SPONSORSHIP FORM



Western Dressage Association® of Illinois (WDAIL) and {_____, henceforth known as "Sponsor," enter into this agreement freely and willingly on the {____} day of {____}, 2019.

The covenants of this agreement are as follows:

The Sponsorship

Sponsor agrees to provide WDAA with \$100.

Credit

In exchange for this sponsorship, WDAIL agrees to have the sponsor name and contact information printed on the WDAIL webpage, WDAllinois.org and all pamphlets distributed by WDAIL at the Illinois Horse Fair and other venues. Donations to WDAIL are tax deductible as WDAIL is a charitable organization under the 501(c)3 tax code.

Delivery

Sponsor agrees that payment will be delivered to WDAIL. Payment can be made to WDAIL, 1801 Lemen Rd, O'Fallon, IL 62269

Relationship

This agreement represents the only relationship between WDAIL and Sponsor. No other relationship between the two entities exists, implied or otherwise.

Sponsor Name

Sponsor Signature

WDAIL Representative Name

Company Representative Signature