

# Southern Garden State Dressage Society

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A USDF GMO Newsletter



**March/April 2008**

## SGSDS MEETING DATES

March 13, 2008      Adrienne Bergen's      635 Wheat Road, Vineland, NJ      692.6637  
April 16, 2008      Stacy Blumberg      391 Alvine Road, Pittsgrove, NJ      205.1073

**Check our website for meeting dates and upcoming events!**

**Congratulations to Stephanie Buchanan and her family on the birth of her son! James Hunter Buchanan was born on the morning of February 18<sup>th</sup> and weighed in at 7 lb's 14 oz's.**

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This organization is a USDF GMO and their members are automatically USDF members.

Hello Everyone;

Well, here we go into another year. At our meeting, we talked about all the things our club and club members did in the year 2007. It is quite an impressive list. And this year, we are planning on being just as busy and having just as much fun.

One of the exciting things that happened last year was the updating of our website. Linda Reed and Chris Pedrick have done a great job of getting us back online. It was voted on at our meeting to purchase new software that will enable Chris to manage our news and information better and make the site even friendlier.

Adrienne Bergen talked about some different fundraising ideas that actually sound fun. Our first fundraiser off the ground is the flower bulb sale. These bulbs are beautiful, and priced low, and half of the price collected goes back to the club. Please sell a few!

Speaking of fundraising, a committee was formed to outline our sponsorship and define our goals more clearly. I would like to make approaching the club for sponsorship easy and more understandable. At the end of it all, I would like a page on our website dedicated to our sponsorship. I am proud of the efforts made by our club to support our members and I would like people to really see what their efforts go toward. If you would like to be involved in this committee, email me at [hsf486@comcast.net](mailto:hsf486@comcast.net).

Debbie Matusow and Adrienne Bergen are looking for interested riders for an adult team or two to compete at the Region 1 Adult Team Championships. If you would like to ride with a team, email Debbie at [dmatusow@comcast.net](mailto:dmatusow@comcast.net). Any level rider who is interested is welcome. Also, Adrienne is forming teams for The Region 1 Junior Team Championships. Email Adrienne at [arbergen@comcast.net](mailto:arbergen@comcast.net).

Looking forward to seeing you all at our next meeting. Jill Kemenosh is going to speak about her quest for a spot on the Junior Team. It's like being backstage at a Garth Brooks concert! Lots of behind the scenes stuff.

Toni Culley  
SGSDS President

Happy Birthday Wishes To:

Emily Blumberg	March 1 <sup>st</sup>
Jessica Regan	March 9 <sup>th</sup>
Barbara Kemenosh	March 21 <sup>st</sup>
Susan Holtz	March 29 <sup>th</sup>
Jeannie Allen	April 2 <sup>nd</sup>
Casey Regalbuto	April 15 <sup>th</sup>
Debbie Matusow	April 22 <sup>nd</sup>
Lorre Allen	April 27 <sup>th</sup>

**Our WebMaster has been busy making improvements to our site!  
Watch for e-invitations to upcoming meetings and be sure to visit our  
site at [www.sgsds.org](http://www.sgsds.org)**

## **ATTENTION ALL MEMBERS WHO USE SOUTHERN STATES FEEDS AND SUPPLEMENTS**

As you all are aware, we have been saving proof of purchase seals from Southern State feeds/supplements for some time to support a Thoroughbred rescue program in a neighboring state. It is now possible to earn monies for our own club by saving the very same proof of purchases. Our club is in the process of being enrolled in the Southern States SHOW program, which supports nonprofits with cash rewards for purchasing Southern States feeds (Triple Crown, Legends and Reliance) and supplements. All you have to do is cut out the proof of purchases, which are found on the back of bags of feeds and usually on the side of supplements and forward them to Susan Heiken, who will mail them to Southern States. For bulk deliveries, the original delivery ticket must be submitted. "All funds received from the SHOW Program must be used for events that specifically benefit the horse industry. Southern States should be mentioned as a sponsor of any events SHOW money is used for. As often as possible, Southern States representatives attend those events" ([www.equussource.com/articles/news/1204\\_mp\\_coopnews.jsp](http://www.equussource.com/articles/news/1204_mp_coopnews.jsp))  
Here's what we earn:

Triple Crown and Legends feeds	.25 cents/bag
Reliance	.10cents/bag
Triple Crown and Legends bulk feeds	\$10.00/ton
Reliance	\$4.00/ton

### **REGION ONE NEWS/EVENTS**

**SPRING MEETING** The Region 1 Spring meeting will be held on Sunday, March 16th, from 9 AM to 3 PM at Scott and Suzanne Hassler's home at "Riveredge" in Chesapeake City, MD. The meeting is open to all Region 1 GMO members. The cost is \$15 per person for lunch and breakfast snacks. Checks should be made payable to USDF Region 1 and sent to Alison Head, 38595 Purple Martin Lane, Hamilton, Va 20158 no later than the Monday before the meeting. Failure to pre-register will mean that lunch is not available. All GMOs are encouraged

to send representatives. Topics on the Agenda include selection of the 2009 BLM and GAIG Regional Championship sites and discussion of the upcoming Adult Clinic at Hilltop Farm . Any Agenda items should be sent to Alison Head at [Lookingglassfarm@mac.com](mailto:Lookingglassfarm@mac.com).

CLINIC BY SCOTT HASSLER - Interactive Training Demonstrations from Young Horse - PSG/Intermediare - Saturday, March 15, 2008 from 1:00-4:30 pm Cost: \$35.00 per person To be held at Riveredge West, the current training center for Hassler Dressage. Scott Hassler will direct an informative training clinic, using several of the area's young horse trainers as they school young horses through the levels up to and including Prix St Georges and Intermediare I. Scott will clarify each horse's needs for further development during each training session. Spectators will be invited to interact with questions and comments. Be sure to come dressed for the weather as spectators will be seated on a raised viewing platform located at the short-end of the covered arena. At the conclusion of the training sessions, a tour of Riveredge, the future training base for Hassler Dressage, will be offered. The list of riders for the afternoon include: Teresa Butta, Brooke Doss, Susanne Hassler, Kelly McGinn, Ulla Peterson, and Lauren Sprieser. Cost: \$35.00 Time: 1:00 - 4:30 pm When: Saturday, March 15th Where: Riveredge West / 801 N. St. Augustine Road, Chesapeake City, MD 21915 How: Register on line at [www.hasslerdressage.com](http://www.hasslerdressage.com) or call the office - 410-886-3824 Don't Forget: Region 1 Spring Meeting, Sunday, Mary 16th at Riveredge - Main House Contact Alison Head at 540-338-7810; email [lookingglassfarm@mac.com](mailto:lookingglassfarm@mac.com); or the website: [www.usdfregion1.org](http://www.usdfregion1.org). \*Scott Hassler, USEF's National Young Horse Dressage Coach, was inspirational in the development of the Young Dressage Horse Trainers Symposiums, which have been held yearly since 2005. Scott has also been instrumental in the development, within the USA, of the Young Horse and Developing Horse programs. He can be found ring-side coaching East Coast professional riders up through Grand Prix. He and his wife, Susanne created and are building their own business, Hassler Dressage, which is located on the developing property, RIVEREDGE. For those needing housing, a block of rooms has been reserved at the Hampton Inn in Middletown, DE. For reservations call 302-378-5656 and request the group rate for "Region 1 Spring Meeting". Directions can be obtained via the Hassler Dressage web site or from MapQuest. For questions regarding the clinic or other logistics, please contact Jann Clark Phone / 410-885-3824 Fax / 410-885-3823 [jann@hasslerdressage.com](mailto:jann@hasslerdressage.com)

## **UPCOMING SHOWS/CLINICS**

### **March:**

**Dressage, Combined Text, X-Country at Wits End Farm in Jackson, NJ. 3.9.08 Contact: Yolanda or Diana 732.928.1480 or [www.witsendnj.com](http://www.witsendnj.com)**

**Dressage, Clear Round Jumping at Bit O' Woods in Medford, NJ. 3.23.08 Contact Megan Pappler 609.261.7222 or [bitowoods1@aol.com](mailto:bitowoods1@aol.com)**

**Dressage, Combined Test, X-Country at Wits End Farm in Jackson, NJ. 3.30.08 Contact Yolanda or Diana 732.928.1480 or [www.witsendnj.com](http://www.witsendnj.com)**

### **April:**

**Dressage Schooling Show at Saddlebrook Ridge in Shamong, NJ. 4.5.08 Telephone 609.953.1600 or [www.saddlebrookridge.com](http://www.saddlebrookridge.com)**

**Dressage Schooling Show at Fidler Run Farm in Dennisville, NJ. 4.13.08 Telephone 609.851.1057 or [www.fidlerrunfarm.com](http://www.fidlerrunfarm.com)**

**Dressage Schooling Show (4H) at Cumberland County Fair Grounds in Millville, NJ. 4.13.08 Telephone 692.6637 or [inkydoots@aol.com](mailto:inkydoots@aol.com)**

**Recognized Dressage Competition at Morven Park in Leesburg, VA. 4.12-13.08 [www.vadanova.org](http://www.vadanova.org)**

**Dressage Schooling Show at Suddenly Farm in Lumberton, NJ. 4.27.08 Telephone 609.654.6076 or [www.suddenlyfarm.com](http://www.suddenlyfarm.com)**

**Recognized Dressage Competition at Fidler Run Farm in Dennisville, NJ. 4.27.08 Telephone 609.851.1057 or [www.fidlerrunfarm.com](http://www.fidlerrunfarm.com)**

Jennifer Allen is going to be instructing a two day comprehensive clinic to benefit the Region 1 Junior dressage team. The team will be traveling to Parker, CO this year for the North American Junior and Young Riders Championship from July 29th-August 3<sup>rd</sup>. In addition to the exorbitant costs of shipping these lovely horses safely across the country, the riders also need to consider that the horses will have special needs to prepare them for the altitude. Dates and fees to be scheduled soon. For more information on clinic participation or on the NAJYRC, please contact Barbara at [bkemenosh@aol.com](mailto:bkemenosh@aol.com)

Jennifer Allen is scheduling with Yvonne Barteau, author of Ride the Right Horse, for a clinic this summer. Jennifer has also obtained Bent Jensen's agreement that he will instruct a clinic sometime this year. Both clinic's will be open to riders of all levels and cost somewhere between 100-200 dollars.

The CDI dressage competition in Raleigh, NC scheduled for May 30-June 1, 2008 will be an Olympic selection trial for the three spots on the American team. It is only a one day drive from here, and it is an opportunity to see Olympic level competition without traveling to Beijing. [www.cdi-raliegh.com](http://www.cdi-raliegh.com)

Debbie Morrison is holding a "Fix A Test" at her farm on March 16<sup>th</sup>.  
Start time: 9:00 am 30 minute mini clinic  
Ride your test of choice, then work on whatever you want.  
\$30.00 for NJ-Horse members, Pony Clubs, 4-H, SGSDS members  
\$40.00 for everyone else  
Contact Debbie at 358.3453 or [debs2600@aol.com](mailto:debs2600@aol.com)  
[www.transitionsfarm.com](http://www.transitionsfarm.com) for directions

Thanks to Dr. Newman of South Jersey Equine and Garrappo's for their generous donations towards our annual awards banquet.



Betsy Steiner



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**FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE**

**Contact: Linda Schultz (859) 271-7882**

Lexington, KY (January 19, 2008) - The United States Dressage Federation (USDF) announced a program that offers Group Member Organizations (GMOs), local dressage clubs affiliated with USDF, and Intercollegiate/Interscholastic Organizations (IMOs), dressage clubs for students affiliated with USDF, the opportunity to earn club points when they shop in the USDF online store.

GMOs and IMOs earn points by encouraging members and members' families and friends to shop online at [www.usdf.org](http://www.usdf.org) for merchandise.

When submitting an order, the shopper simply enters the code for the GMO or IMO they would like to receive the points using the new online shopping cart.

Points can then be redeemed by an official of the GMO or IMO, at one dollar per point, to buy merchandise in the USDF store for year-end awards, their educational library or as prizes and silent auction items to raise money for their club.

For more information on GMOs or IMOs in your area or the points program, visit [www.usdf.org](http://www.usdf.org), or contact the USDF IMO Committee liaison at [imo@usdf.org](mailto:imo@usdf.org) or the GMO Council liaison at [gmoliason@usdf.org](mailto:gmoliason@usdf.org).

Founded in 1973, the United States Dressage Federation is a nonprofit membership organization dedicated to education, recognition of achievement, and promotion of dressage. For more information on USDF membership or programs, visit [www.usdf.org](http://www.usdf.org), e-mail [usdressage@usdf.org](mailto:usdressage@usdf.org), or call (859) 971-2277.

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