



Ottawa Area Dressage Group

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e-Newsletter



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Summer 2019

If you read nothing else, please read these:

- Mid-term awards standings are posted on the [OADG website](#); please check for any errors or omissions
- A big “thank you” to our [Sponsors](#)

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President’s message:

We are well into summer now and thankfully it’s turning out just fine – maybe a tad too hot and muggy mid-day but then who doesn’t love a reason for a nice early morning or evening ride? The long, cool, wet spring gave some of us a slow start to the competitive season, but things are heating up in that department as we approach the half-way mark to the show season. I hope you have been able to get out to a few shows so far. Please check out the schedule on our website – there are many more left in the season!

The Pan American Games are fast approaching from July 26 to August 11. Be sure to check out the Canadian Dressage Team’s progress. Many of us have had the opportunity to see the team members ride in clinics or local competition – so it’s just that much more personal when we can root for them in Peru!

Thank you all for joining OADG this year – there is strong interest in Dressage in this area as evidenced by our amazing 257 total members for 2019. An interesting fact for you – OADG comprises at least 50% of Cadora-Ontario membership. Strongest club around!

Please enjoy this Newsletter. I wish you a great summer.

-Catherine (President, OADG)
president@ottawadressage.ca

Mid-term awards standings:

Interim results are posted on the [OADG website](#) for competitors’ review. Please make sure your scores so far are correctly captured. Also please check that the spelling of your name and your horse’s name are correct.

Questions, comments or corrections should be sent to awards@ottawadressage.ca.

A big “thank you” to all of our sponsors for the 2018 **Silver Championships East** (held on Sept. 22, 2018), **Banquet** and **Silent Auction** -- without their generous support, our entry fees and banquet ticket prices would be higher and our championship and door prizes fewer:

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Dressage Pony Cup Series (from our Show Director):

We got off to a late start, but this season the OADG is sponsoring a National Dressage Pony Cup Series. Best score from each of two shows offering NDPC classes will determine the Champion and Reserve.

There have already been ponies and riders participating in these classes, and your scores are being counted. There are also two more shows offering qualifying classes, Centaur and Westar Gold/Silver.

Next year we'll get this under way from the start of the season, and promote it more so that deserving ponies are encouraged to really show their stuff. But in the meantime, let's cheer for these smaller members of our dressage community.

Congratulations to some of our OADG members:

Congratulations to OADG member Kiara Williams-Brown, who will be representing Junior Team Ontario at the North American Youth Championships. Kiara qualified on Cluseau, owned by Simone Williams, and rides out of Queenswood Stables in Navan. Congratulations also to local rider Logan Iwanoff, who will also be representing Junior Team Ontario riding Linden Ein, owned by OADG member Simone Williams and Margaret Williams. Logan also rides out of Queenswood Stables.

Shirley Guertin, of Centaur Riding School in Navan, received an Honourable Mention from Equestrian Canada for the [2018 National Coaching Awards](#), which recognize coaches and instructors from all disciplines.

Colour me jealous of the OADG members who attended this year's [Lendon Gray's Dressage4Kids](#) in Saugerties, NY. A tremendous learning experience! Note that Avant-Garde Equestrian Farm in Luskville is proud to offer a Dressage4Kids TEAM Clinic this year, on Sept. 21/22. Contact Siri Ingebrigtsen for more info.

Congratulations to OADG members Kristin McLaren and Emmanuelle Lord who travelled to Lake St. Louis, Missouri to compete in the National Dressage Pony Cup annual show! Kristin was overall champion at Second Level Adult Amateur and reserve at First Level Adult Amateur, riding Sambuca; and Emmanuelle was overall champion at First Level Open riding Deja D'Or (owned by OADG member Christine Baker), with an averaged score of 71.623%! Way to go!

What's in a name? How some of our member's horses gained their show names:

Paint Misbehavin'

Gaby Distefano, a junior, was very excited about this article! He chose his pony's very unique name.

My pony came with a terrible name, Starship Enterprise. His barn name was Star, which was laughable because he has a wide blaze and no star. He wasn't exactly a "star" under saddle either, he had a reputation across Ottawa's hunter circuit as the pony that would buck you off every time, just for the fun of it. So he definitely needed a new name. But what name would even suit this naughty pony?

That very day I'm helping my grandfather tidy up his basement when I stumble across an old dusty VHS movie entitled Ain't Misbehavin'. So I thought wouldn't it be funny if the pony (a skewbald tobiano paint) was called Paint Misbehavin'. And there you have it.



We often get asked if he lives up to his name and although he misbehaves less than he used to, we can always count on at least one show where he imagines all sort of scary scenarios (predators in rose bushes!) and spooks, bucks, and tries to bolt out of the ring. But we've also had an FEI judge remark that "every child should have a pony like him". So, thankfully, he is usually behavin' ☺ and has a super relationship with me in the 4 years that I have owned him. While he has no "star" to speak of, he has certainly become a painted star, competing in dressage and also enjoying many romps in pony club mounted games and being dressed in various Halloween costumes.

Georgia Satin

My thoroughbred, Tara, was a rather unsuccessful school horse at NCEP (now Wesley Clover Parks) before I bought her, and her name there was Windy. When I saw her papers, it turned out her Jockey Club name was Windy Sun.

This was not going to work for me. As a child, whenever I had gas, my grandmother would always say "Have a touch of wind, dear?" On top of that, Tara was a confirmed cribber.

But that got me thinking about 'Gone With the Wind'. And my fine, feminine, determined Southern Belle type horse fit that image well. Scarlett O'Hara has been overused as a name. But Tara was the name of the plantation. So Tara ended up being her barn name, and imagining some of those fancy long dresses led me to Georgia Satin.

Rowista Philip Windy Skye

My horse is a registered Cheval Canadien, and her show name follows the strict convention required for registration in the breed. “Rowista Philip Windy-Skye” comes from the breeder’s registered name (Rowista), which itself is an amalgam of the two first names and the last name of the couple who bred my horse; “Philip” is the P-year name of the sire (so, even though my horse is a mare, she has a guy’s name as part of her registered name); and because she was born in the “W” year, the last part had to start with a W... and the morning she was born, it was a very, very windy day with lots of clouds scudding across the sky! Of course, it’s an unwieldy name for everyday use, so her barn name is simply “Skye” – very confusing when I say she’s from the “W” year!

Members’ advertisements: (all OADG members can advertise for free in the newsletter and on the [OADG website](#))

Dressage saddle for sale

Prestige Passion K, 17” (fits like 17.5”) seat, medium tree. Black, mono-flap, external thigh block. 3 1/2 years old. Single owner, well maintained. Purchased new for \$2850. Asking \$1500. Contact Catherine Maguire at cathmag27@gmail.com for more information.



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