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Dates To Remember

- July 30-31, 2005
Riding/Training Workshop
- October 15-16, 2005
Teaching Workshop
- Spring (date TBA) 2006
Pre-Certification
- Fall (date TBA) 2006
Certification

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2005 USDF Instructor/Trainer Workshops Lunging the Rider—May 7-8, 2005

Organizer's Report

The second workshop in the USDF Instructors Certification Program was held in early May, and the weekend could not have been nicer. The weather was good, the food was delicious and plentiful once again (thank you Barb!), and Crescendo Farms was the perfect setting (thank you Katie!).



Gerhard Politz explains a concept to the group while a Participating Instructor prepares her demo horse and rider.

Eight PI's were given the challenge of providing lunge lessons to riders they did not know under the watchful eye of workshop leader Gerhard Politz. This may not seem difficult until you get out there in the middle of the circle, trying to keep the horse going,

evaluate the rider, and provide proper exercises all at the same time.

Our 8 demo riders were all good sports. It is no small feat to perform some of those exercises on the ground let alone on a trotting horse. We even had riders juggling on horseback ! The 9 auditors were very helpful in giving suggestions as to what could be used as props.

The weekend was an incredible learning experience for all involved. I can not thank the volunteers, demo riders, horse owners, PI's and Gerhard enough. These workshops are turning out to be better than I could have ever expected. Thank you!!

Francy



A Participating Instructor helps a demonstration rider improve her position during the May Lunging the Rider Workshop.

2005 Instructor Certification Workshops

February 26-27
Lunging the Horse Workshop
with Gerhard Politz
Devonwood Equestrian Center

May 7-8
Lunging the Rider Workshop
with Gerhard Politz
Crescendo Farm

July 30-31
Riding/Training Workshop
with Lilo Fore
Crescendo Farm

October 15-16
Teaching Workshop
with Cindy Sydnor
Crescendo Farm

How much does it cost?

Participating Instructors:

The cost for each of the 2-day Instructor Workshops is \$375, which includes a copy of all handouts, lunch and snacks. The entire fee must be included with your application. Partial scholarships are available from the USDF. More information about the scholarships can be found on the USDF website.



Space is limited to a **maximum of 8** Participating Instructors (PIs). Only those applications that include the entire fee will be considered. The PI application is available on the ODS website or by contacting Francy Haupt at dqhorsestuff@comcast.net.

Each PI is responsible for the cost of stabling for their horse for the Riding/Training Workshop. Workshop stabling is \$40 for Sat/Sun, or \$45 if hauling in on Friday (after 4:00 pm). This fee includes feeding of hay/grain (to be provided by the horse's owner) and stall cleaning. Feed and water buckets will be provided. Turn-out can be arranged.

Auditors:

Auditing is \$50/day or \$75 for each 2-day Workshop. This includes a copy of all handouts, lunch and snacks. These Workshops are useful for anyone who wishes to develop or improve their teaching or riding skills. Auditors may submit a PI application, including the appropriate fee, or they may pay at the door (handouts are guaranteed only for pre-registered auditors).

Each PI may bring one person to assist them. The assistant may audit the workshop for the reduced fee of \$25, which includes handouts (as available), lunch and snacks.

Demo Riders:

Demo riders and/or owners of demo horses (1 person per horse) may audit the Workshop for free on the day(s) they ride or provide a horse. Lunch and snacks are available for \$10/day. Handouts will be provided if available. Additional information below. **Demo riders are not needed for the July Workshop.**

About Lilo Fore

Lilo Fore has trained many horses both nationally and internationally, and received numerous high point awards, Championship awards and Horse of the Year awards from AHSA, USDF, CDS and USET. She has competed in the USET Qualifier—North American Championships and has long-listed and short-listed horses.

Lilo was instrumental in the development of the USDF Instructor Certification program and was selected by the USDF to be one of the program examiners. She has served as Chair of the Instructor-Trainer

Council, Chair of the USDF Instructor Certification program and Chair of the Test Writing Committee.

Lilo has been judging for 31 years and currently holds an FEI "T" Judges License. She has judged many CDI-W shows, qualifying international shows and USET selection trails. She has trained many riders to championships and year-end awards.

Lilo is also a breeder of sporthorses, standing up to 6 stallions, and has successfully prepared stallions for the 100-day testing. She has been a Sporthorse judge for over 15 years.

Information for Demonstration Riders

Are you eager to learn, and are you willing to lend a helping hand to the dedicated instructors who are pursuing USDF certification? Then **WE NEED YOU**.

Demonstration horses and riders are needed for the October Teaching Workshop. Horses should be confirmed at Training through 2nd Level, and work quietly in a group setting. Riders should be willing to take direction from the PIs and give feedback as needed. Both horses and riders should be fit enough to work continuously for 45 min.

Workshop stabling is \$40 for Sat/Sun, or \$45 if hauling in on Friday (after 4:00 pm). This fee includes

feeding of hay/grain (to be provided by the horse's owner) and stall cleaning. Feed and water buckets will be provided. Turn-out can be arranged.

We will need approximately 32 horse and rider pairs for this workshop. If you know someone who is interested in providing a horse or being a demo rider, please have them apply well in advance.

Demo Horse/Rider applications are available on the ODS website or by contacting Francy Haupt at dqhorsestuff@comcast.net.

Directions

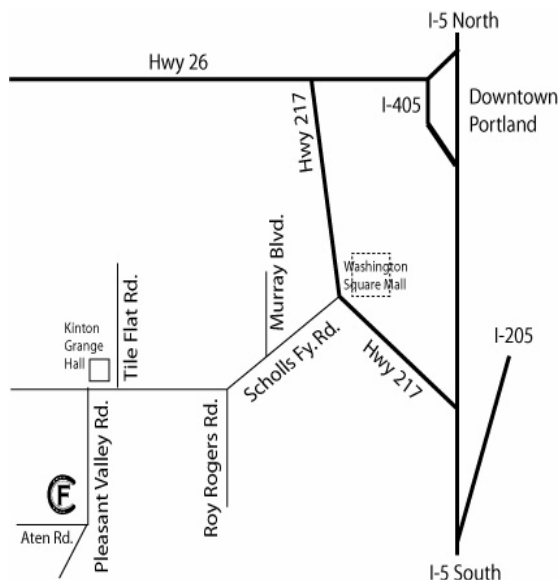
The July Riding/Training Workshop will be held at Crescendo Farms, 14245 SW Pleasant Valley Rd., Beaverton, OR.

From I-5 north of Portland: Take I-5 south to I-405 south to Hwy 26 west (Beaverton Exit). Take Hwy 217 south. Exit at Scholls Ferry Rd. and turn right at the light. Continue approximately 5 miles. Turn left on Pleasant Valley Rd, go ½ mile and Crescendo Farms is on the right hand side. The barns are green with white trim, and there is a sign at the end of the drive.

Option: Continue south on I-5 to Hwy 217 north. Exit at Scholls Ferry Rd and turn left onto Scholls Ferry Rd. Proceed as above.

From I-5 south of Portland: Take I-5 north to Hwy 217 north. Exit at Scholls Ferry Rd and turn left onto Scholls Ferry Rd. Proceed as above.

Map to Crescendo Farms (not to scale).



Housing Options

Best Western Northwind
16105 SW Pacific Hwy Tigard
503-431-2100
7.1 miles from Crescendo Farms

Marriott Courtyard
8500 SW Nimbus Dr (Scholls Ferry & Hwy 217)
503-641-3200
6.25 miles from Crescendo Farms

Peppertree Inn (www.peppertreeinn.com)
10720 SW Allen Blvd (Allen Blvd & Hwy 217)
503-641-7477
7.7 miles from Crescendo Farms

About Crescendo Farms

Owners: Katie and Allan Twombly
Address: 14245 SW Pleasant Valley Rd.
Beaverton, OR 97007
Phone: 503-628-0733 (barn) 503-628-0494 (home)

The barn closes at 8:00 pm on Fri. and 6:00 pm on Sat. and Sun. unless prior arrangements are made.

Crescendo Farms is a non-smoking facility. **Smoking is not permitted anywhere on the property.**

Safety helmets and boots are required when mounted. No exceptions.

Please do not bring your dog.

Instructor Certification Program Code of Ethics

- ◆ As a USDF Certified Instructor or Instructor Candidate applicant, and member in good standing of the United States Dressage Federation, I acknowledge my obligation to uphold the highest standards of horsemanship both at home and when in the public eye.
- ◆ As a horseman, I place my student's safety and horse's welfare above all else.
- ◆ At competitions, whether participating as a trainer or as a competitor, I will know and comply with all rules of the USEF, and when applicable, the FEI, and will ensure that my students know and comply by these rules as well.
- ◆ As an instructor, I acknowledge the importance of continuing my own education in order that I may pass this knowledge to my students.
- ◆ I also understand that as a USDF member and Certified Instructor, I serve as a representative of my sport, the USDF and the USDF Certification Program. I will endeavor to reflect credit on them through my conduct, dress, and behavior by maintaining a professional demeanor at all times.
- ◆ I further understand that individuals who are suspended, put under probation or expelled by either the USEF or USDF will lose their USDF Instructor Certification.
- ◆ I acknowledge my membership in this professional community and my responsibility to demonstrate respect for my fellow professionals at all times.

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USDF Instructor Certification Reading List

Required Reading:

Principles of Riding	German Federation
Advanced Principles—new edition	German Federation
The USDF Lunging Manual	USDF
The USDF Teaching Manual	USDF
The USDF Training Manual	USDF
The USDF Classical Training of the Horse	USDF
The Gymnasium of the Horse	Steinbrecht
Dressage Tips and Training Solutions	Hotzel
The Complete Training of Horse and Rider	Podhajsky
The Riding Teacher	Podhajsky
Thinking Riding	Sivewright
Veterinary Notes for Horse Owners	Hayes
Fit for Riding	Meyners
Teaching Safe Horsemanship	Dawson
Balance in Movement	Van Dietze
Lunging	German Federation

Recommended Reading:

The Art of Horsemanship	Xenophon
School of Horsemanship	de La Gueriniere
Principles of Dressage	Albrecht
A Dressage Judges Handbook	Albrecht
Dressage: Guidebook for the Road to Success	Knopfhart
The Fundamentals of Dressage	Knopfhart
Athletic Development of the Dressage Horse	DeKunffy
Training Strategies for Dressage Riders	Watjen
Dressage Riding	Watjen

Strongly Recommended Reading:

The Dressage Horse	Boldt
The USDF Dressage Manual	USDF
Anatomy of Riding	Schusdziarra

