

New Mexico Dressage Association

Ride-Reride & Training Clinic

with Melonie Kessler,
USEF Dressage S Judge

Sept. 20, 21 at Horses Unlimited
in Albuquerque, NM

Schedule

Saturday, September 20: Ride-Reride Clinic. A Ride-Reride Clinic is similar to a schooling show but each rider will ride their test twice. After the first ride Melonie will coach each rider on ways to improve their test, then the rider will get to ride the test again. Both tests will be judged and scored (but only the first test will count towards year end awards). This is an excellent opportunity to get direct feedback from a highly qualified S judge, the highest dressage judge that USEF licenses. Because of time constraints, only 16 riders will be accepted. Only one time slot per rider. You may choose from any test of any level, you will be riding the same test twice. Entries accepted on first come basis with special consideration to those also entering the training clinic on Sunday. Cost \$75 per slot for NMDA members. One \$10 voucher allowed per NMDA member. Nonmembers \$95.

Sunday, September 21: General Training Clinic:

An additional opportunity to learn from the best! There are up to 8 slots available. Cost \$110 per ride for NMDA members. One \$10 voucher allowed per NMDA member. Nonmembers \$130.

Auditors: NMDA members \$10 or one voucher. Nonmembers \$20. Please bring your own chair.

Location: Horses Unlimited. Address: Rancho de los Sueños, 850 Salida Sandia SW, Albuquerque, NM.

Directions: From Rio Bravo Blvd. (Second exit south of airport on I 25) take 2nd Street south to Salida Sandia, SW.

Parking & Unloading: Please park horse trailers in parking area to right of entrance gate. You may unload horses/tack in front of barn but trailers must then be parked in parking area. Stalls available for \$30 per day/night.

Important Stuff

- Registrations with payment must be RECEIVED by September 10, 2014. No refunds after September 12. Registration will be accepted based on when received & postmark. **Limited availability so register early to insure your spot!**
- Stalls \$30 per day/night.
- Bottled water provided. Lunch available for additional \$10, please preregister.
- If also auditing, bring your own chair.

To download a registration form go to www.nmdressage.net

For more information contact Cindy, cjkwinfeld@gmail.com



Melonie Kessler is a dressage trainer, clinician, competitor and USEF "S" judge. She has trained and shown horses through Grand Prix earning her USDF Bronze, Silver and Gold medals. She has also coached and trained clients to earn their medals thru the Gold. Melonie has qualified horses at all levels for regional or national Championships, including Grand Prix.

She graduated from Pleasant Hollow Farms' Horse Career School in Pennsylvania with a diploma in riding, teaching, training, and stable management and has over 30 years experience in teaching and training.

Melonie has ridden with some of the top dressage clinicians in the industry. Her program is adapted to the horse and rider at a level comfortable for both, using the training pyramid when teaching. She encourages all students to be familiar with the criteria within the levels.

As a clinician, she explains from the judges view point the movements, and the way the scores are earned. A belief that a dialogue between the riders, auditors, and herself is important during the clinic to further understand the training process.

Melonie's philosophy in teaching and in training is always to show respect to the horse. At no time is compromising the horse mentally or physically permitted to achieve a result.

"The rewards of training horses comes at the end of each day, not at the end of the show"

- M. Kessler



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