

Lendon Gray and Dressage4Kids, Inc.
Present the
Lendon Youth Dressage Festival Midwest
Sunday, August 7, 2011
Hampton Green Farm

OPENING DATE FOR ENTRIES: JUNE 1

CLOSING DATE FOR ENTRIES: JULY 31

Entries must be RECEIVED by JULY 31

Entries may be limited before Closing Date – send your entries as early as possible.

Facility Contact: Hampton Green Farm 231-865-6000

Show Manager: Lyn Kendall, lskendressage@gmail.com

Show Secretary: Maureen Sharp, mrosesharp1@yahoo.com, c/o Hampton Green Farm, 5440 E Farr Road, Fruitport, MI 49415

Division Judges: Courtney King-Dye, Colleen Haveman, USDF "L"

Show Photographer: Rance Rogers, Third Shutter from the Sun

For more information: www.youthdressagefestival.com

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Who May Compete:

Age: All riders 21 and under. The FEI age rule applies, which is the age the rider reaches in the calendar year. For example, if the rider becomes 21 years old in 2011, the rider is eligible, but if the rider becomes 22 years old in 2011, the rider is not. If the rider turns 12 anytime in the year 2011, the rider is considered to be 12 for the show.

Horse may be ridden by one rider in two consecutive Divisions or two riders in the same or different Divisions. A horse may compete in two Divisions only. The welfare of the horse is of utmost importance. Two competitors riding the same horse must keep this in mind when entering.

Divisions:

The Divisions are the heart of the Youth Dressage Festival. Each Division consists of three Sections: Written Test, Equitation Class and Dressage Test. Each Section is worth 100 points for a total of 300 points.

Total points from the three divisions determine placings. Ties are broken by using the Equitation Class score, then Dressage Test score and, if needed, the Written Test score. For example, for Division #11, the rider will have a written test in their age group, ride in a group equitation class with other riders of their Division, and ride the First Level Test 2 dressage test.

Riders entering two different Divisions will take one written exam (by age) and the same score will be used for each Division. For example, if a rider is riding one horse at the First Level Division and another horse at the Second Level Division, the rider will take one written exam and that test score will count for both the rider's First and Second Level Division scores. That rider will also ride the higher level Equitation Class.

Dressage Test Section:

Class WT – Walk/Trot Division 2011 USDF Introductory Test B, to be ridden in the small arena, 20x40m. For riders ages 14 and under who have never competed in a recognized competition where cantering is required. Riders in this division may not ride in any other division.

Class AA – Training Level 2011 USDF Training Level, Test 2

Class 11 – USEF First Level Division 2011 USEF First Level Test 2

Class 22 – USEF Second Level Division 2011 USEF Second Level Test 2

Class 33—Above Second Level, including FEI Ponies and Children—determined by entries

Written Test Section:

Consists of multiple choice or fill-in-the-blanks questions. Please note on Entry Form if special test-taking needs are required. Required Reading List (See Age Rule above):

All Ages: Rules from this Prize List will be on the Written Test!

Ages 12 and under USPC D Manual

Ages 13-21 Principles of Riding (German National Equestrian Federation)

The above books may be ordered from Knight Equestrian Books www.knightbooks.com. Enter the coupon code, D4K2011, for a 15% discount.

Equitation Class Section:

This is a group class. The riders will be asked to perform at the level of their Dressage Test, with that level's gaits. Extra movements are not requested except where the judge feels the need for added input from the rider. The rider's position and seat will be judged along with the correct use and effect of the aids. The rider's position will be judged as it relates to the horse's balance, i.e., a rider with a classical hunt seat position would be acceptable at Training Level but not at Third Level. Riders competing in two Divisions will ride in the equitation class of the highest level only (only one equitation class).

Other Competitions (No Entry Fee):

Turn Out Inspection - On Saturday riders may present themselves before their first ride for an inspection of horse, rider, and tack at the specified area.

Awards:

- Grand Champion and Reserve Ribbons and Prizes for overall highest score.
- 6 Ribbons and Prizes for each Division. The trainer of each Division winner will receive an award.
- 6 ribbons for each Section (Written Test, Equitation Class and Dressage Test) within each Division. Ribbons may be picked up at the Awards Table after results are posted.
- 6 ribbons in each Class.
- Awards for top scorers in Turn-Out Inspection..
- Roving Judge Awards to be presented throughout the show.

Entries:

Your complete entry MUST be received by the closing date. Contact the Show Secretary before the Closing Date and your entry will be returned minus a \$10 office fee.

Checks payable to: Dressage4Kids, Inc. Coggins Test dated within 12 months of show must accompany entry.

Post entries may be accepted to fill scratches at management's discretion with a \$25 office fee. Do not expect to be able to change entries after the closing date. No refunds after closing date. A \$10 office fee will be charged for refunds made before closing date. Management reserves the right to combine, divide, or cancel classes.

Fees:

Division Fee \$76 includes the three Sections (Written, Equitation, and Dressage Test).

Stalls (horse or tack) \$50 for the duration.

Changes \$25 for any change to the entry for any reason after closing date. (at Management's discretion)

\$10 refunds before closing date or for incomplete entries.

Non-Negotiable Check \$25

Incomplete Entry \$10

Stabling:

No horses are to arrive before 9 am on Saturday. Stabling in temporary 12x12 stalls. Riders requesting adjoining stalls must use the same stable name (not team name) on all Entry Forms. You may not change stalls after you arrive. Only riders who have prepaid an extra fee may arrive on Friday and only between 3 and 8 PM.

Please note: In the Stabling section of the Entry Form - Farm Name is the farm/stable where you ride, Team Name is the name of the team for the USDF Region 2 Youth Team Competition, and Stable Name is the name that all riders who want to stable together will give.

There will be no shavings in the stalls and they cannot be preordered.

They may be purchased and picked up on arrival. Shavings are estimated to be \$7 a bag; hay, \$4 a bale. Each stall needs approximately 3 bags to bed it. All hay/shavings prices are subject to change; please check the Youth Dressage Festival website. It will be helpful where possible to have a member of your group arrive before the horses to buy and transport the shavings to the stalls.

Stabling information: Hampton Green Farm 231-865-6000

RULES:

Competitor's Volunteer Requirement: All competitors MUST volunteer for at least 1 hours during the show. Once you have arrived and have your horse stabled, get your packet from the Show Secretary, check your ride times, and then go to the Volunteer Booth for your assignment(s).

Attire: Riders may wear traditional show attire. If coats are waived due to heat (often the case), only short or long-sleeved shirts are allowed, no T-shirts. Informal attire (short or long-sleeved polo shirts) also is acceptable in the performance arena in place of traditional show attire. Teams may want to have matching shirts. All riders must wear proper attire when mounted. ASTM/SEI approved helmets are required for all riders when mounted. The wearing of an improper helmet is grounds for disqualification. Whips and blunt spurs are allowed. Judges may deduct up to two points for messy attire in the performance arena. Award recipients must be in neat competition attire (unmounted) to receive their Division awards.

Numbers: Horses must wear a bridle number while competing or being exercised. In addition to the bridle number on the horse, riders must wear back numbers in the Equitation Class. Bridle and back numbers are in the packet you receive at the show office.

Tack and bits must follow USEF dressage rules. Bits used in competition must be the same bits used in the warm-up immediately preceding the competition. Draw reins are not permitted at any time on the show grounds. Horse boots and/or polos are allowed in warm-up areas only. Horse boots and polos are not permitted while competing. The Show Management reserves the right to inspect any rider and their equipment at any time for compliance with these show rules. Non-compliance will be grounds for disqualification.

No coaching is allowed any time while the rider is competing. The only person allowed to ride the horse on the show grounds is the competitor(s) entered on that horse. Any rider receiving coaching while in the competition ring will be disqualified whether the rider requested such assistance or not. Any visual or verbal communication with the rider is considered coaching.

All tests must be ridden from memory.

Ring stewards are not there to assist the riders with their times or after whom they ride. The riders need to know in what ring they ride, their times, and the numbers of the riders ahead of them. Do not ask the stewards.

Parking: Trailer parking available on location.

Dogs must be leashed and kept quiet in stabling and riding areas.

Adult must supervise all young children at all times.

Infractions of any rules may be cause for elimination or up to a 5-point penalty at the discretion of management.

Information:

Award Times: Management will do their best to inform riders about award times, but it is the riders' responsibility to be on time for awards. No awards will be mailed. Riders will pick up ribbons at the Awards Table (where they pick up their dressage tests):

Information:

Tentative Times: Times and important additional information will be posted on the Hampton Green Farm website one week prior to the show, but are subject to change. Official times will be posted by 7 a.m. on each show day.

Tentative Schedule:

Saturday 9am Stables Open. Do not arrive before this time. Extra fee for Friday arrival.

3:00pm Saturday Secretary's Office Open

7:00pm Saturday Secretary's Office Closes

7am Sunday Secretary's Office Opens

8:00 Opening Remarks for all; Written Test for competitors

9.30 Turn Out Inspection Begins

10.30am Riding Competition Begins

Arenas: All arenas are sand, warm-up on grass. Lunging allowed in the lunging ring only.

Farrier: Michael Schoenborn, Sycamore Lane Farrier

Veterinarian: West Michigan Veterinary Service—616-837-8151

Roving Trainers: Our wonderful professionals volunteer their time for any competitor who wishes help. As soon as riders know their times, they may sign up on www.youthdressagefestival.com. There is also a sign-up sheet at the Volunteer Booth during the show. The roving trainers will be Mica Mabragana and others to be determined and will be posted on the Youth Dressage Festival website.

Education and Entertainment:

Concession food will be available from 7 a.m. each day.

SPECIAL AWARDS

USPRE Award—awarded to the top scoring PRE horse/rider in the competition

HGF Young Horse Award—awarded to top scoring pair where horse was started by rider

Roving Trainer Award

Turn-Out-Inspection Award

(More to be added...)

Accommodations:

See <http://www.hamptongreenauction.com/contact-us>

Directions:

GPS for Cars:

5440 E Farr Road, Fruitport, MI 49415.