

Dressage *news*



[LEFT] Annie Peavy (pictured with her gelding, Ozzy Cooper) started college at Lynn University. [RIGHT] Heather Blitz (right) takes a break with Meghan Hamilton and Stuart Little during Meghan's month-long training at Cutler Farm.

WINNING WAYS

As a recipient of the U.S. Dressage Foundation Major Anders Lindgren Scholarship, Meghan Hamilton completed a month of intensive training with Heather Blitz this summer. Meghan brought two horses to Cutler Farm in Medfield, MA, for the work with Blitz—Stuart Little, a 16-year-old KWPN gelding currently schooling Fourth Level, and Victoria R, a nine-year-old Friesian mare schooling Third Level.

The impact of the training was evident at King Oak's Dressage Days in Northampton, MA, with Stuart Little earning a 66% the first day and a 69.5% the second day, winning both Third Level Test 1 classes. Nice job!

COLLEGE-BOUND

Para-equestrian Annie Peavy of Avon, CT, who graduated from Ethel Walker School in Simsbury, CT, this past spring, started her education

at Lynn University in Boca Raton, FL, in August. Annie's two horses—Lancelot Warrior, a 2002 Hanoverian gelding, and Ozzy Cooper, a 2006 Trakehner gelding—will be in Wellington during the winter, so riding at college will be easy. We wish you the best of luck!

HAVE NO FEAR

Feeling fearful while you ride? Dressage Trainer's Network presents "What's your Fear Factor" with sports psychologist Jenny Susser. This is an interactive event to help riders cope with fear and riding. Jenny is a very popular speaker who has great insight and tools for dealing with fear and anxiety. This will take place October 10, 1:00 p.m.-5:00 p.m. with a wine and cheese reception after. The cost is \$60 per person and will be held in Harvard Center, MA. For details, contact Lisa Terrell at lisaterrell@charter.net or 978-838-9408.

SPORT HORSE SYMPOSIUM

Hassler Dressage in Chesapeake City, MD, is excited to announce the return of the Equine Wellness Symposium to educate riders, trainers, and managers of all disciplines on the important topic, "Injury and Compensation in the Sport Horse: Diagnosis, Treatment and Rehabilitation." The symposium, slated for November 12-14, 2015, touts a highly decorated panel of speakers and top experts in their fields who will deliver on this year's topic: Drs Tim Ober, Cooper Williams, Deb Bennett, Narelle Stubbs, and Sheila Schils, among others. This is a multi-discipline event that will provide a fantastic networking opportunity for all in attendance. You won't want to miss it!

DRESSAGE4DENNY

Dressage4Kids recently announced its 14th Annual Weekend Educational Program

to be held on January 30-31, 2016, at Nonnewaug High School in Woodbury, CT.

This year, Dressage4Kids welcomes Olympic eventing rider and well-known trainer, Denny Emerson, as a keynote speaker. Emerson is dedicated to sharing his knowledge to help riders do their best for horses in every discipline—which he feels should always be the first priority.

As always, the Weekend Educational Program will offer many horse-related seminars on a variety of topics such as: how to improve your riding and training skills; best practices in horse management, including horse health, stable management, and correct fitting of tack; marketing your business; and insights into the importance of fitness for horse and rider. Sessions giving advice on things such as drawing and photography will also be part of the weekend. Kid or not—there's a lot to do in this jam-packed weekend! **[E]**

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