



# From the Judge's Perspective

A series of clinics presented by GDCTA

## Shannondale Farm

2225 Birmingham Road  
Alpharetta, GA 30001

New Format is as follows: Saturday evening: Q&A lecture session. Saturday/Sunday: RideYourTest. 50 minute session per horse and rider. Judge will score test and discuss scores after completion, coach how to improve certain movements or overall quality to improve test score. Training-Grand Prix

**\*\*This series is an absolute must for those who are showing to accomplish certain goals such as year-end points or medals. Excellent opportunity for Professionals, Amateurs, and Young Riders to get in front of a Judge in an educational setting; allow them to put a name with a face and give you some expert information for future show ring success.**

### **Gary Rockwell; USEF(O) JUDGE May 7-9**

As a member of the United States Equestrian Team, Gary Rockwell represented the U.S. in competitions throughout Europe. He won a team silver medal at CHIO Rotterdam in 1993/ team bronze at the 1994 World Championships at The Hague, Netherlands. As a USEF judge for 25 yrs +, he has officiated at many regionals and national championships. As an FEI judge, he has officiated at North American Young Riders Championships, three times on the FEI Challenge Tour, the World Cup Final, and European Championships. Gary Rockwell (USA) is an International O Dressage Judge from USA, and was an official judge for dressage at the 2008 Beijing Olympics.

### **Jeanne McDonald; USEF (S)/(I) JUDGE July 17-18**

Jeanne is a Grand Prix Dressage rider as well as an AHSA Dressage "S" judge, USDF (I) judge. Jeannie competes a number of horses every year from Training level to Grand Prix. Currently she is breeding/training/competing her stallion Tantris at the FEI levels. She owns and operates Turning Point Farm, in Pennsylvania. Jeannie's background of training non-traditional and traditional dressage horses, has given her a special gift in helping every rider and horse reach their potential. For the last five years she has been training with Jessica Ransenhousen.

### **Betsy Berry; USEF (S) JUDGE August 21-22**

With more than 20 years of judging dressage shows all over the U.S, Betsy sees the importance judging has on our sport. She is a member of the USDF "L" program faculty/standing committee member, a Bronze and Silver medalist, and creator of DRESSAGE DIMENSIONS and the WINNING EDGE DVD Series. She conducts training specifically to show riders how to improve scores through better understanding of how judges see and what is required at each level to maximize performance.

### **Sandra Hotz: USEF (S) JUDGE November 6-7**

Sandra will share her extensive knowledge on dressage showing with us. She is a well-respected competitor and judge, having trained many horses to Grand Prix and won many notable competitions/ year-end awards. She has trained with Herbert Rehbein, Arthur Kottas, Robert Dover, Harry Boldt, and Bo Jena. Her teaching style is positive and creative- realizing no 2 horse/riders are put together the same way.



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## Rider/Auditor Application

I wish to \_\_\_ Ride \_\_\_ Audit the following Clinic/s:

- Jeanne McDonald (I) Judge Clinic: July 17-18, 2010
- Betsy Berry (S) Judge Clinic: August 21-22, 2010
- Sandra Hotz (S) Judge Clinic: November 6-7, 2010

### Rider/Auditor Information (please print):

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

GDCTA Number: \_\_\_\_\_ Open: \_\_\_ Adult Amateur \_\_\_ Jr \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

Phone: \_\_\_\_\_ Email: \_\_\_\_\_

### Horse Information:

Horse's Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Breed: \_\_\_\_\_ Age: \_\_\_\_\_ Sex: \_\_\_ (Mare, Stallion, Gelding)

Test to Ride in Clinic: \_\_\_\_\_

**Riders:** \$100 (\$125 non-members)/ride/\$60 lecture. Stabling: \$50/day

**Auditors:** \$25/day (\$30 non-members) All fees include lunch.

Amount: \_\_\_\_\_ Please make checks payable to GDCTA.

Application must include payment with completed GDCTA Hold Harmless Form and current Coggins in order to reserve a spot. Mail to: Julie Shannon, 2225 Birmingham Road, Alpharetta, Ga 30001

Payment Method:  Visa  Check  
 Master Card  Paypal

Name on Credit Card: \_\_\_\_\_ Card #: \_\_\_\_\_

Billing Address: \_\_\_\_\_ Exp. Date: \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_ Security Code: \_\_\_\_\_

**Payment by Credit Card will incur a \$10 processing fee.**

Questions? Contact Julie Shannon, [julie@gdcta.org](mailto:julie@gdcta.org), 770-569-9555



## GDCTA Hold Harmless Clause

The undersigned competitor and all signors below hereby (1) agrees to release the management of this show, their officers, directors, employees, members, or agents, and the owners or managers of the grounds where this event is held, from any loss, damage, liability, or injury arising out of or resulting from this show or competitors participation therein; (2) agrees to indemnify, hold harmless and defend the Georgia Dressage and Combined Training Association, Inc., the organizer, facility owner, and the management of this show from and against any and all claims for loss, damage, liability, or injury, however caused, resulting directly or indirectly from competitors entry or participation in this show or from acts or omissions of competitor or competitor's agents; and (3) acknowledges that activities with and around horses and horse shows involve inherent risks that are understood by the persons signing and are expressly assumed. In the event of injury to competitor or to competitor's animals permission is hereby granted to management for emergency medical treatment.

Every entry at a Georgia Dressage and Combined Training Association, Inc. (GDCTA) recognized competition shall constitute an agreement and affirmation that all participants (which include, without limitation, the owner, lessee, trainer, manager, agent, coach, driver, handler, and the horse), for themselves, their principals, representatives, employees, and agents: (1) shall be subject to the constitution and rules of the GDCTA and the local rules of the competition; (2) represent that every horse, rider, driver, and handler is eligible as entered; (3) agree to be bound by the constitution and rules of the United States Equestrian Federation (USEF) and of the competition, and will accept as final the decision of the hearing committee on any question arising under said rules, and agree to hold the competition, the GDCTA, their officials, directors and employees harmless for any action taken; (4) agree that as a condition of and in consideration of acceptance of entry, they authorize the GDCTA and the competition management to market, transfer, assign, or otherwise make use of any photographs, likenesses, films, broadcasts, cablecasts, audiotapes, or videotapes taken of the horse(s) and participant(s) while on the grounds, incident to, or in transit between the stabling facility and the event site, in any way they see fit for the promotion, coverage, or benefit of the event, sport, or the GDCTA, without compensation to any of them, so long as the use neither jeopardizes amateur status nor endorses a specific product or service, and hereby expressly and irrevocably waive and release any rights in connection with such use, including any claim to invasion of privacy, right of publicity, or to misappropriation; and (5) agree that they participate voluntarily in the competition fully aware that horse sports and the competition involve inherent dangerous risk of serious injury or death, and by participating they expressly assume any and all risks of injury or loss, and they agree to indemnify and hold harmless the GDCTA, the competition, and the officials, directors, employees, and agents from and against all claims including for any injury or loss suffered during or in connection with the competition, whether or not such claim, injury, or loss resulted, directly or indirectly, from the negligent acts or omissions of said officials, directors, employees, or agents of the GDCTA or competition. The construction and application of USEF Rules are governed by laws of the State of New York, and any action instituted against USEF must be filed in New York State, see Article 1502.5.

### WARNING

**Under Georgia law, an equine activity sponsor or equine professional is not liable for an injury to or the death of a participant in equine activities resulting from the inherent risks of equine activities, pursuant to Chapter 12 of Title 4 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated.**

Signed: _____ <b>(Rider/Driver/Handler) (mandatory)</b>	Date: _____
Signed: _____ <b>(Horse Owner/Agent) (mandatory)</b>	Date: _____
Signed: _____ <b>(Trainer) (mandatory)</b>	Date: _____
Signed: _____ <b>(Parent/Guardian) (if rider is under age 18)</b>	Date: _____
Signed: _____ <b>(Coach) (if applicable)</b>	Date: _____