

Delta Dressage Association Meeting
596 Bray Station Road
Collierville, TN 38017
November 13, 2011

Present: Tricia King, Tina West, Helen Wetherbee, Pat Kessler, Carolyn McSparren, Kathryn Meistral, Jane Crane, Karen Raber, Sandy Donovan, Vicky Rimstidt, Beth Sypniewski

At the time, DDA has no candidates for the presidency or vice-presidency during FY 2012. After discussion, this matter was left to the nominating committee to pursue (Tricia).

OFFICERS: Tina West will continue as Treasurer; Kathy Massey as Secretary, Vicky Rimistidt as Membership Chair and Beth Sypniewski as Award Chair.

NEWSLETTER: The newsletter will be discontinued, and Karen Raber will be the new web master. Helen Wetherbee will work with her to establish the link with FB .

SCHEDULE: A schedule of events was developed for the coming year with much discussion that it included temporary changes or reductions because of the economy:

1. The Blues City show in October will be discontinued;
2. Memphis in Springtime will be held on May 12 and 13 as scheduled, but will be moved to the Midsouth Dressage Academy, yielding great reductions in facility and management fees; it will be a one ring show. Until the question of having two judges has been resolved, it is uncertain whether this will be one or two shows. It was proposed that we look for judges who are also TD's, who could exchange roles from one day to the next.
3. The Association will hold at least two schooling shows – one in the spring and one in the fall. Massar has offered to host both if need be, but an alternative site will be sought for the fall show;
4. One educational clinic will be held, for which a grant will be sought from USDF. Allison Faso has already been contacted about her Balance in Riding teaching. Sandy will get back with her for

more information regarding cost, session format, the number of session desirable for each rider and possible dates in June or September.

AWARDS: With respect to awards, it was decided to waive the volunteer hours required to qualify for year-end awards; to resurrect the system of “Delta Dollars” giving credit for volunteer work that required no accounting; and to hold the banquet on January 22, 2012 at a local restaurant, as a celebration as well as an awards ceremony.

ADVERTISEMENTS: With no newsletter or show program planned for 2012, the only advertising offered will be on the web site. Karen and Helen will propose a schedule of fees.