

Gunnar Ostergaard Clinic

Wind Song Farm June 5th, 2010

10 AM Sharon Burt

Newman is a 16.2hh 14 year old Dutch gelding. He is by Larno (Langraf) out of Wolfgang. I bought him in Holland when he was 2 years old and he moved to the UK and then to America with me. I am a British Horse Society Instructor and Examiner and have lived in Florida for 2 years. We have been in training with Gunnar for 7 years. Our goal is to compete Grand Prix next season.

10:45 Wanda Kuester

Wanda Kuester: Owner /Breeder/Trainer at Summerset Farms in Sorrento. Wanda has spent most of her time the last 15 years working with young horses and students. She is now making time to improve her own skills in order to better assist her "older" riders who are riding young horses bred by her.

Promises is a Westphalian / Arabian cross , seven year old chestnut mare, currently doing first level. Wanda would like to work on Promises' obedience to the bit and lightness in the forehand.

11:30 Kathy Cook

I am an adult amateur and have been riding for 4 years. I have had the opportunity to study under the direction of Captain Barry McKie on a fairly regular basis. My educational background is in education, music and art. Currently I see my equestrian endeavors as an extension of the arts and education. It is my goal to be as proficient and accomplished as I can with my horses to train and ride them. More specifically, I want to be effective in my communication and as quiet in my body as can be. I had a couple of serious injuries which were a bit of a setback but am very thankful to be able to continue on and really love and enjoy my horses.

I have 5 Lusitano stallions from Brazil which I ride and am starting to show. They vary in age from 4 to 8, all with very different colors and personalities Alfacintia (Al) is the youngest and will be turning 5 in November. He has a very sweet disposition and wants to please but he is not especially forward going. He seems to me to be more immature than my others and so I have not wanted to push him too fast too soon. He seems heavy on the forehand and not as strong behind so I have concentrated mostly on helping him become stronger, more focused, and going forward with a more relaxed movement. He tends to shut down if he feels too pushed or is not understanding what he is supposed to do. I would like whatever help I can get to make things more consistent as a rider and clearer to him. I would also welcome any help in knowing how to best bring him along as he progresses.

12:15 Lunch in the Mane Hall

1:15 Jo McCracken

"Coming Attraction" is a, 7 yr Swedish mare by Come Back II out of Astrid by Amiral. She is showing 2nd level and has had one foal so far. She is learning to sit finally, without taking too much offense from it, and coming along nicely. She is one of the broodmares at Pfancy's Favorites Farm in Chuluota and to be bred next year to Vermouth (SWB).

2:00 Sharon Jerdeman

Chinook, is a 13 year old, 17H Oldenburg gelding who is currently showing at Grand Prix.

I run a dressage training business at my farm in Ocala, FL.

2:45 Gretchen Johnson

Carolina Bay is a recent region 12 Arabian champion sport horse under saddle.

Current goals: work on 1st-2nd level movements

3:00 Kathy Dennis

I started dressage around 6 years ago, after some time in the hunter ring, carriage driving and just trail riding. I have shown prior schoolmaster through Prix St. Georges. I **ALWAYS** need to focus on my seat and position.....

Imagine (Maggie) is an 8 yr old Oldenburg mare and a very recent acquisition (5 weeks). She is trained through PSG and has shown once at that level. We are still in the early stages of our relationship...Mare is quiet, generally attentive and has a good work ethic.

We have been working on quicker response to my leg, and more suppleness generally. With this in mind, I would like an assessment of where we are and thoughts on how to proceed. Also, I would like some input and assistance w/ respect to collection at the trot and canter – when is it good/not good and what to change.