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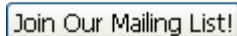
SFD's Blog

Can't get enough of the SFD internet experience from the newsletter? You have two choices -- Follow SFD's Blog at equichic.blogspot.com. Or join [our group on Facebook](#).

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Is Reading About the Fun Just Not Enough? Come Join Us!

With our move to Red Bridge, we have room two more! Come board and train with us. Customized care, understandable dressage training for horse and rider, and a correct start for young sport horses. Interested? Contact me at equichic@comcast.net or 484-467-0879

Dear Douglas



I'm a bit behind in planning right now, but our blog has had a lot of posts lately, so I thought I'd use this newsletter to let the non-blog-types get a glimpse of what has been going on.

But that's not all. I have several new blog posts in the hopper. One will be about last weekend's Young Dressage Horse Trainer's Symposium, an invitation-only symposium I was lucky enough to attend. It was amazing, but more on that later.

We also have some winter stuff in the works. The biggest being our Annual Winter Camp, geared towards dressage enthusiasts of all ages. I'm also tossing around our winter clinic ideas with our staff, and will have more info on that soon.

So, hopefully, we'll hear from each other soon!

Ange

Winter Camp

Winter Camp Jan 1-3, 2010

Mark you calendars. Space is limited, so sign up early.

We moved the sign-up date to earlier this year, because if we have enough interest, we'll need to hold camp at a different venue. A \$50 deposit guarantees your slot. We kept the overall price the same as last year

Here's the links: [Flyer](#)
[Entry form](#)

Showing Stories



2009 Show Lessons from a Dressage Novice By Linda Butz

I came into my first dressage show season completely uninformed. I had only owned Secret for a year and I had no idea that she decided she wanted to be a dressage horse! Other than seeing the freestyle at Dressage at Devon once, a local schooling show (where Secret was a disaster, but at least she got on and off the trailer), and the Big Fall Show as a spectator, I had no experience with showing. I had a lot to learn!

Ange and Laura had the show season planning meeting in January for everyone at Red Bridge and I remember being amazed by Victoria F's show folder. Of course, I promptly put one together and it was a life-saver during the year. Otherwise, I'd have forms ...

For the rest of Linda's story, [click here](#).

Open house

Great Neighbors

Our neighborhood open house was a huge success. The weather was crummy, but that didn't stop people from joining us. My only regret is we forgot to bring a camera, to get photos of the kids' smiling faces. [Here's the whole story.](#)

BLM Results



Showing with the Big Boys

The BLMs is always a big deal. Lots of horses, lots of tension, plus it's the first show with cool nights, which usually brings out the frisky in the ponies. Boy, did it come out.

But first the good stuff. Secret, Dream, Ockie, Flika (for the most part), were all the good girls we expected them to be. They and their human counter-parts turned in solid rides, letting the judges see their training.

Ockie and Cara stood 6th in the PGS For more, [click here](#)

Sale at ThinLine!!!!

And now, an Advertisement . . .

ThinLine has a sale -- running 15% off, with gifts, if you use the coupon code "HOLIDAY." Please use our link, and we'll still get a percentage - hopefully enough to fund this newsletter again this year.

If you need an new [ThinLine](#) products, please continue to order through [my link](#). A meager percentage comes back to me, which gets reinvested in this quality literature in front of your eyes right now. It's a win-win for everyone.

Boarder news

Stuff to interest those who board with us:

Shoes are at 5 weeks the first week of December.

