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DRESSAGE AT DEVON 2010

There were only two Westfalens entered in the breed class this year at Devon. They were both very nice horses and I was there to present the awards this time. This is my second trip to Devon and both times it poured rain on us for a couple of days but I don't think it dampened anyones' enjoyment of this fabulous show. It truly is a special venue.

The recipient of the Westfalen breed show award this year went to Rauber (Rauber x Doreen) bred by Westphalians for USA, presented and owned by Amy Hoffield of Kittanning, PA. Rauber is a four old 16.1h bay gelding. He earned a 78.600% from judge Debbie Riehl-Rodriguez. (Rauber also participated in the 4 & 5 yo Stallion and Gelding Materiale Class placing 5th with a 74.400%.)

The runner up was Rhapsody Blue (Makuba x Abigail) a one year old filly presented by Anecia Hoffield and owned by Nancy Bielski with a score of 77.400%.

Several members of the Westfalen Horse Association and their horses were also present at Devon. Kaye Triplett's Dijou 6 ridden by Amber Vannoy, Cindi Wylie's Edlerubin and Jill Frumin's Picollino 2 ridden by Teresa Butta were shown in the performance classes.



GUSTO AND ANN LIBERT



Gusto and Ann Libert

In October 2009, Gusto (Guarantor-Winsome), a 15 year old Westfalen came to Jayne Ayers Hearthstone Farm to be sold. His owner had decided to sell him since she had decided to quit riding and he was basically just sitting in the pasture. Jayne asked that I ride him for her the night he came to the farm so she could see him move. I fell in love with Gusto...not only did he have an amazing personality and wonderful gaits, but for being a stallion (at the time) he was so well mannered. I started to ride Gusto for Jayne to get him back in shape so that he could be sold.

I began to half lease Gusto, along with another student of Jayne's last winter, since buying him was not an option at the time. Gusto started to get back into shape and our training continued while I learned how to ride half pass, renvers, turn on the haunches, simple changes and the medium trot/canter on him. I never expected that a year later Gusto would still be a part of my life, let alone my horse.



Gusto, Natalia Falbo, Diana Moore and myself.

This past year has been a big year for both Gusto and I. In May, I bought Gusto the weekend before our first show at Silverwood Farm where we were successful with a 72.368% at 1-4 and a 67.143% at 2-4 showing under Hilda Gurney. I was thrilled and never expected to do so well at our first show together. Our show season ended on a huge high with two big wins at the Great American Insurance Group/USDF Region 2 Championships where we won both the First and Second level adult amateur championships with an overall score of 73.421% at First Level and 70.476% at Second Level. What a great way to end our show season. We worked very hard and put a lot of dedication into our training to have such a successful summer.

But while we were finished competing together for the summer, Gusto was not yet done. Less than two weeks after being home from the Region 2 Championships, Gusto, along with 2 other horses from Hearthstone Farm, shipped out to Lexington, KY, to compete in the para-equestrian dressage competition at the Alltech FEI World Equestrian Games. Earlier in the summer, Diana Moore and Natalie Falbo of Argentina contacted Jayne Ayers to see if she had any horses that they could borrow for Diana, a Grade 1A para-dressage rider. Jayne asked if I would be willing to let them try Gusto, depending on Diana's riding ability. In July, Diana and Natalia travelled to the US to try a couple different horses. While in Wisconsin, Diana and Natalia rode Gusto for about 5 days where they worked together with Jayne to help Gusto and Diana get used to each other and for Gusto to learn about Diana's disability. Diana had a riding accident when she was 19 years old that put her in a coma for 3 months and left her with very limited use of the left side of her body. She really can only use her right leg, her right hand to hold the reins and her



Diana Moore and Gusto along with friends from Argentina who came to support Diana and Gusto (along with the other Argentinean rider) at the WEG. It was taken after their Grade 1A individual ride.

seat. Diana holds onto a metal bar that each rein is connected to but does not have to use any other special equipment while riding.

We spent an exciting 2 weeks at the WEG where Gusto and Diana practiced the week prior to their competition so that they could get used to each other again and practice their tests. I am so proud of Gusto as he handled all of the horses, the spectators, his first vet inspection, the energy and excitement of an international event as if he had been to a competition of this caliber before. Because Argentina only had two para-dressage riders they were not able to compete in the team test but did compete in the individual test and the freestyle test. What an experience to see all of these para-riders from around the world interact and compete with each other, not to mention all of the amazing horses they were riding, and Gusto was a part of it all.

A year ago, I never expected to still have Gusto in my life, let alone to have shown both First and Second level (I have never shown over First level test 2), gone to my very first regional championships and to have won both championship classes. And on top of that to have experienced the World Equestrian Games from behind the scenes with my horse.

Gusto has been a wonderful addition to my life and he has taught me so much. We have had a lot of fun so far and I look forward to what comes next.

A very big thank you to Jayne Ayers for asking me to ride Gusto that first night in October 2009 as well as for all of the lessons, coaching, guidance and help she has given to Gusto and I over the past year. We wouldn't have been as successful if it wasn't for her help and of course the experience at WEG will also never be forgotten. Thank you for getting Gusto and I involved in such an amazing, and inspirational, way to give back to the equestrian community.

USDF ALL BREED AWARDS FOR THE WESTFALEN HORSE ASSOCIATION

The Results Are In! USDF All-Breed Award Standings

Open Training Level:

1. **Ronaldo**, 75.200%, owned and ridden by *Anne Aloï*
2. **Folcano**, 73.200%, owned by *Shooting Stars Dressage Horses LLC* and ridden by *Cynthia Wylie*
3. **Edelrubin**, 72.400%, owned by *Shooting Stars Dressage Horses LLC* and ridden by *Cynthia Wylie*
4. **Lord Ferragamo**, 70.870%, owned by *St. Louis Equestrian Center* and ridden by *Anne Eklund*
5. **Poukha**, 70.600%, owned and ridden by *Cari Saloch*

Open First Level

1. **Ronaldo**, 74.167%, owned and ridden by *Anne Aloï*
2. **Lord Ferragamo**, 73.114%, owned by *St. Louis Equestrian Center* and ridden by *Anne Eklund*
3. **Poukha**, 71.448%, owned and ridden by *Cari Saloch*
4. **Damon Lee**, 69.571%, owned and ridden by *Petra Jorgensen*
5. **Patriot**, 67.083%, owned and ridden by *Tracy Ramey*

Open Second Level

1. **Indira**, 68.605%, owned and ridden by *Polly Limond*
2. **Gusto**, 67.996%, owned and ridden by *Ann Libert*
3. **Figaro**, 62.851%, owned and ridden by *Courtney Lautman*
4. **Loyal**, 61.866%, owned and ridden by *Susan Williams*

Open Third Level

1. **Popeye**, 63.846%, owned by *Summit Sporthorses LTD* and ridden by *Rebecca Cord*
2. **Ronaldo**, 63.370%, owned and ridden by *Alexandra Kitchen*
3. **Dante**, 60.349%, owned and ridden by *Betty Irwin*
4. **Malipiero 3**, 60.116%, owned and ridden by *Julie Bennett*

Open Fourth Level

1. **Frapiccino**, 63.293%, owned and ridden by *Kim Lacy*

Open Prix St. Georges

1. **Cipriani**, 70.789%, owned and ridden by *A. Whit Watkins*
2. **Falcor**, 63.553%, owned and ridden by *Laura Ritacco*

3. **Florestano**, 63.158%, owned and ridden by *Emily Wright*

Open Intermediate 1

1. **Cipriani**, 69.737%, owned and ridden by *A. Whit Watkins*
2. **Falcor**, 64.737%, owned and ridden by *Laura Ritacco*
3. **Delacroix**, 62.368%, owned and ridden by *Jennifer Hoffmann*

Vintage Cup Third Level

1. **Dante**, 60.349%, owned and ridden by *Betty Irwin*

Vintage Cup Prix St. Georges

1. **Cipriani**, 70.789%, owned and ridden by *A. Whit Watkins*

Vintage Cup Intermediate 1

1. **Cipriani**, 69.737%, owned and ridden by *A. Whit Watkins*

Junior / Young Rider Third Level

1. **Ronaldo**, 63.370%, owned and ridden by *Alexandra Kitchen*

Junior / Young Rider Prix St. Georges

1. **Falcor**, 63.553%, owned and ridden by *Laura Ritacco*
2. **Florestano**, 63.158%, owned and ridden by *Emily Wright*

Junior / Young Rider Intermediate 1

1. **Falcor**, 64.737%, owned and ridden by *Laura Ritacco*

Adult Amateur Training Level

1. **Poukha**, 70.600%, owned and ridden by *Cari Saloch*

Adult Amateur First Level

1. **Poukha**, 71.448%, owned and ridden by *Cari Saloch*
2. **Damon Lee**, 69.571%, owned and ridden by *Petra Jorgensen*
3. **Patriot**, 67.083%, owned and ridden by *Tracy Ramey*

Adult Amateur Second Level

1. **Gusto**, 67.996%, owned and ridden by *Ann Libert*

2. **Figaro**, 62.851%, owned and ridden by *Courtney Lautman*
3. **Loyal**, 61.866%, owned and ridden by *Susan Williams*

Adult Amateur Third Level

1. **Dante**, 60.349%, owned and ridden by *Betty Irwin*
2. **Malipiero 3**, 60.116%, owned and ridden by *Julie Bennett*

Musical Freestyle Third Level

1. **Malipiero 3**, 65.521%, owned and ridden by *Julie Bennett*

Musical Freestyle Fourth Level

1. **Florestano**, 68.333%, owned and ridden by *Emily Wright*
2. **Frapiccino**, 66.771%, owned and ridden by *Kim Lacy*

FEI Four-Year-Old

1. **Folcano**, 8.0, owned by *Shooting Stars Dressage Horses LLC* and ridden by *Cynthia Wylie*
2. **Edelrubin**, 7.2, owned by *Shooting Stars Dressage Horses LLC* and ridden by *Cynthia Wylie*

Materiale, 4 & 5 Year Old Mare

1. **Lauressa**, 75.000, owned by *Linda van Rees* and ridden by *Lisa Evans*

DSHB Award, Mature Horse, Yeld/ Maiden Mare

1. **Lauressa**, 80.250, owned by *Linda van Rees* and ridden by *Lisa Evans*

USDF YEAR END AWARDS, WESTFALENS IN THE TOP TEN

Horse of the Year

Training Level

4th place, **Ronaldo** and **Anne Aloï** 75.200%

First Level

5th place, **Ronaldo** and **Anne Aloï** 74.167%

Prix St. Georges

4th place, **Cipriani** and **Whit Watkins** 70.789%

Intermediate 1

5th place, **Cipriani** and **Whit Watkins** 69.737%

Vintage Cup

Prix St. Georges

1st place, **Cipriani** and **Whit Watkins** 70.789%

Intermediate 1

1st place, **Cipriani** and **Whit Watkins** 69.737%

Junior/Young Rider

Prix St. Georges

9th place, **Falcor** and **Laura Ritacco** 63.553%

10th place, **Florestano** and **Emily Wright** 63.158%

Intermediate 1

8th place, **Falcor** and **Laura Ritacco** 64.737%

Adult Amateur

Training Level

6th place, **Poukha** and **Cari Saloch** 70.600%

First Level

4th place, **Poukha** and **Cari Saloch** 71.448%

Second Level

7th place, **Gusto** and **Ann Libert** 67.996%

FEI Four-Year-Old

4th place, **Folcano** and **Cynthia Wylie** 8.0

DSHB Award, Mature Horse, Yeld/ Maiden Mare

7th place, **Lauressa** and **Linda van Rees** 80.000 (Lisa Evans, rider)

Weltino's Magic

Weltino's Magic was awarded first place at Prix St. Georges for the USDF Horse of the Year. He was the highest scoring horse at this level with a 73.947%. Magic is owned by Westfalen Horse Association member, **Jen Hlavacek** and ridden by **Steffen Peters**. Unfortunately Magic does not show up on our all-breed list because he was not "declared" Westfalen with the USDF. Jen has contacted the USDF and corrected this oversight so that he will be eligible from now on for Westfalen awards.

*Congratulations to everyone for a
great show season,
and best wishes for next year!*

WESTFALEN AUCTION NEWS

The three year old black stallion, Status Symbol (Showmaker x Landro L) brought the highest bid at the October Westfalen Elite Auction. This dressage prospect sold for 250,000 E. to a German rider.

The four year old mare, Sissy vonder Heide (Sandro Hit x Fidermark x Weltmeyer) was the next highest at 110,000 E.

The bay pony stallion, Champagner de Luxe brought 35,000 E.

The 6 year old broodmare, Liza Minelli (Laudabilis), in foal to Florestan brought the high bid of 11,500 E.

The average price for the 50 horses presented was 27,410 E.

WEG UPDATE

Wendy Fryke and Lateran placed 8th in the Grade III Individual Championship at the World Equestrian Games with a score of 64.067%.

They then went on to the Individual Freestyle and placed 8th again with a score of 65.600%. Congratulations Wendy and Lateran!

IT'S THAT TIME OF THE YEAR AGAIN!

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yearly membership with the
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Thanks!***



DON DUPLO

Don Duplo (by Dali X), a 5 year old Westfalen gelding is undefeated at Training Level. "Duplo's" most recent accomplishment is USDF Region 3 Adult Amateur Training Level Champion with a 71%. Melissa and Duplo also received the High Score Adult Amateur Award with a 74.4% at Atlanta National Fall Dressage show. Duplo was also Training Level Champion at the USDF Dressage on the Beach show in June, with a high score of 79%. He won all 4 of his Training Level Test I classes with scores of 75-79%. Duplo was Training Level Champion and High Score Champion with 75% at USDF Sunburn Classic I and Training Level Champion and High Score Champion with 76.8% at USDF Sunburn Classic II, winning all of his classes. Duplo is owned and ridden by Melissa Torreano of Winter Park, FL. They train with Sandy Dziak of Umatilla, FL



WESTFALEN STALLION LICENSING RESULTS

The bay stallion, A La Carte (Abke x Lux x Polydor) was the champion of the Westfalen stallion licensing. He showed good jumping ability and nice basic gaits. He will stand at stud at Warendorf.

The reserve was by Diamond Hit out of Lia (Lauries x Florestan). This impressive colt will stand at stud at Gestut Sprehe.

Sixteen stallions were selected for the premium ring. The highest price paid at auction was 220,000 euro for a Jazz x Krack x Damiro son. Three of the colts sold for 100,000 euro. The average price paid for a licensed stallion was 60,565 euro and for a non-licensed stallion, 15,536 euro.

FACEBOOK

Thanks to member Christine DeMont, we are on Facebook. This is a group page that WHA members and Westfalen fans can join and connect with each other. So, all of you who are Facebook fans, search for the group, Fans of the Westfalen Horse.



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