

WDAWI Year End Awards Program

Purpose:

To promote western dressage in the state of Wisconsin, and to further the art of horsemanship through education. To recognize outstanding performance in western dressage competition by horses ridden and owned by WDAWI members.

A Champion and Reserve will be awarded for each Division and Level.

All high point program riders will receive recognition.

| Division | Levels |
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| Junior Rider | Western Dressage Intro, Basic, Level 1, Level 2, Level 3, Level 4, Traditional Dressage All Levels Combined |
| Amateur Rider | Western Dressage Intro, Basic, Level 1, Level 2, Level 3, Level 4, Traditional Dressage All Levels Combined |
| Open Rider | Western Dressage Intro, Basic, Level 1, Level 2, Level 3, Level 4, Traditional Dressage All Levels Combined |
| Exceptional Rider | Coached Walk Only, Coached, Lead Line Walk Only, Lead Line |
| Newcomer Western Award: rider in their first year of Western Dressage competition. | |

*WDAWI may further divide Levels if entries warrant.

Eligibility:

1. The rider and owner of the horse must be members in good standing of WDAA and WDAWI at the time scores are earned. If a horse is leased under a signed lease agreement, the lessee is considered the owner for purposes of showing.
- 2. Championship registration for each horse and rider combination must be postmarked at least 10 days prior to the first show from which they plan to submit scores from.**
3. A fee of \$15.00 for each level must be paid for each horse and rider combination to be eligible for championships
4. Cross-entering divisions is not allowed. For the purposes of year-end awards, a rider will only be eligible for one division.
5. The recorder must be notified in writing and fees paid if adding a level later in the year.
6. All registrations are for the current show year January 1st through October 31st. Scores must be submitted and received by the recorder by November 30th.

Qualifications:

1. The horse and rider combination must have three qualifying scores from three different judges from two different WDAA and/or schooling shows. No scores from virtual shows will be allowed.
2. A minimum of one score must be from an approved WDAA show.
3. A minimum of two scores must be earned within the state of WI. Up to one score may be earned in the state of MN/IA/IL.
4. Submitted scores must be a minimum of 55%. Scores will be averaged.
*The minimum score is waived for the Exceptional Rider Division.
5. Submitted scores must be from current year USEF/USDF tests
6. Except for Newcomer division, at least one test score must be from the highest test of that level, (for example, WDAA Basic Test 4; for Introductory Level Traditional Dressage, the highest test is Intro C). Scores for the Newcomer award may be from any test at that level.
7. Scores must be from judges who are USDF "L" graduates, or WDAA licensed, or USEF "r" or higher. Scores must be earned from judges who are qualified to judge at that particular level; a.USDF "L" Program Graduate = USDF Introductory thru USEF 2nd Level b.USEF "r" Recorded Dressage Judge = USDF Introductory thru USEF 2nd Level c.USEF "R" Registered Dressage Judge = USDF Introductory thru USEF 4th Level d.USEF "S" Senior Dressage Judge = All classes, including USEF Level tests and FEI Level tests
8. If two or more judges are scoring one ride, the average of their scores will be counted as one score.
9. The rider or owner must send or email to the dressage recorder a "GOOD QUALITY" photocopy or scanned copy of the original test for each qualifying score. The photocopy must clearly state the show name, horse and rider, class, date, judge, score and judge's signature. The photocopy does not have to include individual movement scores and comments. Riders may submit copies of the USDF Score Report.
10. Scores must be postmarked or emailed on or before November 30, 2019.
11. Receipt of scores will be acknowledged by email unless a self-addressed stamped postcard is included with score sheets or the USDF Score Report.

Awards will be presented at the annual WDAWI General Membership Meeting and Awards Banquet where we will recognize and celebrate the year's achievements and accomplishments of our competitors and friends.