



We are pleased to invite your Federation to the
Children of the Americas Dressage Invitational 2010



Hosted by The Bear Spot Foundation for Equine Facilitated Psychotherapy
October 8 and 9, 2010

“The historical development of riding reveals that the art is not confined to any special country. It flourishes wherever human beings dedicate themselves to horsemanship and know how to cultivate and develop its practice; wherever there are experts, and where ever such skill brings pleasure to those who love beauty, the art of riding is indeed international. it belongs to the civilized world and it is the duty of every nation to preserve and foster it in the interest of culture.”

—Alois Podjasky (Former director of the Spanish Riding School of Vienna)

excerpted from “The Complete Training of Horse and Rider in the Art of Classical Horsemanship”

Goals and Objectives

The goal of this International event is to integrate young riders of the participating nations, and to create bonds through the promotion of the beauty of dressage and its value to art, culture and the unique bond of horse and human. The children’s active involvement with the organizing committee will grant them a valuable experience that will serve in their future roles as leaders in the promotion of this beautiful sport and art.

The Bear Spot Foundation for Equine Facilitated Psychotherapy is devoted to supporting children and adolescents with psychological issues using the inherent healing power of horses to assist their psychotherapeutic process. We are proud to host this international event.

Kindest regards,

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Children of the Americas
CADI
2010
Dressage Invitational

General Information

PLACE AND DATES

- Bear Spot Farm, 276 Pope Road, Concord, Massachusetts 01742
- Coaching from top U.S. Trainers: October 5-7, 2010.
- Children's Dressage Championships: October 8-9, 2010.

*All competitors and their parents/guardians are invited
to stay for Freestyle 2010 on Sunday, October 10.*

INVITATION:

Only ONE child (from the age of 12 up to and including the year of their 14th birthday) per each Federation.

PREREQUISITES:

- The child must have a certificate from their Federation, to have participated successfully in Dressage competitions at least at the Training Level, or in the FEI Children's Dressage Challenge.
- They must have a letter of recommendation from their Federation, stating the reason why they have been selected for this competition.
- Each Federation would use their criteria of selection, based on their riding qualities, exemplary behavior in equestrianism, etc.
- All participants will be required to bring their countries flags.
- Participants will be asked to provide their freestyle music on a CD.
- Optional : Dressage saddle pad with their country flag. (The organizer will provide one white saddle pad for the 2 days of competition)

ENTRY FEE: \$600.00 USD

This includes the lease of a fine dressage horse and tutoring the week of the event, plus lunch and light snacks Wednesday through Saturday.

FEDERATIONS INVITED:

- Competing with their own horses: Canada, US
- Competing with borrowed horses: NATIONAL FEDERATIONS OF: Antigua, Cayman Islands, Barbados, Bermuda, Grenada, Haiti, Jamaica, Surinam, Trinidad and Tobago, Virgin Islands, Colombia, Costa Rica, Cuba, Dominican Republic, El Salvador, Guatemala, Honduras, México, Antilles, Nicaragua, Panama, Puerto Rico, Venezuela, Argentina, Bolivia, Brazil, Chile, Ecuador, Paraguay, Perú, Uruguay.



HOW TO GET HERE:

- Destination: Logan International Airport (BOS), East Boston, Massachusetts 02128

Go to www.bearspotcadi.com for directions from Logan International Airport (Boston) to the host hotel and from the host hotel to Bear Spot Farm

FROM THE HOTEL TO THE COMPETITION:

Rental cars are available at the airport; we suggest this as a mode of transportation.

LODGING:

HOST SPONSOR HOTEL: The Best Western Hotel, Concord, MA 01742

Telephone: 978-369-6100. Reservations must be made by telephone only. Ask for rooms reserved for The Children's International Dressage Championships.

SPECIAL RATES: \$125.00 USD per night, includes breakfast. Rooms are limited and available on a first-come, first-served basis. Reservations must be made no later than September 1, 2010.

See website (www.bearspotcadi.com) for alternate hotels in the area.

OTHER AREA HOTELS: • Quality Inn & Suites • Lexington, MA 781-861-0850
• Colonial Inn • Concord, MA 978-369-9200

HORSES:

The children from the developing countries will be assigned a trained horse, by draw. The organizing committee in coordination with the appeal committee, and based on availability, could decide to switch a horse between two riders, in coordination with them.

TUTORING:

Children that will ride borrowed horses will be tutored by a professional coach during their training sessions and warm-up for competition. All foreign coaches are welcome to collaborate as OBSERVERS.

TESTS AND DRAFT SCHEDULE:

- The Children's Preliminary FEI test will be performed on Friday, October 8
- The Children's FEI test to the music of choice will be performed on Saturday, October 9
- Test scores will be provided at the end of each day.
- Awards will be presented on Saturday.

A complete schedule of events will be provided on the Bear Spot CADI website by September 30, 2010.