



Alamo Dressage Association

Region 9 Report – August 2016 - August 2017

Membership: 126 members (includes 36 juniors)

Board of Directors/Committees:

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Horse Shows:

- **Spring Dressage I & II: April 2017.** Entries down from 2016 – partially due to falling on World Cup weekend. In 2018 we fall on Easter again. Surveyed our members to see if changing the date was a viable option or having the show on Fri/Sat instead. Most surveyed would prefer to keep the April date. Most surveyed didn't care whether they rode on Fri/Sat vs. Sat/Sun.

- **Fall Dressage I & II and Ride For The Cure: September 2017.** As of 2016, RFC has raised over \$60,000 over the past six years. Look forward to another successful event with a goal to reach \$70,000 in 2017. Dover Saddlery has again donated 4 embroidered saddle pads and 4 bridles.
 - How it works: Teams of 4 riders each ride the test of their choice and scores are averaged. Then one percentage point is added to their score for every \$100 they raise.
 - Awards ceremony to be held after the last ride of the show on Saturday. Cancer survivors are invited to help present awards.

- **Summer Schooling Show - June, 2017**

We tried a new format this year. Due to the expense of renting the Rose Palace we held our Symposium with Janet Foy in one ring and a schooling show in the other ring. Show competitors were able to audit for free between rides. We received mostly positive feedback about the format. Schooling show was profitable while the symposium had a loss of \$1,500. May consider this in the future.

- **Schooling Show Championships:** This year to be held November 18-19, 2017 at the San Antonio Rose Palace. We will also offer Western Dressage championship and Eventing dressage test championship. This is a great opportunity for competitors to show at the Rose Palace without the cost of a recognized show!

Community Support:

- ADA members volunteered at the Regional Championships. Raised money for Susan B. Komen for the Cure.

Junior/YRs:

- Junior clinics held with Lendon Gray and Jeremy Steinberg.
- EDAP Clinic with Lendon Gray scheduled for September 16-17.
- One scholarship recipient in 2017 – Kyra Shine
- Junior “Cash Back” program for clinics/education - \$100

Education:

- November 2016 Barn Tour – rented a tour bus, stocked with snacks and wine and toured 3 stables in the area. Very successful event!
- June 2017 – Symposium with Janet Foy, “Dressage through the Levels”.
- “Cash Back for Education” program where members get a \$50 reimbursement per year for attending a clinic or education program.

Awards:

- Annual awards banquet and silent auction annually held at The Petroleum Club in January.

Other:

- Annual membership meeting to be held in November in conjunction with the Schooling Show Championships.