



Award ceremony for the Team Championship

Since the end of another successful Championship in 2015 – the NRADC (Northeast Regional Adult Amateur Dressage Championship) at the Fall Finale at the Mystic Valley Hunt Club in Gales Ferry, CT. - there has been an important change in the eligibility requirements. Starting in 2015, the NRADC is open to **all adult amateurs, now including those who**

ride above 4th level. We are making a concerted effort to publicize this change and also, we found that many riders are interested in the championship but don't know how to qualify. Briefly, there are two championships – the Team and Individual. Riders can do both or just one - the difference is, the Individual Championship includes a freestyle.



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The Team Championship can have 3 to 4 riders, who can be a mix of all the levels. If your team has 4 riders, the lowest score is dropped. The top three scores will determine the team score. The Individual Championship winners are determined from combining the dressage test and the freestyle test, ridden on either Friday or Sunday - depending on whether your qualifying scores were earned at a rated show or not. (A PSG rider will use the 4th level freestyle for the Individual championship.)

To qualify for the NRADC, a rider has to submit two scores of a minimum of 60% in any test of the level they intend to ride in. The qualifying time period is from October 10, 2015 to October 1, 2016. In the championship, they must perform the highest test of their level. The qualifying scores can be earned at either recognized or schooling shows, and horse trials. The judge must be at least a USDF "L" graduate for a schooling show to qualify. The entry fee is for both the Team and Individual Championships is \$150.00, which include three rides - a schooling show ride Friday, the highest test of the level on Saturday and freestyle on Sunday. If the rider opts to not do the individual championship freestyle ride on Sunday, they may have another schooling ride on Friday.

The NRADC promotes a sense of camaraderie and is a fun, challenging weekend that gives recognition and awards to our adult amateurs. It is quickly becoming the go to event of the fall. It also provides sponsorship and advertising opportunities. The NRADC, through the silent auction held at the show, has given over \$16,000 to the Wounded Warrior Project scholarship program at High Hopes in Old Lyme, CT. If you have any questions, please contact any of the board members listed below.

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