

GREAT LAKES AREA SHOW SERIES-EDUCATIONAL DRESSAGE (GLASS-ED)

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A Group Member Organization of the USDF

To the tune of: "Let it Snow, Let it Snow, Let it Snow"....

With apologies to Bing Crosby and anyone born before 1945:

(And if you don't know the tune.....you should!)

Oh, the weather is sometimes frightful,  
But the crocus is delightful!  
And when everyone wants to sing:  
Is it Spring? Yes, it's Spring! It is Spring!

When the first radio program of the day is the " 'Mourning' Edition" and the Nightly News isn't fit to watch:  
STOP!

Take a look outside and get the spirit again! Better yet, get outside, find that brush, curry comb and a patch of dry ground and get to know what your horse *really* looks like!

Then: get a group of friends and make your plans to attend the Michigan Horse Council's 2009 Horse Expo, taking place at the MSU Pavilion, in East Lansing March 13-15!  
There is simply no better way to celebrate the return of warm(er) weather than taking in all the Expo has to offer.

And while you're there, stop in at the GLASS-ED Booth to pick up your Omnibus if you're already a Member, or become a Member and learn all that GLASS-ED has to offer! \$37.00 provides membership benefits at 13 great Shows at 8 wonderful venues that provide the combination of learning and competition experience to enhance your riding skills and enjoyment more than you could imagine! A classification of USDF "L" graduate or above provides the judging expertise necessary to make your test a legitimate reflection of your progress. And the price of Showing will be minimized by the number

of venues closer to your home with the cost much closer to a “schooling” show as opposed to a “recognized” Show.

And, if you’re just starting out or just beginning to “think about” dressage and “showing”, GLASS-ED is where you want to be! Several of our classes are designed specifically with the beginning competitor, or “beginning” horse in mind!

Combine this approach with the friendliest people hosting and participating in the Shows, and you’ll find a combination where no one “loses”.

And if you’d like to hone your skills with some affordable, skilled instruction in a “ride a test-fix a test” format, take advantage of our clinic with Jane Kelly on Saturday, April 18 at the Equine Line in Plainwell, MI! Jane is a USDF Silver and Bronze Medalist, a “L” graduate Judge, a USDF Associate Instructor and.....a nice human being.

In ½ hour segments, she’ll take you through the test of your choice and assist you in improving your performance. The cost? \$15.00 (yes, FIFTEEN) for GLASS-ED members; \$50.00 for non-members. Call Pam DeHaan to get your reservation ASAP at: (616) 291-4895 or [lakemanorpam@yahoo.com](mailto:lakemanorpam@yahoo.com).

Check us out at: [www.glass-ed.org](http://www.glass-ed.org). It all starts here!

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