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Wisconsin Dressage & Combined Training's Monthly Newsletter

Electronic Scribing: Instant Results & Other Benefits

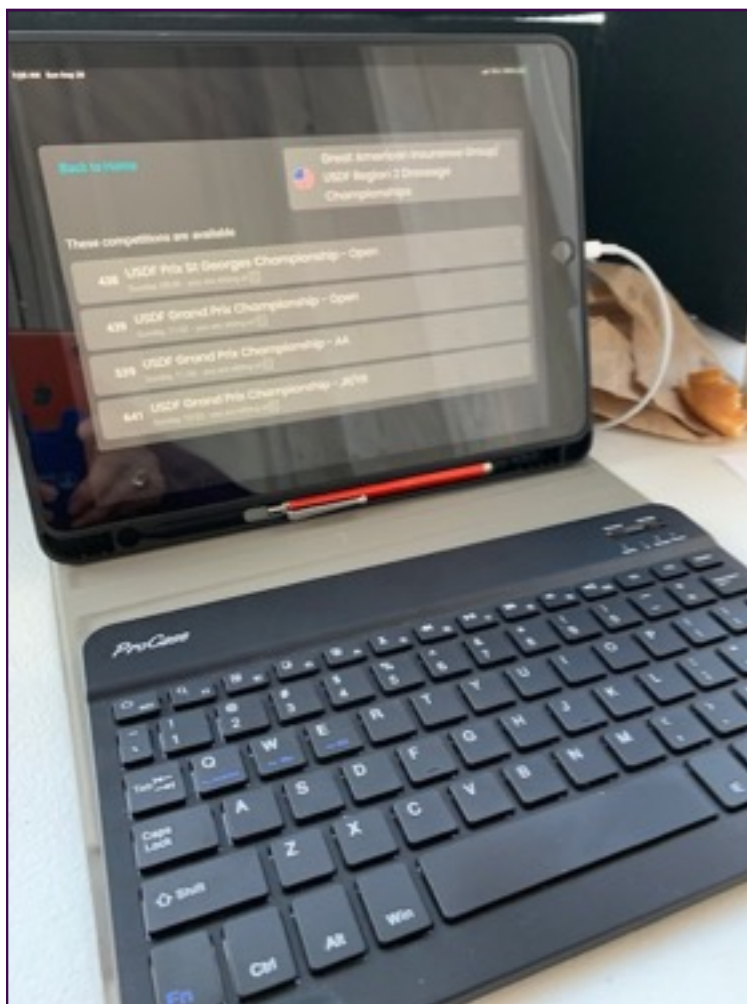
By Caryn Vesperman

Last winter in Florida, I volunteered to scribe at the dressage shows at Global Dressage Festival in Wellington. I scribed for classes from Training Level to CDIs, including musical freestyles. All the classes I scribed for were done via electronic scoring. Some of you have asked me what e-scribing entails, so I'll give a little overview.

Benefits of E-Scribing

There are several advantages with electronic scribing for the competitor and the competition. Benefits include:

- * Instant Results — the system is so efficient and fast, the scores are almost always announced before the competitor has even left the ring! This is great for the audience because they see right away what the judges scored and can compare with what they may have been scoring on their own. For the competitor, while it might be a bit disconcerting, he or she knows right away where they scored and where they are in the placings at that moment
- * The scribe's hand is saved! For those of you who have scribed, you know how tired your hand can get by the end of the day! With e-scribing, you simply type—much faster and easier.
- * Tests aren't as messy. If the scribe makes a mistake or the judge changes his or her mind, it's easy to delete and put in the correct or new comment. No more cross outs or arrows to move a comment to the right box.
- * The comment boxes automatically expand in size as needed, which is great in the cases where the boxes are way too small to write legible or lengthy comments.
- * The system calculates the score as one goes along in the test, with the final score visible when you enter a score in the last box.
- * The judge can submit the test when the scoring is done and can continue to write their opinion in the overall comments box without feeling as rushed.
- * When you hit the final submit button, the test closes and the scores go to the class list in order of high to low score.



The electronic scribing the author worked with uses an iPad with a keyboard. When the scribe signs in, he or she sees the list of classes in order of the day's schedule, as shown above. The red stylus pen by the screen is used by the judge to sign the test. However, the judge's finger works just as well!

- * No more lost paper tests! Riders can access their "dashboard" with all their tests, complete with scores and comments.

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Electronic Scribing continued

Disadvantages of E-Scribing

For some competitors, it can be disconcerting to have their score announced before they've even exited the ring. If a rider did well, it can pump him or her up. If not, the rider might feel self-conscious as they leave the ring. (However, riders need to remember: everyone has a bad day—even our Olympians!)

For competition managers, the system can be expensive and may not fit in the budget. Also, if the WiFi is inconsistent, the system can go down and then the scribe has to scramble to pull out a paper test and continue hand-writing the test. That happened to me a couple of times. Freaked the judge out, but I knew what to do, and the tech people come running before the next test started. (The office then inputs the paper copy scores and comments into the electronic system.)

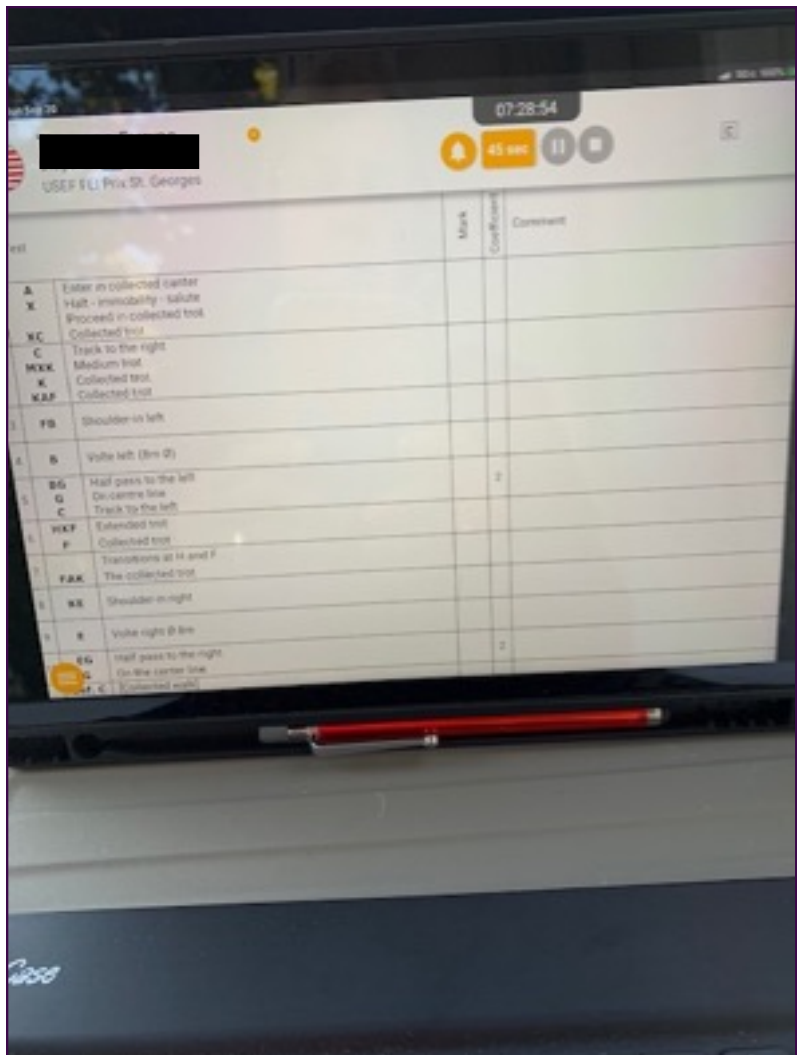
If a scribe is not a fast and competent typist, it can get stressful!

How Does E-Scribing Work?

With the system I used at Global, the Festival of Champions and Region 2 Championships, I worked on an iPad with a keyboard. You have a user name and a password to get in, and then you search for the judge's name you're assigned to. Once you find the judge's name, you click on it and up come all the classes in the order the judge will be seeing them.

You click on the class, and there's the list of riders in the order they will appear. Click on the rider's name and the test appears; it basically looks like the paper test on your screen. There are a lot of bells and whistles built into the system to make it easy to use. For example, when you ask the judge if they give the score or a comment first, you can set the system to go to the score box or comment box first. There are also sidebars for noting blood, off course, eliminations, etc. Also, scratches done in advance are removed from the class order, so no chance of getting mixed up and using the wrong rider test.

Once the test is done being scored, the scribe hits the submit button. If needed, the judge can go back and finish his/her comments for the riders (but cannot change their scores). Then the judge signs the iPad screen and hits the final submit key. It is perfectly acceptable to do these two steps (submit scores and submit signature) immediately. The reasons a judge may want to submit the scores first and finish the comments later is because there is pressure to get the scores entered pronto so the announcer and



Top left of screen is the rider and horse names (where black bar is), the time the rider is expected in the ring and the test to be ridden. Below is the actual test which looks like the paper copy. Marks and comments are entered in the boxes, just as in a paper test.

spectators know as soon as possible—and it does add anticipation and excitement. When the signature is submitted, you go to the next rider.

Interested in Scribing, Be it on Paper or Electronic?

I would encourage everyone to scribe, whether you're an eventer, dressage rider or just interested in volunteering. Shows usually need volunteers, and scribing is an excellent way to understand what the judge is looking for, what the vocabulary for certain movements is all about, what are common mistakes, what makes a good performance stand out, and helps sharpen your eye for when you're watching at shows or helping as a ground person for a family member or friend.

You'll also understand how challenging it is to judge—making split second decisions for eight or more hours a day—and, most importantly, how judges are not out to “get” you, but truly want to see you ride a good test. It makes their day to give an 8, 9 or even a 10!

Still Too Many Cancellations, But We Appear to be Making the Best of It



Caryn Vesperman Editor

All advertisements, articles and photographs (with photo release) should be submitted by the 15th of the preceding month of publication, unless you make prior arrangements for additional time.

Calendar of events will appear in both the eQuarter and on the WDCTA website.

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By now, you've probably heard the US Dressage Finals were cancelled at the Kentucky Horse Park. Previously the Pony Finals scheduled for August had been cancelled there as well. From the level of Covid cases and deaths in the United States, I don't think we'll be getting back to "normal" any time soon.

However, I have to say I'm very proud of the organizers, staff, ground crew, judges, volunteers and competitors for adhering to social distancing guidelines and wearing masks at the shows I've judged and/or scribed at. Working together, we can keep shows going!

WDCTA, too, has had to cancel too many educational opportunities and events, not because people weren't willing to follow social distancing guidelines, but primarily due to the challenge of keeping auditors safe in facilities unable to provide enough distance among them.

But, keep the faith! If we take Covid seriously and do our best to think "we" not "me" when it comes to social distancing and mask wearing, we WILL get through this. In the meantime, enjoy the gorgeous weather and stunning leaves as you ride your horses at your barn, boarding stable or on the trails, as I did with friends (photos below).



Trail Riding in Governor Dodge State Park

Fall is clearly spectacular in Wisconsin. A few weekends ago, I enjoyed trail riding (photo above) on Tanqueray with Mary Hanneman (WDCTA treasurer) on Allie and (photo right) WDCTA members, Doug riding Flynn) and Shannon Langer on Stiletto, two horses they bred. (They also bred Tanqueray.) It's quite easy to social distance on horseback, and it's fun!





Photo by Caryn Vesperman

**Send in your photos,
articles about riding,
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vacations, lessons,
clinics, and tips about
riding, horse care, tack,
trails, etc.**

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Cindy Ishoy Clinics

~~May 23-24~~

(Opening Date: April 1)

~~June 27-28~~

(Opening Date: May 1)

~~Aug. 1-2~~

(Opening Date: June 15)

~~Sept. 12-13~~

(Opening Date: Aug. 1)

~~Oct. 10-11~~

(Opening Date: Sept. 1)

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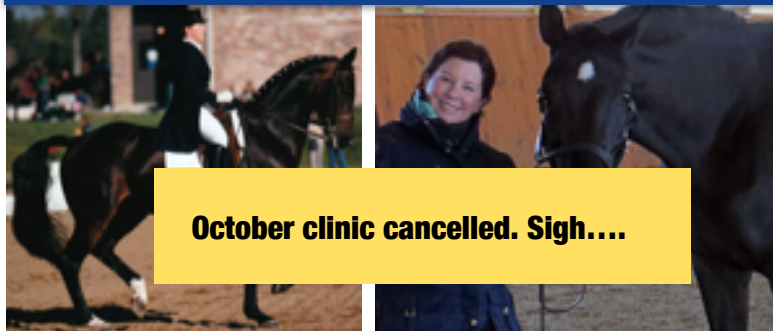
Touchstone Farm

W1619 King Road, Brooklyn, WI 53521

Just 15 minutes southwest of Oregon, WI

25 minutes southwest of Madison beltline

October clinic cancelled. Sigh....



(Left photo) Cindy Ishoy & Dynasty - Team Bronze Medalists, 1988 Seoul Olympics

Cindy Ishoy competed for many years on the Canadian team, earning a team Bronze at the 1988 Seoul Olympics. Cindy coaches on a daily basis and enjoys teaching those who really want to learn no matter what level they are.

One Form Per Horse/Rider

Rider Name _____ Address _____

City _____ State _____ Zip _____ Phone _____

Email _____ WDCTA Volunteer: Yes _____ Not Yet _____

Horse's Name _____ Breed _____

Age _____ Level Schooling _____ Level Showing _____

Rider Fees

**NOTE: Negative Coggins and rider release must be included with this application!
Vaccinations must be current.**

★ WDCTA Member: \$210/ride

★ Non-Member: \$260/ride

Ride Time Preferences: Saturday _____ Sunday _____ A.M. _____ P.M. _____

Will you need a stall? Overnight* _____ Day Stall _____ Just In and Out _____

* Stall fee per night: \$25 (payable to Caryn Vesperman)

Auditor Fees (Can be paid at the door. Bring your own lunch and chair.)

★ All WDCTA Members – FREE!

★ Non-WDCTA Member: 1 day = \$25 Both Days = \$40

Total Enclosed: \$ _____ Make rider and auditor check payable to: WDCTA Southwest Chapter

Send check, application, release form and Coggins to:


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Calendar of Events

WDCTA Events

Oct. 24-25

Postponed until 2021

Laura Graves Symposium

Organizer: WDCTA Southwest Chapter

Location: Alliant Energy Center, Madison

Contact: www.wdcta.org

Other Events

Oct. 17

Hotter Than Blazes Schooling Show

Judge: Fatima Pawlenko-Kranz, "R"

Location: Circle E Stables, Seymour, WI

Contact: Deb Heier (920) 819-2891

*Recognized by WDCTA, WDAA, and
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Katie Miller

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Jackie Luebke-Puetz

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Will teach through 2nd level, earned USDF Bronze medal. Served on USDF education committee, USEF steward. Will travel.

Megan McIsaac

Lindinhof Equine Sports Zentrum

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FEI trainer, USDF-certified instructor thru 4th Level, 2014 national champion with Kingsley. USDF Gold, Silver, Bronze medalist, all USDF bars. Competed four horses at GP. Competed successfully at Dressage at Devon and West Coast Festival. Year-end USDF, USEF, WDCTA awards. 15+ years teaching experience. Students competed through GP, earned rider awards and medals. Travel for lessons and clinics.

Katie Miller

Footloose Farm

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12 years of classical dressage experience, ridden through 4th level, earned USDF Bronze medal. Avid trail rider. Continuing education w/ Grand Prix trainer. Bachelors degree in teaching, specializing in teaching balanced riding from beginner to intermediate. School horses available. Will travel.

Kate Van Sicklen

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These questions are only to get the ideas for your profile started. Use as many of them as you want, and add others as needed. Email or mail this sheet and additional pages. The editor will follow up with any additional questions or clarifications.

Please submit some photos of yourself, facility, horses, etc. to:

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Address: _____ **City** _____ **State** _____ **Zip** _____
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Website: _____ **Email** _____

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Background History:

Current and Past Instructors/Mentors:

Horses -- Past and Current:

Your Showing/Riding Accomplishments:

Students' Accomplishments:

If you own your facility, describe:

Dream or What Inspires/Motivates You:

Interesting or Amusing Personal Story:

Riding/Training Philosophy or "Motto" or Belief You Try to Pass to Students:

Anything Else?



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