

# The Saddle Club Gazette

## TSCG Special Issue for LYDF 2015!

### The Letter From the Editor

By Zeus (Lyla Andrick)



Hello everyone! It's yours truly, Zeus! Welcome to Lendon's Youth Dressage Festival 2015! Woo Hoo! So, here with me today, riding for Cricket Hill Academy in Training Level are Erin Feiner and Little Man Tate, Lula Langdon and Maddie, and Lulu Levy

and Mystic Mariner (Madison). Riding for the Cricket Hill academy Introductory Level are Lyla Andrick and Skip it all Dazzle (Sunny), Sofia Emy and Rascal and Mia Emy and Bandit!

The Saddle Club Gazette began January this year and comes out every month. For LYDF, I decided to make a special issue. Saddle Club at Cricket hill has been going on as long as Ray, one of our senior horses, has known. In Saddle Club, we have a mounted lesson, which consists of fun games and dressage related techniques. After our ride, take care of our horses and tack; we have an un-mounted lesson where we eat burnt popcorn, learn about horsemanship, how to take care of horses and other valuable lessons concerning horses and riding.

Riders in Saddle Club don't just come to the stable, hop on a horse, trot in a circle, and hop off. Here at Cricket hill, for as long as anyone can remember, we have taken care of horses AND loved them. Riders are responsible for their horses and earn volunteer hours. Cricket Hill doesn't believe that winning a blue ribbon is the "be all end all." We ride for the love of horses.

Our Saddle Clubians are very excited to be coming to LYDF! For many of us, this is our second or third time showing here, but let's welcome Mia Emy, as this is her very first time showing at HITS on schooling horse Bandit!

Good luck!

Enjoy this special issue of The Saddle Club Gazette!

Au revior mes amis et chevaux

~ Zeus

### A Poem for Maddie

By Lula Langdon

Galloping in the field  
Munching on grass  
Whinnying by the gait  
Standing in wildflowers  
I could stand and watch for hours



### 17<sup>th</sup> Annual Youth Dressage Festival

By Lyla Andrick

I can't believe it! We made it! It's finally time for YDF again! LYDF began in 1999! This festival is great for all young riders and fun to watch as well! Lendon's mission is to create horse lovers out of young kids; she hopes that all of us develop good sportsmanship. Not only does riding count, but so does our knowledge about horses. The written test tests our knowledge on horse safety, riding and horse care.

It's interesting to think that once upon a time, all the great riders of the world, including Lendon Gray, started out like all of us riding here; young, horse crazy and just plain crazy. It takes a lot of work to reach the level that all our idols have reached. Riding at LYDF is just the start of making it "big" in the arena. If all King Edward's horses could make big fences, so can we.

So good luck to all of you, and remember, you're not only on a team, but also in a partnership with your horse. I can't wait to ride down centerline, salute, and begin!

### Tack Room Talk

By Erin Feiner

For this Tack Room Talk, we will be talking about Reed Kessler and her horse Cylana. Reed Kessler is a show jumper (not dressage for the dressage people) She was born July 9 and is 21 years old, she 5,5 ft. tall.



Reed Kessler, just at 18 years old qualified for the 2012 London Olympics! Then she was crowned the youngest rider to qualify for the Olympics ever. Kessler trained hard with her godparents Katie and Henri Prudent. During September 2013 Kessler moved to Germany to work with Marcus Ehning, and she moved to his home base in Broken, Germany. One of her horse's names is Cylana, Cylana is a 13-year-old horse, and she is a chestnut Belgian Warmblood, owned by Reed Kessler.

Kessler also owns 5 more horses 4 of them are Warmbloods and one Irish sport horse.

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## A Day in the Life of Topper By Lulu Levy

Hi my name is Topper and it is early in the morning and time for my grain! I get up from the floor of my stall and shake sawdust off my light chestnut coat. My grain is dumped into my bucket and my nose dives straight for it with the rest of me in tow. When I am finished with my grain I am taken outside to play with Quincy the draft horse, Beau the chestnut horse, and Simon the mean pony. I frolic in my paddock for a few hours, which I spend, by chasing Quincy away from the good grass, eating the good grass, and avoiding Simon's nipping. At around two o'clock, (horses aren't good with time) I am taken up to the barn along with some other horses for Saddle Club. We are groomed (I love it when my star is rubbed), then tacked up (I hate it when my girth is tightened), and ridden for an hour. We weave cones or go over poles or just go around and around in circles. My favorite part of Saddle Club is when all the other horses are cantering around and I am standing in the middle doing nothing but watching other horses work! I am not allowed to canter because I was a barrel racer and now I get too carried away when I canter, so I am happy to walk and trot. After Saddle Club I am untacked, fed a carrot and then put in my stall for the night. I relax with my hay and grain (which I have been waiting for since breakfast) and the Saddle Club Gazette so when I wake up tomorrow I can do it all over again!

## Jackson, The Horse's Treat Recipe

By Jami Wallace

### Ingredients

1 c oats (not instant)  
1c barley  
½ c corn meal  
½ c flax meal  
6 baby carrots shredded  
Crushed peppermints (3 or 4)  
Molasses (¼ to ½ c)



### Directions

Put oats and barley in a bowl and add water to cover. Microwave 2 min.

Add rest of ingredients

Stir well. It should be a sticky mess, not wet and drippy.

Form into balls ( about 1 inch round) and put on a cookie sheet.

Press down slightly so they are almost flat. They can be very close together as they do not rise or spread out.

Bake at 200 degrees for 8 hours or overnight.

They will be dry and hard. They store a long time and do not mold.

## The One and Only Bailey (a pony)

By Paris Levy

Hello everybody it's Bailey, if you have not heard of me... Well, basically everyone has heard of me!!!!

'Cause "I am the one and only Bailey"

Anyway we'll be doing jokes today, yay my favorite. So let's get started with those jokes

Q: Who is the pony with a mustache and Mohawk?

A: B A I L E Y

Q: Who is lazy, cute, fat and likes to sleep?

A: B A I L E Y

So that's all for today.

Do not forget I am at CHF right this minute stop by and say hi!

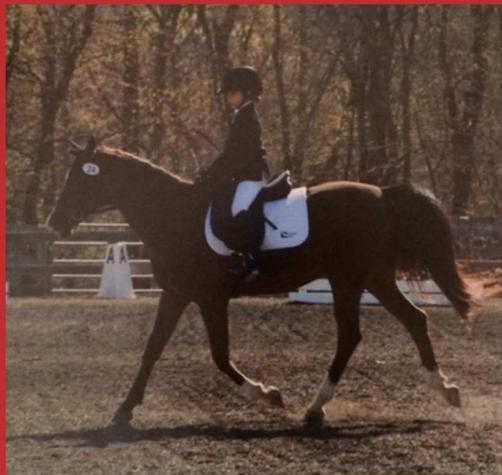
Love Bailey



## TSCG Photo Gallery



Madison: Photo taken By Lulu Levy



Paris Levy riding Ricky



Erin Feiner riding Tate