

Hi, everyone--

This winter marks the 11th anniversary of De La Brooke Pony Club's winter dressage schooling show series. I hope you all will join us for this year's shows. Aileen and Eddie Hopkins have graciously agreed to host them again this year at Sam Hill Farm in Charlotte Hall, Maryland.

News of note about the series:

- We're offering only two shows, one in January and one in February, with a designated inclement weather make up date in March.
- We're fortunate to have excellent judges for this series, and a beautiful, convenient facility.
- We'll continue to group your rides together, rather than divide them by level. So you can arrive, warm up, ride your tests, and then leave when you'd like. This helps us with parking and lets riders participate without having to invest the entire day.
- We'll schedule three breaks during the day, during which time you can warmup in the indoor if you'd like. Outdoor grass warmup is available all day.
- We'll do our best to work with you about special scheduling requests. We can accomodate riders trailering together, riders on multiple horses, AM or PM availability, etc. Just let us know what you need, and we'll try to make it work.

The entry form is attached and is also available on the De LaBrooke Pony Club website, <http://www.delabrookeponyclub.com>. Traditionally we have lots of riders, and we expect the shows to be very popular again this year. *The closing date is one week before each show*--please get your entries in early before the schedule fills up.

This is De La Brooke Pony Club's primary fundraiser. The kids and sponsors all volunteer to make it a successful and fun series. I hope you'll join us. If you can't ride this year, but would like to support the series and this local pony club, please consider making a donation. Riders--any contribution over your entry fee is tax deductible!

We're looking forward to seeing everyone again this year. Please feel free to forward this message along to others who might be interested in taking advantage of this great opportunity to show this winter!

Thank you for your generous support of De La Brooke Pony Club,

Laura