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Dressage at Devon Announces Breed and Performance Judges for 2019

August 1, 2019 (Devon, PA) – Dianne Boyd, Dressage at Devon Show Manager, announces the line-up for judges at the 2019 show.

Breed Division

Jayne Ayers (DSHB-R-WI)

Jayne Ayers has been an FEI “I” dressage judge for more than 10 years, and has been judging dressage for the US Equestrian Federation for almost 30 years. She has been a long-time member of the Dressage Committee, where she has served on sub-committees for Freestyle, Juniors, Young Horses, Rules, Test Writing, and Sport Horse Breeding. She is also licensed to judge Sport Horse Breeding shows. She was also an eventing judge for about 15 years, but ran out of time to do everything. As a judge and clinician, she has represented the FEI on the World Dressage Challenge Tour and teaching FEI Development Clinics. In addition to a busy judging schedule in the United States and Canada, she has judged extensively in Central and South America, as well as in Europe. Jayne enjoys helping others develop their judging skills for dressage and for sport horse breeding. She has been a member of the USDF L Program Faculty since its inception. She instructs judge candidates and examines them at all levels for USEF. She also teaches

riders at all levels at her training stable, as well as in clinics throughout the USA, Canada, and other countries. Horses she has trained and shown have won numerous national awards. She has been long and short-listed for the US Equestrian Team. She owns a training stable in Wisconsin, with her husband and two children, and has been breeding horses for dressage for over 20 years.

Carter Bass (DSHB-R-VA)

Carter Bass has been involved with horses since childhood, competing in Hunters, Eventing and Dressage. She has been a dressage instructor for 35 years, and has coached several horse/rider combinations that have received Horse of the Year awards, regional championships and competed at Grand Prix. Bass has been a licensed official with the USEF since 1989, receiving "R" Dressage and "R" Dressage Sporthorse Breeding licenses. She was accepted into the USEF Senior Judges training program in 2012. She is a Bronze, Silver and Gold medalist.

Sue Mandas (DSHB-R-OH)

Sue has been involved in the sport of Dressage as competitor, trainer, breeder and instructor for over 40 years. She is a USEF "S" dressage judge, an "R" Sport Horse Breed judge, and an FEI 3* Para-Equestrian Judge. Involved with breeding warm blood Sport horses for many years, her first Grand Prix horse was one she bred, raised and trained herself. Sue is a USDF Bronze, Silver and Gold Medalist and earned the Silver and Gold Freestyle Bars. Sue has trained many horses to the FEI level, winning Regional Champion or Reserve Champion at every level, Second through Grand Prix, and making the USET longlist several times. Currently she is living in Centerville, Ohio where she rides, trains and teaches.

Kristi Wysocki (DSHB-R-CO)

Kristi Wysocki earned a degree in Metallurgical Engineering from Colorado School of Mines and worked as an engineer for fifteen years prior to returning her focus to her riding and training of dressage horses. She is a USEF licensed 'S' Dressage Judge, 'R' Dressage Sport Horse Judge and an FEI 4* PARA Dressage Judge. She is a USDF Gold,

silver and Bronze Medalist. She has competed several horses to the FEI levels, winning many regional and local championships through Grand Prix. She has also successfully competed in the CDI arena with multiple horses. Currently, she lives on Whidby Island, Washinton.

Her students have also competed successfully through the Grand Prix Level. Several students also have their bronze, silver, and/or gold medals. She has judged many USDF Regional Championships and Breeder Series Finals including Dressage at Devon, NEDA, CDS – Region 7 Lamplight – Region 3 and the new Global Dressage in Florida. She serves as the USDF Sport Horse Committee chair, is a member of the USDF Sport Horse Seminal Faculty, the USEF Dressage Committee, the USEF PARA Equestrian FEI PARA Equestrian FEI and National Affiliates Committee, and the 2012 United States PARA Dressage Selection Committee.

Performance Division

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with her husband and two children, and has been breeding horses for dressage for over 20 years.

Stephen Clarke 5*

Stephen Clarke is the FEI Official International Judge General and was head of the FEI Dressage judges' panel at the Alltech/FEI World Equestrian Games and the 2012 London Olympics. He has worked around the globe at all major dressage competitions, including 4 World Cup Finals, 3 European Championships, the World Games in Jerez, the World Equestrian Games in Aachen, the Olympic Games in Athens, the World Young Horse Championships, the Junior/YR European Championships and the Pan American Games. As a rider, Stephen competed successfully both nationally and internationally on his own horses Ulysses, Becket, Warlock's Water, Enchante and Eternal Spirit. He was reserve rider for the 1988 Seoul Olympics with Becket. Stephen is a well-spoken, well-respected clinician worldwide, capable of solving issues with practical effective exercises.

Carlos Lopes 4*

The 51-year old Lopes is a 4* international dressage judge and 5* Para dressage judge. Lopes also serves as captain of the Portuguese Grand Prix dressage team. He is an FEI Young Horse Judge, works regularly as an FEI Technical Delegate and is involved with CDI show organization in Portugal.

Jeanne McDonald 4*

Jeanne began riding at age eight with the New Canaan Mounted Troop in Connecticut, and has earned her USDF Bronze, Silver and Gold Medals. With her 3rd GP horse, the Oldenburg Stallion Tantris, and his offspring that she has bred at her Turning Point Farm in Downingtown, PA, Jeanne is still competing to help keep her rider perspective! Jeanne has been a licensed USEF Dressage judge for over 28 years and along with her FEI 4* & YH Dressage Judge's status, also holds a USEF "S" and a retired USEF/USDF "r" DSHB Judges license. In addition to judging throughout South, Central & North America, including National Dressage Championships, she has also judged the European Jr & Yr Championships in Holland. When not judging or riding, she enjoys teaching clinics from the West to East Coast which keeps her busy most every weekend from February thru November.

Cesar Torrente 4* (USDF-S COL)

A native of Colombia, Cesar Torrente is an international dressage judge and an FEI level dressage competitor. He is the first judge to be promoted through the new FEI 3 * program. Cesar has had the honor of standing on medal podium to receive the team gold medal two times in the Central American Games. He is a corporate lawyer by profession. Despite traveling the globe to judge worldwide, he maintains the precarious balance between his career and his passion for horses with apparent ease. He is known in the dressage world as a "€œrider™s judge", because he knows what it is like to be in the judges box, as well as the sandbox we call the dressage ring. Best of all, Cesar exudes warmth and is most often found with a smile on his face.

Lee Tubman (CDN)

With 30 years experience as a judge, Tubman is based in Wellington, Florida and travels across Canada, USA and South America for dressage clinics and judging assignments as a FEI 4*, Equine Canada "S", and USEF "S" Judge. A few of Tubman's accolades as a competitor include receiving a USDF gold medal, FEI 5 and 6 Year old Champion, gold and bronze NAYRC medalist, Canadian National Grand Prix Champion and a member of Team Canada at the 2012 and 2013 Wellington Nations Cup CDIO 4*.

Tubman has received the 3M Corporation Canadian Coach of the Year and has coached six Young Riders to NAYRC – two Team Bronze medals, four top 10 placings, and two students have become professional trainers. Additionally, Tubman has produced a large number of Small Tour and Young Rider horses as well as successful Grand Prix mounts.

Cristof Umbach 5*

Christof, 53, of Luxembourg is the first 5* from that nation. He was appointed 3* in 2008, 4* in 2011 and 4* for young horses a year later. He is a principal of the Grand Ducal dressage center team along with Grand Prix rider Sascha Schulz and French sponsor Patrice Mourruau. The team organizes the CDI at Leudelange.

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About Dressage at Devon

Dressage at Devon (www.dressageatdevon.org) has been a premier North American Equestrian event since its founding in 1975. It combines world-class dressage competition and the world's largest open breed show with the international Fall Festival show and special activities for the entire family. The six-day event attracts hundreds of riders from around the world and thousands of spectators. Dressage at Devon is a 501(c) (3) PA non-profit organization, benefitting equine education.

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