OLD DOMINION EQUESTRIAN ENDURANCE ORGANIZATION

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Top stories in this newsletter



In-Person Holiday Party, Annual Meeting, and Silent Auction

The Old Dominion Christmas Party, annual meeting and silent auction were held IN-PERSON on December 2, 2023 at Skyline Ranch Resort in Front Royal, VA again for the first time since 2019. While the turnout was relatively low, there was plenty of delicious food and comraderie to go around. In addition to the food, many fabulous items were donated for the silent auction such as a gift certificate for a 3 night stay at a rental cabin near Asheville, NC; a gift certificate for a 2 night stay with 1 site and 2 covered stalls at Buck Run Horse campgrounds in Jamestown, TN; a wooden handmade buck bench; a feed bucket full of LOTS of goodies; a set of new Apple ear buds; a silk shawl; custom horse scrubbies; and many other items. A huge thank you to those who donated items! The highest bidders were lucky to score some fantastic wins. Oh, and we can't forget the door prizes. Raffle tickets were distributed to individuals at each of the tables at the beginning of the evening, and those with winning tickets received gifts provided by Lenora Keener.

The annual meeting included elections. All individuals listed on the ballot who were running for the board and/or officer positions were re-elected and the changes to the by-laws passed. Several other highlights from the meeting included: an overview of a new OD Endurance Mentoring Program headed up by Teri Carroll which includes 6-months of in-person training rides and support, entry fee for the June ride (any distance), shirt, ride organization packet and training events; 2023 Triple Crown recipients; and plans for a 50th Anniversary belt buckle to commemorate the OD's existence; and, tentative dates for 2024 events (board meetings, drag rider clinic, work days, rides, and annual meeting/holiday party)

ODEEO Mentoring Program

The mentoring program headed up by Teri Carroll will be a 6-month program starting in January 2024 and running to June 2024. It will provide the following:

- virtual and in-person education and support,
- conditioning rides on sections of the Old Dominion,
- "insider" information from veteran finishers
- A training/planning calendar
- Organizational packet
- Crew "manual"
- Custom shirt
- Entry into the Old Dominion ride of your choice

Registration is limited so don't delay signing up. You can visit our website at olddominionrides.com to register. Contact Teri at tericarroll6735@gmail.com for more information.

ODEEO 50th Anniversary Buckle

The Old Dominion is ordering 100 Anniversary buckles to commemorate 50 years of the organization. Stay tuned for more information on how to obtain one of these limited edition buckles.





2023 ODEEO Triple Crown

Those individuals who completed all three ODEEO events using the same equine (and team in the case of Ride and Tie) at any distance were awarded certificates, a credit of \$25 off an entry fee on one of the 2024 rides, and a RTIC soft-sided cooler with an engraved tag. Individuals who entered and started all three rides, but did not finish still received a Triple Crown Credit just for showing sheer grit and determination! Below is a list of recipients.

2023	Ride Miles/Points										
Rider	Horse	NF	NF	OD	OD	OD	FV	FV	Total		
Jaime McArdle	Ireland's Khaleesi		55			100		50	205		
Grace Loomis	Gianna RL		55			100	50		205		
Tracy Benedict	Evanessence	55			55		50		160		
Rachel Land	Kimya		55		55			50	160		
Diana Murphy	Coachman's Burn Notice	30		25				50	105		
Millie Turner	Sunny Afternoon	30		25			30		85		

Ride & Tie – Riders	Horse	NF 4/14	NF 4/15	OD 6/9	OD 6/10	Weekend 7/15	Weekend 7/16	FV 10/20	FV 10/21	Total
Ellen Hart Janice Heltibridle	Rushcreek Bobby	55			100	20		50		225
Carrie Baris Chris Lang	Speedy Blue	20	20		25			30		95
Kelly Pults Lessie Skiba	Little Jack Cash (Dakota)		30		25				30	85
Barbara Mathews Martha Nelson	After While Crocodile (Gator)			25		20		30		75
Barbara Mathews Martha Nelson	FYF Riding Under the Influence (Dream)				25		20		30	75
Adrianne Diehl Kimberly Stephens	Crockett				12		20	15		47
Adrianne Diehl Kimberly Stephens	Bellize (Belle)	10		12		12				34

2023 Triple Crown Credits

Kelsey Claypool

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Rides

- Apr 19-20, 2024 No Frills •
- Jun 7-8, 2024 Old Dominion
- Aug 10-11, 2024 Ride and Tie weekend •
- Oct 18-19, 2024 Fort Valley Rides and Ride & Tie East Coast Regional Championship •

Clinics, Seminars, and Webinars

- Jan 16, 2024 Virtual Seminar, "Comfort" •
- Feb 10, 2024 In-Person Drag Rider Clinic, 12:00-4:00 pm @ TriCounty Feeds in Marshall, VA •
- Feb 20, 2024 Virtual Seminar, "What's in your pack" •
- Mar 19, 2024 Virtual Seminar, "Food" •

Work Days

- Mar 2, 2024 No Frills Trail Clearing
- May 11, 2024 Workday at base camp with meeting afterwards .

Board Meetings

- Jan 9, 2024 •
- Feb13, 2024 •
- Mar 12, 2024
- Apr 9, 2024 •
- May 11, 2024 Workday at base camp with meeting afterwards •
- Jul 13, 2024 Post-Ride, In-Person Board Meeting (Dinner at 5, meeting at 6) •
- Aug 13, 2024 •
- Sep 10, 2024 •
- Oct 8, 2024 •
- Nov 12, 2024 •
- Dec 7, 2024 Annual Meeting and Party at Sky • Line Ranch

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