

Weston-Wayland Open Spring Horse Show

HUNTER/PLEASURE SHOW & DRESSAGE AND TWO-PHASE EVENT A SUCCESS

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The Weston-Wayland Open Spring Horse Show held their annual event on May 2-3 this year. The weekend consists of the Hunter and Pleasure show on Saturday, and the Weston Dressage and 2-Phase Event on Sunday. Competitors seemed to have forgotten the news about the grim economic climate and not-so-sunny weather forecasts, as entries were actually up at both competitions over last year. As it turns out, a few odd raindrops late Sunday afternoon were the worst of the weather, and everyone who attended enjoyed two great days of showing.

Show management is sincerely appreciative of those competitors who chose these events to be among their spring outings this year! This annual spring weekend provides all of the funding to maintain the Ruth B. Dickson Memorial Rings, which are the former Weston 4-H Rings. A good turnout means that the facility continues to be preserved as open space in an era when so much land has been lost for riding.

Saturday classes were officiated by Joe Lombard in the Pleasure Ring and Lisa Foster in the Hunter Ring, while Rick Pearson handled the dressage judging duties for Sunday's event. All three are

finalized, and the Dickson Rings will be the new home of North Gate's June 14, September 13, and November 1 shows in 2009. Details are available at www.northgatefarm.com.

Jericho Forest Pony Club has also expressed an interest in hosting a Derby-Cross at the Rings. Derby-Cross is a friendly competition which combines elements of cross-country and show jumping. It is a great opportunity to get



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