

# 2015 CDS AMATEUR CLINIC SERIES WITH VOLKER BROMMANN

*Sign Up With Your Chapter To Ride!*



## CHAPTER PARTICIPATION

1. Procedures for Chapters to Reserve Clinic Space - to reserve a Chapter's space in the clinic the Chapter Chair or Chapter Treasurer is required to send a check for \$150.00 to the CDS Central Office as follows:
  - a. For Central Clinics in March/April - from November through December 31, (perfect time for drawing at Christmas party)
  - b. For South Clinics in April/May - from January 1st through March 1st.
  - c. For North Clinics in August/October - from May 1st through July 1.
  - d. Checks must be received by these deadlines or the chapter will forfeit the spot. If a Chapter is sending a rider but not supporting the fee, the rider is responsible for the clinic fee and the check must be received by the organizer by the deadline.
  - e. Any vacant spots will be filled on a first-come, first-served basis from the waiting list by the Clinic Organizer. Any conflicts or problems will be handled in coordination with the Committee Chair.
  - f. Any Chapter or individual can place a name or request to be on the waiting list.
2. Rider Eligibility and Selection - Riders must be members in good standing of CDS and be Adult Amateurs 22 years or older. The same rider cannot ride in two consecutive yearly clinics. The riders must be able to walk/trot/canter with proper diagonals and leads (Training Level minimally). The rider, to be eligible, must have a sound, fit and in good condition, familiar equine partner, presenting as a "horse/rider team". They must be actively riding demonstrated by current dressage lessons with their horse for the past 6 months. A borrowed or loaned horse just for the occasion is strongly discouraged. An application must be submitted.
3. Chapter/Additional Eligibility Requirements - chapters may adopt additional requirements for eligibility which will be in the Chapter's Standing Rules. These rules must be publicized in advance. Interested members will provide a written application stating interest in participating in the selection drawing and provide a one paragraph biography of horse (age, breed, level shown/ridden, accomplishments) and rider (three or four sentences about what the person wants to learn/goals, must include some background information on who they clinic/ train with, or the level they ride).
4. Chapter's Selection Procedures - Chapter selection is done by draw. Chapters should select their representative plus 1 to 2 alternates. Winners and alternates must be notified immediately after the drawing is completed. The Chapters must notify the Regional Organizers of the name(s) and contact information including telephone numbers, email address and CDS membership number of the chapter members selected in order. Failure to provide this information in a timely manner could result in a loss of space in the clinic. The Chapter representative must be selected and organizer notified not less than 60 days prior to the clinic date.

## Clinic Rider Orientation

- The clinic is organized over a three day period Friday evening through Sunday.
- Riders should plan to arrive on Friday and allow enough time to get their horse settled in and comfortable with the surroundings.
- The clinic officially begins with a mandatory meeting for the riders on Friday night.
- A potluck/pizza dinner is planned for Friday evening and is open to the riders and their grooms.
- Riders are encouraged to bring a groom. Trainers are encouraged to attend and support their riders.
- Riders will be introduced to the Clinician and the Clinician will explain what to expect from the clinic and answer rider questions.
- The schedule is handed out and all release forms are signed and collected. On the two riding days of the clinic, the riders are required to attend all portions of the clinic which may include attending discussion sessions during the day. SEE COMPLETE STANDING RULES ON CDS WEBSITE.

## VOLKER BROMMANN

Volker was born in Northern Germany, where his interest in the horse world started at the local riding club. He went on to apprentice in the German Equestrian Federation training program. Volker became a licensed Bereiter, F.N. in 1980, and a Pferdewirtschaftsmeister (this license is best known in the US as Reitlehrer, F.N.) in 1988 under the guidelines of the German Equestrian Federation.

Volker apprenticed with Walter Christensen in Tasdorf, Germany. Christensen was a trainer that believed in the basics; he was thorough and thoughtful in his approach.

Volker started working with Klaus Balkenhol (former coach of the German and the U.S. Dressage Team, and an Olympic medalist himself) in 1994. Consequently, Volker became Klaus's translator at many U.S. Team clinics for over 10 years, which gave Volker a lot of insight into the training of advanced dressage horses and riders.

Volker currently resides in Auburn, California. He coaches his students at shows, and he gives clinics throughout the United States. He also trains a few select horses at his home base near Sacramento, California.

Volker is a USDF Medalist and has trained numerous horses and horse/rider combinations to various USDF Medals. He trains and competes through the FEI level, as well as coaching other riders.

**Central: - Paso Robles**  
Golden Hills Farm  
Ellen Corob 805-440-2947  
MARCH 27-29, 2015

**South: Riverside**  
Stern Training Stable  
Carol Tice 714-514-5606  
APRIL 10-12, 2015

**North: Elk Grove**  
Starr Vaughn Equestrian  
Lindsey Bridges 775-772-3134  
OCTOBER 2-4, 2015