

## Calendar of Events

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February 27, 2025

### **NEDA Know How with Sal Salvetti to discuss equine massage therapy**

07:30 PM - 08:30 PM EST

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*Join the NEDA Know How moderators and Sal Salvetti as they discuss how to do simple daily checkins on our horses in order to accumulate base-line information to compare day to day. Also, how to correlate that with our riding and “feel”, to be better prepared to catch any red flags if something changes.*

*Sal is best known for his work on dressage horses however, he also has significant experience working on sport horses in all disciplines. He enjoys relationships with top dressage riders and trainers in America, as well as some in Europe, and has excellent relationships with most of the top competition veterinarians in the United States.*

March 6, 2025

### **NEDA Know How with Christoph Umbach to discuss the future of dressage**

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*Join the NEDA Know How moderators as they chat with Christoph Umbach about the future of dressage.*

*Formerly a banker German-born Christof was just four-years-old when he was introduced to horses. “My father went showjumping and hunting and when I was 14 I had my first horse, a Hanoverian, which I competed in eventing and jumping. Later I had one trained by Dr. Reiner Klimke, which was when I developed a passion for dressage.”*

*He worked in the banking business for twelve years. “But I’m not a banker any more – I’m a professional trainer.”*

*As a young German GP judge he was invited to many events. “This gave me opportunities to exchange ideas with experienced colleagues, and also broaden my horizons by constantly liaising not only with other judges, but with riders, trainers, event organisers and the media.”*

*In the last 22 years Christof’s home has been in Luxembourg where he heads the Grand Ducal Dressage Centre situated close to the city.*

*What he also feels has changed in the dressage world is equine management. “Horses, generally, are now treated better. Thirty years ago they were in small stables 23 hours a day and only taken out to ride; they had no social contact. Now they go out into the fields. Stables today are bigger, arenas better and there’s an improvement in the quality of training and riding.*

*“At the end of the day the most correctly ridden horses are the ones that go the best.”*

*Click the link to register for this session- you will then receive an email with the connecting links.*

March 13, 2025

**NEDA Know How with Jack LaTorre to chat about rider fitness**

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*Join the NEDA Know How moderators as they chat with Jack LaTorre about rider fitness.*

March 20, 2025

**NEDA Know How with Dr. Sara Perkins to discuss emerging research in Equine Complex Vert**

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*More details on this one coming soon! Click the link to register for this session- you will then receive an email with the connecting links.*

March 27, 2025

**NEDA Know How with Kim Gentry to chat on anatomical bridles**

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*Join the NEDA Know How moderators to chat with Kim Gentry about bridle fitting.*