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NOVEMBER 2026

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USDF Virtual Education series: Purpose of the Levels with Janet Foy

Education Region 8 USDF Virtual

November 17, 2026 • 8:00 PM – 9:00 PM

Where: Plympton, MA

Contact: USDF • education@usdf.org

Janet Foy will discuss the Purpose of the Levels. Janet Foy will discuss the Purpose of the Levels. Members are encouraged to submit questions ahead of the webinar to education@usdf.org

DECEMBER 2026

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2026 NEDA Year End Awards virtual celebration

Community Competitions NEDA Virtual

December 10, 2026 • 7:30 PM – 8:30 PM

Where: On Zoom

Contact: Dawn Mackenzie • mackenzied@neda.org

NEDA celebrates the hard work of its Year End Awards winners! Winners who opt in will be asked to share with us a professional and candid photo, along with accompanying story to share helping us all to see behind the curtain to the hard work that went into this year's victories. Join us to cheer along our colleagues, thank our volunteers, give props to sponsors, and toast to 2026!

JANUARY 2027

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NEDA Know How: Sarah Geikie: New test prep and planning (Intro & Training Level)

Education NEDA NEDA Know How Virtual

January 7, 2027 • 7:30 PM – 8:30 PM

Contact: Karen Roberts, Director of Education • Education@neda.org

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NEDA Know How: Sarah Geikie: New test prep and planning (Second Level)

Education NEDA NEDA Know How Virtual

January 14, 2027 • 7:30 PM – 8:30 PM

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NEDA Know How: Dawn Mackenzie: Liberty work to improve partnerships

Education NEDA NEDA Know How Virtual

January 21, 2027 • 7:30 PM – 8:30 PM

Contact: Karen Roberts, Director of Education • Education@neda.org

From her earliest years, Dawn Mackenzie was immersed in the world of animal training. Raised by renowned animal behaviorist Dr. Stephen A. Mackenzie and a horse-crazy mother who shared his passion for learning and teaching, she grew up in barns, running seminars focused on improving equine/human partnerships through the McCall Method, and assisting her father in the training of police and military working dogs. Sh...

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NEDA Know How: Sarah Geikie: New test prep and planning (Third & Fourth Level)

Education NEDA NEDA Know How Virtual

January 28, 2027 • 7:30 PM – 8:30 PM

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NEDA Know How: Shannon Dueck: Lateral Work and How it Builds

Education NEDA NEDA Know How Virtual

February 4, 2027 • 7:30 PM – 8:30 PM

Contact: Karen Roberts, Director of Education • Education@neda.org

Shannon Dueck is a lifelong equestrian who moved to New England from Vancouver in 1997 to get closer to great dressage opportunities. She has represented Canada internationally at the Pan Ams, WEG and the World Cup on self-trained horses, and coaches internationally as well. She now resides in Loxahatchee Florida where she runs DueckDressage Training and is lucky enough to count Carl Hester as one of her coaches. ...

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NEDA Know How: Nicole Graf: Coaching and Learning at Equestics

Education NEDA NEDA Know How Virtual

February 11, 2027 • 7:30 PM – 8:30 PM

Contact: Karen Roberts, Director of Education • Education@neda.org

Nicole Graf is a seasoned marketing and go-to-market executive, with more than 20 years experience in brand strategy, product marketing, and global market expansion. She joined Equestic in January of 2026 from Ridely, where she served as U.S. Country Manager, leading strategic partnerships with federations, major brands, and Olympic athletes. Previously, Graf directed the U.S. market launch for PS of Sweden, overs...

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NEDA Know How: Dr. Caitlin Eaton: The Aging Equine Athlete

Education NEDA NEDA Know How Virtual

February 18, 2027 • 7:30 PM – 8:30 PM

Contact: Karen Roberts, Director of Education • Education@neda.org

Dr. Caitlin Eaton founded EquidDoc Veterinary Services in 2017 with the goal of providing innovative, professional and compassionate care to horses and small ruminants and their owners throughout central Massachusetts, metro-west and beyond. Dr. Caitlin earned her B.S. in Biochemistry from Bates College and her DVM from Cummings School of Veterinary Medicine at Tufts. She completed advanced training in large anima...

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NEDA Know How: Helen Ingersoll of EquiClarity: Train the Owner

Education NEDA NEDA Know How Virtual

February 25, 2027 • 7:30 PM – 8:30 PM

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NEDA Know How: The Concussion & CTE Foundation: Annual Summit Update

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March 4, 2027 • 7:30 PM – 8:30 PM

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NEDA Know How: March 11 TBA

Education NEDA NEDA Know How Virtual

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NEDA Know How: Tianna Vestri of Corinthian Insurance: How to Insure Your Horse

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NEDA Know How: Niall Quirk: Train the Trainer

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March 25, 2027 • 7:30 PM – 8:30 PM

Contact: Karen Roberts, Director of Education • Education@neda.org

Niall coaches riders at every level and has worked for the Equestrian governing bodies of the United Kingdom, South Africa and Ireland. Experience & Approach: Niall Quirk is one of the most inspiring equestrian coaches in the world. He is a Trainer of Trainers and has worked with equestrian coaches all across Europe, the U.S. and in South Africa. With a classical approach, Niall coaches riders of all levels up to ...