



# **Dressage Horse Health Workshop**

**Presented by Dr. Natalie Lord**

**Saturday Nov. 9, 2019 4pm-6:30pm**

**Brookstone Farm 1011 Patriot Way, Georgetown, TX**



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## **Common Lameness Ailments in Dressage Horses**

### **& Conformation Assessment of Different Types of Dressage Horses**

Dressage horses come in all different shapes and sizes. But what conformational qualities make a good dressage horse? What qualities make a sound horse? And what are the common lameness and injuries seen in dressage performance horses? In this lecture, Natalie Lord, DVM, and fellow dressage rider, will:

- Explain common injuries in dressage performance horses, the locations (joint versus soft tissue) and their treatments.
- Discuss certain breeds of horses in dressage and what lameness issues they are prone to that may impact their future in the arena.
- Give a brief overview of the lameness exam, diagnostic nerve blocks, location of ailments and necessary diagnostics needed to make a correct and accurate diagnosis (radiographs, ultrasound, MRI etc.)
- Look at live examples of different dressage horses. We will look at what conformational qualities help a horse function properly and soundly. We can compare conformation across breeds: ex. Warmbloods, Baroque breeds, TB, Arabian, etc. What ailments we see in some horses and how they can be helped, and point out strengths associated with conformation.

Dr. Lord will bring the research literature to life, facts and statistics regarding diagnostics, ailments, therapies, and results of therapies in dressage performance horses. This lecture aims to be a discussion and sharing of thoughts and experiences with trainers, riders, breeders and owners. Everyone is welcomed!

**ADU Members - FREE**

**Guests - \$10**

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