



Dressage4Kids Announces the American Connemara Pony Society Scholarship

Dressage4Kids (D4K) is proud to announce a new scholarship!

The **American Connemara Pony Society Scholarship**, generously sponsored by the American Connemara Pony Society, provides financial support to eligible riders ages 25 and under who are members of the ACPS and ride a registered Connemara pony.

Scholarship funds are designed to support participation in specific Dressage4Kids programs, including:

- D4K TEAM Program
- D4K Summer Intensive Training Program
- D4K Winter Intensive Training Program
- D4K Training4Teaching Program
- D4K Unmounted Programs
- Lendon's Youth Dressage Festival

In keeping with the spirit of giving back, scholarship recipients are required to contribute to both Dressage4Kids and ACPS programs. Contributions may include volunteering at events, organizing clinics or fundraisers, writing articles, or participating in promotional efforts.

ACPS Junior Scholarship Committee Chair Linda Haines says, "Connemaras are such a versatile breed, and, as Lendon Gray herself has proven, they can excel in dressage. The D4K/ACPS Scholarship will empower juniors and young riders to explore dressage as part of their ongoing riding education. It's a chance to hone their skills, fuel their passion, and advance their riding education. We are thrilled to partner with Dressage4Kids to make this opportunity available."

For more information about the scholarship, eligibility criteria, or how to apply, please visit <https://dressage4kids.org/scholarships/connemara-scholarship.html> or contact Mary Livernois at d4k.org@gmail.com.



Pictured: Mica Mabrugaña and the Connemara stallion Ballywhim Ardan Mor, affectionately known as Danny, competing in the FEI Young Riders Division in 2006. Mica has since become a Grand Prix rider and trainer. (Note: this photo was taken before the widespread use of helmets in equestrian sports. We strongly encourage and advocate for the use of safety helmets at all times while riding, in accordance with current safety standards.)

About Dressage4Kids

Dressage4Kids™ is a non-profit 501c3 dedicated to providing educational and competitive opportunities for youth riders and the adults who support them.

website: <https://dressage4kids.org/>

About the American Connemara Pony Society

The American Connemara Pony Society is committed to promoting the breeding, registration, training, exhibition, and use of the Connemara in North America. Known for their versatility, intelligence, and athleticism, Connemara ponies excel in various disciplines, including dressage, making them beloved partners for riders of all ages.

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