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Alliance Announced Between FOSH and NAWD

Friends of Sound Horses (FOSH) is pleased to announce that it has entered into an Alliance Partnership with North American Western Dressage (NAWD) for 2015 and beyond.

NAWD and FOSH will work together to promote classical principles for all gaited horses through a new virtual show program called "Gaits Wide Open". Gaits Wide Open shall be modeled after NAWD's successful virtual show program and feature judges licensed by the Independent Judge's Association for gaited dressage, both Traditional and Western, with the possibility of expanding into Trail and Groundwork options.

NAWD and FOSH believe that gaited horses and riders can learn, train and excel in any discipline with the same classical training scale ideals of rhythm, relaxation, suppleness, connection, impulsion, and collection that are used by non-gaited breeds.

Included in the 2015 plans are:

- Wisconsin Western Dressage Clinic for gaited horses
- Midwest Horse Fair Booth
- Minnesota Horse Expo Booth

Plans are in progress for educational activities, events and virtual show opportunities.

Classical horsemanship is for EVERY equestrian. Both FOSH and NAWD (www.nawdhorse.org) welcome gaited horse owners and equine enthusiasts who like to ride, try, and have fun with classical horsemanship or are interested in promoting dressage for gaited breeds. If interested, please feel free to contact either organization to become involved as both welcome your enthusiasm, ideas and support.

FOSH is a national leader in the promotion of natural, sound gaited horses and in the fight against abuse and soring of Tennessee Walking Horses. For more information about FOSH, or to become a member, please visit www.fosh.info or call 800-651-7993.