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USEF Para-Equestrian Dressage National Championships Awarded and the Long List for USEF Para-Dressage Team for 2010 Alltech FEI World Equestrian Games™ Announced

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Wayne, IL-June 28, 2010- The final day of intense competition for the USEF Para-Equestrian Dressage National Championships and the USEF Para-Dressage Selection Trials for the 2010 Alltech FEI World Equestrian Games™ Sunday. Earning both the championship rosette and cooler and the championship rosette and cooler was Rebecca Hart. Hart rode both to top honors over the last three days. Hart and Kazan earned the Championship and Hart and Norteassa earned the reserve championship. Hart was surrounded by top coaches including her trainer and Chef d'Eq USA, Missy Ranshousen; top judges Chris Phipps (GBR), Lillian Iannone (ARG), and Carlos Lopes (POR); and top coaches

The weekend's competition was a chance for the riders to not only compete among their peers, but to gain experience in front of international judges. Three days of Para-Dressage competition included the team test, the individual test, and freestyle competition. On Sunday, the freestyle test added the artistic element to the test where riders showcased their artistic abilities on horseback.

Hart was pleased with both of her horses over the weekend. She is really happy with both Kazan and Norteassa. "It has been a long and long drive to get here, the weather changed constantly from storm to hot, and then raining, and overall despite those drawbacks both horses were wonderful. They went in there and did their job."

Both of Hart's tests featured music that was exciting, emotional and relaxing. Hart challenged herself by featuring additional movement and canter work which is not required at Grade II. Hart explained, "For the music that Kerri Sowers used for the Young Riders and then we used a little for the Para-Test. I love the Manheim Steamroller music and it fits Kazan's personality. Norteassa's, or squeaky as we like to call him, likes the same music we performed to in Hong Kong. I have always liked the



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Norteassa and I thought it was emotional and moving.”

Hart had three wonderful days at the Lamplight Equestrian Center is not official yet that she will be going to the 2010 Alltech FEI World Equestrian Games™, (WEG) she looks forward to sticking with her plan as the Equestrian Games approach. “We have a couple of months to work items,” smiled Hart. “When we are home we will continue working keeping the horses happy, healthy and fit; and I would love to repeat weekend’s performance in October in Lexington, KY.”

Without the support of everyone involved with the Para-Equestrian exciting year may not have been possible. “The fact that Para-Equestrian involved in the World Equestrian Games opens the door for a disabled is a great opportunity for all disabled athletes out there to get involved.” Hart.

Hart added, “I would like to thank all of my sponsors and supporters: Hagyard Equine Medical Institute; Supracore; Starbucks; Kerri Sow generously donated Kazan for me to use; Missy Ranshousen and Niagra Equissage and Paul Magee, who keeps the ponies backs very every one else involved. I hope that I have not left any names out everyone is very important to my horses, my program, and our future.”

The next stop on the Para-Equestrian’s calendar will be traveling to Kentucky for the 2010 Alltech FEI World Equestrian Games™. The competitions will take place in the Covered Arena on the Kentucky starting on October 5, 2010 and ending October 8, 2010. Starting in 2010, the Individual Team Tests are scheduled and riders will compete on horses for four days ending with Individual Freestyle Tests on October 8, 2010.

RESULTS:

2010 USEF Para-Equestrian Dressage National Championships

PLACING RIDER HORSE TOTAL(%)

- 1 Rebecca Hart Kazan 69.745
- 2 Rebecca Hart Norteassa 69.014
- 3 Robin Brueckmann Raison d'Etre 66.633
- 4 Laura Goldman Carlingford JD 66.265
- 5 Susan Treabess Moneypenny 65.763
- 6 Holly Bergay Grand Ballerina 65.087
- 7 Jonathon Wentz NTEC Richter Scale 64.999
- 8 Wendy Fryke Lateran 64.987
- 9 Jennifer Baker Duel 63.494
- 10 Mary Jordan Paxton Abbey 61.95
- Robin Brueckmann Radetzky 61.83
- Kim Decker Dashers Destiny 61.718
- Erin Alberda Delectari 61.038
- Kathryn Groves Friespruch 61.026
- Barbara Grassmyer Mibis 60.573
- Mary Jordan Brigadier 59.825
- Kim Jones Fascination 58.158
- Jonathon Wentz Contigo 56.949

Wendy Shugol Statesman's Larissa 54.388
Elizabeth Pigott Mr. Darcy 52.655
Wendy Shugol Statesman's Audacious 34.733

Long List for the USEF Para-Dressage 2010 Alltech FEI World Eque

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Susan Treabess
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