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## Germany, Great Britain Para-Riders Harvest 1 Gold

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Lexington, KY – October 8, 2010 - First, an apology and a correction. The team of Hannelore Brenner and her 16-year-old Hanoverian mare, Stinna Tange Kaastrup, helped the team to secure the gold medal. She also took the individual bronze in spite of a tie with Norway's Jens Ivar Kaastrup.

In Day One of the ParaDressage championships, here are the provincial winners in Grades III and Ia.

Hannelore Brenner (GER) added Freestyle gold to her team and individual medals. Again partnering with Women of the World, the 15-year-old Hanoverian mare by Walt Disney, Brenner earned 79.200 to take the gold. The silver will go home with Annika Lykke Dalskov (DEN), already sport bronze and individual silver, who danced with Preussen Wind to the score of 75.400. Sharon Jarvis (AUS) who earned individual bronze now has the silver to good walk-work aboard Applewood Odorado and 74.550 from the judges.

Two Americans performed freestyle routines. Wendy Fryke and Latisha earned 65.100 for eighth place. Erin Alberda and Delectari followed in ninth place.

In the Grade Ia, Freestyle competition again proved fierce especially with the presence of all three of the British riders involved in the individual competition. As expected, they rose to the occasion. This time Emma Sheardow and Dream scored the gold standard with 78.550 – a nice addition to her silver. Yesterday's individual champion Sophie Christensen and Riv Berkeley earned 77.450 for the silver. For the longest time, it looked like Sara Morganti might take the podium on a score of 74.150, but the Anne Dunhan (GBR) and Teddy, edged into the medals and onto the podium with a score of 74.800.

The two American riders did well. Kim Decker and Dasher's Destiny earned 64.300 and put in a much better test with more active walk work. Decker was pleased with their routine and stated that she intended to practice hard so that she could compete with the Europeans.

Laura Goldman entered the ring on Carlingford JD at a rising trot – freestyle trotting is optional – and all went well until she lost her iron count against her, mark-wise, as she finished the test without iron pressure from Goldman’s legs and a few moments of instability in the routine. Had Goldman not lost her irons, she would have scored 63.550 and 12th. She received lots of cheers and will undoubtedly work in future freestyles.

Sunday concludes the ParaDressage Freestyle Championships for C and IV at the Alltech FEI World Equestrian Games in Kentucky.

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