

City to Saddle's clinic with Leslie de Grandmaison was a great success.
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City to Saddle's April 2nd benefit clinic, featuring instructor/trainer Leslie de Grandmaison, received high marks and praise from a full house of participating riders, auditors, and guests.

Favored by clear skies and warming temperatures, the day-long clinic was held at the recently-renovated Ellysium Farm in Harvard, MA. Owner, Abbey Henderson, generously donated her wonderful facility, staff, and exceptional amenities for the venue- assuring, horses, riders, and spectators a splendid day of instruction and fun... all for a great cause!

Attendees were treated to refreshments throughout the day while observing riders, and listening to Leslie's instruction and commentary from the comfort of Ellysium's heated viewing gallery. Paul Eason of Sound Advice donated the great audio system.

A popular clinician and generous City to Saddle Sponsor, Leslie de Grandmaison underscored the goal of creating happy, healthy, and successful horse and rider teams by emphasizing a balanced and systematic approach to horsemanship. She placed strong emphasis on correct rider position, and appropriate advancement in training.

A USDF Bronze and Silver Medalist, USDF "L" Graduate with Distinction, plus earned BSHAI, Leslie's relaxed and supportive approach greatly encouraged rider motivation and moments of clarity leading to many "AHA, I GET IT!" moments- instances appreciated by horse, rider, and gallery audience.

Of the day's classes Leslie reflected, "This was a wonderful and incredibly focused group of clinic riders". Wendy Zarella of Carlisle MA, riding her Morgan gelding, had this to say about the experience. "Amazing Clinic, I had a great time". Diana Walther emailed that "This was our very first clinic, and it was amazing. We had a great time and daughter, Jess, had a great learning experience. Thank you for the wonderful hospitality. Everyone was just great."

Riders received gift bags donated by Dover Saddlery containing a saddle pad with City to Saddle embroidered logo, hoofpick, a gift certificate, and other items.

