



These remarks are for a snapshot in the lifetime of these horses. We encourage owners and breeders to attend keurings whenever possible for further evaluation of their horses, their breeding goals and breeding directions.

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Flash Gordon S.E.



Finn



Cantata

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Host: Mary Alice Malone

Jury: Bart Henstra from the Netherlands; Lana Sneddon from Indiana; and Dr. Deborah P. Harrison from California.

After a good night's rest at the pleasant and historic Stottsville Inn, we started our morning with a class of three top dressage geldings. All three received ster qualifying scores because of their good movement. (Geldings are actually considered to be 'ster quality' because they can't move into the studbook, which is reserved for breeding animals.).

The highest scoring adult dressage horse was **Flash Gordon S.E.** (Sir Donnerhall x Bardot S.E. ster by Florencio, owned and bred by Siegi Belz-Fry of Stall Europa) his well-proportioned uphill type earned him an 80 for conformation. Yesterday he scored an 80 in the DG Bar Cup and free he impressed us again. He received an 8.5 for the trot and self-carriage, but the canter was his highlight. He showed a good carrying hind leg as well as an expressive front leg. Combined with his uphill posture and balance he was awarded a 9! When Flash Gordon fulfills his additional studbook requirements he will move up to the Foalbook and become ster quality.

Our second placed gelding was **Finn** (Jazz pref x Le Diamant ster by Sauvage Diamant, owned by Diane Seddon of Waterloo Farm and bred by Victoria Lamas-Wanner of Greifenstein Farm). Finn is a very modern long lined gelding that has a lot of expression but could develop more muscling in the topline. His powerful and supple trot also showed good leg technique and was uphill, earning him an 8.5. The canter was also powerful with good leg technique, earning him an 8.

The third placed gelding was **Fleetwood ISF** (UB 40 x Toraya ster by Goodtimes, owned and bred by Iron Spring Farm). Fleetwood has a well-developed topline and showed good leg technique and suspension in all his gaits

Here is a fun fact: Flash Gordon SE and Fleetwood ISF were top five as foals in 2010!

In the stb/ster dressage mare class, the 6-year old **Cantata** (Sir Sinclair x Wyndale by Contango pref, owned and bred by Suellen Myers of Willow Spring farm) had already earned her sport predicate in dressage! Cantata is a tall long-lined and elegant mare with a kind expression. She showed three clear and supple gaits. Cantata was convincing and by earning her ster predicate and keur eligibility today became keur.



Freedom



Edelweiss

Reports from the Road generally feature first premium or 'stand-out' horses.

The interestingly bred **Freedom**, son of Grand Prix jumpers Vegas erkend and Melisimo sport/sp (Libero H pref x Jasper keur) was presented for stallion approval and received his ster predicate by passing the IBOP with 75.5 points (8.5 for scope). His evaluation will be forwarded to the KWPN jumper stallion committee in Holland for further review and ultimate decision. Freedom is owned by Emil Spadone of Redfield Farm and was bred by Morgan Hill Partners.

We ended the day with the Hunter mare class. The mare **Edelweiss** (Riverman x Just for Fun by Consul, owned and bred by Sarah Shelor of Grassfields Sporthorses) earned her ster predicate and became keur eligible with her beautiful type. Her lovely expression combined with good technique over fences was convincing and earned her the best Adult Hunter at Iron Spring Farm.

Ster (and eligible for vb/ster or keur)

Dressage Geldings

Flash Gordon (Sir Donnerhal x Florencio) - eligible for Foalbook & ster quality

Finn (Jazz x Sauvage Diamant) - ster quality

Fleetwood (UB40 x Goodtimes) - ster quality

Dressage Mares

Cantata sport/dr (Sir Sinclair x Contango) - keur

Hunter Mares

Edelweiss (Riverman x Consul) keur eligible

Jumper Stallions

Freedom (Vegas x Melisimo sport/sp by Libero H)