



The scores and remarks are given for a snapshot 'at this moment' 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.



Pineland in autumn



Pineland campus



Pineland horse barn

## 2010 KEURING REPORTS

### Pineland Farms, Inc. – New Gloucester, ME

Hosts: Gwyneth McPherson

Jury: Bart Henstra-Netherlands, Dr. Deborah P. Harrison-California, Faith Fessenden-Nevada.

Time Zone: Eastern

Day one at Pineland was spent on an education seminar with a well-rounded group.

**IMPORTANT NOTE – THERE WAS A MISPRINT IN DR. HARRISON'S HANDOUT REGARDING PHARMACEUTICAL TREATMENT OF CLUBFOOT/SEVERLY CONTRACTED TENDON. ATTENDEES, PLEASE MAKE THIS CRITICAL CHANGE ON YOUR NOTES!**

- ***Oxytetracycline – is an antibiotic to relax tendons - why does it work?? A theory is that it binds calcium causing paralysis in the muscles at the ligament attachment effecting relaxation. It works but still is in theory mode.***
- ***Dr. Harrison has had success giving a shot of banamine causing the connected muscles to relax (not be in spasm). Her recommended dose is 3/4 of a cc....one shot every 3 – 4 DAYS, until relief is noted.***
- ***Need to employ firm footing if banamine is used.***

First on the agenda in this keuring report is to familiarize all readers - who don't know much about Pineland – with Pineland.

Our first trip there (2010 was our third) was an 'other worldly' experience. How to explain? We'd met several Pinelanders at KWPN-NA annual meetings prior to going. They were relatively new to the KWPN horse breeding scene, but made up for their 'newbie status' with commitment and passion to the KWPN horses and keuring system. Talk about 'taking the bit in their teeth' to use an appropriate pun.

OK, you need some background here. An up close and personal look at Pineland. **DONT CLICK YET !**.

First – work through the links on the vertical left hand column, history, etc. Then come back and work across the upper row...to the horses. Then we'll chat more. Ok, go ahead and click on this link:

<http://www.pinelandfarms.org/index.htm> - we'll see you back in a few minutes.

Finished? Kind of an amazing place, don't you think? But let me address the 'other worldly' comment.

You now have an idea about Pineland's location, scope and function: 5,000 acres, New England, Remote, Autumn. Our keuring season – their 'down-time'. Huge Equestrian Facility. No one there but us chickens as the saying goes. Quiet as only remote, down-time can be. Eerie, with no ambient noise. Really eerie for our first visit having been charging around the country at mach nine.

Hang on – just a bit more. Go to [www.bing.com](http://www.bing.com). NOT YET! – Read this first. Copy and paste: *pineland farms, new gloucester, me* . Click on Bing "Images" – scroll through (farm and horses esp), then click on Bing "Maps" on the upper tool bar. See the #1 main campus...also #4 – the equestrian center – click on aerial view (not road map view)...zoom in slowly staying on #4 (it will change numbers when zooming). You'll see it. Back out and you can see the layout of all the buildings. We conduct the foal classes in the large outdoor arena and use the indoor for under-saddle and free movement.



*Pineland creamery*



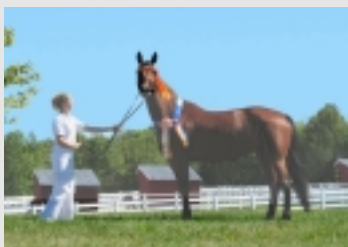
*Pineland cheese*



*Cadence*



*Catapult*



*Cadence*

Yea, Yea, I hear you.... Enough clicking and zooming.

You know now that the farm purchased Neostan to begin their foray into dressage competition and breeding.

(see: <http://kwpn-na.org/stallions/details.php?unid=200&catid=31> – note his 8.5 on Rideability – it will come up later in this report)

Pineland's mares were varied in order to focus on the riding programs for both jumping and dressage. At the first keuring there we shared ups and downs with them, but urged continued commitment and adherence to the keurings. Second keuring was better. Third keuring was amazing! (plus the whole experience of being there had gone from 'eerie' to pushing and shoving to get onto the plane headed for Portland, ME! We love it there! I urge all of you to join us there sometime – or hey, go on your own sometime.)

Ok, Ok,,,back to the reports.

### Dressage IBOP and DG Bar Cup

As usual we began with the Dressage IBOP and DG Bar Cups. First up were the 3-Year-Olds. Hold on to your hats.

**Cadence** (Idocus crown out of Vera by Don Primaire x Saros xx BB keur) bred and owned by Pineland Farms started a little strung out and heavy-footed, but got down to business with her suppleness and balance kicking in, becoming more uphill with good stride-length, all incorporating the clarity of her gaits. 8's were given for walk, canter and her remarkable rideability to end up with a 77 to pass the IBOP test and tag the #5 spot on the Top Fives – Dressage IBOP.

In the DG Bar cup portion her continued attitude and movement quality held all scores for a 77 as well, earning this location's DGB Cup Champion and taking 3<sup>rd</sup> place in the Top Fives DGB Cup list for 3-Year-Olds.

Smiling, and chattering to each other the Jury settled in to see the next horse, another Pineland 3-Year-Old, **Catapult** (Neostan out of SamSam ster by Contango pref x Freiherr). Predictably the solidly built bay gelding brought the phenotype of sire and maternal grandsire to the fore. Also trying to find his balance, he too began somewhat heavy-footed and lacked suspension. The saying "Good things come to those who wait" played out right in front of us as Catapult morphed into more and more with suppleness, clarity of gaits and responsiveness. 8's were given for his walk and rideability (remember Neostan's score for this trait) with 7's and 7.5's for the rest. Final score – the golden 75 (passing IBOP score) which held for the DGB Cup portion, too.

These two young horses showed amazing attitudes for under-saddle three year olds!! There's got to be something magical in the water here.

### Linear Scoring - Dressage

The linear scoring took place next for the Dressage horses. Here, we saw **Catapult** again for his conformation evaluation. The IBOP riding test, having made the 75, counted in lieu of free-movement. Knowing that it is about the job he is going to do, softened the disappointment of a lower conformation score keeping him from earning a star. Nevertheless, the jury is delighted to have this Pineland product representing all of us in the competition arena.

Next up was the mare **Cadence**, who had just been seen under saddle. Balanced proportions, with a good shoulder and wither, the top line lacked some muscling, but with the under-saddle work we'd seen, we knew the correctly placed forehand would help in muscling her up in short order. A 70 was given for conformation, and an 80 for movement enabling the bay mare to earn her star (though not her keur eligibility at this time), Best Adult Horse-Dressage, AND North American Champion for 3-7 Year Old Dressage Mares in the Top Fives. CONGRATULATIONS PINELAND!

### Linear Scoring - Jumping



*Cenieta*



*Frauloma MG*



*Falanta MG*

*Reports from the Road generally feature first premium horses. For more complete results please link to [2010 Entries and Results](#), in the upper right corner of the home page.*

Not to be overshadowed was the 3-7 Year Old Jumping entry bred by FE Roos and owned by VDL Stud and Kathy Hickerson of Majestic Gaits Farm. **Cenieta** (Veron out of Nieta keur by Concorde pref x Zeoliet keur). A few remarks on conformation held her score at a 7, but when she moved and jumped eyebrows raised. Her good attitude, active and powerful movement with good self-carriage served her well. Her jumping style of care and good opening behind gave her a 75, her ster, the Best Adult Horse-Jumper ribbon, and a fifth place tie in the Top Fives of the Tour!

### Foals/Weanlings – Jumping

Moving to the outside arena, Kathy Hickerson again was all smiles as her homebred, **Fraucordia MG** (Campbell VDL out of Tercordia elite by Marlon x Acord II) stepped up to the ground pole for evaluation. Leggy with a pretty front, the bay filly showed suppleness, self-carriage and a good canter to earn the orange first premium ribbon with a 74 for conformation and a 78 for movement = 76 overall. This gave her the Best Young Horse: Jumper ribbon – and – 2010 North American Champion for Jumper Foals.

### Foals/Weanlings – Dressage

In the Dressage Foal Class there had been ten entries but three scratched. Of the seven remaining there were three first premiums and all had been bred and owned, by ... yes again ... Kathy Hickerson.

In ringing order were:

1<sup>st</sup>- **Frauloma MG**, Reg. A (Schroeder out of Uloma MG elite sport/d by Farrington keur x Goodtimes). The bay filly was balanced in her body-proportions, strongly built and moved upward with suppleness and suspension. An easy orange ribbon and Best Young Horse-Dressage with a 76/76 for her scores.

2<sup>nd</sup>- **Falanta MG** (Westpoint out of Valanta elite by Goodtimes x Houston keur) was well-built, leggy with good bone. Somewhat heavy in the neck, the dark bay filly used it well showing suspension in the trot, but needing a little more reach out of the shoulder. Her scores were well above average with 74/74.

3<sup>rd</sup>-**Florette MG**, Reg A (Schroeder out of Torette R elite by Silvano x Flemmingh pref) was another well-built filly with presence, and good bone. Slightly heavy in the neck and overbuilt at this time, she earned 72/70 for a 71 overall.

My, oh my – what a keuring. This had to be the highest percentages of Top Five horses per horse shown at any of our keurings. I'll count on all of you to figure that out. Gwyneth and her amazing right-hand gal, Deb, had everything running like clockwork and made sure we had our caffeine and snacks as needed. ☺

Slowly meandering down the roads southward, we chalked up this Pineland visit as a euphoric 'other worldly' experience.

*Sincerely,*  
**The KWPN-NA Jury**

*(Note: Many of these lovely horses are for sale. See page 4 in the [2010 Entries and Results](#) )*