

BACH Saddle-Fitting Talk and Year-End Awards Potluck: March 1, 2026

BACH gathered at the lovely home of our President, Cynthia Werner for a discussion by Laurie MacDonald about saddle fitting followed by a potluck dinner.



Laurie is a “local” from the Houston area. She is a rider and trainer but over the last 20 years, she has put all her energy into saddle-fitting all around the US and abroad. She will fit Western, Australian, Dressage, Hunter and Eventing saddles just to name a few. Because a good-fitting saddle is a good-fitting saddle no matter what the discipline. Laurie talked to us about buying the correct fitting tree for the type of back our horse has and also, she uses shims to help while the horse is developing or gaining or losing weight. Laurie has a very direct style and will not leave you guessing what she means.

The potluck that followed was amazing. Who knew all these folks could cook! We celebrated the hard work of our Year-End

winner, talked horses and made plans for more BACH events in 2026.

This year BACH awarded wonderful, hand-made grooming boxes. The carpentry and wood-working were done by Rob Meyer. Rob has been a supporter of the dressage scene in Bryan-College Station for many, many years since he came as a student at Texas A&M.



RESULTS: 2025 YEAR-END AWARDS

BACH Challenge Open, Intro Level	Tessa Guerra - Sharp Dressed Man
BACH Challenge AA Intro Level	Karin Loftin - Armani
BACH Challenge AA Training Level	Joana Rocha
Schooling Shows AA First Level	Virginia Johnson – Brazos Flash
Recognized Shows Open, Second Level	Sandy Venneman – 907 Favory VI Adelena
Recognized Shows AA Third Level	Cynthia Werner – Flor-de-lis