

On April 18, 19 and 20th we held a dressage and jumping clinic with Dale Irwin at the club. The clinic was full and we had a great turn-out. There was a bit of a panic on Saturday morning when we awoke to 2 inches of snow on the ground and more coming. Luckily we were able to hold the morning rides at the Mission Creek indoor – thanks to Danielle Hirkala for arranging it. Some of us still opted to ride outside as the rings at the club were beginning to melt by mid-morning. I must say I was impressed by some pretty hardy dressage riders!! Saturday night some of us gathered together at Lynne Arbuthnot's house for a pot-luck dinner and birthday cake for Dale. Thanks to everyone for contributing and a big thank you to Lynne for billeting Dale for the weekend. On Sunday we were able to coordinate the rides so that those riders registered in Cadora's Discovery Show could warm up with Dale in a lesson prior to riding their test. Over all and even despite the cooler weather, I think the clinic was a great success. – Christine Martin