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PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

January, 2013

Happy New Year!

This issue of InGate salutes the Ontario Provincial champions and Award winners for 2012. We also salute our retiring and upcoming volunteers for the OHJA Board of Directors. These presentations/elections were made at the OHJA Annual General Meeting, an outstanding success. I would like to thank our Banquet Committee, headed by Christine Reupke and our Silent Auction Chair, Kathleen Selke.

Moving forward, the world did not end with the completion of the Mayan calendar in December. Christmas turkey, decorations, AND vacation have come and gone.

NOW, plans can begin for 2013.

Preparations can begin for another year of horse showing. Many OHJA members are already warmly situated in Florida. At home, EMG has been posting photos of the changes at the Caledon Equestrian Park. Horse show dates are posted on the Equine Canada website. Memberships are due for renewal. Equine Canada rules for 2013 are now available. Prize lists are in the draft stage. The OHJA hunter committee has already met to discuss the success of programs and the possibility of some new ideas. Some of you are already sharpening your skills or learning the ins and outs of a new purchase in the sunny south.

Winter has just begun, and I can hardly wait to start up again! My horses winter at home, shoeless, with full coats. I love the snowy days – snow is CLEAN. I ride occasionally outdoors, weather and footing permitting, and then step up the fitness regimen (mine mostly) by moving to an indoor facility.

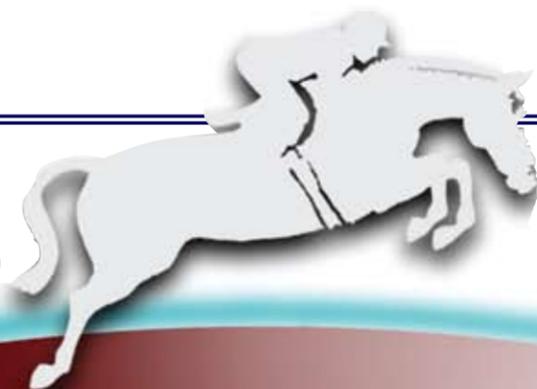
My New Years resolution: to maintain weight and fitness (both human and four legged) and improve my horsemanship skills. Have you made yours?

Submitted by Debbie Weir, President, OHJA



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HAPPY SWEET 16, GEORGE!



**I Love You and Thank You
for a Great 10 Years!**

Lianne Selke

Congratulations to Lianne Selke for bidding on and winning this InGate inside cover Ad at the 2012 Young Riders Silent Auction. Look for this item in next year's silent auction at the OHJA banquet!



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Buteal's Legislator and Jacqueline Merril. Photo courtesy of Victoria Anderson.

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and forms dealing with
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ON DECEMBER 1ST, 2012, THE OHJA MEMBERSHIP CAME TOGETHER AT COPPER CREEK GOLF CLUB TO CELEBRATE THE YEAR'S ACHIEVEMENTS AND TO ENJOY A WONDERFUL DINNER, DANCE AND AWARDS BANQUET. THANK YOU TO THE HARD WORKING BANQUET COMMITTEE WHO SPENT MANY HOURS ORGANIZING THIS EVENT.

Christine Reypke (Chair)
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All Banquet photos courtesy of Hope & Faith Bell

RIP GAUTHIER AWARD Submitted by Willa Gauthier.



Peter Gisborn presenting Steven Santia with the RIP GAUTHIER Award on behalf of Willa Gauthier. Photo courtesy of Hope Bell.

The recipient of this year's Rip Gauthier award was Steven Santia, OHJA Board member and Co-Chair of the Hunter Committee. The award was established by the OHJA Board in 2003 in memory of Rip Gauthier, a founding member of the OHJA, Treasurer from 1994 -2003 and owner of Someday Farm.

The award is for a "non-rider" who, in a supportive role, over the course of several years has demonstrated a commitment to the development of the industry and contributed to the betterment of the sport. Previous recipients of the award include Hugh Guthrie, Marj Dennis and Heather Delfino (it is not necessarily awarded annually).

Rip was the consummate cheerleader and although understated in all ways was always working behind the scenes to improve the sport. He never sought the limelight nor was he motivated by it. He gave generously of his time, expertise, contacts and resources to try and build the organization, raise the profile, solicit sponsorship and generally to make it better for all constituents.

I applaud the board's nomination of Steven for this award as he embodies the very qualities for which the award was established. Professionally Steven is the controller for B2B Credit Chex Inc. He has been involved in the sport since the age of 11 when he started riding at summer camp. He showed hunters on both the Trillium and A circuits as a Junior and Adult though he says his show mileage is minimal! He has worked both at Greenhawk and Running Fox where he made many friends in the industry and also gained a different perspective. His first involvement with the OHJA was in 2006 on the hunter committee, which was the same year as the first Ultimate Hunter Challenge on which he worked assiduously. Joining the Board in 2008 he stepped up to chair the hunter committee and has been a real champion and behind the scenes worker and advocate for all things hunter. He has started a new board term and is interested in working more closely with the jumper programs and I know that he will bring the same level of competency, commitment and enthusiasm to this challenge, as he has to date. Steven is understated and doesn't seek recognition so it is lovely to be able to have given it. Congratulations Steven!

COACH OF THE YEAR AWARDS



Mac McQuaker is the 2012 Equitation coach of the year.
Photo courtesy of Hope Bell.

Hunter Coach of the Year: Wayne McLellan

Wayne has been an integral part of the horse community as a rider, trainer, and coach to many horses during his career. WGM stables is the home of many accomplished horses and riders, who this season have come together to help Wayne win this impressive title. Wayne and the WGM team's hard work and dedication to the show horses has paid off by winning the hunter coach of the year. Congratulations to Wayne McLellan and to WGM for this prestigious honor.

Equitation Coach of the Year: Mac McQuaker

Mac is the head coach at Gryphon Farms where he is dedicated to developing young equitation talent. Together he and his wife Christi McQuaker have helped the horse community by developing young talent, whether it's talented young horses or young riders. The equitation divisions are an important stepping-stone and building block for future success in the Jumper and Hunter rings. Congratulations to Mac, Christi, and the riders at Gryphon Farms for winning this award.

Jumper Coach of the Year: Ainsley Vince

The award for the OHJA Jumper Coach of the year goes to the accomplished Ainsley Vince of Linden Ridge. With an impressive start to her career with success in the hunter and equitation ring Ainsley Vince went on to achieve outstanding success as a rider and coach in the Jumper ring. Over the years Ainsley has developed amazing jumper talent with her students and her own mounts winning many grand prix along the way. Congratulations to Linden Ridge and Ainsley for their hard work this season in the jumper ring!



NEW BOARD MEMBERS FOR 2013



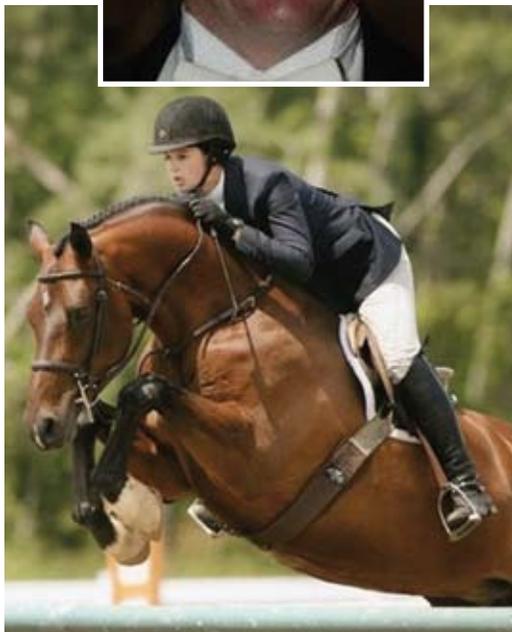
Ashley McInnis

Ashley is a long-standing member of the OHJA, and is pleased to bring the perspective of an amateur hunter and jumper rider to the Board of Directors. Ashley currently competes in the Junior/ Amateur Jumper Divisions and the Talent Squad Series, and trains with Greg Kuti in Schomberg, Ontario. Although her primary focus is the jumper ring, Ashley has thoroughly enjoyed competing in the new Hunter Derby Series and other specialty hunter classes over the past two seasons. Ashley is a Partner at the law firm of Stewart, Esten, in Barrie, Ontario, where she maintains a broad civil litigation practice. In addition to practicing law, Ashley serves as the legal representative of the Research Ethics Board at the Royal Victoria Regional Health Centre.



Scott Walker

Scott Walker has been a horseshow fixture since his partnership with Dee Walker began in 1991. Together he and Dee opened up Forest Hill Training Center and began to develop riders and horses to compete at the A circuit level. Dee is an accomplished professional rider, coach, and recently achieved her senior judge qualifications and has been side by side with Scott over the years developing their business and supporting the horse community. With many success stories over the years, Scott Walker and his team have created dozens of OHJA, and Royal Winter Fair champions over the past 22 years in business. Scott is actively involved in the horse community and has given back to the industry by being a member of the Royal Horse Show Executive Committee. He and Dee have a son together, and live in Caledon where they currently run their business.



Alexa Law

Having grown up in "horsie family" and on a farm in Hudson, QC, I was fortunate enough to begin riding and competing at a young age. I showed in Montreal, primarily with Brian and Ann Hodgson, until I graduated from Queen's University in 2007 and moved to Toronto. Upon moving to Toronto, I started riding with Ryan and Randy Roy. I work full time for Suncor Energy Inc. but have continued to compete in the Adult and Amateur Owner divisions. I look forward to being part of the OHJA and gaining "behind the scenes" view of everything that goes on to make our horse shows possible.



SPORTSMANSHIP By Kathleen Selke



Danielle Street accepting the Sportsmanship Award at the 2012 OHJA Awards Banquet.

The OHJA sportsmanship award goes to a member of the horse community who demonstrates selflessness, support for fellow competitors, and overall a positive attitude. This year's winner of the Sportsmanship award goes to Danielle Street. Danielle, known as Dani by her close friends, rides at Stonewood Equestrian and is trained by Di Langmuir. Every year the OHJA board receives letters nominating various candidates for the coveted sportsmanship award. This year the OHJA was overwhelmed with letters singing Dani's praises. The letters represent Dani as the epitome of what a horse show competitor should be. They speak for themselves and are an example to all members of the horse community of behavior that is worth emulating and celebrating.

Dear friends,

I'd like to take this opportunity to nominate Danielle Street for the OHJA Sportsmanship Award for 2012.

Danielle embodies everything that this award stands for. She is a dedicated competitor who works hard each day to achieve what she has with her horse Cold Play as they compete in the fierce Adult Amateur Division 18-35. Regardless of her ride or her day Danielle is always ringside helping both her fellow teammates as well as other competitors whom she has never met. She is always full of smiles and congratulations for everyone in the division, both a gracious winner and loser at all times.

Among the many roles that Danielle plays she is also groom, cheerleader, and long time supporter of her mom Sheryl Street who competes in the Low Adult division. As we all know it is not easy sharing a horse especially when it is with family. Amazingly Danielle never criticizes or critique's her mother's ride, she remains focused on pointing out the positives which as competitors we often lose sight of after a bad trip.

Danielle Street is also a true horseman.... A trait lost long ago by many of the modern day equestrian competitors. Her focus is always on what is best for her horse. It's not about ribbons, trophies, titles or accolades but rather about growth and the bond between horse and rider. Danielle was positioned in contention for a spot of the Royal Winter Fair by mid season this year but with unusually hot weather at a few horse shows and the strain on Cold Play showing in two divisions she made the difficult decision to opt out of several shows to ensure the health and longevity of her horse's career.

Danielle is not the top amateur, nor is she a "known" rider to most people but she is an asset to our team and a deserving candidate for this award. Her sportsmanship exists 24hrs a day, 7 days a week. It does not come on when the cameras are around and does not flicker when things aren't going her way.

Quite honestly this letter could go on for many more pages with stories and examples of what an exceptional person Danielle Street is. I'm an honored to call her my friend and my teammate and sincerely hope that you will consider this very deserving person for the Sportsmanship Award of 2012.

*Sincerely,
Tennille Kerrigan*

Dear friends,

I'd like to take this opportunity to nominate Danielle Street for the OHJA Sportsmanship Award for 2012.

Dani is the epitome of good sportsmanship. Competing in the A/A 18-35 on Cold Play, she strives to balance her dedication to the sport with her career. Win or lose, she is always full of smiles, ready with congratulations or commiserations for her fellow competitors.

Perhaps more important is her attitude outside the show ring. She is possibly the most cheerful and helpful person you could ask to have on your team. Every time you turn around, she's pitching in to help get a horse ready for the ring or for bed, or she's raking the aisle, filling water buckets, throwing hay or on the end of a pitchfork mucking stalls. She does all of this without being asked, and without being paid.

Like many busy working amateurs, her horses are her escape from the stresses of work. Time spent at the barn is precious. The love of the horse soothes the soul. But sometimes, tragedy interrupts joy. In 2009, Dani and Sherri lost their hunter Dutton in a freak lunging accident at Palgrave. Just this past month, they lost their beloved old retiree, Dylan, at age 24. Dylan was more than a horse to them. He was truly a member of the Street family, who provided him with a wonderful retirement spanning many years that included weekly visits for grooming and treats. A level of dedication that exhibits true horsemanship. Dani is a truly special individual that I am privileged to know. I can think of no one better to receive this award.

Thank you for your consideration.

*Sincerely,
Stephanie Inglis*



Dani and her mother Sherri proudly show off their awards from the OHJA banquet. (Above). Dani and her horse, Cold Play, pose for the camera after a successful show at EMG (Left). Photos courtesy of Brenda Roach and Stephanie Inglis.



2012 OHJA Year End Awards

Hunter Divisions

Adult Amateur 36 and over

- 1) Broadway- Kristen Baran
- 2) Icing- Joseph Cauchi & Garet Selleck

3'6 Amateur Owner Hunter

- 1) Waldo d'Aubrac- Carlie Fairity
- 2) Revolutionary- Lianne Selke

3' Amateur Owner Hunter

- 1) Altogether- Maryann Chilton
- 2) Game Plan- Meredith Irving

Adult Amateur 18-35 hunter

- 1) Kallaway- Christel Weller
- 2) Princeton- Danielle Roscoe

Baby Green

- 1) QVF Piquet- Erin Howard
- 2) Baron Van Klaus- Haylee Lough

Beginner Adult Hunter

- 1) Just Plain Pablo- Hilary Braniff
- 2) Loretta A- Kathleen Anderson

Beginner Childrens Hunter

- 1) Crackerjack- Kielely McQuaker
- 2) Romantico- Jordyn Peters

Childrens Hunter

- 1) The Secrets Out- Elyse Batista
- 2) Solly- Jasmine Roberts

Childrens Pony Hunter

- 1) Cherrybrook Just Blue In- Christine Carlsen
- 2) Kensington- Corrina Wagler

Green Pony Hunter

- 1) Antique Lace- Hannah Brennen
- 2) Watson- Faith Bell

Junior Hunter

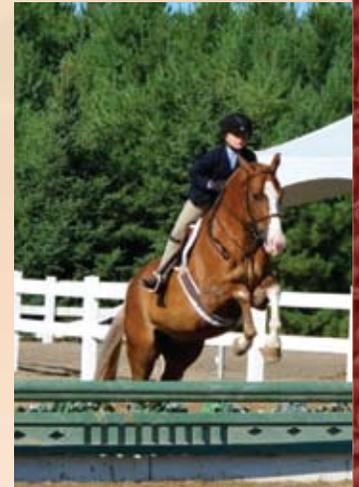
- 1) Santana Singh to me- Sarah Barker
- 2) Westmalle- Paige Mawson

Large Pony Hunter

- 1) The Good Knight- Kristen Anderson
- 2) Cherrybrook Skye Blue- Christine Carlsen

Low Adult Amateur Hunter

- 1) Junior- Melissa Nixon
- 2) Futurist 2B- Meghan McDonald





2012 OHJA Year End Awards



Low Childrens Hunter

- 1) Rodero Drive- Jennifer Brech
- 2) Great Gatsby- Taryn Wunder

Low Junior/Amateur Hunter

- 1) Aurelius- Cailin Drexler
- 2) Athos- Sarah Brown

Medium Pony Hunter

- 1) Champlain Charade- Kelsey Stapleton
- 2) Tiffany Blue- Christine Carlsen

Pre Green High Hunter

- 1) Catch Phrase- Wayne McLellan
- 2) That's It- Erynn Ballard



Pre Green Low Hunter

- 1) South Hill- Wayne McLellan
- 2) Candy Man- Roberto Teran

Short Stirrup

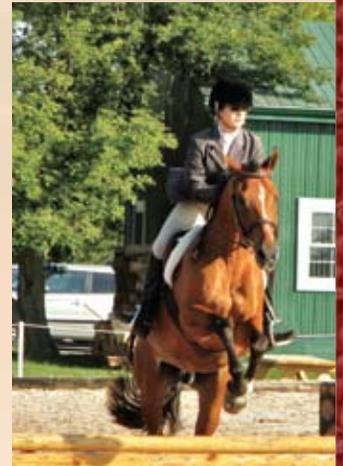
- 1) A Step Ahead- Kirby Hayes
- 2) Ta Ta for now- Emma Teixeira

Small Pony Hunter

- 1) Hot Wheels- Lily de la Fuente
- 2) Canterbrook Prince Charming- Lily de la Fuente

Combined Hunter

- 1) Accomplice- Anne McKay
- 2) In your dreams 3E- Darcy Hayes



Jumper Divisions

JR/AM 1.0m

- 1) Eko- Isabella Tittaferrante
- 2) Ceara- Riley Correia

JR/AM 1.10m

- 1) Empire Sun- Ashley Macdougall
- 2) Guinness- Veronica Bot

JR/AM 1.20m

- 1) Under Pressure- Paige Mawson
- 2) Reaffirm- Cody Hennessey

JR/AM 1.30m

- 1) Warentina- Ashley McInnis
- 2) Catania van de dwerse Hagen- Nicole Walker

JR/AM 1.40m

- 1) Quercus van Generhese- Jacqueline Steffans
- 2) Castor van de Kranenburg- Lexus Arbuckle



2012 OHJA Year End Awards



Equitation Divisions

A EQ

- 1) Katelyn Burke
- 2) Paige Mawson

B EQ

- 1) Lexi Ray
- 2) Emily Merrill

Amateur Eq

- 1) Andrea Finnen
- 2) Alexa Law

C EQ

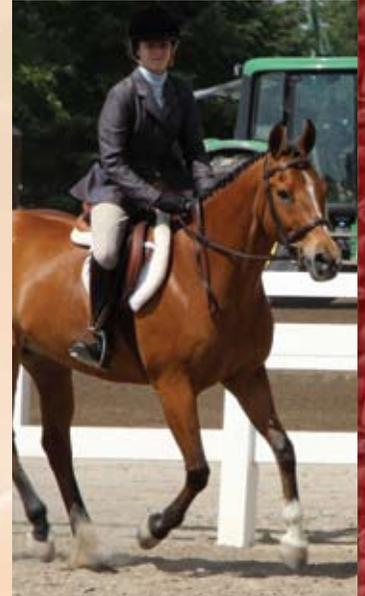
- 1) Hannah Murray
- 2) Anna Bremermann

Childrens EQ

- 1) Jasmine Roberts
- 2) Mackenzie Ann Taylor

Walk Trot EQ

- 1) Kirby Hayes
- 2) Emma Teixeira



2013 BOARD OF DIRECTORS:

The OHJA Board of Directors would like to thank
Chris Brandt, Nanci Forfellow and Fiona Gallagher for their time on the board.

Chris Brandt joined the board in January 2012. His calm demeanor and vast knowledge about modern show jumping has been a valuable asset to the Board. Unfortunately he feels it is virtually impossible to offer the time required to remain on the Board due to his commitments as Chair of the Jump Canada Course Design Committee, a member of the EC Rules Committee and his many professional commitments for the 2013 show season. We wish him the best of luck in 2013.

Nanci Forfellow served on the board for over 5 years. She had this to say about her time on the board: "I have been showing on the A circuit for many years and still enjoy horse showing as much as ever. At this point in my life participating in a horse show is simply for fun. Five years ago as a long time participant I decided to volunteer to be a member of the OHJA Board of Directors. During my tenure I have been part of many changes, challenges and initiatives. It has been a rewarding experience and I have learned so much about different perspectives of the industry. My final comment is, as an OHJA member I hope you too will someday volunteer for a committee or to be on the Board. Try it! You'll like it!"

Fiona Gallagher also served on the board for over 5 years and had this to say about her time on the board: "Thank you for the opportunity to participate in the OHJA board - it has been a great experience. In particular it was a wonderful chance to get to know my fellow competitors better and to be part of many great OHJA programs. I am looking forward to staying involved with the OHJA at the committee level, and of course as a competitor with my long time partner Brookshire."

We would like to thank Chris, Nanci and Fiona for volunteering their time to participate on the OHJA Board.



REMINDER

EQUINE CANADA WILL HAVE THE NEW RULES FOR 2013 POSTED ON THEIR WEBSITE IN JANUARY 2013. BE SURE TO GO TO WWW.EQUINECANADA.CA AND FOLLOW THE LINK TO "RULES OF EQUINE CANADA". MAKE SURE YOU ARE AWARE OF ANY RULE CHANGES THAT AFFECT YOU!

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INGATE INTERVIEW: ZOE BECKERMAN

Submitted by Kendra Martenfeld.



Zoe and Shakaria at the FEI jog at NAYRC 2012.

1. How did you first get involved in riding and how did you transition to showing on the A Circuit?

When I was 7 years old, my parents and I took a trip to Arizona and we rode western horses through the Grand Canyon and the Canyon de Chelly. It was an all day trip and there was just something about galloping through the water and the sand that sparked something in me and I knew, when I came home, that I wanted horses to be a part of my life. When we came home from our vacation, my parents were talking to our family friends who mentioned they had a pony at Hunters Glen Farm with the Roy family. So, I started riding their pony, Magic Button, with Randy and Ryan and ended up training with them for 7 years. I started showing the Roy's pony, Dawn Watcher, and it all evolved from there!

2. Do you believe you had a defining moment in your earlier years of riding that has helped you reach where you are today?

In 2009, in Florida, we bought my first jumper, Sir Sydney and my first time competing with him in the

jumper ring I knew that I wanted to skip the hunter phase and go straight to jumpers. That for sure changed the path of my career as, if we hadn't bought that specific horse, I would have gone through the hunters and started in the jumpers a lot later and I wouldn't be at the same level I am now.

3. Do you believe your experience at Young Riders the previous year as an assistant on the ground helped you to prepare as a rider for this year? How so?

I think it definitely helped me prepare. I had never been to such a high caliber competition, and being a part of the support team for Canada showed me what team spirit was like and the atmosphere that takes place at such a competition. Even from watching the other competitors ride, listening to coaches in the warm up ring, and hearing speeches from well-known equestrian influences, I learned a lot. The whole competition was an amazing experience, and I gained a ton knowledge and confidence to come back and compete the next year.

4. What was the first thought that crossed your mind when you arrived in Kentucky for the 2012 Young Riders competition?

One of my first thoughts was how privileged I was to be there in the first place. There's a lot of effort and time spent on developing the program and making it possible to send kids down to represent Canada. Being lucky enough to be one of the few people on the team; wearing the team jackets and saddle pads meant a lot. Very few people get that opportunity and I was very happy to be there.

5. What aspect of the Young Riders competition would you most like to bring back and share with our own circuit?

I would have to say my recommendation is that, once in their career, everyone tries to ride on a team. Whether it's nation's cup in Florida, or putting together a team of friends at a local show. The way you ride and the way you think about your ride totally changes when you ride for a team. You think about things completely differently because you're riding for all your teammates, and for whomever you're representing. It becomes a team sport as opposed to how it normally is with just you and your horse.

6. How did you first become involved with volunteering for the Young Riders program?

When I decided I wanted to do jumpers, Young Riders instantly became a goal and so I always believed in the program, as it was a dream of mine. From what I can remember, when I heard there was a need for greater support for the Ontario Young Riders committee, I brought it upon myself to help fundraise and do whatever I could to help the program thrive. I knew that if it was a goal of mine, others had to have the same goal and I thought it would be a shame for the program to crumble because our community as a whole didn't put enough effort into keeping it alive.

7. Do you have any advice to encourage future Young Rider candidates to become involved with the volunteering aspect of the program?

I would encourage people to continue supporting the program whether it's through word of mouth or fundraising as it is our generation that are the future team members and grand prix riders. If we are no longer able to attend YoungRiders, we are losing a great international experience, which is incredibly beneficial to our riding careers. We can't just sit back and expect support to self-generate, so there has to be those few people who get together, take charge, and try to make a difference or we are going to lose one of the greatest opportunities our circuit, and country, has to offer.

8. When did you first start writing for the InGate magazine and how did this involvement come about?

When I was 12 or 13 Fiona Gallagher, who rode with the Roys at the same time I did, knew I had a passion for writing in school and was obviously involved in the horse world. She asked me to be the InGate's junior journalist. I started writing short pieces and worked my way up to interviewing influential people on our circuit, which I still continue to do as well as write other articles and photograph for the magazine.

9. What do you feel you, personally, have gained from writing your 10 Questions articles?

I think the most obvious thing is that I have gotten to know the interviewees better! As a result our community has also gotten to know them on a less superficial level. At horse shows you see them and may have a quick conversation, but it is mostly about the horses and you don't really get to know who they

are as a person. So doing these 10 questions has broadened everyone's perspective on the people's lives and allows you to get to know them on a more personal level. Also, I believe that getting to know people better strengthens our community and it is always nice to strengthen bonds with people as it makes the connections stronger.

10. What are your future riding goals and how will you accomplish them while studying Engineering at Queen's University?

For the four years I am at Queen's, most of my time is going to be spent on my studies although, during the summer months, I plan on keeping myself involved with the horse show world. After I've completed my degree, I'd like to get back into my life with horses by possibly buying a few young ones and bringing them along. Down the road, I'd love to work myself back up to Grand Prix level and travel and compete in international competitions.



Zoe and Shakaria competing at NAYRC 2012. Photos courtesy of Chrissie Lindo.

YOUNG RIDERS AUCTION

The annual Ontario Young Riders Silent Auction was held at the OHJA banquet and awards dinner. This year it was another huge success! We raised \$7,035.00! Thank you to everyone that donated items! Special Thank you to Kathleen Selke, Christine Reupke and Lianne Selke. The Ontario Young Riders Committee would like to extend their thanks to the following individuals and companies who donated many amazing items:

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