

ALBERTA REINING TEAM WINS GOLD AT 2010 NORTH AMERICAN JUNIOR AND YOUNG RIDER CHAMPIONSHIPS

Ottawa, ON—The Alberta Reining Team won the gold medal on July 29 at the 2010 Adequan FEI North American Junior Young Rider Championships. Presented by Gotham North, these Championships are being held July 28–August 1 at the Kentucky Horse Park in Lexington, KY, also the site of the 2010 Alltech FEI World Equestrian Games.

From a start list of 20 competitors representing six regions throughout Canada and the United States, the Team from Alberta handily won the competition with a score of 629.5. The Team, comprised of Chloe Beveridge of Calgary, AB, Kaylynn Malmberg of Carseland, AB, Nancy Pratch of St. Paul, AB, and Sage Sapergia of Cochrane, AB, finished three points ahead of the USA-East Team. The bronze medal was awarded to the USA-West team with 622.

The Ontario Reining Team which consists of Lyndsay Kloster of Newmarket, ON, Darcy Wilson of Goodwood, ON, and Lane Wilson of Goodwood, ON, finished just out of medal contention in fourth with 620. Fifth place went to the Combined Team from Quebec/British Columbia. Laurianne Gagnon-Duval of St. Augustine de Desmaures, QC, Gabrielle Martel of Repentigny, QC, and Vanessa Strotmann of Salmon Arm, BC, earned a score of 618. Rounding out the top six was Megan Robinson of Dufresne, MB, Christine Simpson of Winnipeg, MB, Kylie Wasiuta of Winnipeg, MB, and Kelsey Wiens of Winnipeg, MB, of the Manitoba Team that posted a score of 608.5.

“The Team competition was a very tight, exciting display of power and horsemanship,” said Wendy Dyer, who is the Chef d’équipe for all four Canadian teams. “The scores were so close it was incredible. Everyone did their best and showed their maturity and skill.”



The riders from the Team competition go forward to the Individual Final competition, which will be held on Saturday, July 31.

Complete results are available at www.youngriders.org.

For additional information on the CRC and its programs, including selection criteria, please visit the Equine Canada website at www.equinecanada.ca or e-mail reining@equinecanada.ca.

About the Canadian Reining Committee

The Canadian Reining Committee is the discipline committee of Equine Canada that is responsible for overseeing the development and implementation of reining programs in Canada. The Canadian Reining Committee's objective is to foster the growth of reining and the pursuit of excellence in the sport at the local, national and international levels

About Equine Canada

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