

For the Love of Riding



Lynne Poole with Vasco E and awards

To describe Schomberg Ontario resident Lynne Poole as a successful equestrian, coach, judge and highly ranked dressage rider is 100% accurate but it's like finishing the book after the first chapter. Lynne is classified as a grade 4 (least impaired) Para-Dressage rider. Despite a debilitating horse related accident, a car accident, a bout with cancer and tragic personal losses Lynne Poole is constantly amazed at how much horses have been part of the fabric of her life since her mother enrolled her in riding lessons at the age of four. "I did small pony, large pony, junior hunters, green and open hunters and jumpers, Arabians and breeding classes" Lynne recalls. But it was dressage that stuck like glue to this horse loving woman. "I love the sport. I compete as an able bodied rider but in 2010 I was classified as a Para-equestrian" Lynne explains.

Being able to compete on a level playing field with other riders and being part of the Canadian Para Equestrian Team has been and continues to be great motivation for Lynne. "I'm very proud of what I've accomplished personally and as a member of the winning Canadian Para-Equestrian Team at the 2013 Global Dressage Festival CPEDI3* in Wellington, Florida. Personally I finished in 1st place at Wellington in the grade four team test on Vasco E my Dutch Warmblood. I was also 3rd in the individual with Vasco E and 5th on my Welsh Cobb Frisbee and 3rd in the individual and the freestyle with Vasco E. I was Leading Rider at 2012 Rancho Valencia CPEDI3* at Del Mar California

with Vasco E and won the freestyle with Frisbee. Right now my focus is working towards the 2014 World Equestrian Games. I purchased a new horse, Cruiser, an 11 year old American Hanoverian, when I was in Florida in March. I ride almost every day and my coach Karin Davis comes in twice a week to help me. We think Vasco E and Cruiser will be a great duo for me."

Being a handicapped rider makes it imperative that Lynne's horses are well mannered, dependable and manageable. Lynne has come to trust Brooks's rations to supply the kind of manageable energy her horses need to achieve peak performance.

Vasco E, has been on your feed (Phase 5 textured) for almost 2 years now. The difference has been amazing with great remarks from the Team Canada coaching staff as to how wonderful he looks. It is a true testament to your feed that it produces such wonderful controllable energy. This is very important feature especially with Para riders. I just purchased a new horse in Florida and immediately put him on Brooks feed. It is the only feed I purchase and happily recommend it to my clients."

"I know I'm a better human being for having overcome some bleak times and I try to pay back by helping as a volunteer with the Canadian Cancer Society as well as encouraging others with disabilities. I've been riding all my life. From a therapeutic point of view riding a horse is the most natural of movements. Children with MS or any kind of spinal injury benefit from riding" Lynne points out.

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