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About Equestrian

Since 1998, the NCAA proclaimed Equestrian as an emerging sport. Efforts continue to be made to advance the sport to full NCAA status. To reach this goal, there must be 40 Division I/II schools that sponsor the sport at the varsity level. There are currently 24 schools that carry equestrian as a varsity sport.

In 2006, the Varsity Equestrian Steering committee established the bracketed format at the Varsity Equestrian National Championships (VENC). The format will provide a more level playing field and determine a national champion.

Dual-Meet Format

The dual-meet format was implemented in 2003 and designed in the biannual equestrian coaches meetings hosted by US Equestrian Federation. Teams compete in four events: english equitation over fences, english equitation, western horsemanship and western reining. In each event, five athletes from each team ride head-to-head in each event on the same set of horses provided by the host school. Riders are assigned to horses through a random draw, facing the challenge of riding an unfamiliar horse after a timed warm-up period.

General Scoring

Hunt Seat rides are scored on a scale of 0-100. In equitation over fences, there are nine maneuvers each worth 10 points, plus an overall score worth 10 points, to total 100 possible points per ride.

Maneuvers are scored on the following scale: 10 = Excellent; 9 = Very Good; 8 = Good; 7 = Fairly Good; 6 = Satisfactory; 5 = Sufficient; 4 = Insufficient; 3 = Fairly Bad; 2 = Bad; 1 = Very Bad; 0 = Not Executed.

Western riders are judged using a 70-point scale where points are added and subtracted from the base score. Western scoring for maneuvers is as follows: +1 1/2 = Excellent; +1 = Very Good; +1/2 = Good; 0 = Average; -1/2 = Insufficient; -1 = Bad, -1 1/2 = Very Bad. Penalties can also be assessed for major errors in the reining pattern.

Horsemanship and equitation riders are judged on their ability to control and show the horse while maintaining the correct riding position. Riders in equitation over fences are judged on their ability to position the horse correctly and not interfere with its balance while maintaining the correct riding position for a smooth, polished performance. Reiners are judged for precision and application of natural aids as they execute manuevers at varying speeds.

In riding competitions, the terms equitation and horsemanship indicate that riders are being judged on their ability to control and show the horse while maintaining the correct riding position. Intercollegiate riders have the added challenge of riding an unfamiliar horse that they draw in a lottery system just prior to their division.

Riders must demonstrate the use of natural aids, or body signals for the seat, legs, hands, and voice to communicate commands to the horse, all the while appearing comfortable, relaxed and balanced. These signals should be subtle or imperceptible to the judge and spectators. Exaggerated shifting of the rider's weight is not desirable. The resulting performance shown by the horse is not to be considered more important than the methods used by the rider in obtaining them.

The term equitation is used to refer to the English style of riding. Hunter Seat is the category of equitation English riders compete, whose foundation lies in jumping and riding cross country. Unlike jumpers, who are judged solely on their ability to jump obstacles, hunters are judged not only on their ability to negotiate obstacles, but on the style with which they do so. They should display jumping ability, manners, style, an even pace and quality.

In equitation, riders are judged on their ability to perform on an unfamiliar horse after a brief warm up period. The rider is not only judged on her performance with a particular horse but also her position while doing so. Each rider is given a prescribed test to perform and they are judged on their ability to negotiate their horse through the test.

The term horsemanship is most often used to refer to the Western style of riding, derived from ranch riding and farm work in the midwest. Horsemanship is the designation for this Western division, which is designed to evaluate the rider's ability to execute a set of maneuvers prescribed by a test with precision and smoothness. The ideal horsemanship pattern is extremely precise with the rider and horse working in complete unison, executing each maneuver with subtle aids and cues.

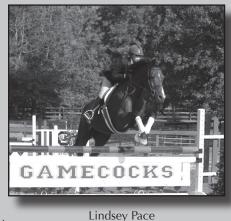
In the varsity format, each student athlete is given a prescribed test before the beginning of the competition. The test contains different maneuvers and riders are judged on their ability to negotiate an unfamiliar horse through the prescribed movements.

Equitation over fences is an individual performance where each rider shows a horse over eight to 10 jumps from 2'9" to 3'6". Riders are judged on their ability to position the horse correctly at the jumps and avoid interfering with the horse's balance while maintaining the correct riding position and producing a smooth, polished performance.

In reining classes, the Western riders perform an individual, preassigned pattern from memory, demonstrating a variety of stops, turns and circles at various speeds. The emphasis for this class is on precision, technical application of natural aids and the rider's ability to show unfamiliar horses. To rein, a horse should be willfully guided or controlled with little or no apparent resistance and dictated to completely.

The rider's appearance is expected to be clean, neat and workmanlike. In varsity meets, riders are encouraged to show in attire that represents their school. Western riders wear very bright and colorful, eye-catching outfits that include a hat, blouse, jeans, chaps, boots and accessories that show off their correct position. Blouses can vary in color and design and should complement the rider's build.

Hunter seat riders wear a helmet, shirt with collar, jacket, breeches, tall boots and gloves. In equitation, it is traditional for shirts to be white and jackets to be dark in color. Breeches are buff in color and the helmet, boots and gloves should be black. Excessive jewelry should not be worn and hair should always be neatly tucked away under the helmet.



Key Terms

Hunt Seat

The category of equitation English riders compete in, whose foundation lies in jumping and riding across country, such as foxhunting.

. Western

The term western is based on the equipment used. Western riding evolved in the American West with the foundation coming mostly from cattle ranchers.

Equitation

Competition where English riders are judged on their ability to control the horse while maintaining the correct riding position. Pattern consists of nine maneuvers within a rectangular-shaped arena.

Equitation Over Fences

Riders jump a predetermined course, usually consisting of eight to 10 jumps. Judges are looking at rider's position, consistency of pace and accuracy of leads, turns and distances to the fences.

Horsemanship

Competition where Western riders are judged on their ability to control the horse while maintaining the correct riding position on a predetermined pattern that consists of nine cone manuevers.

Reining

The riders perform an individual, pre-assigned pat-

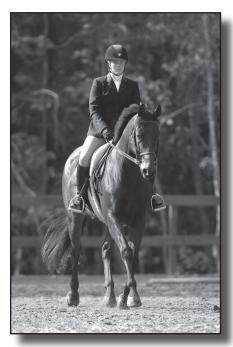
tern from memory, demonstrating a variety of stops, turns and figures at various speeds. Judges are looking for precision, technical application of natural aids and the rider's ability to show an unfamiliar horse.

Natural Aids

Body signals from the seat, legs, hands and voice to communicate commands to the horse, while appearing comfortable, relaxed and balanced. Signals should be subtle or imperceptable to the judge and spectators and exaggerated shifting of the rider's weight is not desirable.

2006-07 Outlook

The 2006-07 season is a historical one for Gamecock Equestrian as the program enters its 10th season. The first major school to sponsor the sport, South Carolina has grown into one of the top programs in the country. Coming off of a second Hunt Seat National Champion title and an impressive Reserve Champion overall title, the Gamecocks expect to continue with their success, despite graduating hunt seat standout Tara Brothers.



Kristen Terebesi

"We have a good core group of upperclassmen returning this year that will provide us good experience," said head coach Boo Duncan. "We have a large number of freshmen, 10 in all, which will make up one-third of the team, but on the flipside, we have more seniors then we have ever had, and that should provide us good leadership."

Expected to lead the hunt seat team are junior Kristen Terebesi (Glenmoore, Pa), senior Kelley Campbell (Keysville, Va.) and senior Sarah Lowe (Augusta, Ga.). All three were members of the 2006 national championship team, while Terebesi and Campbell competed on the 2005 championship team as well. Terebesi was named Team MVP in Equitation Over Fences last year, while Campbell and Lowe combined for 22 wins during the season.

Newcomers Megan Massaro (Summerfield, Fla.) and Nicole Bourgeois (Sherwood, Ore.) are expected to immediately contribute to the team. The hunt seat team will add five newcomers. Bourgeois, who was ranked second in the country this summer in the junior hunter division, is a product of the same trainers that Brothers worked with in high school. Massaro has claimed various medals and awards, including the Junior Hunter title at the Washington Equitation Finals.

"We will miss Tara, but with this team, we have several that can fill her spot," said Duncan. "It will just be a matter of who will step up to the challenge and do

On the Western team, Coach Duncan and Western coach, Ruth Sorrel, are looking to junior Allison Bradley (Lancaster, Calif.), senior Rachel Sternoff (Redmond, Wash.) and junior Lindsay Williams (Sand Springs, Okla.) to carry the

"We are really excited about our western team," said Duncan. "Each year the team continues to grow, evolve and become better. We had strong showings last year and I expect us to be even stronger this year."

The Western team is still young and because of the success of the hunt seat team, may not appear to be as seasoned. However, with the return of Sternoff, Williams and Bradley, the western team will not lack any leadership. Sternoff and Williams represented South Carolina this past summer at the National Reining Horses Association Collegiate Derby, the top reining competition in the country. Only 12 collegiate athletes are invited to participate and South Carolina sent two. Williams finished third, while Sternoff placed tenth, an outstanding honor on both accords.

Like the hunt seat team, the western team will add five newcomers to its roster. Leading the way are Amy Biffle (Orange

Grove, Texas) and Kristina Papendick (Rapid City, S.D.). Biffle will join her sister and teammate, Katy, who is a junior on the team. Biffle was the 2002 Texas Quarter Horse Youth Association Champion, while Papendick is ranked top five in the nation in horsemanship and western riding.

"I am very happy with the makeup of both teams," said Duncan. "We are looking forward to a fun and competitive season."

The team will have plenty of opportunities to test their abilties with the strong schedule slated for the Gamecocks. The Garnet and Black will face reigning Western National Champion, Oklahoma State, and overall National Champion Auburn, in addition to an always well-prepared Georgia team. Other familiar opponents include New Mexico State and Fresno State. The Gamecocks will also travel to the Lone Star State to face TCU, a first-year program, and SMU.

"Schedule wise, this will be an exciting year," said Duncan. "We will have opportunities to see some really solid opponents. This will be a very competitive season for us. We are very excited to host Oklahoma State, the Western National Champions, and of course it is always a challenge when we face Auburn and Georgia. This has the makings of being a very good year for us."



Allison Bradley























2006-07 Roster

Carly Babcock Amy Biffle Katy Biffle Jessica Boll **Emily Bookwalter** Lisa Bourbonniere **Nicole Bourgeois** Allison Bradley Kelley Campbell Stacy Cell Jamie Diamond Michelle Grah Katie Grossnickle Alex Haskell Ellen Hogate Carly Johns Sarah Lowe Megan Massaro Lindsey Pace Kristina Papendick Courtney Reese Ashley Rohde Rebekah Roof Caitlin Sands Claire Sharp Rachel Stas Katie Stenberg Sarah Stephens Rachel Sternoff Ciara Stuart Kristen Terebesi Beth Tevepaugh

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Hometown/High School

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Reining

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Event

Freshman Junior



Rider Bios



Carly Babcock
Freshman
Deer Harbor, Wash. ♦ Orcas Island
Equitation & Over Fences

High School: 2006 graduate of Orcas Island H.S.... Won the Flat and Fences Classes at the 2005 College Bound Invitational... The 2004 Central Texas Hunter/Jumper Association High Point Rider...The CTHJA Junior Equitation Year End Champion...CTHJA Re-

serve Champion Junior Hunter...In 2004, she was the Texas Hunter/Jumper Association Children/Adult Medal Champion and Children's Equitation Champion...Was the 2005 Washington State Hunter/Jumper Association Children's Equitation Champion and Children's Hunter Champion.

Personal: Major is business management...Parents are Joe and Susan Babcock...Has a brother, Jackson...Was born March 30, 1988 in Round Rock, Texas...Has one white eyelash on her right eye...Hobbies include riding, dancing and sleeping...The first CD she ever owned was *Spice World* by the Spice Girls.



Amy Biffle Freshman, Orange Grove, Texas ♦ Gregory-Portland Horsemanship and Reining

High School: The 2002 Texas Quarter Horse Youth Association All-Around Champion...The 2000 and 2002 Congress Champion in Trail...A five-time national qualifier for Youth World...Acquired superiors in Open Trail, Youth Trail and Horsemanship...Has

three top ten finishes at Youth World in trail...Graduated from Gregory-Portland H.S.

Personal: Majoring in biology, pre-med...Three-time Who's Who Among High School Students (04-06)...National Honor Society (04-05, 05-06)...National Society of High School Students...Sister is teammate Katy Biffle...Was coached by Brad and Stephanie Jewett...Also lettered in volleyball for two years...Chose USC over Georgia and Texas A&M...Daughter of Larry and Pat Biffle...Favorite movie is *Remember the Titans...*Lists Wyoming and the Buffalo Bill Museum as the most interesting place she has ever visited.



Katy Biffle Junior Orange Grove, Texas ♦ Gregory-Portland Horsemanship and Reining

2005-06: One of USC's lead returning western riders...Competed at Southern Equestrian Championships and at Varsity Equestrian National ...Went 6-3-1 in horsemanship and 4-3-1 in reining...Went 2-1-1 at Southern Equestrian Championships in Athens,

recording victories against Auburn and Georgia...Highest score of season was 91.5 on 4/9 against Georgia at S.E.C.'s...Won Grooming Award.

2004-2005: Named the High Point rider in horsemanship against Auburn (fall)...Placed fifth at Nationals in reining...Beat opponents in horsemanship and reining at Auburn, Georgia, Berry College and Fresno State...Beat opponents in reining at Kentucky, Auburn and the Southern Equestrian Championship, while also claiming victories against West Texas...Also defeated opponents in horsemanship at Kentucky, West Texas, Auburn, Georgia and Fresno State...Member of SEC and National Championship team. High School: Finished seventh and 10th at 2004 Youth Worlds...Qualified for the Youth World in five events in 2003...Member of the 2002 Youth World Cup Team ... Earned a superior in Horsemanship and also earned third placed at the AQHA National High Point Trail ... Earned superior in trail and western riding in 2000 as well as placing ninth at the AQHA National High Point Trail.

Personal: Born March 28, 1986 in Robstown, Texas ... Majoring in political science/pre-law...Minor is English ... Favorite movie is *Requiem for a Dream* or *8 Seconds*...Parents are Pat and Larry Biffle...Sister is teammate Amy Biffle...Says best things about USC are friends and football.



Jessica Boll Senior Ada, Mich. ♦ Forest Hills Central Equitation

2005-2006: Competed in three competitions... Went 2-1...Recorded her highest score of the season when she won her equitation event against Baylor, 75-60...Recorded a 71-70 score in outing against South Dakota State.

2004-2005: Had the high score against Auburn in the fall scrimmage. **2003-2004:** Won Novice Flat at Augusta State IHSA Competition...Took second place in Novice Flat at spring Berry IHSA.

Personal: Born Feb. 9, 1985...Majoring in biology...Daughter of John Boll and Mary Boll...Favorite indoor activity is reading...Is a vegetarian... Also enjoys playing frisbee...Favorite food is peanut butter...Favorite thing about USC is the weather.



Emily Bookwalter Freshman Fillmore, Ind. ♦ South Putnam Horsemanship

High School: Graduated from South Putnam H.S.... Recorded five top ten finishes at the Quarter Horse Congress in Western Pleasure, Horsemanship and Trail...Was a three-time qualifier for the Quarter Horse Youth World in Western Pleasure, Horse-

manship and Trail...Lettered in three varsity sports teams (cross country, tennis and swimming)...Was a member of the National Honor Roll and was an All-American Scholar...The recipient of the USAA International Foreign Language Award, USAA National History and Government Award, and USAA National Achievement Academy Award...Who's Who Among American High School Students...National Honor Society.

Personal: Birthday is July 1, 1987...Parents are Tim and Mary Jo...Has two brothers, Tim and Andrew...Chose USC over Texas A&M, Georgia, Butler, Miami of Ohio and Indiana...Favorite movie is *Cool Runnings...* Favorite indoor activity is reading...First CD ever owned was Spice Girls.



Lisa Bourbonniere
Senior
Toronto, Ontario ♦ Holy Trinity
Equitation and Equitation over Fences
2005-2006: Competed in three fences competitions...Recorded victories against Miami-Ohio and South Dakota State...Recorded her highest score of the season in 83-84 loss to Georgia.

High School: Placed fourth in Canadian Equestrian Team Regional Medal Finals in 2002...Finished sixth in junior Medal Regional finals...Zone Champion Equine Medal class 2002...Zone Champion Junior Medal class 2002...Junior Working Hunter Zone Champion...Royal Winter Fair Junior Working Hunter national champion 2002... Reserve Champion Junior Medal Regional Finals in 2001.

Personal: Transferred from the University of Western Ontario... Born Feb. 15, 1985 in Toronto, Ontario....Majoring in public relations...Is one of two Canadians on the team...Is a lefty...Would put MOVE OVR on a personalized license plate....What she loves most about USC is the weather and the southern accents...Parents are Paul and Sue Ann Bourbonniere.



















Rider Bios



Nicole Bourgeois Freshman Sherwood, Ore. ♦ Sherwood Equitation & Over Fences

High School: Graduated from Sherwood H.S....A two-time USEF champion...Was ranked second in the country in Large Junior Hunters (16-17)...Was named the 2006 Grand Circuit Champion Junior Hunter 16-17 at Indio...The 2006 Circuit Reserve

Champion in Equitation, 16-17...Qualified for the USEF medal and Maclay finals...In 2005, she was the USEF Zone 9 Large Hunter 16-17 champion and the Medal champion...A Maclay Regional Champion... The Oregon Hunter Jumper Association Junior Hunter Champion...Zone 9 WCHR Junior Hunter rider.

Personal: Major is business...Born July 7, 1988...Parents are Geoff and Sheryl Bourgeois...Has a sister, Kendall, and a brother, Kyle...Chose USC over Texas A&M and Oregon...Lists Europe as the most interesting place she has ever visited...Favorite movie is *Zoolander*...Other hobbies include snowboarding and waterskiing.



Allison Bradley
Junior
Lancaster, Calif. ♦ Bethel Christian
Horsemanship & Reining

2005-2006: One of USC's more experienced western riders...Went 9-8-1 in competitions...Competed at Southern Equestrian Championships and at Varsity Equestrian National Championships...Recorded five straight wins...Went 1-1 at Southern

Equestrian Championships... Posted a high score of 91.5 in win over Auburn at S.E.C.'s...Despite a very solid performance against Oklahoma State at the V.E.N.C.'s, suffered 137-137.5 loss...Won Horsemnaship at 2005 Congress...Team MVP in Horsemanship.

2004-2005: Competed in several competitions throughout the season... Won section four of the horsemanship division at 2005 Nationals

High School: Qualified for the AQHYA World Show in Western Horsemanship and Hunt Seat Equitation in 2004...At the 2003 AQHYA World Show, placed 5th in Horsemanship, 10th in Western Riding and 10th in NYATT Horsemanship...In the 2001 and 2002 AQHYA World Show Competitions, combined for 10 top 10 finishes.

Personal: Born March 8, 1986 in Lancaster, Calif....Majoring in business...Favorite food is sushi...First CD ever owned was ACDC's *Back in Black*...Favorite indoor activity is basketball...ls a self-proclaimed product junkie... Hobbies include shopping and wakeboarding...Parents are Dave and Anne Bradley.



Kelley Campbell
Senior
Keysville, Va. ♦ Randolph-Henry
Equitation and Equitation Over Fences
2005-2006: One of the Gamecocks' top returning
equitation riders...Member of the National Cham-

equitation riders...Member of the National Champion Hunt Seat Team...Went 2-1 at VENC's with victories over New Mexico State and Auburn... Went 2-2 at S.E.C.'s as she recorded wins over

Georgia in equitation and over fences...Went 15-7 overall and posted a 7-3 record in equitation and a 6-3 record in fences...Went 7-1 in her first eight competitions of the season.

2004-2005: Placed third in section three over fences at VENC's...Placed second in section two equitation on the flat at VENC's...Won Point Spread Award in equitation over fences against College of Charleston... Won Point Spread Award in equitation on the flat against Fresno State... Competed in Southern Equestrian Championship.

2003-2004: Placed third in Hunt Seat at the 2004 Southern Equestrian Championships...Won Equitation with a 74 in the head-to-head competition with Auburn and tied for Equitation Over Fences with a 73...Varsity Team participant.

High School: Placed fifth in the Bryan Jones Memorial Medal in 2003... Finished fifth in older large juniors in AHSA Zone 3 in 2001...Placed fourth in older large junior in NCHSA in 2000.

Personal: Born November 15, 1984...Majoring in retail management... Favorite food is any of mom's cooking...First CD owned was Bruce Springsteen...Would put KelBel on a personalized license plate...Lists Versailles as the most interesting place she has ever visited...She is from a county with no stoplights...Hobbies include playing with dog, Elvis, taking the boat out on the lake and shopping...Daughter of Michael and Diane Campbell...Has one brother, Matt.



Stacy Cell Sophomore Painesville, Ohio ♦ Perry Horsemanship

2005-2006: Rode in three events and went 2-1...Recorded victories in competition against Kentucky and Stephen F. Austin...Recorded her highest point total of the season when she registered 78.5 in her first meet of the season.

High School: IEA National Qualifier in 2004 and 2005...Placed third in equitation in 2004 IEA nationals.

Personal: Born March 21, 1987...Majoring in marine science...Favorite movie is Billy Madison...Hobbies are playing the saxophone, singing and dancing...Career goal is to obtain master's in marine biology and work with marine mammals down south...Lists Maui as the most interesting place she has ever visited...Has a personalized license plate that says SC2USC...Parents are Tony Cell and Cindy Cell-Brofman.



Jamie Diamond Junior Ocala, Fla. ♦ Forest Reining

2005-2006: Competed in seven competitions...Recorded wins against Kentucky and Auburn...High point score was 75...She posted that score twice in the season against Kentucky and Stephen F. Austin.

2004-2005: Beat opponent in reining at the UGA

competition...Earned team's Community Service Award

High School: Reserve World Champion at the Buckskin and Appaloosa Youth World Shows...Top 10 Year-End Hi-Point in four events for the Appaloosa's Horse Club...2004 Gold Coast Circuit Reining Champion...Numerous circuit and year-end Hi-Point Awards in Quarter Horse Competition

Personal: Born Sept. 5, 1985 in Miami, Fla....Majoring in Hospitality and Hotel Management...Career goal is to manage a major country club... Considered Georgia and Florida State before choosing USC... Parents are Richard and Christine Diamond...Favorite movie is *Wedding Crashers*... Lists Costa Rica as the most interesting place she has ever visited...Her favorite indoor activity is cooking.



Rider Bios



Michelle Grah Junior Maryville, Tenn. ♦ William Blount Horsemanship

2005-2006: Rode horsemanship in nine events... Won three of her first four competitions of the season...Tied with Stephen F. Austin with her high point score of the season, 86-86...Capped off her season with a 72-68 win against South Dakota State...Re-

corded a score of 80 in loss to Baylor.

2004-2005: Beat opponents in horsemanship at Berry, UGA and West Texas A&M...Defeated opponent in reining at West Texas A&M...Competed against Auburn and in the Southern Equestrian Championship.

High School: Member of the TQHYA Youth World Team for three years and a TQHYA NYATT team member for four years...TQHYA All-Around Youth...TQHYA State Champion in five events...Vice President of the TQHYA for two years.

Personal: Born April 6, 1986 in Memphis, Tenn....Majoring in business... Her favorite indoor activity is online shopping...Lists *Mean Girls* as her favorite movie...Says St. Maarten is the most interesting place she has ever visited...Parents are Gina and Doug Grah.



Katie Grossnickle Sophomore Winona Lake, Ind. ♦ Lakeland Christian Horsemanship

2005-2006: Joined the team '06 Spring semester... Scored 97 at SEC's against Auburn...Scored 88 at home meet against Baylor...Was the high point scorer in horsemanship at the S.D. State meet...Earned the Sportsmanship Award by coaches.

High School: Was the 2006 NSBA Champion - Trail & Western Riding, Amateur...Circuit Champion - Showmanship, Horsemanship, Trail and Western Riding...2005 Finalist at Youth World - Western Riding...Finished sixth in 14-18 Western Riding at Congress...Seventh in 15-18 Trail at Congress...Sixth at NYATT Hunter Under Saddle at Congress...2004 Congress Champion in 15-18 Western Pleasure...Congress Champion NYATT Western Pleasure...AQHA High Point Youth Honor Roll Champion - Western Pleasure...NSBA High Point Youth Honor Roll Champion - Western Pleasure...

Personal: Born Sept. 19, 1986 in Warsaw, Ind....Majoring in retail management...Hobbies include riding, snowboarding and collecting and watching movies...Parents are Steve and Lori Grossnickle...Has two older brothers, Brian and Eric.



Alex Haskell Freshman Cincinnati, Ohio ♦ Indian Hill Equitation & Over Fences

High School: Graduated from Indian Hill H.S. ... Qualified and competed in USEF Medal and Maclay...Was ranked among the top 100 U.S. riders on the Bates Equitation ranking list...Was awarded Reserve Champion in Zone V Horsemanship at the

Kentucky National...Was one of only 16 riders in the country to win the Champion or Reserve honor in horsemanship at the Kentucky National... Won ribbons at the Pennsylvania National Horse Show, Washington International Horse Show and Capital Challenge...Received regional awards such as High Point Junior Rider for both the Ohio Hunter Jumper Association and Kentucky Hunter Jumper Association...Was named Kentucky Equitation Champion and Kentucky Medal Finals Champion.

Personal: Parents are Martin and Valerie Haskell...Birthday is Nov. 5, 1987...Major is business...First CD ever owned was Backstreet Boys...The most interesting place she has ever visited is Turks and Caicos...Hobbies include snowboarding, wakebording and playing the guitar...Can do animal impressions.



Ellen Hogate Senior St. Charles, Ill. ♦ St. Charles East Equitation Over Fences

2005-2006: Went 3-1 in four competitions...Finished her season with a high point score of 82 against Stephen F. Austin...Recorded wins over Auburn, Miami-Ohio and SFA...Only loss came to Baylor.

2004-2005: Had a high score of 79 in equitation over fences against Georgia...Competed on winning team against Fresno State.

2003-2004: Participant on the winning team against Kansas State...Beat opponent in equitation over fences against Auburn...Competed against UGA in equitation over fences...Finished second in equitation over fences at Berry IHSA Horse Show...Also a member of the President's List for spring of 2003.

High School: Placed third at the NAL Child/Adult Jumper Classic ... Won the medal class at the College Bound Invitational.

Personal: Born on Feb. 5, 1985...Major is accounting...Hobbies include snowboarding, yoga and foxhunting...First CD she ever owned was The Beatles' *Abbey Road...*Says the best thing about South Carolina is the weather and her friends...Daughter of Bill and Ann Hogate...Has two brothers, Todd and Luke.



Carly Johns
Team Captain
Senior
Woodstock, Ga. ♦ Woodstock

Equitation and Equitation Over Fences **2005-2006:** Competed in both equitation and over fences...Member of S.E.C. team where she went 1-1 ...Went 4-3-1 in equitation and 2-0 in fences...

Recorded three 80-plus scores: Baylor, Georgia and South Dakota State...High point score of the year was 83-84 loss to Georgia...Earned Team Spirit Award.

2004-2005: Beat opponents in equitation over fences in Auburn and UGA competitions...Tied for high score against Auburn...Won open flat against Berry College...Named Most Spirited by the team...SEC Honor Roll

2003-2004: Competed in all regular season varsity competitions... Highest point spread in equitation on the flat against Auburn and Kansas State...Tied for high score against Auburn...Won Open Equitation at Berry IHSA spring Competition...Named Most Spirited by the team.

High School: Georgia Hunter Jumper Association 11 and under equitation champion and 12-14 equitation champion...Qualified for Medal Maclay Southeast Regionals.

Personal: Born Sept. 14, 1984...Majoring in marketing...Would put a picture of Paul Stanley's face in full KISS makeup on her personalized license plate...Her favorite thing about USC is the mascot...She is a retired karate student...Favorite indoor activity is nap time...Parents are Ed Johns and Deborah Tatum.















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Sarah Lowe
Senior
Augusta, Ga. ◆ Lakeside
Equitation and Equitation Over Fences
2005-2006: Member of S.E.C team and National
Champion VENC team...Competed in 11 competitions...Recorded an 89-88 win against Auburn,
marking her high point score of the season...Went
3-0 at VENC's posting wins over Baylor, New Mex-

ico State and Auburn...Registered a 7-4 overall record.

2004-2005: Received high score on the flat against Auburn in the fall... High point equitation on the flat at Fresno State...Beat opponent over fences and flat at Georgia...Beat opponents at Berry scrimmage, UGA (fall), Auburn (fall), West Texas A&M and Fresno State...Chosen to compete at the Southern Equestrian Championship, but was not able to compete due to illness.

2003-2004: Won Intermediate Flat at Berry Fall, Augusta State Spring and Berry Spring...Won Intermediate fences at Berry Fall, Augusta State Spring and Berry Spring...Named Reserve High Point Rider at Augusta State IHSA...Led all competitors with 79 points in Equitation against Kansas State...Placed second in Equitation against Auburn...Received High Point rider at Berry IHSA in both Fall 2003 and Spring 2004... Varsity Team Participant.

High School: Won PSJ Pony Medal Finals in 1998 and 1999... Seventh Place in Governors Cup Finals in 2000...Fifth Place Palmetto Medal Finals in 2002.

Personal: Born Oct. 15, 1985...Major is political science...Favorite movie is *Crash*...Has a beagle puppie named Sailor...Would put 2SHORT on a personalized license plate...Daughter of Chip and Carol Lowe... Has one brother, Marc.



Megan Massaro Freshman Summerfield, Fla. ♦ Bellview Equitation & Over Fences

High School: Graduated from Bellview H.S.... The 2005 Circuit Champion- HITS for Ocala, Fla., Culpepper, Va., and Saugerties, N.Y....Won the Junior Hunter Finals at the Washington Equitation Finals...Was named Reserve Grand Jr. Hunter

Champion at the 2006 USEF National Junior Hunter Championship... Currently ranked in the Top 25 in the Bates Equitation Rankings...Competed in the Pessoa/USEF Medal Finals in Harrisburg, Pa....Placed 10th overall in the Washington Equitation Finals in Washington D.C....The winner of the 2005 USEF National Medium Green Pony of the Year Award...Finished third at the 2004 Show Circuit Magazine competition, along with placing in the Children's Medal Finals at the Capital Challenge Horse Show...Was the Central Florida Hunter Jumper Association (CFHJA) Year End Champion Large Pony Hunter...Is a past winner of the USEF Pony Medal Championship...Was named the 2002 winner of the USEF Horsefeathers Sportsmanship award at Pony Finals in Lexington, Ky.

Personal: Mother is Jan Massaro...Birthday is Sept. 10, 1988....Major is nursing...Chose USC over Georgia...A member of HOSA (Health Occupations Students of America) where she currently serves as secretary... Most interesting place she has ever visited is Abacos, Bahamas...Is one of two Canadians on the team...Enjoys swimming, wake surfing and riding.



Lindsey Pace Sophomore Camden, S.C. ♦ Camden Equitation Over Fences

2005-2006: Member of National Champion Hunt Seat Team...Went undefeated (5-0) at Southern Equestrian Championships and at Varsity Equestrian National Championships...Posted a 9-2 overall record...High point score was 88 against South Dakota

State...Won six consecutive competitions...Recorded an 80-plus scored in four consecutive competitions...Won her final event of the season when she posted a 170-156 score against Auburn at the VENC's.

High School: Qualified for Medal and ASPCA Maclay in 2004 and 2005... Finished third in large Junior Hunter in Zone 4 in 2003, 2004....Qualified for USEF Medal finals in 2002 and 2003...Qualified horses for Junior Hunter finals in 2001, 2002, 2003 and 2004... 2002 SCHJA Governor's Cup Medal final winner...2000 SCHJA Palmetto Medal Final Winner... 1999 BRHJA Medal Final Winner..

Personal: Born March 25, 1987...Majoring in psychology...Favorite food is cheeseburger...Favorite movie is *How to Lose a Guy in 10 Days.*...First CD ever owned was Mariah Carey's *Daydream.*...Says the best thing about USC is the interesting people and the infinite opportunities...Hobbies include swimming, playing golf and reading...Daughter of Mike and Sherry Pace



Kristina Papendick Freshman Rapid City, S.D. ♦ Stevens Horsemanship

High School: A graduate of Stevens H.S....2006 Quarter Horse Youth World Champion in Western Riding and Hunter Under Saddle...Finished seventh in Horsemanship...Ranked top five in the nation in horsemanship, western riding and hunter under sad-

dle...Finished third in 15-18 Trail and seventh in 15-18 Horsemanship at the 2005 Quarter Horse Congress... Was the Reserve Champion in 14-18 Western Riding...The 2004 Youth Western Riding World Champion and a finalist in Western Pleasure, Horsemanship and Trail...The 2005 Scott-sdale Classic 14-18 All-Around Champion...Finished fourth in Western Riding in the 2005 Youth World Show...Also a finalist in Trail at the Youth World Show.

Personal: A Regents Scholar and a founder of RADD (Raiders Against Destructive Decisions), which encourages high school students to make good decisions in high school and how to overcome peer pressure...Parents are Lew and Kerry Papendick...Major is business...Birthday is March 26, 1988...Would put 232 on a personalized license plate...Also likes to snowboard...Lists Cabo, San Lucas, Mexico as the most interesting place she has ever visited.



Courtney Reese Sophomore Tryon, N.C. ♦ Polk County Equitation and Equitation Over Fences

2005-2006: Participated in three competitions...Recorded first collegiate victory with 81.5-81 victory against Auburn.

High School: 2001 AHSA National Pony Medal Finals Champion...Winner of Easter Sunday Memorial

Trophy...Placed second overall in 2001 National Pony Hunter Finals... Qualified and competed in ASPCA Maclay Regional Finals in 2003 and 2004...Placed second in 2003 S.C. Governor's Cup Finals...Top 5 NCHSA End of Year 12-14 Equitation finish in 2002 and 2003...Qualified for USEF Medal Finals in 2004...Top 5 E.J. Hawn Medal Finals Finish in 2003 and 2004

Personal: Born Sept. 15, 1987 in Longmont, Colo....Majoring in pre-med/psychology with English minor...Lists Iquitos, Peru as the most interesting place she has ever visited...Has done a lot of world traveling...Hobbies include writing and photography.

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Ashley Rohde Junior Alpharetta, Ga. ♦ Milton Equitation Over Fences

2005-2006: Went 2-1 in three competitions...Recorded wins over Baylor and SFA...High score was 82, which she registered in Baylor win...Was voted Most Improved.

2004-2005: Beat opponent everytime in head-to-

head matches...SEC freshman honor roll.

High School: Champion of GHJA children's hunter in 2001 while being reserve in 2002-03... Placed fifth at the Marshall and Sterling National Children's Hunter Finals in 2001...In 2002-03, Reserve GHJA Junior Hunter and qualified for the NAL National Children's Hunter Finals.

Personal: Born Oct. 29, 1985 in Atlanta, Ga....Majoring is real estate/ finance...Would put STAYBAK on a personalized license plate...Enjoys reading and playing tennis...Chose USC over Georgia and Auburn...Favorite indoor activity is playing on the computer... Parents are Jim and Cathy Rohde.



Rebekah Roof Sophomore Lexington, S.C. ♦ Lexington Reining

2005-2006: Recorded her first collegiate victory with 73.5-66 win over Kentucky...Went 5-2 for the season...Went 2-0 at Southern Equestrian Championships by coveting wins over Auburn and Georgia...High point score of the year was 84.

High school: Three time Congress Top Ten finish...Three-time AQHA World Show Qualifyer...SCQHYA Youth Reining Champion...2003 4 Regional Reining Champion.

Personal: Born July 3, 1987....Majoring in business...Would put 2HOT-2TROT on a personalized license plate...Comes from a USC family: grandfather played baseball, dad was a GA coach for USC football and mother graduated from USC nursing school...Loves to speak in front of large groups...Hobbies include riding horses, fishing, skeet shooting and reading.



Caitlin Sands
Senior
Lebanon, Pa. ♦ Cedar Crest
Equitation and Equitation Over Fences

2005-2006: Had a win over South Dakota State and finished with a tie against Baylor...High score was 89, which was posted in SDSU victory...Went 1-0-1 on the year.

2004-2005: Competed in equitation over fences at Auburn and at home against Auburn and Georgia.

2003-2004: Member of the Varsity Championship Team...Placed second in equitation on the flat at Augusta State...Competed in Varsity Equestrian Championsips in equitation on the flat.

High School: Vermont Summer Festival Amateur Jumper Chamion in 2003...HITS Winter Circuit Junio/Amateur Marshall and Sterling Jumper Finals qualifier in 2002...Jumper Champion Marshall and Serling Equitation finals qualifier in 2002 and 2003...In 2001, she was a State Line Tack medal qualifier

Personal: Born Dec. 10, 1984...Majoring in public relations...Favorite food is seafood...Selected USC over College of Charleston and Georgia... Hobbies include surfing, snowboarding/skiing and reading...Favorite movie is *Lord of the Rings*...Daughter of Roger and Stephanie Sands.



Claire Sharp Senior

Augusta, Ga. ♦ Lakeside

Equitation and Equitation Over Fences 2005-2006: Won competitions against Ke

2005-2006: Won competitions against Kentucky and Baylor...Participated in three equitation events during the season...High score of the season was 79.

2004-2005: Finished second in section three of equitation on the flat at nationals, playing a significant role in the Hunt Seat Team's first place finish and USC's National Championship title... Defeated opponent at Georgia...Point spread winner at Kentucky in equitation over fences...Compete in Southern Equestrian Championships and beat her opponent.

2003-2004: Came in the Spring of 2004 and was unable to compete until Fall 2004.

High School: Won the Palmetto Medal in 2002...SCHJA 15-17 Equitation Champion.

Personal: Born April 14, 1984 in Augusta, Georgia...Majoring in sociology...Favorite food is chicken...Favorite movie is *Almost Famous*...Lists Venice, Italy as the most interesting place she ever visted...Daughter of Cecil and Patti Sharp.



Rachel Stas
Freshman
Burlington, N.C. ♦ Southern Almanac
Horesemanship and Reining

High School: Led the North Carolina Quarter Horse Association Novice Youth in horsemanship and was second in equitation...Competed in several American Quarter Horse Association events and nabbed a multitude of awards in horsemanship, showman-

ship, equitation and all-around championship...In 2004-05, finished first in Novice Youth Horsemanship and Equitation, third in Novice Youth Showmanship and fifth in Novice Youth Hunter Under Saddle.

Personal: Attended Southern Almanac H.S....Parents are Robert and Lynn Stas...Birthday is Dec. 12, 1987.....Major is sport and entertainment management...Would put QH4ME on a personalized license plate...Favorite movie is *Office Space*...Says the best thing about USC is the campus.



Katie Stenberg Freshman Rehoboth, Mass. ♦ St. Mary's Academy Equitation

High School: Was nationally ranked 52nd on the Bates USA Equitation computer ranking in 2005... Enters the Fall Top 50 in the Bates Equitation Computer Rankings...First in Washington Overall Medal in Lake Placid (2006)...Finished second in the USET

Talent Search...Competed in the ASPCA/Maclay Championships and in the USEF Medal Finals, marking her sixth consecutive appearance in the Medal championships...Named Reserve Champion in the 2004 New England Equitation Championships...Winner of the 2005 PHA Equitation Classic in Lake Placid, N.Y....Third-place finish at the 2005 ASPCA/Maclay Championships in Wellington, Fla....Qualified and competed in the 2005 USET Talent Search and the ASPCA Maclay Championships.

Personal: Graduated from St. Mary's Academy-Bay View...Parents are Dave and Pam Stenberg...Major is business...Birthday is Sept. 16, 1988... Favorite indoor activity is ping pong...Also enjoys playing volleyball and skiing...Nickname is "Stens"...Chose USC over Georgia...Favorite team is the Boston Red Sox.





















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Sarah Stephens
Sophomore
Chalfont, Pa. ◆ Central Bucks
Equitation and Equitation Over Fences
2005-2006: Competed in four equitation events
during the season...Went 2-2 with wins over Kentucky and Auburn...High score was 79.

High School: Top 20 at Pony Finals in 2000, 2001, 2002, 2003 and 2004...Zone II Champion in 2001

and 2002...Placed eighth in Large Pony Medal Finals...Recieved Emerson Burr Horsemanship award in 2003 and 2004...A three-time EPPHA champion....Three-time PHSA champion.

Personal: Born June 14, 1987...Majoring in advertising...*Nirvana Unplugged* was the first CD she ever owned...Hobbies are riding, snow-boarding, photography and playing the piano...Lists The Natural Bridge as the most interesting place she has ever visited...Chose USC over Georgia, Brown and St. Andrews (Scotland).



Rachel Sternoff
Senior
Redmond, Wash. ♦ Eastlake
Horsemanship and Reining
Team Captain*

2005-2006: One of USC's top returning western riders...Represented the Gamecocks at the NHRA Collegiate Reining Championships...Finished 10th at the event...Competed in 22 events

during the season...Went 4-5 in reining events and 5-2 in horsemanship...Went 3-1 at Southern Equestrian Championships...Went 2-2 at the Varsity Equestrian National Championships...Recorded victories in seven of her last 10 competitions...One of three western riders to record a 90-plus score in a competition...Her high score of the season was 97, recorded at S.E.C.'s against Auburn.

2004-2005: High scorer in horsemanship at fall and spring competition against Georgia...Highest point spread at 2005 Southern Equestrian Championship in reining...Defeated her opponent in reining at Southern Equestrian Championship...Finished fourth in first section of reining and sixth in first section of horsemanship at nationals, contributing to the Gamecocks' fifth-place Western finish and national championship title. 2003-2004: Finished seventh in the Open Horsemanship IHSA National Competition...Won her section in Horsemanship at Varsity Equestrian Championships, and was seventh in reining...Received the highest score by any Horsemanship rider at the Southern Equestrian Championships with a score of 75... Named Reserve High Point rider in Western for 03-04 Zone 5 Region 2 of the IHSA...Won open horsemanship at Berry IHSA fall competition, Judson and Berry IHSA competitions in the spring...Won reining at USC IHSA in the fall...Won horsemanship in the second competition at the Judson IHSA after receiving the high score...Voted Western MVP...Varsity Team member.

High School: Competed in the 2003 National Appaloosa Horse Show... Won 23 National Championships and 11 Reserve National Championships from 1996-2003 in youth classes at the National Appaloosa Horse Show.

Personal: Born on April 17, 1985...Majoring in nursing...Enjoys playing tennis, pilates and spinning...Favorite indoor activity is making picture collages...Lists the best thing about USC is Groucho's Deli...Would put SENORTA on a personalized license plate... Daughter of Jay and Kathy Sternoff...Has three older brothers and an older sister.



Ciara Stuart Junior Milton, Vt. ♦ Rice Memorial Equitation

2005-2006: Went 1-1 during the year as she recorded a 84-75 victory in the Baylor competition...Also competed at the South Dakota State competition.

2004-2005: Competed in equitation at Auburn in the spring.

High School: In 2002, Vermont representative for the Challenge of the States...Competed at the New England Equitation Championships...Competed on the "A" circuit in New England in equitation.

Personal: Born May 21, 1986...Majoring in english...Favorite singer Tim McGraw...Favorite movie is *The Man From Snowy River*...Favorite indoor activity is Laser Tag..Would like to have a pet wolf...Her hobbies include singing, running and riding...Would get EQUSTRN on a personalized license plate...Lists Vermont as the most interesting place she has ever visited...Says the best thing about USC are the teachers: they are very supportive and caring...Daughter of Debra Stuart and the late Joseph Stuart...Has a younger brother, Benjamin.



Kristen Terebesi Junior Glenmore, Pa. ♦ Villa Maria Academy Equitation and Equitation Over Fences

2005-2006: Member of the National Champion Hunt Seat Team...ls the only returning rider to record 20 victories in the '05-06 season...Finished 20-7...ls one of USC's top returning English riders...Named team's Most Dedicated...Only lost back-to-back

once...Opened the season with five consecutive victories...High score was 93, which was against Auburn on 2/11...Went 9-3 in fences and 6-3 in equitation...Posted a 3-1 record at the S.E.C.'s and went 5-1 at the VENC's...Won her final event of the season at the VENC's, 160-75 against Auburn...Named MVP in Equitation over Fences.

2004-2005: Defeated majority of opponents throughout yearly competition...Defeated opponent by eight points in equitation over fences at the Southern Equestrian Championship...Won both hunt seat divisions at the national championship, claiming the title in equitation and equitation over fences, leading the Gamecocks to a first-place finish in hunt seat and a national championships title...Named team's Most Dedicated...NCAA Leadership Conference Representative for the University of South Carolina at Walt Disney World...Two-time High Point Spread Award Winner.

High School: Placed sixth at the 2004 R.W. Ronnie Mutch Championship...In 2004 she qualified for USEF medal, USET/BET and ASPCA McClay Finals...Top 15 finish in Carolyn Conrad Winter Equestrian Equitation Standings...USEF Medal winner at 2004 Winter Equestrian Festival...12th-place finish in USEF Medal Finals at Pennsylvania National Horse Show...Fourth in Lake Placid's Kathy Scholl Equitation Classic... Qualified for USEF Medal Finals and for ASPCA Maclay Finals in 2003...In 2001-02, was the EPPHA Large Junior Hunter 15/U Champion and the PHSA Large Junior Hunter 15/U Champion...Winner of the NAL Children's Hunter Finals and finished seventh at the Stateline Tack National Children's Medal finals in 2000...Zone II Children's Hunter Horse of the Year...Zone II State Line Tack National Children's Medal Standings Champion.

Personal: Born Feb. 8, 1986 in Bryn Mawr, Pa...Majoring in advertising...Chose USC over Virginia Tech, Virginia, Florida and Georgia...Favorite indoor activity is in the Fall, watching a football game in front of the fire...Hobbies are playing guitar, painting and cooking...Is an only child...Has ridden horses since age three...Loves mangos, grilling and the rain...Parents are Chris and Joanne Terebesi.



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Beth Tevepaugh Freshman Davidson, N.C. ♦ North Mecklenburg Horsemanship

High School: Å 2006 graduate from North Mecklenburg H.S....Two-time American Quarter Horse Youth ROM Champion...Two-time Blue Ridge Quarter Horse Association Congress Team Member...Three-time BRQHA13-under Youth All-Around Champi-

on... Six-time AQHA Youth All-Around Champion...A nine-time AQHA Reserve All-Around Champion...Congress finalist.

Personal: Major is pharmacy...ls a McKissick Scholar, a North Carolina 4-H Horse Scholarship Recipient, three-time Who's Who Among America's High School Student selection, and a National Honor Roll Inductee...In addition, is a Gold Member of the North Mecklenburg Renaissance Program and a member of the National Society of H.S. Scholars...Birthday is Aug. 3, 1988...Parents are Mark and Jan Tevepaugh...Has a brother, Tim...Chose USC because of the equestrian program...Would like to be a pharmacist after college...National Junior Horticulture Association Grand National Speech Winner...Who's Who Among American High School Students (2002-06)...First CD ever owned was NOW 5...Lists NYC as the most interesting place she ever visited...One day like to have a pilot's license...Hobbies include riding, cooking and reading.



Lindsay Williams Junior Sand Springs, Okla. ♦ Prue Reining

2005-2006: Represented South Carolina at the NHRA Collegiate Reining Championships where she finished third...High score of the season was 83...Member of S.E.C. and VENC teams...Went 6-6-1 during the season...Team MVP in Reining.

2004-2005: Experienced a lot of success in reining throughout the season...Finished sixth in section three of reining at nationals, leading the Gamecocks' Western team to a fifth-place finish and USC to the national championship title.

High School: Youth 14-18 NRHA World Champion in 2003... OVRHA Reserve year-end champion in reining youth...During 2002-03 served as the NRHYA president...Top Ten NRHA in 2001.

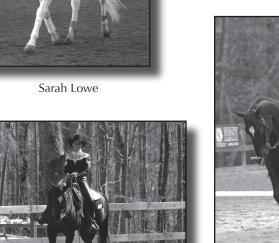
Personal: Majoring in retail management...Favorite food is cheese...First CD ever owned was Metallica...Favorite indoor activity is sleeping...Hobbies include cars, sport bikes and horses...Daughter of Will and Wendy Williams...Has two brothers.



Lindsay Williams

Ellen Hogate





Katie Grossnickle



Carly Johns



Michelle Grah



Head Coach Boo Duncan



Boo Duncan, who has received state, regional and national recognition as a premier equestrian instructor for over 25 years, enters her ninth year as head coach of the South Carolina equestrian team. Duncan has instructed riders throughout the southeast and has successfully competed at the national level over the past three decades.

In the first five years of coaching at USC, Duncan took 22 riders to compete as individuals to IHSA Nationals. Duncan coached the Zone 5 Region 2 High Point Hunt Seat rider fives times, including 2004 National Champion Tara Brothers. At the 2004 IHSA Nationals, Duncan received the Cacchione Cup/USEF Coach's Award, given to the coach of the IHSA National Hunter Seat Champion. She coached the High Point Western Rider, Assistant Coach Ruth Sorrel, of Zone 5 Region 2 in 2000.

During her tenure, Duncan has coached the 2005 overall National Equestrian Champions, back-to-back Hunter Seat National Champions (2005, 2006), and the 2006 SEC and VENC Reserve Champions. In addition, Duncan had two riders selected to compete in the National Reining Horse Association (NRHA) Collegiate Derby.



Coach Boo Duncan with son, Mac

As a rider, Duncan has competed in hunter shows, eventing and dressage. She is also an avid fox hunter. She owns the Hanoverian stallion, Donnerkeil II, and is bringing along some of his offspring to compete and sell as well.

With the NCAA recognizing equestrian as an emerging varsity sport, Duncan has the opportunity to promote the sport at USC, to other Universities, the horse industry, the community at large and on the national level. The University of South Carolina was the first major Division I school in the nation to declare equestrian as a varsity sport and Duncan is proud to be associated with USC and its athletics department. For five years Duncan was the Chairman of the Division I Equestrian Steering Committee.

This committee has been organized to promote equestrian to other universities and to guide equestrian to becoming an NCAA championship sport. Duncan now serves as chairman of the Legislative Committee for Varisty Equestrian, and is a member of the selection committee.



A Columbia, S.C. native, Duncan is a 1981 graduate of South Carolina and received her Master's degree from USC in 1990. She has taught equestrian at a number of different riding facilities across the state and coached many riders to regional and national honors. Duncan is also a Technical Delegate and "r" Eventing Judge with the US Equestrian Federation. She is a member of the American Quarter Horse Association, US Equestrian Federation, US Hunter Jumper Association and the US Eventing Association.

Duncan and her husband, Robert, own and operate a small breeding farm in Blythewood, where they currently stand Donnerkeil II. They have a seven-yearold son Robert "Mac" McDow Duncan III.

Coach Duncan possesses an intense commitment to Gamecock equestrian and is looking forward to a great year.

"Finishing as Reserve Champions in 2006 was another great accomplishment for us although we know that is not our ultimate goal," said Coach Duncan. "With eight seniors, 10 freshmen and 15 sophomores and juniors, we have a great group for the upcoming year. We should be in contention for a national championship again this year."



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Assistant Coach Ruth Sorrel



Ruth Sorrel, a 2000 graduate of the Darla Moore School of Business at USC, enters her second season as assistant coach for the Gamecocks. She is at the helm of the Western team.

Sorrel came to USC after yearlong stints as an assistant coach at Auburn University and Fresno State University.

As a former Gamecock, Sorrel competed from 1998 to 2000 on the equestrian team and served as a captain in 1999-2000. She

received two SEC Academic Achievement awards and was a member of the Dean's list. She also received the Sportsmanship Award for IHSA Zone 5, Region II in 2000 and was the IHSA High Point Rider for Zone 5 Region II in 1999-2000. Sorrel finished seventh at the IHSA Championship in 2000 in the AQHA Trophy Class.

Administratively, Sorrel serves as a member of Varsity Equestrian Competition and Finance committees.

At Fresno State, Sorrel coached the Western team to a seventh place finish nationally. She also just recently coached the Auburn team to a seventh place finish at the 2005 Varsity National, where the Gamecocks won the national title. Since 2002, Sorrel has qualified four equestrians for the National Reining Horse Derby, including most recently, Rachel Sternoff and Lindsay Williams in the 2006 Derby. Sorrel's other qualifications were in 2002 and 2005.

"Coach Sorrel has been such a huge asset to our team with what she has been able to do in the arena and her ability to communicate with the team," said Coach Duncan. "She brings fresh ideas and the team responds so well to her."

Originally from New Iberia, La., Sorrel grew up in Chapin, S.C. She has ridden horses her entire life, starting at Rock's Quarter Horses in New Iberia, La., then in Blythewood with Julie Kennedy and Prather Quarter Horses in Camden. The youngest of five children, Sorrel has nine nieces and nephews.



Senior Assoc. AD/SWA Val Sheley



Val Sheley, who has experience as a former student-athlete, coach, athletics director and several other administrative areas, including compliance, academics and student-athlete development, is in her third year as senior associate athletics director and senior woman administrator. Her responsbilities include administration of seven sports and the NCAA compliance office.

Her athletics career started in 1988 when she served as head of men's and women's track and field, then added the responsibilities of assistant athletics director/senior woman administrator at UNC-Asheville. From there, she went to the NCAA office working as a legislative assistant for the national organization.

Sheley is in her second stint with South Carolina during her college athletics career, having served as an associate athletics director for NCAA compliance at the school from 1995 to 2000.

In 2000, she left USC to become athletics director at Presbyterian College, where she oversaw the school's 13 athletics programs and facility improvements for three years. During 2003-04, Sheley served as the interim associate athletics director for academic support and career development at Maryland.

Sheley has a bachelor's degree from Murray State, where she excelled as a track and field athlete. She earned a master's from Houston and is a graduate of the Sports Management Institute.

Sheley was a 1984 Olympic qualifier in track and field for Great Britain. Her husband, Mike, was a track and field All-American and NCAA relay champion at South Carolina.









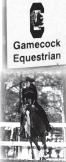














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Known as the first major school in the country to sponsor equestrian, Gamecock Equestrian enters its 10th year of existence. Since its beginnings in 1997, the program continues to thrive and develop into one of the best in the country.

USC's first national honor came in 2004 when standout Tara Brothers won the most coveted individual award for Intercollegiate Horse Show Association (IHSA), the IHSA Hunter Seat National Title, also known as the Cacchione Cup.

Under the reign of head coach Boo Duncan, on April 16, 2005, USC brought home its first national title in Varsity Equestrian, as South Carolina tallied 60 points to edge out rival opponent Georgia. Held at the Santa Fe Horse Park in New Mexico, the Gamecocks won the Hunt Seat Division with 40 points and the Western team totaled 20 points for a fifth-place finish.

In 2006, the Hunt Seat team recorded a repeat performance and won its second consecutive national title at the Varsity Equestrian National Championships held in Albuquerque, N.M. The Gamecocks defeated Auburn for the title, 906-853. Overall, USC was named Co-Reserve Champion, enough for a second-place finish.



The 2005 National Championship Team

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The 2006 National Hunt Seat Championship Team

South Carolina continues to set a standard in equestrian and has proven to be a national contender each year. As one of the benchmark programs

in the history of the sport, South Carolina is a reason that Varsity Equestrian is a step closer to full NCAA sponsorship.

With Coach Duncan, her staff and South Carolina's commitment to equestrian, the pattern for winning begins with the Gamecocks.



Kristen Terebesi and Tara Brothers kissing the trophy

Gamecock Equestrian





2005 Santa Fe, N.M.

Kristen Terebesi Kelley Campbell Claire Sharp Tara Brothers Chelsea Koornick Courtney Borton Allison Bradley Lindsay Williams Laura Pipkin Katy Biffle Rachel Sternoff

National Championship Teams

2006 (Hunt Team Only) Albuquerque, N.M.

Kristen Terebesi Kelley Campbell Tara Brothers Sarah Lowe Lindsey Pace Carly Johns (Alternate)

2006 (Co-Reserve Champions) Albuquerque, N.M.

Kristen Terebesi Kelley Campbell Tara Brothers Sarah Lowe Lindsey Pace Carly Johns (Alternate) Rachel Sternoff Allison Bradley Katy Biffle Lindsay Williams Laura Pipkin Katie Grossnickle Rebekah Roof (alternate)

2005-06 Results

Dual Meet-by-Meet Results						
Date	Opponent	Location	W/L	Score	Recor	
9/23	Kentucky	Blythewood	W	1224.5-1148.5	1-0	
10/21	Georgia	Blythewood	L	1184.75-1202	1-1	
11/5	Auburn	Auburn, Ala.	W	1177-1169.5	2-1	
2/4	South Dakota St.	Blythewood	W	520-462.5 (Western only)		
2/4	Miami-Ohio	Blythewood	L	610.5-620 (Hunt only)		
2/11	Auburn	Blythewood	W	1237.5-1181	3-1	
2/24	Baylor	Blythewood	W	1274-1244.5	4-1	
2/25	Georgia	Athens, Ga.	L	1231-1246	4-2	
3/25	Stephen F. Austin	Nacogdoches, TX	W	1086-1063	5-2	
4/1	South Dakota St.	Brookings, S.D.	W	1146.5-1143	6-2	



Tournament Results						
Date	Tournament	Location	Result	Score		
10/7-8	0 0 0	Athens, Ga.	2nd	41.4.262		
Rd. 1	/		W	414-362		
Rd. 2	Texas A&M		W	396-336		
Champ.	Georgia		L	407-411		
1/28-29	Big Eight Western	College Station, TX	6th			
Rd. 1	Georgia		L	705-720		
Rd. 2	Baylor		W	711-693.5		
Rd. 3	Oklahoma State		L	693-717.5		
	S.E.C.'s Auburn Georgia	Athens, Ga.	2nd W L	1310.5-1243.5 1322.5-1351		
4/20-22	VENC's	Albuquerque, N.M.	2nd over	all. 1st = Hunt Seat		
Western	1	1		,		
Rd. 1	Oklahoma State		L	851-857		
Rd. 2	Kansas State		L	846-848		
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English	(Hunt)					
Rd. 1	Baylor		W	773-687		
Rd. 2	New Mexico State		W	810-707		
Champ.	Auburn		W	906-853		

A Look Back at 2005-06

The 2005-06 season was yet another one for the record books for Gamecock Equestrian. USC held its ground at the Southern Equestrian Championships competition, and at the Varsity Equestrian National Championships, brought home another national title.

Kristen Terebesi, Kelley Campbell, Sarah Lowe, Lindsay Pace and Tara Brothers made up the Hunt Seat team that claimed their second consecutive national title. At the VENC's in Albuquerque, N.M., South Carolina defeated S.E.C. opponent Auburn 906-953 for the English title.

The Western team fell short of a top finish, but still played a significant part of USC's final outcome. With the Western team's contributions, the Gamecocks recorded enough points to be named Co-Reserve Champions, good enough for the runner-up position at the National Championships.

to be named Co-Reserve Champions, good enough for the runner-up position at the National Championships. Following the VENC's, USC had two representatives at the NHRA Derby as Rachel Sternoff and Lindsay Williams were selected to compete in this prestigious event. Williams finished third and Sternoff placed tenth to stake a claim as two of the best reining collegiate riders in the country.

"Everyone worked as a team at the championships and took care of what they needed to," said head coach Boo Duncan. "We are extremely proud of what we have accomplished as a team overall."

English Meet-by-Meet					
Date	Opponent	Location		Score	Record
9/23	Kentucky	Blythewood	W	620-578.5	1-0
10/21	Georgia	Blythewood	L	574.75-600	1-1
11/5	Auburn	Auburn, Ala.	W	616-596	2-1
2/4	Miami-Ohio	Blythewood	L	610.5-620	2-2
2/11	Auburn	Blythewood	W	691-650	3-2
2/24	Baylor	Blythewood	W	636-614.5	4-2
2/25	Georgia	Athens, Ga.	L	664-669	4-3
3/25	Stephen F. Austin		W	548-511	5-3
4/1	South Dakota St.	Brookings, S.D.	L	565-599	5-4
	S.E.C.'s	Athens, Ga.			
4/8	Auburn		W	620-603	
4/9	Georgia		L	630-638	
	VENČ's	Albuquerque,	N.M.		
4/21	Baylor	-	W	773-687	
4/21	New Mexico State	e	W	810-707	
4/22	Auburn		W	906-853	

Western Meet-by-Meet						
Date	e Opponent	Location		Score	Record	
9/23	Kentucky	Blythewood	W	604.5-570	1-0	
10/2	1 Georgia	Blythewood	W	610-602	2-0	
11/5	Auburn	Auburn, Ala.	L	561-573.5	2-1	
2/4	SDSU	Blythewood	W	520-462.5	3-1	
2/11	Auburn	Blythewood	W	546.5-531	4-1	
2/24	Baylor	Blythewood	W	638-630	5-1	
2/25	Georgia	Athens, Ga.	L	567-577	5-2	
3/25	SFA	Nacogdoches, TX	L	538-552	5-3	
4/1	SDSU	Brookings, S.D.	W	581.5-544	6-4	
	S.E.C.'s	Athens, Ga.				
4/8	Auburn		W	690	.5-640.5	
4/9	Georgia		L	69	2.5-713	
	VENC's	Albuquerque,	N.M.			
4/20	Oklahoma S	State	L		851-857	
4/21	Kansas State)	L		846-848	























All-Time Letterwinners

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	Kimberly Alexander	1997-01	Molly Keating	1999-02
	Amy Bell	1997-01	Jessica Keels	1999-03
	Rachel Betterton	1998-00	Chelsea Koornick	2002-05
	Katy Biffle	2004-present	Lori Lloyd	1999-00
55 71 80	Adrianna Black	1996-98	Shelby Lowden	1996-97
200	Carolina Blumberg	2003-04	Sarah Lowe	2003-present
	Jessica Boll	2003-present	Ashley Metcalf	2000-01
	Lisa Bourbonniere	2005-present	Leslie McDill	1996-97
85	Courtney Borton	2002-05	Agape McQueen	1997-98
	Lisa Boykin	2000-04	Ellen Miller	1997-00
	Allison Bradley	2004-present	Britt Mooney	1998-00
Ĭ.	Elizabeth Briley	2003-04	Karin Murray	1999-00
4	Tara Brothers	2002-06	Margy Myers	2002-03
题	Lauren Brown	2001-03	Laura O'Sullivan	2003-05
	Kendra Burdett	2002-04	Lindsey Pace	2005-present
	Mundy Burns	1997-00	April Payne	2002-03
	Kelley Campbell	2003-present	Cindy Peck	1998-00
	Jennifer Caban	1998-02	Christina Perrine	1996-98
1	Kelly Caine	2001-02	Laura Pipkin	2002-06
	Stacy Cell	2005-present	Alexis Pospischil	2000-04
	Kimberly Clary	1997-98	Courtney Reese	2005-present
	Mikel Cole	1997-01	Kerrie Reeves	2003 present 2001-05
	Ashleigh Collins	2002-06	Ashley Rohde	2004-present
	Jennifer Connor	1997-00	Amber Riddell	1997-00
	Erin Conrad	1998-00	Ellen Robinson	1997-98
	Cindy Davis	2001-03	Jaqueline Rollings	1997-01
	Jamie Diamond	2004-present	Rebekah Roof	2005-present
	Cindy Doyle	1997-98	Katherine Runyan	1996-97
	Lisa Dunwoody	1996-97	Caitlin Sands	2003-present
	Lori DuPuis	1997-01	Jean Schoenekase	1997-98
	Jennifer Dyer	1997-98	Claire Sharp	2003-present
	Maria Falgione	1998-01	Ellen Smoak	1996-00
	Kitty Fuller	1997-98	Ruth Sorrel	1998-01
	Stacy George	1997-99	Brooke Southgate	2003-04
	Kimberly Gilchrist	1998-01	Brooke Spitzer	1999-03
	Kelly Girtman	1999-03	Sarah Stephens	2005-present
L	Michelle Grah	2004-present	Rachel Sternoff	2003-present
1	Kelly Grant	1997-98	Rebecca Still	1997-98
ı	Katie Grossnickle	2005-present	Amy Strong	2002-04
I	Dana Hancock	2003-05	Ciara Stuart	2004-06
ı	Molly Harrison	2001-03	Kristen Terebesi	2004-present
-	Candice Hendrix	2001-02	Tracy Tomala	2001-03
	Ellen Hogate	2003-present	Sarah Tomasi	1999-03
	Kyra Hufford	2001-04	Lindsey Weathers	2001-05
	Mary Hughston	1998-00	Quincy Whittle	1998
N. Committee	Michelle Jenkins	2001-04	Ashley Williams	2002-06
	Carly Johns	2003-present	Lindsay Williams	2004-present
	Erika Johnson	1997-98	Lindsay Wilson	2000-04
	Julia Johnson	2003-04	Lisa Wilson	2000-04
	Emily Jumper	1998-99	Jennifer Wood	1997-01
	Stacy Kaber	1997-99	Gretchen Zavarella	2002-03
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