

HORSE ADULT DAY BIOS

Denise Lenz:

Denise Lenz has been Sales and Customer Service Manager with Schleese Saddlefit 4 Life since 2003, but has been associated with the principals of the company since its inception in 1986. Classically trained in dressage in both Europe and North America, Denise has over twenty years of experience working with internationally known trainers such as Jo Hinneman, Dietrich Von Hopfgarten, Bonnie Bonnelo, Bodo Hangen, Nancy Smith, and Evi & Hans Pracht. She has extensive show experience in many disciplines including dressage, English, Western and Breed Shows.

Denise has competed in Dressage on numerous horses from Training Level thru PSG with some career highlights including winning Reserve Basic Champion Western Canada, Champion Region 18 Arabian Sport Horse Division Training and 1st Level. Her current horse Liam, an Arabian gelding, is presently competing at 3rd level.

Denise is a graduate of the Meredith Manor International Equestrian School, in Virginia with a Riding Master III certificate. She is a Schleese Certified Saddlefit Technician, with extensive training and experience in all aspects of fitting and adjusting saddles, as well as a working knowledge in human and equine anatomy and biomechanics – especially as these relate to saddle fit.

She also attended the LA Olympics as Canadian Olympic Dressage Team Stable Manager, and has been a guest speaker at many equestrian trade-fairs and events such as Equine Extravaganza, Virginia 2005, Equine Affaire, Springfield, MA 2009, 2010, Balance in Motion Symposium with Gerd Heuschmann, Kemptville College, Oct 2010, Canada's Outdoor Equine Expo, Milton June 2011, Mane Event, Chilliwack Oct 2011.

Obrey & Angie Motowylo:

After a spectacular 2009 season, 2010 was another solid year for Obrey. For the third consecutive year Obrey had a horse named to the WPCA's Equine outfit of Excellence, 2010 saw Obrey post 19 top ten runs, including 4 first place runs and 6 runs that placed inside the top five. He established new track records at the Battle of the North and the Bonnyville Chuckwagon Championship and qualified for the sudden death championship final heat at the Ponoka Stampede for the second consecutive year. Three third place finishes at the Dewberry Chuckwagon Championship, the Ponoka Stampede, and the Richard Cosgrave Memorial Badlands Dinosaur Derby being his best of the year. In 2009, Obrey won the Ponoka Stampede, the Stathmore Heritage Days Stampede, the Calgary Stampede's Orville Strandquist Award for Top Rookie Driver, received the WPCA's Most Improved Driver Award, qualified for the Calgary Stampede's inaugural "Semi Final Saturday," and was runner-up finish for the World Chuckwagon Championship. Obrey started his career with a brief run in the Western Chuckwagon Association (WCA) driving a partial year in 2004 where he won the Teepee Creek Stampede. The following year he competed on the CPCA circuit and was the CPCA's High Point

Rookie Driver in 2005. Prior to driving the big wagons, Obrey drive Pony Chuckwagons and Chariots for over 15 years and was a 3-time World Pony Chuckwagon Champion and won the North American Pony Chuckwagon Championship 3 consecutive years. In addition, Obrey has captured over 150 championships of various kinds driving Pony Chuckwagons. He participated in EnCana's WPCA/4-H Mentorship Opportunity in 2006 and 2007. Obrey is a farmer and works for H & E Oilfield Services in the off-season. Obrey and his wife Angie, have 2 children – Hayden and Ethan – and make their home in Blufton, Alberta.

Michelle Courtemanche DVM:

Michelle graduated from the Ontario Veterinary College and completed an internship in upstate New York. She joined MPES in June of 2006 and is based out of the Campbellville location. Michelle values the opportunity to develop relationships with MPES clients and their Equine companions while helping them achieve their individual goals.

Michelle has been involved with horses for over 20 years competing in the disciplines of Dressage and Eventing. Currently she competes primarily in Pleasure and Combined Driving in Ontario and the US her riding horse enjoys his retirement. You can follow her on Twitter @MTCDDVM. Visit the MPES website www.mpequine.com.

Art Shannon:

Art is Forest Technician and license tree marker. He has worked with OMNR, supervised large lagging shows with large pulp and paper companies. He has worked full time with horses in the forests since 1982 and still finds every day challenging.

Susan Dahl:

Susan Dahl, proudly the newest member of Toklat's Myler (Bit) Ride Team is now Myler technical bit certified, a certified professional horse trainer, NCCP coaching theory certified, featured columnist in TheRider magazine, competitor, clinician and owner/operator of Foundation Reining Training Centre in Durham. She specializes in modern horsemanship, western dressage & body control foundation reining training for horse & rider. She has trained & won numerous ORHA, NRHA, & Reining Canada Top 10 awards. For more information on her very innovative & fun approach to training, clinics, lessons, or coaching, please visit her website www.reinersuehorsemanship.com or Reinersue@hotmail.com.