

FOUR RMC RIDERS QUALIFY FOR IHSA REGIONAL SHOW

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MISSOULA – Rocky Mountain College freshman Linnea Warlick, Warlick, of Warren, N.J, won first place in the reserve high point rider for both novice on the flat, and novice over fences when the Rocky Mountain College Intercollegiate Horse Show Association (IHSA) equestrian team competed in Missoula, Mont. Nov. 5 - 6, 2011.

Four RMC riders qualified for the IHSA Regionals. Kristin Dillehay, of Rosewood, Ohio, qualified for the Regional show in the advanced walk trot canter class. In novice equitation on the flat riders Kathy Cahill, of Egg Harbortownship, N.J., and Rhiannon Laird, of Granger, Ind., qualified. Amber McNally, of Spanaway, Wash., qualified in novice equitation over fences.

“I’m proud of all of the RMC riders,” said Christi Brown, RMC equestrian studies instructor and IHSA coach. “Linnea rode like a seasoned competitor and four other competitors have qualified for the regional show in March.”

The RMC IHSA equestrian team competed against teams from Carroll College, the University of Montana, Montana State University, Utah State University, University of Montana-Western and the College of Southern Idaho in three English shows.

The freezing temperatures did not deter the team from a successful outing.

“It was pretty cold for a show weekend, but that didn’t stop us from winning ribbons,” said Meredith Burton, RMC IHSA equestrian team captain. “By time you get in the ring to compete, you’re not worried about the cold, you just want to win.”

Results of the classes are as follows:

In beginner walk-trot-canter, Erin Burns, of Larkspur, Colo. placed first in the Saturday morning show.

Advanced walk-trot-canter rider Kristin Dillehay placed second and fourth.

Liz Marklin, of Calgary, Alberta, Canada, placed second and fifth.

In novice on the flat, Kathy Cahill placed first Saturday morning, advancing her to intermediate on the flat. Rhiannon Laird placed first and second, also moving forward to the intermediate class. Amber McNally placed second and fourth. Linnea Warlick placed first, first, and fifth. Liz Parkman, of Granger, Ind. placed second, fourth and fifth.

Amber McNally placed first and sixth in novice over fences, qualifying her for the regional show and moving her to Intermediate over fences. Parkman placed first; Cahill placed third, fifth, sixth; and Warlick finished with first^t, fifth and sixth.

In intermediate on the flat on Saturday Meredith Burton, of Camillis, N.Y., placed second and fifth; and Taylor Day, of Las Vegas, Nev., placed second. On Sunday, Burton placed second; Day placed third; Cahill and Laird also competed placing sixth and fifth respectively.

Day competed in Intermediate over fences placing fourth on Saturday.

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