

RMC COMPETES IN FINAL ENGLISH SHOWS OF SEASON IN DILLON, MONTANA

TWO ROCKY RIDERS BOUND FOR SEMI-NATIONALS

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BILLINGS -- The Rocky Mountain College Intercollegiate Horse Show Association (IHSA) Equestrian Team competed in the final two English shows of the IHSA season in Dillon, Montana, March 5, 2011, followed by the Regional English show on Sunday, March 6, 2011.

The RMC 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.

“It’s been a hard show season, but we’ve done a great job. All the team members have given their absolute best and it was a great weekend to finish the year,” said Christi Brown, RMC instructor and IHSA Team coach.

Overall it was a successful show year for the RMC Equestrian Team. Two team members, Taylor Day and Kristin Dillehay will continue onto the Western Semi-National Finals in Ohio at the University of Findlay on March 26, 2011.

Results of the show are as follows:

In the Novice on the Flat class, which was split into two sections, Amber McNally, of Spanaway, Wash., placed third. Kathy Cahill, of Egg Harbor Township, N.J., placed second in both shows on Saturday. Kelsey Merriam, of Lakewood, Wash., placed second and third.

In the Novice over Fences, which was also split into two sections, Amber McNally placed fifth and sixth. Kelsey Merriam placed third. Meredith Burton, of Camillus, N.Y., placed sixth in the class.

In Intermediate on the flat, Hope Barker, of Sidney, Mont., placed fifth. Meredith Burton placed third and fifth.

Hope Barker also competed in the Intermediate over Fences on Saturday, placing fifth in both shows.

On Sunday, March 6, 2011, Meredith Burton competed in the English Regional show for the Novice on the Flat class, placing sixth.

“Next year, with more riders coming into the program and team, we hope to be able to compete as a full show team, bringing RMC and Billings even more blue ribbons,” said Brown.

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