

RMC EQUESTRIANS PREPARE FOR FIRST SHOW OF 2011-2012 SEASON

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BILLINGS – The Rocky Mountain College IHSA (Intercollegiate Horse Show Association) Equestrian Team will compete in their first show of the season at University of Montana Western, in Dillon, Mont., October 1-2, 2011.

Teams from Utah State University, College of Southern Idaho, University of Montana Western, Montana State University, University of Montana and Carroll College will compete in two English shows on Saturday followed by a western show on Sunday.

“Last year was a fantastic year, and we expect this one to be even better,” said Meredith Burton, RMC IHSA Equestrian Team Captain. “Our riders have come back stronger from last year and the new team members are showing a lot of promise.”

The RMC Equestrian Team is competing with a full Western team. With at least one rider in every class level, ranging from the Walk-Trot class to the open level, RMC is eligible to compete as a team.

“This doesn’t affect our individual members in competition,” said Christi Brown, RMC equestrian studies instructor and IHSA team coach. “IHSA allows riders to compete towards the national show both as an individual and as apart of the team.”

Team members competing include Amber McNally, Spanaway, Wash.; Jill Schellenberg, Jenison, Mich.; Kathy Cahill, Egg Harbor Township, N.J.; Kayla Schlosser, Shepherd, Mont.; Kelsey Horton, West Jordan, Utah; Kelsey Merriam, Lakewood, Wash.; Kristin Dillehay, Rosewood, Ohio; Linnea Warlick, Warren, N.J.; Liz Parkman, Granger, Ind.; Lydia Harvey, Poulsbo, Wash.; Meredith Burton, Camillus, N.Y.; Rachael Meader, Lake Oswego, Ore.; Rachel Phillips, Laurel, Mont.; Rhiannon Laird, Granger, Ind.; Shalena

Neilson, Laurel, Mont.; Sunni Hecht, Lewistown, Mont.; Taylor Day, Las Vegas, Nev.

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