

Young Rider Earns Double Silver

Wadsworth, Illinois — Show jumper Frankie Chesler of Orangeville, ON, brought home two silver medals from the North American Young Rider Championships, held August 6-10, 1997, in Wadsworth, Illinois.

Team Ontario members Chesler, Erynn Ballard of Hornby, ON, Gillian Grafton of Perth, ON and Courtney Vince of Milton, ON, had a total of 12 faults to win the silver medal. Canada's second team entry, team Quebec, finished in ninth position.

In the individual competition, Chesler and Braveheart also took home the silver medal. Ballard was sixth with Aremex and individual entry Andrea Strain of Surrey, BC, finished tenth aboard Cappuccino. In the consolation championship competition, Lili Fortin of Montreal, PQ, was sixth riding Chloe de Bromont, Nicolas Bayzelon of St. Bruno, PQ, was ninth aboard Primeur and Michelle Vandal of

Oakville, ON, was 18th aboard Chelsea.

Turning to dressage, Team Ontario narrowly missed the medals by placing fourth. The team was comprised of Erin Canny of Ilderton, ON, riding Uproar, Stephanie Jensen of Blackstock, ON, and Marzano, Dara Bordo of Toronto, ON on Dreamcatcher, and Rebecca Schoenhardt of Dundas, ON, riding Red Fury.

In the individual championship, Jensen and Marzano were fifth overall with a score of 61.69% while Schoenhardt and Red Fury were tenth with 57.44%. In the consolation championships, BC's individual entry, Erin Skipley-Rozell of White Rock, BC, and Falstar were fourth while Erin Canny and Uproar were ninth.

In three day eventing Team Canada was unable to complete the CCIY** team event. Two of it's members, Susy Petman of Westbank, BC, riding Brady and Kate Bennett of

Parry Sound, ON, on Call Me Madam, finished seventh and 12th individually.

In the CCAI* three day preliminary event, Team BC finished fourth overall. The team was comprised of Angela Kendall of Oysama, BC, riding Ironworker, Shannon Thompson of Richmond, BC, riding Airtype, Julie Bion of Chilliwack, BC, aboard Howdy Pilgrim and Kacey Krenn of Surrey, BC, on Hungarian Rhapsody.

Individually, Diana Burnett of Blackstock, ON, was 13th on Tyson, Tacan Lillies of Aldergrove, BC, was 16th, and Harmony Riley of Willowdale, ON, was 18th on Featherstone. Courtney Olmstead of Blind River, ON, was 19th riding William Tell, Todd

Saudier of Dollard des Ormeaux, PQ, was 20th with Dudley Do Right.

The North American Young Rider Championships is an international level competition open to all North American residents between the ages of 16 and 21. It offers competition in the three Olympic disciplines of show jumping, dressage and three day eventing and is sanctioned by the International Equestrian Federation (FEI). The 1997 Championships, hosted by Tempel Farms, welcomed over 200 competitors from Canada, Guatemala, Mexico, Puerto Rico and the U.S.

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