

Jacqueline Oldham

Jacqui started riding on her uncle's farm in Taber, Alberta, and was first introduced to dressage at the age of 14, riding her first dressage test in 1952, and serving as Edmonton Rodeo Princess in 1955. Her first BC Dressage Championship was in 1973, her most recent in 2000. She and her husband, William, moved to their present home in Langley in 1974 and Jacqui started judging dressage about 10 years later, eventually earning her senior or "S" level. She is a very sought after judge both in Canada and the U.S., has judged as far away as Australia, and has twice been facilitator and evaluator for Dressage Canada. She was one of the founding members of CADORA in BC, and one of the organizers of the Best Ever program to develop talented dressage horses and riders. She is one of the founders and a past president of Horse Council BC, and was a Director of the Canadian Equestrian Federation for several years. She runs "Educate Your Eye" clinics for judges, and has mentored many judges over the years, plus she is a popular speaker on dressage for such groups as BC Young Riders, CADORA and Pony clubs. She has spent much of 2009 battling cancer, but continues to teach and organize clinics between treatments and is a long way from being retired.