RMC RIDER AMBER MCNALLY QUALIFIES FOR IHSA ENGLISH REGIONAL SHOW

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BILLINGS – The Rocky Mountain College Intercollegiate Horse Show Association (IHSA) Equestrian Team had a successful weekend at their first English show in Dillon, Mont., October 20-21, 2012.

Amber McNally, of Spanaway, Wash., a junior at RMC, qualified for the IHSA English Regional show in the Novice Hunt Seat on the Flat class. The English Regional show will be hosted by the University of Montana, in Missoula, March 3, 2012. As a result of qualifying for the Regional show, McNally has also moved forward into the Intermediate Hunt Seat on the Flat class.

“My goal was to qualify for the Regional show this weekend, I'm so happy I did,” said McNally. “Last year I got to compete at the Regional show for over fences and had the opportunity to show at the English Zones in Palo Alto, Calif., at Stanford University. I hope to do the same this year.”

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

The RMC team results are as follows:

In Beginner Walk Trot Canter, Kristina Felix, of San Juan Capistrano, Calif., placed second and third. Sam Packard, of Spokane, Wash., placed fifth.

In the Advanced Walk Trot canter class, Erin Burns, of Larkspur, Colo., placed first in both the morning and afternoon shows as well as third on Sunday. Becca Wolf, of Boise, Idaho, placed first and second on Saturday, and second place on Sunday.

McNally placed fourth and sixth in the Novice Hunt Seat on the Flat class.

Kelsey Merriam, of Lakewood, Wash., placed second in all of her Intermediate Hunt Seat on the Flat classes on Saturday and Sunday. In Intermediate Hunt Seat over Fences, Merriam placed second and third.

Meredith Burton, of Skaneateles, N.Y. placed second and fourth in the Open Hunt Seat on the Flat.
The next English shows will take place November 3-4, 2012 in Missoula hosted by the University of Montana.

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