RMC FRESHMAN LINNEA WARLICK WINS RESERVE CHAMPION AT IHSA ZONES

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BILLINGS - Rocky Mountain College freshman Linnea Warlick, of Warren, N.J., won reserve champion in the individual novice equitation on the flat at the Intercollegiate Horse Show Association (IHSA) Hunt Seat Zone competition this past weekend, April 7-8, 2012 at Stanford in Palo Alto, Calif.

Warlick’s second place ride will now advance her to the IHSA national show, held in Raleigh, N.C., at the Hunt Horse Complex, May 3-6, 2012.

“Going to Stanford for the Zone 8 competition was a wonderful experience,” said Warlick. “The horses were phenomenal and gave me the opportunity to show myself off as a rider to the judge. I’m excited and proud to be able to represent RMC at the national show in North Carolina.”

RMC equestrian team riders, Kelsey Merriam, of Lakewood, Wash., Meredith Burton, of Camillus, N.Y., and Amber McNally, of Spanaway, Wash., also competed this past weekend at Stanford. Merriam placed seventh in individual novice equitation on the flat. Burton placed seventh in the individual intermediate equitation on the flat. McNally finished eighth in individual novice equitation over fences.

“All the RMC riders had fantastic rides,” said Christi Brown, RMC equestrian studies instructor and IHSA team coach. “Linnea demonstrated great skill as a freshman under pressure. It was a phenomenal weekend for Rocky Mountain College.”

The RMC equestrian team competed against schools from the IHSA Zone 8, including Stanford University, Oregon State University, and University of Colorado.

Sunni Hecht, of Lewiston, Mont., will also be competing at the IHSA National show in individual open western horsemanship.

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