



### *Have you heard what's happening on the Equestrian Team SA drive?*

Since our launch at the October 2009 South African Derby at Kyalami Equestrian Park we have been spreading the word about **Team SA**. South Africa needs to make its presence felt in global sport! Our campaign supports increased international participation in all disciplines at the pinnacle of the game – only by increasing our skills, our expertise, and our experience levels, will we be able to bring home “*More Medals*”.

Philippa Johnson's double gold achievement in Para-Dressage has raised the profile of Equestrian Sport with the SA Olympic committee and inspired us all!

### *We are busy working to:*

- Raise awareness of top performing athletes across all disciplines
- Develop the brand of Team SA
- Build a supporter base for Team SA
- Fundraise to aid Team SA in achieving its goals

### *Who is Team SA?*

**Team SA** comprises all athletes selected to represent South Africa at the World Equestrian Games and the Olympics. Teams for each discipline are chosen according to laid down protocols and criteria. Young riders' squads are also being nurtured to fulfill this role in the future.

### *The Road to WEG 2010 Kentucky*

#### *Eventing:*

6 horse & rider combinations are qualified ( Entries allow: max 6 athletes with 1 horse each or up to 2 individual athletes with 1 horse each may participate). The current shortlist of riders is: Graham Winn, Paul Hart, Martyn Swanepoel, Heidi Wood, Douglas Welsh and Alex Peternell.

Fantastic news is that there are 6 horses in quarantine at Kenilworth in the Cape, waiting to leave for France to begin their campaign to WEG! All the riders have been fund raising energetically, and the excitement is tangible! One young rider, Hayley Parker, is accompanying the “team” as a growth and training opportunity. All will be based in France in the lead up to WEG, and will be coached by Jean Philippe Cambouives, who has been to SA to coach and mentor our riders a number of times.

#### *Show Jumping*

(Entries allow: 5 athletes with 1 horse each or up to 2 individual athletes with 1 horse each)  
A number of athletes have qualified within SA on their horses, and 3 riders have qualified themselves and their horses in Europe. The current shortlist of riders (subject to change) is: Ryan Harvey, Oliver Lazarus, Charles Luyckx, Barry Taylor and Johan Lotter

#### *Endurance*

(Entries allow: 5 athletes and 6 horses or up to 2 individual athletes with 1 horse each)  
The endurance riders are busy making their plans for WEG and have 1 horse in quarantine waiting to leave SA shores. Endurance riders will also be hiring horses from Brazil.

## *Para-Dressage*

(Entries allow: 5 athletes with 1 horse each or up to 2 individual athletes with 1 horse each)

Marion Milne, Wendy Moller, Anthony Dawson, Cathy Lloyd and Philippa Johnson have qualified to ride in the World Equestrian Games. There is one more qualifying show before the games, 18 – 21 March 2010 at Kyalami Equestrian Park, in which additional athletes may qualify.

## *Vaulting*

(Entries allow: Team of 7 vaulters, 1 horse, 1 longeur + 1 reserve horse and 1 reserve longer and 3 individual female, 3 individual male vaulters, 1 horse ,1 longeur each, and 1 individual female, 1 individual male reserve vaulters, no reserve horse or longeur).

The FEI granted South African Vaulting two International Qualifiers in 2009.

The following vaulters have qualified and are now eligible for selection for the World Equestrian Games: Males-Kegan Smith, Bongani Mvumvu, Sebastian Andrews, Yorick Smith, Dylan Jones and Khensani Maluleke.

Females-Megan Taylor, Kelsey-Jo Baumann, Kayla Gertenbach, Zahne Pienaar and Chelsey Gertenbach.

There will be one more International Qualifier in June 2010 where additional vaulters may qualify.

## *Reining*

SA has 1 reining rider, Shane Borland

## *How does this affect You?*

**Team SA** needs *Your Support!* This initiative includes a wide range of activities, from the sale of quality merchandise, fundraising events and functions, to clinics held by top instructors, raffles, lectures, donations etc.

Become a Team SA supporter – look out for our official promotions and news. Your support will be highly valued!

We welcome your input and suggestions!

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Paul Hart and Graham Winn – 2 of SA top “Eventing” riders