

Bermuda Equestrian Federation – 2018 General Assembly:

2018 highlights

National Overview:

Year to date, we've held close to 20 national competitions and have a membership comprised of more than 200 junior and senior members. Government funding has enabled us to subsidize x visiting international clinicians that aid in the development of our hunter, jumper and dressage riders.

The BEF also promoted equestrian sport in the Bermuda community by funding middle school students aged between 12 – 14 years to a one-day introductory session where students were given an introduction to stable management and safety as well as the opportunity to ride and drive a horse/pony. We hope to continue this on an annual basis.

We currently have Bermudian athletes competing regularly in Europe and the US. Our show jumpers are Jillian Terceira, Patrick Nisbett, Raishun Burch, Tyler Lopes and Kijuan Minors. Our Dressage rider is Annabelle Collins and Marvin Brangman is competing in Endurance.

FEI Solidarity:

FEI Development Officer, Jean-Philippe Camboulives visited Bermuda in May to meet with the BEF Board of Directors, the BEF Committees, BEF Office, local coaches, as well as the Bermuda Olympic Association and Department of Youth and Sports.

We identified a number of priorities ranging from governance in the form of maximizing our structure to mapping out a development plan. It was also an opportunity to hear what the FEI has in the way of development opportunities and a valuable touchpoint to strengthen our relationship with our governing body.

Participation internationally:

CAC Games:

Show jumper Ki-Juan Minors and mount Just Ask Eric qualified and attend the CAC Games in Bogota but unfortunately retired during competition.

World Equestrian Games:

Dressage:

1. Annabelle Collins and mount Joyero competed successfully, achieving a score of 66.115%. Annabelle has indicated that she will be looking to qualify for the 2020 Olympics.
2. Dawn Fox successfully qualified two combinations for the CAC Games in Bermuda but did not compete.



Endurance:

Marvin Brangman and MM Godiva Chokalat competed at the World Equestrian Games. This marks the first time that Bermuda has had a competitor in the discipline of endurance.

Officials:

Heidi Shelley-Mello appointed as a Show Jumping official for the World Equestrian Games and achieved Level 1 FEI jumper judge.

Pamela Mahoney has completed FEI level 2 jumper judge.

Dr. Lucy Richardson BVM+SMRCVS is now an FEI recognized treating veterinarian.