

ALEX JAMAEEL

Blackberry

14-year-old Alex is a student at George St. Middle School in Fredericton, NB.

Personally speaking..

Alex has been involved in horses since he was a toddler as both his mother and her family have always been involved in horses. Before Alex started riding he would tag along to the barn and shows and clinics toting a bag of toy trucks and lots of snacks. By the age of 5 he had his first pony.

Alex has regular lessons with his coaches, Valerie Phelan and Erin MacQuarrie, as well as attending clinics with other instructors. Alex rides on a daily basis with his mom, Jennifer, or her partner, Peter Macpherson, so he always has constant help and support.

Accomplishments & Goals

Best competitive accomplishment so far? Finishing with double clears and in the ribbons in all three jumper classes at Coveside Horse show in Chester NS with 30-35 entries in each class.

Finishing with the top points overall in the jumper division for all four Geary Hill shows in 2010.

Best non-competitive accomplishment? Achieving his C1 level in Pony Club in Oct 2010.

Short-term goals? Achieving his C2 in Pony club this summer and competing in the 1 metre jumper division.

Long-term goals? Like his heros, to ride and show at Spruce Meadows in Calgary, AB.

Obstacles, Heros and Future Plans

Riding and showing young horses provides its own challenges.

Eric Lamaze and Hickstead are Alex's heros.



Leaping High!

Factoids

- Current horses - Blackberry and Bees Knees
- Greatest joy - Coming out of the jumper ring with an awesome time and a clear round.
- Secret indulgence - driving my mom's truck or tractor around the property

More...

- Competitive discipline - Jumping
- Previous horse - Trix of the Trade

And More...

- Hobbies / interests - biking, freestyle skiing, reading, playing video games
- Favourite book - 'Shadow' by Michael Morpurgo and 'Hunger Games' by Suzanne Collins
- Favourite music - Little Motel by Modest Mouse