

Ewa Fogh Pedersen Aberg

My name is Ewa Fogh Pedersen Aberg, I was born November 19th 1957. I was born and raised in the south part of Sweden.

My riding career started as a ten-year old, just as everyone else at the local riding school. So of course as a result, my childhood and teenage years were all spent in the barn. This kept going and my career went very well with training, riding and showing. Everything went along smoothly until I fell in love with a rider that was even better than myself, Lindy Fogh Pedersen. After marrying Lindy, who was an international rider and part of the Danish national team, I was put in his shadow and had to be the one educating the young horses as well as taking care of the training at home.

There can only be one star in any family, and in ours it was clearly Lindy. In our years together he had great success and for some years we also worked in the United States. We started working in Grafton, Wisconsin, and were training and competing with horses in both Dressage and Show jumping. After that we moved on to Illinois, where we started at a very interesting job at Temple Lipizzan in Chicago. It was a very educational profession, working with and learning from talented and greatly merited men like Karl Mikolka and Alf Ahrenstat, both of who were educated at The Spanish Riding School.

Unfortunately Lindy passed away in '94 and after that I have stayed in the line of educating both horses and riders at all levels. I have over the years trained and helped a lot of riders to become successful in their careers. I have been working with training students from a hobby level and up to International competing. I feel that I have been a very big help to my students and that I have been greatly appreciated by all of them. I have also been running a very successful breeding program with Swedish warm bloods. We have had a good number of horses represented every year at championships, all the way from foal to riding classes. I also had the pleasure to own and be the breeder of the winning horse of the 3 year-old championships in Sweden one year. There are a lot of my offspring competing out there now in both dressage and show jumping, many of them very successfully.

We are currently running a Beautiful Equestrian facility in the south of Sweden, where we are teaching and training all levels and disciplines. I have spent a lot of years working abroad in Denmark, training both dressage and jumping horses, and I have also brought the new sport Working Equitation in to Denmark. Portugal is the mother country of this new and fantastic discipline, and of course I needed to learn from the best, so I have been studying Working Equitation under the World champion in this sport. His name is Joao Pereira Lynce and he lives and works at his Quinta de Carridade outside Lisbon, Portugal.

His skills in his field are outstanding, so by training under him for those years, I have attained a very high level of teaching and riding WE in all levels. I have learned a lot of different riding methods as well through my many travels, such as different ways of teaching these methods to others and different ways of approaching a problem to reach the best result possible.

Even I have a mentor, and her name is Mrs. Anne Gribbons, working in Chuluota, Florida, where she has a wonderful facility. I don't know where to start when it comes to present her and what she has accomplished. But just to mention a few of her achievements, she has been a US team rider for a number of years. She is an O judge, and has trained many horses and riders to international grand prix status. I can fill tons of papers with her doings. Her skills are enormous and her knowledge knows no bounds. It is one of my life goals to be able to be taught by her and to work alongside her. That would also finally give me the chance to focus my energies on my competitive riding and personal growth rather than passing down my own knowledge to others.