

Missouri Quarter Horse Association Member Spotlight

Dianne Schaefer

Dianne has been a MQHA member since 2000 and is currently serving as a Director. She loves showing the All-Around events, but her favorite classes are Hunter Under Saddle and Trail. “I love Hunter Under Saddle. I can pass people and not get penalized for it! I also love Trail. I find all those obstacles challenging and fun.” Dianne has had many successes during her show career, but the most memorable to date was her win in the Hunter Under Saddle class on Kinetic Krymsum, aka Gib, at the inaugural Novice Championship East Show in Tennessee earlier this year. “That moment was epic. I know there will not be another moment in my career like that moment and I will cherish it forever.”

When asked what she has learned from each horse she has shown, Dianne responds, “Spanish Rose Array, aka Slick, was amazingly talented and smart – almost too smart. I would only need to practice a pattern once and he would know it, so I learned to break them down into smaller pieces and transitions. Justa Chocolate Kiss, aka Sam, was the first horse I really felt would take care of me in the trail pen. He tried to please so hard and even though he wasn't a big, tall horse he could knock out that HUS trot. Gib, my current show horse, has given me the most confidence. He really has so much talent and heart that I have only scratched the surface of what I have to learn from him. He has done so remarkably well I forget he is just a baby.”

Dianne's long-term goal with Gib is to qualify for the Select World in two years.

Dianne currently works as an OB nurse in the Birthing Center at St Mary's Medical Center in Blue Springs. She and her husband, Bob, live in Lone Jack and have twin daughters who are also nurses.



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