

## Jean Duckering ADA Lifetime Recognition Award Presented in 2021

### **Participation 25+ Years:**

Jean joined PA/ADA in 1985 and has been involved in dressage as a competitor and volunteer for 36 years. Throughout her years of involvement, her two notable mounts were Rio and Rhumba that Jean successfully competed throughout Alberta. She continues to enjoy schooling rides with Rhumba at 4th Level. Jean is an exemplary volunteer who gives 110% to everything she is involved in. This has included various board positions with PA/ADA, ADA and Dressage Canada. She has volunteered at countless shows and clinics in including positions as organizer, judge, scribe, scorer, show office management, fundraising and anything else that can be asked of someone!

### **Contributions to the sport of dressage:**

Along with her valuable contribution to the sport of dressage through her many years on board positions and as a clinic organizer, Jean was involved with two CDI competitions hosted by CA/ADA in Calgary. Jean worked closely with Sheri (Bresee) Cameron to host these exciting events acting as liaisons with EC, Dressage Canada, the FEI and FEI judges as well as managing the show. Additionally, many will remember the fabulous Alberta Provincials and Western Regional shows held in Red Deer for numerous years that Jean was involved with organizing.

### **Active Member of ADA or Area Group”**

Jean spent many years as a board member of the Parkland Area Alberta Dressage Association holding positions as President, Vice President, Secretary or Director. Jean saw projects through to completion, and spearheaded many initiatives for PA/ADA. Jean served quite a few years on the ADA Board including president for five years. When she retired from the ADA Board, Jean represented Alberta on the Dressage Canada Board of Directors for a 3-year term.

### **Ambassador for Dressage:**

Jean helped to bring and organize the CDI to run in conjunction with a Calgary Area Gold show. These shows brought riders from BC, Alberta and Saskatchewan to Calgary which aided in their gaining the necessary points for team selection. Throughout her years of show and clinic organizing, Jean has most often been the liaison to the international judges hired for the events





and has put Alberta in the spotlight with her attention to detail and great conversation! Jean has been the ADA liaison with The Mane Event, which orchestrates the Dressage component of this annual event, thus promoting dressage in Alberta.

**Other Contributions:**

If 36+ years wasn't enough, Jean has recently rejoined PA/ADA as their Vice President and is once again, taking an active role on the Board. Jean may be a leader in the movement towards bringing more sport ponies into Alberta Dressage shows. Jean is working with her new 2-year-old Welsh Warmblood filly and looks forward to developing her into a successful dressage mount in the years to come.