

Kimberly Robbins



Kim Robbins began her riding career 30 years ago at Rochester Hills Stables where she rode Hunter/Jumpers. As a Junior competitor she received several MHJA awards on her Quarter Horse Cest La Vie, aka "Sly". In 1988, when Sly had to stop jumping due to a suspensory injury, Kim began to learn the art of dressage. Sly and Kim began their dressage career under the tutelage of Joann Parker and Susan Snethkamp.

When Sly was sold Kim began the training of Edith Ann. Edith was a four year old Thoroughbred mare, fresh off the racetrack and looking for her next career. Edith sometimes had a mind of her own, but through the years with hard work and the help of many special people Kim was able to get Edith showing at third level and earned her USDF bronze medal in 2005. Over their long partnership they took home several All Breed Awards, and qualified six times for Regional USDF Championships. Edith Ann is currently 23 years old and is enjoying 'partial' retirement at Reflection Arabians Farm in Dryden, MI.

In 2004 Kim moved her horses to Reflection Arabians in Dryden, MI owned by James and Nancy Lapier. She began riding their Arabian gelding Reflection Bey +/- . Up to that point he had only shown in the main ring at Arabian Class A shows. Kim began his dressage training with the help of Sarah Michael that year and found that 'Handsome' truly excelled in the dressage arena. He qualified for Arabian Sport Horse Nationals in 2007, where he placed 11th in First Level out of a competitive field of more than 50 horses. Reflection Bey +/- was also awarded USEF Horse of the Year three years in a row.

Currently Kim owns an Oldenburg mare named 'Serendipity' that she is preparing to show at First Level this year. She rides regularly with Jochen Hippensteil, Sarah Michael and Lars Petersen.

Equinox Ebony Knight is the Morgan gelding that Kim will be doing her dressage demo on at the MSU expo. His proud owner is Gloria Crawford. He has just completed an extremely successful 2010 show season. He qualified for Region 2 Championships at Training and First Level, as well as placing Reserve Nationally and Champion Regionally for USEF Horse of the Year. 'Ebony' is preparing to show Fourth Level this year, with aspirations towards Prix St George.