

I apply for the position of **DRIVING ATHLETES REPRESENTATIVE**

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Equestrian Background	Year	Experience
	2017	INDIVIDUAL 10 TH , WORLD DRIVING CHAMPIONSHIPS FOR PONIES, MINDEN
	2016	BRITISH NATIONAL CHAMPION
	2015	INDIVIDUAL 4 TH AND TEAM BRONZE, WORLD DRIVING CHAMPIONSHIPS FOR PONIES, BREDA
	2013	INDIVIDUAL SILVER, WORLD DRIVING CHAMPIONSHIPS FOR PONIES, PAU
	2012	INDIVIDUAL BRONZE, FEI EUROPEAN CHAMPIONSHIP YOUNG DRIVERS TM

Professional Career	Year	Experience
	2017-2018	FREELANCE LECTURER IN SPORT PSYCHOLOGY
	2017-2018	FREELANCE CARRIAGE DRIVING TRAINER
	2017-2018	GROOM FOR MICHAEL FREUND

Education / Certification	Year	Degree / Certification
	2010-2013	BSc (Hons) Psychology with Sports Science – Class I. University of Exeter
	2013-2017	PhD Sport and Health Sciences. University of Exeter

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29th April 2018

FAO: FEI Nominations Committee

Dear Sir/Madam

Athlete Representative - Driving

I am writing to submit an application to be accepted as a candidate in the upcoming election of the FEI Athlete Representative for the Driving discipline.

I am a successful international level driver having competed at three FEI World Driving Championships for Ponies, winning an individual silver medal at Pau in 2013 and the Team Bronze medal at Breda in 2015. Prior to this I was also successful at Young Driver level, winning the Individual Bronze medal at Wiener Neustadt in 2012.

Professionally, I have a doctorate in sport psychology and I use my qualification and experience to lecture and present on the same topic as well as holding private consultations with athletes from a range of sports. My professional background enables me to approach debates and discussion in a logical, open-minded and scientific manner, considering all options and points of view.

With both my professional and driving experience I believe that I possess the required credentials to successfully fulfil this role, providing the critical link between my fellow athletes and the FEI. I pride myself on possessing the highest standards of professional and ethical conduct with the welfare of horses being of prime importance.

I have prior experience of being an athlete representative both within driving, as the Single Pony class representative in Great Britain, and in wider equestrianism, as the former Chairman of the British Equestrian Federation Youth Action Group. I have an approachable manner and encourage all athletes to be engaged and have a voice in their sport.

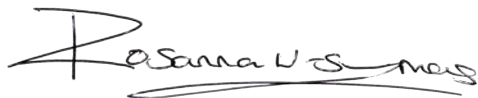
I developed my broad knowledge of driving sport through a successful international young driver experience as well as having worked for and trained with multiple World Champion four-in-hand drivers both in the UK and abroad.

I currently compete in single driving, which is also often the starting place in the sport for most athletes and the place where new talent - the next generation of world class drivers - is spawned.

I have a passion for coaching young drivers and, given my relatively young age, I hope to be able to provide the point of view of forward thinking athletes who represent the future of our sport. Furthermore, it would be fantastic to increase the number of female members on the Driving discipline committee in line with the growing number of women competing at the top level of the sport.

I am passionate about Driving and the future of our sport, therefore I would relish the opportunity to be the FEI Athlete Representative for Driving. I trust that you will be accepting of my candidacy.

Yours faithfully,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Rosanna Walters-Symons". The signature is written in a cursive style with a long horizontal flourish underneath the name.

Dr. Rosanna Walters-Symons