Team SOUTH AMERICA

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Profile

Juan Bautista Jaled Puiggros

Age: 17
Gender: Male
Country: Argentina
Team: South America
Competing since: When I was 5 years old
Questionnaire

What's the best thing about riding horses?
The connection with the horse.

What does it mean for you to compete at the Youth Equestrian Games?
A lot of happiness because I represent my country.

Who is your favourite rider of all time?
Marcus Ehning.

What music do you listen?
Reggae and tropical pop song.

What's your favourite movie or TV show?
Grownups.

What other sports do you enjoy besides Equestrian?
Football.

How would you define yourself as a horse rider?
Very passionate.

What is your dream in Equestrian Sport?
To participate in the Olympic Games.
Profile

Juan Felipe González Cova

Age: 16 years old
Gender: Masculine
Country: Colombia
Team: South America
Competing since: 2014
Questionnaire

What’s the best thing about riding horses?
The connection that you have with the horse

What does it mean for you to compete at the Youth Equestrian Games?
I feel happy and proud to represent my country in this special competition

Who is your favorite rider of all time?
Marcus Ehning because of his style and effectiveness

What music do you listen?
Pop

What’s your favorite movie or TV show?
Marvel, Jappeloup

What other sports do you enjoy besides Equestrian?
I enjoy playing soccer, tennis, table tennis.

How would you define yourself as a horse rider?
I define myself as patient, disciplined, resilient and competitive

What is your dream in Equestrian Sport?
My dream is to represent Colombia in the Olympic Games, participate in the Longines Global Champions Tour, Rolex Grand Slam and be a coach sharing my knowledge with the next generations.
Profile

Juan José Tamayo Tapia

Age: 15 years old
Gender: Male
Country: Ecuador
Team: South America
Competing since: 2016
Questionnaire

What’s the best thing about riding horses?
The best thing about riding horses is the connection I have with them, the peace and tranquillity they give me, the calm and security they transmit to me when I have a bad day. Riding horses had made me more disciplined and constant. It had taught me to work as a team, with empathy and tolerance, because I know that I depend on my team to achieve my goals.

What does it mean for you to compete at the Youth Equestrian Games?
It is a pride to participate at the FEI Youth Equestrian Games because it is the reward for all the effort and sacrifice of me, my family and my team, who have trusted on me. It is a big challenge, since I will be able to show my skills and represent my country at the international arena.

Who is your favourite rider of all time?
My favourite rider is Marcus Ehning

What music do you listen?
I like to listen latin urbano music

What’s your favourite movie or TV show?
My favourite movie is Rocky

What other sports do you enjoy besides Equestrian?
I also like tennis and Formula 1

How would you define yourself as a horse rider?
I consider that I am disciplined and constant. This sport has helped me a lot to work and manage my self-regulation and concentration. I have my objectives clear, I adapt easily to situations, but always keeping my objectives present.

What is your dream in Equestrian Sport?
I would like to have a competition process that will take me to the Bolivarianos Games, and finally represent my country at the Olympic Games.
PARAGUAY

Profile

José Emanuel Pérez Benítez

Age: 17 years old
Gender: Male
Country: Paraguay
Team: South America
Competing since: 2012
Questionnaire

**What’s the best thing about riding horses?**
Interact with the horses, be companions on and off the track.

**What does it mean for you to compete at the Youth Equestrian Games?**
It means representing my country in a very important competition so it makes me feel proud and happy.

**Who is your favourite rider of all time?**
My favorite rider is Nick Skelton, because of the horsemanship he demonstrated at the 2016 Olympics in Brazil.

**What music do you listen?**
I listen to everything, I have a song or genre for every moment, but my favorite band is Guns´n Roses.

**What’s your favourite movie or TV show?**
My favorite movie is Pirates of the Caribbean.

**What other sports do you enjoy besides Equestrian?**
I am a soccer fan, and my favorite team is Olimpia from Paraguay and Real Madrid.

**How would you define yourself as a horse rider?**
Dedicated, disciplined and hard worker, because the talent is nothing without hard work.

**What is your dream in Equestrian Sport?**
Position Paraguay in the highest levels of the international competitions.
URUGUAY

Profile

Martina Rossi

Age: 18
Gender: Female
Country: Uruguay
Team: South America
Competing since: 6-7 years old
Questionnaire

**What’s the best thing about riding horses?**
For me I think the best thing about riding horses is the feeling of freedom you have while riding and the beautiful connection you make with your horse.

**What does it mean for you to compete at the Youth Equestrian Games?**
Going to compete at the Youth Equestrian Games is something amazing for me and the opportunity of representing my country makes me very proud.

**Who is your favourite rider of all time?**
I haven’t stopped to think of that but I would probably say Jessica Springsteen.

**What music do you listen?**
Normally I listen to any type of music, I don’t have a favorite gender. But I would probably say latin pop music.

**What’s your favourite movie or TV show?**
I don’t have any favorite movie or TV show, but when I have the chance to relax watching TV I like watching “NCIS: Los Angeles”, “Hawaii Five-0” or many other crime series.

**What other sports do you enjoy besides Equestrian?**
I enjoy playing volleyball and I once did athletics but I left it for horse riding.

**How would you define yourself as a horse rider?**
I would define myself as passionate for horses and horse riding. I really think I’m one of those who is really dedicated to their sport and wants to become known.

**What is your dream in Equestrian Sport?**
As I said before, I would like to become known as a horse rider and leave my mark in this sport.