

Trevor Lövgrën and Equestrian International need no introduction to the equestrian fraternity. Over the past 50 years, Equestrian International has produced top riders across the disciplines, particularly showjumping... His Hall of Fame boasts the likes of Oliver Lazarus, Mark Stopforth, Michelle Harding, Sean Henderson, Leon Venter, Tracey Davids, the Van Vollenstee riders, Carolin Chelchinsky, and more recently, Samantha MacIntosh, Ronnie Healy, Maryke Moller, Hanni Fourie and Lexi Carter, and of course, Trevor's children, Anushka and Forrest Lövgrën. The accolades and rankings that these riders have won over the past 50 years cannot be numbered.

As the main instructor at Equestrian International, Trevor has been a major player in the industry. Equestrian International plays host to the International Classique each year, an event that has been in existence for the past 30 years and brings teams from all over the world to compete in our country. More than 27 different international teams have flown their flags at Equestrian International.

Names such as Rodrigo Pessoa, Nelson Pessoa, Geoff Billington, Bjorn Nagel, Amy Miller are only a few of the names that rubbed shoulders with the local riders at Equestrian International.

Trevor has been Chef' d'Quipe for S.A.N.E.F. and G.H.S. on numerous occasions to all possible destinations in the world. His passion and love for the sport has made him very well known in producing some of the top young children and junior riders in this country. Trevor's eye and gut feeling about a good pony/horse has led to most of the top ponies and junior horses being produced with the assistance of Anuschka who does the riding and schooling.

Equestrian International has been based in Benoni for approximately 30 years. This has been the home of the Benoni Mayoral, the East Rand Championships, the International Classique and it is a well known land mark on the East Rand. Christine Julius has been a major influence and assistance for the past 35 years in the day to day running of Equestrian International. She is a Show Jumping Judge and involved with a lot of committees including the schools regions. She also plays an integral part with the development riders.

Equestrian International is one of the bigger yards of South Africa, where Equine Care is a priority. EI is one of the oldest affiliated bodies to SANEF and GHS. In many aspects they have been trend setters in the local Equestrian Fraternity.

Trevor has played a major role in organizing so many events for the equestrian world but some of the outstanding moments he recalls come from the Sun International Casino Circuit with fond memories of jumping on the beach at Wild Coast Sun and the Show Jumping in the Super bowl Cascades at Sun City, and the Royal Swazi Sun Bush Racing. Daniel Mokoena became



wise horsemen from the east

The Lövgrën Legacy

an integral part of the day to day running of Equestrian International. He has been Trevor's right hand man and second in command instructor so to say for the past 24 years. This has led in recent years to the involvement with development riders which are not funded by anyone else but Equestrian International. Trevor and Christine have assisted these riders from "Mary Moody Place of Safety for Abandoned & Abused Children", with riding instruction with Daniel twice a week. Their progress is evident in the way they communicate with animals and humans alike.

Soweto Riding School and Enos Mafokate has also been part of the development program structure of Equestrian International for the past twenty years.

Trevor's has two philosophies:

- The horse comes first the rider second!!
- Winning is not everything it is all!



The Lövgrens believe in family first and everyone in the yard is family. Should you be part of this team you will know what is like to be in more than just a stable yard. Sitting one night with the Lövgrens and hearing them discuss how to assist riders and producing their horses is a eye opener in terms of who they really are and how much they care about the sport.

The Lövgren Family

Bobby Lövgren

A love of horses flows strongly in the Lövgren blood – eldest son, Bobby Lövgren, is based in Los Angeles in the USA and is involved in the training of horses and wild animals for movies.

As the eldest of three Children, Bobby Lövgren, is a trend setter and a role model for his sisters. Names of movies such as Racing Stripes, Mask of Zorro, Legend of Zorro, Sea Biscuit, The Phantom, Prairie Fever, Running Free, and many more can be put under his belt. Working with actors such as Antonio Banderas, Catherine Zeta Jones and many high profile movie stars is a norm for him. His latest great production is with Steven Spielberg in WARHORSE. Watch for this to hit the big screen (Google Bobby Lövgren to see his full portfolio on movies done). Bobby, started his career with Trevor who was the horse master, for Gor I & II, and ventured into the movie industry with movies such as "Torn Allegiance" which was the first million rand production done by the SABC in South Africa, Bobby assisted Trevor with the horses and their training in these productions. Bobby was given carte blanche to pursue his passion to become one of the most renowned Liberty Horse Trainers in the world.

Anuschka Lövgren

A talented and passionate rider since she was very young, Anuschka was chosen for numerous Children and Junior teams both in old "Transvaal" and South Africa. Anuschka is renowned for producing top young horses and ponies.

Coming out of Trevor's riding school she had to ride everything and anything. She never had the pleasure of expensive "made" ponies or horses. Who can forget the incredible Walt Disney Kissammee who carried Anuschka to many a Championship. Kissammee and Anuschka were the winners of the first South African Childrens Derby. Since then Kissammee became a legend and continued to win everything possible in the South African Childrens Circuit with many different riders.



Anuschka has ridden and travelled extensively worldwide. One of her highlights of her new found commitment is now with the Mary Moody House of Safety for abandoned and abused children, raising funds and teaching not only riding but life skills giving them the opportunity to progress as grooms and riders. Anuschka will also assist them with finding work. Her new found dedication to God recently has not only changed her life, but has changed her entire family's life for the better. This has given her the opportunity to assist these young people with not only finding passion for horses but for the Lord as well.

Anuschka has been very successful with her clinics around the country. Even her dog Mickey the Great Dane is well known for his Jumping ability and was one of the main arena highlights at the Avis Derby 2010. He was also the highlight of the 2011 Easter East London Show where Anuschka herself, had a very successful show, winning not only the overall Show Jumping Victor Ludorum but also the Six Bar and the Power Jump. That day Mickey challenged horses in a power jump and later that night entertained the spectators with his jump over fire which had the crowds roaring. Mickey has successfully jumped 1.85 without touching a pole!

Currently, Anuschka plays a vital role as stable manager and trainer at Equestrian International. Anuschka greatest desire is to follow in her father's footsteps, with Trevor and Bobby being her two mentors.

Forrest Lövgrën

Ranked as the number one child rider in South Africa according to SANEF rankings for 2010, Forrest (14) has had an extremely successful childrens riding career to date.

She received her provincial colours (Gauteng) and received her South African Pony Rider's colours at the BMW Financial Services International Classique 2010, held at Equestrian International.

The number of classes won by Forrest in the 1.10's is uncountable but the most outstanding wins she calls mind is winning one of her first major titles, the 2009 President's Cup at Maple Ridge and also receiving the Victor Ludorum at the 2010 Royal Show.

Forrest has represented the Ekurhuleni 1.10 team for the past 3 years, and also represented the eastern region in the finals and the nationals.

She went on to win the 2010 South African 1.10m Championships at the Nationals and then received the Victor Ludorum, followed by a very successful Grand Prix at the 2010 SA Championships placing first, then followed by a third in the final of the FEI competition.

Forrest started 2011 on a high note, she has been selected for the Gauteng team 2011 for the third consecutive year, and has at the end of May 2011 won the Karkloof KZN Open Childrens Championships. Forrest won three of the four events. Not only did she win the classes, but consecutively stamped her authority in the top five riders of each class. 2011 seems to be another promising year for Forrest.

Forrest has won all her titles on different ponies! Her ability to ride all her horses in a competitive and compassionate way has led to her great success.

With such impressive achievements, she is looking forward to competing on a higher and hopefully international level very soon. This might soon well occur as Forrest will be competing in the America's when she joins up with Bobby, her brother in Los Angeles at end 2011.

With such dazzling accolades to their names, the Lövgrën offspring will no doubt continue to do the Lövgrën name proud, inspired by their father, Trevor. We surely look forward to the legacy to be continued by the 8th Generation of Lövgrën Horse men/woman. For more information please feel free to visit the Equestrian International website www.equestrian-international.co.za

