



MARY SEEFRIED

Mary has more than 40 years of service to equestrian sport.

Mary was a competitor in dressage, eventing and jumping events in the 1970s and still is one of the few Australians to have completed the Tevis Cup – a 160km endurance event in Nevada, USA.

In the 1980s, Mary decided to specialise in dressage, competing successfully at state and national level.

But it is her judging, education and administrative work that Mary has contributed most to the sport of dressage in Australia and internationally.

Mary started her national judging career in the 1980s and in 1985 was upgraded to an A level Judge.

After attending FEI judge courses in Europe, she was appointed as an:

- FEI 3* judge in 1986
- FEI 4* judge in 1993

And in 1998 was appointed as one of only 30 Olympic level (5*) judges in the World and the First Australian to be appointed to this level.

Mary was the Australian judge for dressage at the Sydney 2000 Olympic Games and over the past 20 years has held official positions at many international events including the multiple World Equestrian Games, the FEI Dressage World Cup Finals, the European Championships, the Asian and SE Asian Games, the Pan American Games.

Mary has held official roles at the 2012 London Olympic Games and the 2016 Rio Olympic Games.

Mary has two other roles – firstly she was appointed as an FEI Dressage Judge Educator and now is also a Technical Delegate and will be working as Dressage TD at 2020 Tokyo Olympics.

Mary has used her experience to mentor and support others, conducting judge education clinics at all levels throughout Australia and preparing national education material for EA.

She is passionate about educating Australian Dressage and Young Horse judges to world best standards.

On top of all this Mary has been committed to supporting the administration and governance of equestrian sport and she been a valuable member of many Boards and Committees, including:

- Being the first woman appointed to the FEI Dressage Committee in 1996
- The EA Board in March 2004.
- Chair of the EA National Dressage Committee.
- Serving 12 years on the Board of Equestrian Queensland including two years as Chair.

Mary is current member of the Dressage Queensland Officials Sub Committee and the Equestrian Australia Dressage Judges Committee.

In February 2020, Mary was inducted to the Equestrian Queensland Hall for Fame for her distinguished service to equestrian.