



ROCK ON!

It's show season and Canadians are rocking out all over the map.

"IT WAS AWESOME AND IT WAS AWFUL"

That is Lynne Larsen's succinct description of this year's Rolex Kentucky event, in which five Canadians charged around the four star course clear — three of them within the time — and two American horses lost their lives. As members of the team selection committee, Lynne and Grit High were on hand in Lexington to observe the six Canadians, and they were impressed with what they saw. "The thrilling thing for us as selectors was that they looked so professional,"

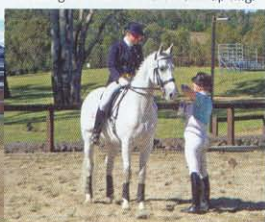


Brush jump at Rolex.

says Lynne. "They exemplified the success of the current program." In spite of the tragic accidents on Cross Country, she says "it was a great course. It was technical enough without being over-technical."

THE CHAMPS IN OZ

Karen Pavicic and Pia Fortmuller did Canada proud at the Sydney International Dressage



Derby May 1st to 3rd, taking the team championship. Karen also added the leading foreign rider award to her souvenir pile. Both riders had two different horses, and Pia's challenge was to shift gears from a Percheron cross ("I could only warm him up 10 minutes or else I wouldn't have any gas left for the show ring") to a hot little number in the team competition. But getting to know loaned horses was nothing compared to driving on the wrong side of the road, an honour bestowed on Karen for the duration of the trip. Karen's mom Lynda and Pia's brother Loisl also joined the adventure Down Under.

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FROM DOWN UNDER! LEFT: Pia and Karen making Canada proud in Sydney, Australia. CENTRE: Karen, Pia and their mounts. RIGHT: Pia aboard her grey Percheron X chatting with Karen in the warm up ring.

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