

▶ EVENTING



Mary Burke and Prince William (shown here at The Event At Rebecca Farm in July) continued their winning season with another blue in the intermediate division at the Aspen Farms Horse Trials. SHANNON BRINKMAN PHOTOGRAPHY PHOTO

Burkeridge Farms in Ellensburg, Wash., a boarding facility where she also teaches lessons.

She started on the West Coast hunter/jumper circuit during her junior years and eventually made her way east when she was inspired to try dressage. She competed through Prix St. Georges and earned her U.S. Dressage Federation bronze medal, but Burke quit riding when she had her son, Richard.

During her 17-year break from horses, Burke earned a degree in psychology and physical therapy from the University of Washington while raising Richard.

Burke's husband, also named Richard, was working as a firefighter in Bellevue, Wash., when he had a chance meeting with the late Amy Tryon, who worked in a neighboring district.

"The driving force for me to go into

eventing was Amy Tryon," said Mary. "I knew Amy when she took a couple of clinics from me when she rode in Pony Club as a little kid and I was a dressage trainer. When I came back to riding, Amy was working towards her first Olympics, and she was still working as a firefighter.

"She and my husband were at work one day, and he happened to mention he was picking something up for me at a tack store, and she asked who I was," she continued. "She remembered me and suggested I come ride with her."

Mary rode with Tryon for eight years, until her death in 2012.

"It was a special relationship because I did know her as a little girl, and I knew her mom very well," said Mary. "To have our roles switched was really kind of fun, and she taught me a great deal and introduced me to a wonderful sport."

Mary hasn't found another regular coach since Tryon's death, but she's excited to use her \$1,500 of prize money, donated by Cornerstone Forest Products, on clinics.

She splits her riding and teaching time with working at a local hospital as a physical therapist, and she finds her formal education to be useful.

"I've had a lot of people tell me my communication skills and the various teaching methods that I can do are greatly appreciated," she said. "I don't necessarily have one style of teaching—I use a lot of different teaching tools." 🐾

▶ Aspen Farms Fall Horse Trials

Yelm, WA—Sept. 5-7.

▲ **Cornerstone Forest Products Open Int.** - 1. Prince William, M. Burke, 32.7; 2. The Rock, C. Michel, 39.3; 3. Snap Decision II, J. Allred, 41.8. ▲ **Jr./Y.R. Open Prel.** - 1. Udealer, M. Snoozy, 29.6; 2. Denver's Shadow, E. Pestl-Dimmit, 42.3; 3. Sea Port, E. McLellan, 52.4. ▲ **Open Prel.** - 1. Cavalier Clover Boy, B. Hamel, 30.0; 2. Helium Risin', K. Devoille, 30.8; 3. Huxley Heights, K. Smith, 30.8. ▲ **Prel. Rider** - 1. Borasco, K. Groot, 30.5; 2. Chocolate Martini, E. Penner, 30.9; 3. Picture Perfect, K. Shimonek, 37.2. ▲ **Jr. Trg.** - 1. TGIF, O. Chandler, 32.4; 2. Sumatra, L. Thiel, 35.2; 3. On The Spot, E. Carrion, 41.4. ▲ **Open Trg.** - 1. Mateo, K. O'Neal, 31.9; 2. Dreamer, T. Hook, 35.7; 3. Lady Antebellum, L. Larsen, 36.2. ▲ **Sr. Trg. Am.** - 1. Jammer, C. Rasch, 31.4; 2. Georgie, N. Novik, 39.2; 3. Cl Just Time, R. Dart, 39.2. ▲ **Trg. Horse** - 1. Calibrae LTD, K. O'Neal, 19.5; 2. Lucky, K. O'Neal, 22.4; 3. Alliance, L. Mesher, 25.7. ▲ **Trg. Rider** - 1. Revielle, L. Ryan, 24.3; 2. Gesspari, L. Scharmach, 25.2; 3. Just Jazz, C. Slette, 35.1. ▲ **Jr. Nov., Div. 1** - 1. Brave Josie Kate, K. Knaebel, 31.7; 2. Fernando, J. Van Fleet, 36.0; 3. Paul E. Peppywood, C. Cook, 36.5. ▲ **Jr. Nov., Div. 2** - 1. Pele, L. Linder, 28.5; 2. Maggie May Belle, J. Goodrich, 29.5; 3. Charlie, L. Newman, 33.0. ▲ **Nov. Horse** - 1. Mercury Rose, A. Rajnai, 30.0; 2. Torin Himself, T. Trewin, 33.0; 3. Aurny, K. Wetherill, 34.5. ▲ **Nov. Rider** - 1. Queenstown, J. Cayer, 26.5; 2. Great Moments, J. Cayer, 29.0; 3. Darentogo, K. King, 33.0. ▲ **Open Nov.** - 1. Loughnatousa Dublin, K. Devoille, 33.0; 2. Duke, K. Stutzer, 33.0; 3. Ciara, M. Burns, 34.5. ▲ **Sr. Nov. Am.** - 1. Rough Draft, K. Brotherton, 29.5; 2. Lyrical Jazz, R. McKimmy, 33.5; 3. The Bear King, K. Rundhaug, 34.5. ▲ **Jr. Beg. Nov.** - 1. Coolmore, L. Linder, 23.0; 2. Spa Creek Dreamcatcher, M. Markey, 28.5; 3. King George, M. Floyd, 33.0. ▲ **Open Beg. Nov.** - 1. Romeo, S. Tulloch, 32.4; 2. Pleasant Jack, S. Mittleider, 35.5; 3. Mante's My-Tyrme, S. Massey, 36.5. ▲ **Sr. Beg. Nov. Am.** - 1. Rain, K. Davignon, 32.0; 2. Amidala, R. Schmidt, 35.0; 3. Dillon, M. Hessel, 35.5. ▲ **Int. Team** - 1. Team USA (Prince William, Snap Decision II, Santarae, L. Leslie, LC O'Shawnisee, A. Nielsen), 118.6. ▲ **Prel. Team** - 1. Team Canada (Borasco, Chocolate Martini, Picture Perfect, Baloo, T. Blewett), 98.6; 2. Team USA (Allstar, D. Bunge, Loki, S. Bergin, Light In The Dark, C. Cejka, Highlight, D. Robel), 112.8. ▲ **Trg. Team** - 1. Team USA (Mateo, Dreamer, Justa Lucky Chance, B. Kunert, Machiatto, S. Goodman), 103.8; 2. Team Canada (Overdraft, S. Kozak, Naturally Seirian, S. Stephens, Santorini, S. Chicoline, Serengeti, L. Patterson), 195.0. ▲ **Nov. Team** - 1. Team Canada (Fantastik, J. Larsen, Daytrader, M. Ingali, Raw Talent, M. Van Ginkel), 110.0; 2. Team USA (Torin Himself, Ramsey, W. Shapiro, Pantero, J. Emerson, Senior Moment, M. Schofield), 124.0.