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### LISA COULTER REINING BASICS - CLOSED AND PAID CLINIC

The Canadian Reining Committee (CRC) is pleased to announce that at the conclusion of the 2010 FEI Reining season Lisa Coulter of Princeton, BC, has earned the top spot on both the FEI Reining World Ranking and World Standing Lists. Riding Angels Mark, Bob Thompson's eight-year-old paint gelding, Coulter topped the FEI Reining World Standings List, which is calculated based on results accumulated with only one horse, with a total of 73 points. Italy's Nicola Brunelli, riding Spat A Blue, finished in second with 62. Coulter also topped the FEI Reining World Ranking List with a total of 100 points. This achievement was calculated using the 73 points she earned with Angels Mark and the results she earned riding Western Whiz, an eight-year-old Quarter Horse gelding also owned by Bob Thompson.

"2010 was one of the most tumultuous years of my riding career, with major highs and major lows. I was excited to make the team to represent Canada at WEG only to have the biggest upset of my career when my horse failed the jog at WEG," said Coulter. "I had been having a great year at CRI competitions and other events, and knew I was ready for a big run. Although I am saving that run for another time now my competitions leading up to WEG put me to the top the FEI World Rankings and Standings lists. This is very cool and a great accomplishment." "The Canadian Equestrian Team and all of Equine Canada are enormously proud of Lisa's achievement. To reach the top of both the FEI Reining Standings and the FEI Reining Rankings makes her the undisputed global leader of one of the world's fastest-growing equestrian sports," said Equine Canada CEO, Akaash Maharaj. "While we would be pleased for any Canadian to scale such heights, we are delighted that it should be someone like Lisa — an athlete of great personal as well as sporting quality."

"The Canadian Reining Committee is immensely proud of Lisa Coulter's successful climb to the top of the FEI World Standings and Rankings. Lisa has exemplified what it is to be a true champion, as she has persevered in more than the challenges posed by the reining patterns. Conquering the challenges both in and out of the competition arena makes her a true role model for our Canadian Equestrian Team, Canadian Reining Team, and to all that share the passion that is Reining," remarked the chair of the Canadian Reining Committee, Gary Yaghdjian. "I am very proud to represent Canada at International events and to put Canada Number One on the FEI lists is something I am very proud of. I have a long way to go to reach goals I have set for myself; however, checking off being on top of the FEI lists will be a highlight of my career," added Coulter, who is very excited about how reining has opened up globally.

For additional information on the CRC and its programs, including selection criteria, please visit the Equine Canada website at [www.equinecanada.ca](http://www.equinecanada.ca) or e-mail [reining@equinecanada.ca](mailto:reining@equinecanada.ca).

*"I have been a professional trainer for about 20 years. I co-own a ranch in Pilot Point Texas and have specialized in Reiners for years. I have represented Canada 3 times at the FEI Masters with 2 top five finishes. In 2009 I was the individual Silver Medalist at the Kentucky Cup WEG test event. I also earned a Silver Medal at this event for Team Canada. I won double CRI Championships in Monterrey Mexico in 2009. I made the 2010 WEG Canadian Team. I topped both the FEI World Rankings and Standings in 2010 which is something a Canadian Reiner has never accomplished. I have won numerous Championships in NRHA and AQHA events. I am the number one qualified rider to represent Canada at the World Championships in Sweden and will compete there this May. I am a constant on the International Reining scene and have competed all over North America as well as Europe with consistent top placings. This year I will be at the Rolex 3 Day Event in Kentucky which has included an FEI Reining and I am vying for a spot at the Pan Am Games this year. I Chair the High Performance Committee for the CRC and am active in not only competing but growing the sport of Reining within Canada. I have broke hundreds of colts and have strong knowledge in the start to finish of all levels of Reiners. I have coached youth and non pros for years and have a passion for helping others to succeed and grow in the sport."*

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