

AU English equestrian team wins at Geneseo, places fifth at RIT

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GENESEO, NY The Alfred University English equestrian team opened its 2008-09 season with a pair of shows Oct. 25 at RIT and Oct. 26 at Geneseo. AU placed first of 12 teams competing at Geneseo and fifth of 12 teams competing at RIT. Earning first-place ribbons for AU in the Geneseo show were junior Beth Ulbrecht (Penn Furnace, PA/State College) in intermediate equitation over fences and novice equitation on the flat; sophomore Barb Koziel (Syracuse, NY/Bishop Ludden) in novice equitation over fences and intermediate equitation on the flat; freshman Kelly Rinebold (Ontario, NY/Wayne) in novice equitation over fences; senior Lyndsay Patterson (Belmont, NH/Belmont) in advanced walk-trot-canter; and sophomore Sandy Burnley (Bayside, NY/St. Francis Prep) in walk-trot. Senior Theresa Wills (Ransomville, NY/Lewiston-Porter) was second in open equitation of fences; freshman Kalcly O'Keefe (Rochester, NY/Penfield) was second in intermediate equitation over fences; sophomore Maire Cosgrove (White Haven, PA/Bishop Hoban) was second in open equitation on the flat; sophomore Brittany Biegel (Ridge, NY/Longwood) was third in novice equitation on the flat; senior Robyn Murray (Albany, NY/Holy Names) was second in advanced walk-trot-canter; junior Michelle Applebaum (Applegate, CA/Maidu) was second in beginner walk-trot-canter; and junior Josette Turro (Sussex, NY/High Point Regional) was third in walk-trot. Junior Kate West (Pavilion, NY/Pavilion) (novice equitation over fences), senior Noelle Orłowski (Wilson, NY/Mt. St. Mary) (intermediate equitation on the flat), and sophomore Michelle Flannery (Syracuse, NY/Westhill) (advanced walk-trot-canter) earned wins for AU in the RIT show. Sophomore Johanna Moore (Summit, NY/Morristown-Beard) was second in novice equitation over fences and third in novice equitation on the flat; senior Kat Kennedy (Horseheads, NY/Horseheads) was third in open equitation on the flat; Koziel was third in novice equitation on the flat; Murray was second in advanced walk-trot-canter; senior Steve Piontkowski (Greenwich, NJ/Cumberland Regional) was third in walk-trot; and Burnley was second in walk-trot. The AU English equestrian team is in action next on Saturday, Nov. 15, at Nazareth, at Lehman Farms in Pittsford, NY.