

HCBC Senior Athlete of the year 2018

Noni has been active in the dressage community for decades, dressage judge for many years as well as the visionary behind Dressage BC she recently put all of those hats aside to concentrate on her goal of WEG 2018 in Tyron, USA.

With the help of her long time friend, Jane MacDonald, Noni diligently planned and researched the journey to achieve her WEG goal with the Andalusian gelding, Ultimo (Invasor III x Teodoro). Noni has been a top competitor at EC Gold competitions in her local British Columbia. She and Ultimo made their international debut at the 2017 Tryon CPEDI 3*, and placed in the top three of every FEI level class in which they competed with many scores over 70%. Heading into WEG, Noni was ranked 2nd on the FEI World Rankings for para riders leading up to WEG.

The conditions in Tyron at WEG were far from ideal with high humidity and the threat of hurricane as well as the facilities still being built. Still with these pressures, Noni and Ultimo were the highest placed Canadians scoring 70% and leading the Canadian team to an 8th place finish overall.

The connection between Ultimo and Noni is obvious - they exemplify respect, harmony and excellence. Due to her constant professionalism, she is a highly respected role model for the Canadian Para-Equestrian Team.