



FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE: JESSICA PHOENIX & BOGUE SOUND TOP CANADIAN PAIR AT LAND ROVER KENTUCKY THREE DAY EVENT

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Jessica Phoenix, of Cannington ON, and her mount, **Bogue Sound**, delivered an out-standing performance at the Land Rover Kentucky Three Day Event (LRK3DE) held in Lexington, Kentucky, from April 24-28, 2019, finishing in 15th place, on a score of 52.6 penalty points, making them the highest-placed Canadian pair.

For Bogue Sound, a 12-year-old Thoroughbred gelding, owned by Amara Hoppner, this was a homecoming of sorts, sired by Crafty Shaw, having been born and raised on the familiar blue grass fields of Kentucky. Affectionately known as "Bogie" around the Phoenix Equestrian Team stables, this was his first 5-star event, and is seen as a testing ground for the 2020 Tokyo Olympics. (A 5-star Event is the most difficult, with only six 5-star Eventing competitions held in the world each year.)

Said Phoenix of her newly-minted 5-star horse, "I was incredibly proud with Bogue Sound's performance in all three phases. He's a phenomenal athlete and really rose to the occasion for his first five-star competition. I'm so excited for his future!"

Phoenix, a member of the Canadian Eventing Team, will be setting her sights on this year's Pan American Games, to be held in Lima, Peru.

Over the next few months, Phoenix will continue to train and build her string of horses as well as coach her students. This active mother of two will also embark on the second half of **The Rise School Tour**: in the late fall of 2018, Phoenix and her sister, journalist Julie Fitz-Gerald and author of the book, **RISE: The Jessica Phoenix Story** (ISBN: 978-0-9688438-1-9) visited over 3,000 students in the GTA, with the message of determination, courage and perseverance in the face of obstacles. Together, they inspired students to be their best, taking **The Rise Pledge**.

Said Phoenix, "I love giving back to students: if I can inspire them to achieve their goals and dreams, that means the world to me."

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Attachments:

- Photo: Jessica Phoenix & Bogue Sound jump into Head of The Lake at Land Rover Kentucky 3 Day Event, courtesy of **USEA (United States Eventing Association)**
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