



The Area VI Young Riders are pleased to announce that Sophie Tice has been named as the 2018 Young Rider Representative!

Sophie and her partner, James Alliston's Mojo, are based in San Francisco's East Bay where Sophie lives with her family and trains with James Alliston and Helen Bouscaren (Alliston Eventing). Sophie has been an Area VI Young Rider for several years and has traveled to the North American Junior & Young Rider Championships ("NAJYRC") twice, representing Area VI as a groom in 2016 and as an individual rider in 2017. Sophie is a dedicated rider, a strong competitor and an all-around fun person to be around. Following NAJYRC 2017, Sophie competed in her FIRST Intermediate level horse



trial in October at the Woodside International Horse Trials and WON! Sophie is also one of the seven Area VI Young Rider's named as a participant in the United States Equestrian Federation's 2018 Eventing 18 Program. Fun fact: Sophie's adorable dog "Simba" was actually a neglected stray, found while at Young Rider Summer Camp 2017 at Twin Rivers Ranch in Paso Robles, CA. Simba took a quick liking to Sophie's mom, Stephanie, and every camper fell in love with him! Simba became the Area VI YR "mascot" that weekend and he has become a welcome addition to our horse events ever since, sporting his Area VI swag.



As the Area VI Young Rider Representative, Sophie looks forward to helping Area VI young riders better understand the purpose and goals of the Young Rider Program. Sophie will act as a liaison between Area VI young riders and the Area VI Young Rider Coordinator(s) as well as the greater Area VI Council. Sophie will also be responsible for collaborating with other young riders, the Young Rider Coordinator(s) and Athletux (the company which handles Area VI website management, marketing and public relations) in the coordination and dissemination of pertinent Young Rider Program information via the Area VI website and other forms of social media.

The primary responsibility of the Young Rider Representative is to assist the Young Rider Coordinator(s) in developing open and effective channels of communication within the Young Rider Program and the greater Area VI community.

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