



JETS RICHARD DAVIS

ACHIEVEMENT AWARD CONTENDERS

1. ANNABELLE ARMITAGE

Age: 47

From: York



New Career: Physiotherapist

Career Development: Annabelle became interested in physiotherapy when she needed treatment for injuries sustained as a jockey. With help from JETS and support from the IJF, she gained a Human Biology A level enabling her then to do a degree, qualifying in 2011. Since then she has progressed through the NHS, overcoming her own disability and multiple surgeries, to become a musculoskeletal physio for South Tees NHS Trust. She recently gained a junior research award to complete a research project for Teesside University and she hopes with further qualification, that in the future she may use her experience as a jockey to help patients at Jack Berry House.

JETS Support/Training Courses: JETS consultation, training advice and work placement. A level in Human Biology.

Race Riding Career: Held a Cat B Amateur license and rode 5 winners as well as 25 Point-to-Point winners from 1992 – 2005.

2. TONY EVANS

Age: 36

From: Winchcombe, Gloucestershire



New Career: Landscape Contractor

Career Development: After consulting with JETS after a career ending injury, Tony was keen to pursue a career in the outdoors and after he recovered, secured a job with a landscaping company and then a fencing contractor, building up enough experience to start up his own landscaping company, Lyster Contracts, in 2011. Since riding, Tony has built up his training and qualifications and has used his racing contacts to secure a good deal of work from within the racing industry. Tony now runs a successful business, taking on staff and expanding his management skills in order to grow the business.

JETS Support/Training Courses: JETS consultation, career guidance and training advice. CSCS Health & Safety Certificate,(CPCS) Construction Plant Competence Scheme, Lantra Awards (Skills identity card)

Race Riding Career: Amateur 1996 - 2000. Turned Conditional in 2000 and rode until 2008 with over 100 winners.

3. NIALL HANNITY

Age: 36

From: Thornton Watlass, N. Yorkshire



New Career: TV presenter and Jockeys Agent

Career Development: Niall consulted with JETS about different career options while still riding. He attended various media training days which, along with passion for

racing, his knowledge of race form and pedigree, inspired him to pursue a career in broadcasting and is now a regular presenter with Racing UK. In 2014, he also became a jockeys agent, with 9 jockeys on his books and speaks with trainers on a daily basis who value his in depth race knowledge and has achieved some big winners already with his jockeys. He also sits on a panel aiming to help regenerate Jump Racing in the North of England.

JETS Support/Training Courses: JETS consultation, career guidance, training advice and work placement assistance.

Race Riding Career: Conditional/Professional from 1996 – 2005, riding 100 winners.

4. KYLIE MANSER

Age: 31

From: Maidstone, Kent



New Career: Racehorse retrainer

Career Development: Kylie first became interested in retraining and rehoming racehorses when she was still riding and due to her background in non racing riding disciplines it was a good way to keep in contact with the racing world and put something back into it. She got her LGV and trailer driver licences to help her with the business which has grown from retraining and rehoming around 15 horses in her first year to around 60 a year now. She now owns a yard with purpose built arena, level turnout, up to 12 stables, a horse treadmill and solarium. With her extensive network of contacts, she is one of 8 retrainers listed on the Retraining of Racehorses (RoR) website and her horses have gone onto successful careers in a range of disciplines.

JETS Support/Training Courses: JETS consultation, career guidance and training advice. LGV licence, trailer towing licence

Race Riding Career: Rode as an Amateur before becoming an Apprentice in 2006. Rode 49 winners in Britain and abroad, was Champion Jockey in Jersey in 2009 and 2010 and had last ride in 2011.

5. MICHAEL NAUGHTON

Age: 41

From: Middlesbrough



New Career: IT Product Manager

Career Development: After breaking his back in a fall, Michael used JETS to enrol on an computer course which gave him the IT skills which are vital for his current role with Fine Equinity, which has developed a training and welfare IT tool (EquinTY), incorporating a GPS system and heart rate monitor for horses. JETS also helped him gain a sales role with Red Mills prior to that. Michael has applied skills he acquired in racing managing teams, building relationships and communicating with owners and trainers in his new career. He is now developing new technology which has seen him travel worldwide, developing the business internationally and set up agents abroad.

JETS Support/Training Courses: JETS consultation, career guidance and CV preparation, training advice and work placement assistance. European Computer Driving Licence.

Race Riding Career: Professional jockey for 15 years, riding 63 winners in both codes.

6. DAVID PAPWORTH

Age: 70

From: Newmarket, Suffolk



New Career: Sports Coach

Career Development: Even though JETS didn't exist when David was a jockey, he has since sought their guidance in pursuing his sports coaching career. Since retiring as a jockey he continued riding out but decided he wanted to change direction and qualify as a sports coach. He has now built up a client base ranging from schools, to clubs and to individual tuition in tennis, and also teaches basketball in schools and only this year was asked to join a team of coaches at Oundle School

in Northamptonshire. He feels very rewarded that he's been able to use his sporting background in his new career and inspire young people in sport.

JETS Support/Training Courses: JETS consultation, career guidance and interview technique training. Various sports training and first aid courses.

Race Riding Career: Rode as a Jump jockey from 1960 – 1976.

7. NEIL POLLARD

Age: 37

From: Newmarket, Suffolk



New Career: Barn Manager/Jockey Coach

Career Development: Throughout his riding career, Neil has used JETS, consulting them in quiet spells or while injured and doing various training courses to build up his skills set. He decided he was keen to stay in racing and having been an instructor at the Northern Racing College, he joined Godolphin and has progressed to Barn Manager. This year he successfully qualified as a Jockey Coach. His job has seen him represent Godolphin at the races and he's really enjoyed leading a team and motivating people to work together. In his coaching role, he has really enjoyed using his experience and knowledge to help young jockeys improve and achieve their potential.

JETS Support/Training Courses: JETS consultation, training advice, CV preparation and job search assistance. Plumbing and IT courses.

Race Riding Career: Rode as an Apprentice before turning Professional and riding for 12 years as a Flat jockey with over 200 winners retiring in 2009.

8. NICOLA WOOLNER

Age: 38

From: York



New Career: Behavioural trainer and profiler

Career Development: Due to a career-ending injury in Canada, Nicola retired and returned to the UK and took up roles in sales, training and education, using JETS to develop a range of experience and qualifications. She realised that she really wanted to help athletes achieve their goals and now works as an Associate for a Profiling, Training and Performance company, Sport and Beyond which focuses on transitioning athletes. In the first six months, she has already worked with Olympic athletes, run workshops with a County Sport Partnership and become a training provide for the Corporate Training Unit of York University. She is relishing the opportunity to use her strengths and the winning drive she had as a jockey into her next career

JETS Support/Training Courses: JETS consultation, training advice, CV preparation and job search assistance. Various core skills and life skills courses.

Race Riding Career: Rode as an Apprentice from 1996-2000 and then as a Professional in Canada from 2001-2005 riding 269 winners including 13 Stakes races.