



Bianca Steytler takes home the title of The South African Junior Showjumping Champion for 2009:

Bianca Steytler riding Scooby Doo won the recent South African Junior Showjumping Championship held in Durbanville near Cape Town from 13 to 18 December 2009.

In the qualification classes (competing against 45 other horses from all over the country), Bianca with Scooby Doo was placed first in the Speed Competition, first in the Accumulator and ninth in the Grand-Prix class, to enter the Championship on 17 December as the top qualifier.

She also achieved second place on Burnside in the Accumulator, Burnside also one of the eventual 24 qualifying horses for the Championship.

In winning the Championship, Bianca and Scooby had to jump two full clear rounds, and then had to compete in the jump-off against seven other horses. They cleared the jump-off track almost one second quicker than Chris van der Merwe on Little Big Time from the Eastern Cape (2nd), with Charlotte Crisp on Poloma Picasso ending third.

In the interprovincial team championship, Bianca joined forces with Charlotte Crisp, Angelique Lessing and Sabrina Daolio to compete against Kwa-Zulu Natal, Eastern Cape and Western Province. In a close-fought competition with Western Province, Bianca had to complete a quick clear round in the second of her two rounds to ensure victory for Gauteng. She cleared the round for Gauteng to beat Western Province by almost two seconds, with Eastern Cape ending third with four penalties.

The Manor is proud to be home to the 2009 South African Junior Showjumping Champion.

