



Meet Jackie Bell

Jackie was born in 1981 in Wheat Ridge, Colorado. She grew up in Lakewood, Colorado and has been here all her life. She and her older sister, Lisa, got their love of horses and all animals from their mom.

Jackie started taking lessons at the age of seven and got her first horse, when she was 10. By the time she was 13 years-old she had joined 4-H. She then came across a big four-year-old chestnut quarter horse gelding named Buster in 1996. Their first show they did together was National Western Stock Show in 1997 where they placed well in western pleasure and hunter pleasure. She continued to show him heavily at local shows and National Western Stock Show until she was 18.

Then in 1999, Jackie's family bought a boarding stable (Hampden Equestrian Center) where Jackie began to teach riding lessons and also holds summer camps. Along with giving lessons she spends a lot of her time training horses for many of the boarders and outside referrals. Now 26 years old, Jackie teaches lessons to around 35 students and trains and shows several of her own and her client's horses. Jackie currently shows a double registered paint/pinto named "Oozen Heart," aka Kody, owned by Diane Bell and Dave Kuhn. Jackie joined the Colorado Pinto Club this past year after Mark and Suzi Boyle asked her to join last year at Fall Charity. Jackie is very excited to be part of the club this year. She is hoping to register more of her and her client's horses with the Colorado Pinto Club and start showing them soon.

She feels very fortunate to be able to do what she loves while helping and teaching others the joys of being around the horses!