

# CURRICULUM VITAE

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I was born in Cape Town, South Africa.

I matriculated in 2018 with a Bachelor's Degree.

My subjects included Math Literacy, Biology, Geography and Consumer Studies.

I have a code 8 driver's license.

I am English speaking and am able to understand and speak basic Afrikaans.

### **EXTERNAL EDUCATION**

Pony Club: C+ certificate (Knowledge of all aspects of Equine Care, training and management).

MDV Equestrian: Apprenticeship in Horsemanship, Equine Behaviour & Cognitive Therapy.

EQASA (Equestrian Qualifications Association of South Africa): Currently studying Module 1 & 2.

### **ACCOLADES & ACHIEVEMENTS**

Victrix Ludorum – Equestrian Show Jumping 2015

Certificate of Distinction for Math Literacy, Grade 11 (94%) 2017

Victrix Ludorum – Equestrian Showing Show 2019

I was a Youth Leader at our local church from Grade 9 up until Grade 12.

### **COMPUTER LITERACY**

I am literate in all aspects of Microsoft office.

I have knowledge and experience on Pastel Accounting.

I am able to create and edit Pdfs.

I have a basic understanding of computers and programs and what I don't know; I am quick to learn about.

### **EXPERIENCE**

Employer: Riethuiskraal Stud

Job Description: Groom

September 2020 to date

Grooming and looking after thoroughbred yearlings/2-year-olds.

Prepping for BSA Sales.

Bringing in mares and foals for vet checks.

I have foaled mares and have a basic understanding of how foaling and looking after the foal works.

Fixing fence poles and water pipes.

Mucking stables.

I have experience at thoroughbred auctions/sales.

Turning out horses and showing them to trainers.

Walking horses in the sale ring.

I have experience in covers; prepping the mares and assisting in taking them to be covered.

I have backed and trained a 2-year-old thoroughbred filly.

She was recently sent to the track to be trained by Paul Peter for racing.

Employer: Kerry Durston – Equestrian Athlete

Job Description: Personal Assistant

June 2019 to September 2020

As a personal assistant I scheduled all her meetings, appointments and lessons.

I would also drive her to and from where she needed to be.

I was her show groom, duties which can include plaiting, grooming, tacking and untacking, feeding (when necessary) and loading and unloading horses from the horse box.

I would occasionally work/ride or lunge her horses as well as work on the horses' groundwork and manners.

I managed her social media accounts.

Employer: Michelle Woxholt

Job Description: Pet/House Sitter

2016 to date

Michelle is my long-standing client who is very close to my heart. Her family has two Old English Sheepdogs. One is a very nervous rescue who needs special attention while the other is very hyperactive and boisterous, both however are incredibly loveable.

Bentley and Dexter have very specific schedules that need to be adhered to in order to keep their stress levels as low as possible when the family is away. The daily routine consists of breakfast, walking, grooming (must be done daily), dinner at 4pm (no later). Medication is given during feeding times; this is for anxiety and stress.

Employer: West Coast Feeds & Tack (Caryl Zens Holland)

Job Description: Admin, Sales, Farm assistant and driver.

January 2020 to 26 March 2020

Reason for leaving: Covid – 19 Lockdown

As part of my admin duties, I invoiced using Pastel Accounting.

Replied and responded to calls and messages.

I assisted in the shop. I managed their social media page.

I assisted with horse feeding and blanketing.

Part of my day also included horse feed deliveries to clients.

Employer: MDV Equestrian (Michael De Vrye)

Job Description: Admin and Videographer

May 2019 to December 2019

Reason for leaving: Owner moved to Namibia

I worked as an administrator and shadowed Mike as an apprentice.

I also managed his social media accounts.

As videographer, I handled all the editing and uploading of videos to social media.

Employer: Lee Wilson

Job Description: Au Pair

January 2019 to January 2020

Reason for leaving: Parents separated and no longer needed my services.

Duties included fetching children from school, taking them to any extracurricular activities and/or appointments. Supervising and assisting with homework.

## **PART-TIME EMPLOYMENT**

In my spare time, I freelance for Nature's Friend Eco-Friendly Products, assisting them with their Social Media Marketing and Sales.

My regular part-time job is Pet/House-sitting.

Duties consist of feeding, grooming, walking and cleaning up after the pets.

For clients with horses on their property, duties can include feeding, riding, blanketing and grooming.

Clients include: Angela Ursula Straub, Helen McMahon (incl. horses), Janine Smith, Cornea Ecksteen, Ingrid Minter and Tori Rhode Coughlan (incl. horses).

### **Online Courses I am currently studying:**

Animal Psychology/Pets Behaviour – Accredited Certificate

Speak the Horse Language: Master your Horsemanship Energy

Foundation Ground Exercises – Tanja Kraus Horsemanship

Introduction to Equine Partnered Bodywork

### **Equestrian Background:**

I have been on and around horses since I was five and I officially started lessons when I was 11. I got my first horse when I was 15 and after going through a lot of ups and downs, I brought my horse up to the level he is at today. I contribute this to patience and perseverance as well as using my knowledge of horsemanship which I learned while working as an apprentice for Mike from MDV Equestrian.

From the beginning, I dedicated my time to making my horse happy and comfortable. I trained him to be the best he could be and through this he became a super easy ride. I sold him to a young junior rider as I was moving up to adults.

I am currently riding whenever I get a chance and up until August 2020, I was competing with a previous 1.35m jumper, competing between 90 and 1m.

My aim is to focus on my equestrian studies and to further my knowledge in all aspects of the industry, including tack and training. I am also working towards completing all levels of Pony Club.

I am dedicated to making the animals I look after while pet-sitting as happy as can be when their owners are away.

## **SUMMARY**

I am looking for a full-time job that will help me save so I may continue my studies as well as enable me to continue riding and competing as often as possible. I am hard working and committed. I consider myself a problem solver, no challenge is impossible to achieve.

I listen attentively and learn quickly. Apart from wanting to save for my future, I would like a job that will keep my mind active. I am very dedicated to any job that I do and I make sure I do everything to the best of my ability. I work well with a team and on my own. I am diligent and I like to get things done timeously.

I am neat, orderly and disciplined and I aim to be as accurate as possible.

I consider myself to be a patient person and I believe I have the ability to handle unhappy clients/customers.

All the jobs that I have done and are currently doing, require dedication and patience and I have proven to have both.

I love working with and being around animals so in my spare time I am mostly on the farm with my horse.

I also spend time helping rescue organisations whenever possible.

A compliment I am proud of:

*I was headhunted by Spencer Cook and Dr Marianne Thomson. They drove up from Wellington to Riethuiskraal to interview me for the position of Assistant Manager on Dr Thompson's Stud farm, Ambience Stud. I was offered the job but unfortunately it was later extracted due to circumstances (see email from Dr Thompson attached).*

I believe that I will be an asset to any company that I work for so please do consider me for the position.

**REFERENCES**

Kassie Robbertze (Riethuiskraal Stud) – 081 885 6566  
Kerry Durston – 073 849 6943  
Michelle Woxholt – 074 169 5888  
Juliet Thelander (Nature's Friend) – 071 385 1023  
Angela Ursula Straub – 082 517 6876  
Caryl Zens Holland – 083 658 4202

Janine Smith – 064 456 4647  
Helen McMahon – 082 794 4531  
Tania Anniciello – 071 585 9557  
Melody Visagie – 082 572 6557  
Michael De Vrye – 066 265 0479