

## Equestrian Australia Annual Awards (2017)

EA Young Athlete of the Year Award Presented by Horseland

## Gemma Tinney



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## Nomination details

Nominee's achievements during the year 2017

20-year-old Gemma Tinney is one of Australian Eventing's rising stars. 2017 Performances: Camden CIC3\* 1st Melbourne 3DE CIC2\* 2nd Albury CIC2\* 4th

She is currently on the Equestrian Australia 'Generation Next' squad and looks destined to follow in the footsteps of her Sydney 2000 Olympic gold medal-winning father Stuart.

Gemma began riding when she was five-years-old on a pony called 'Snowy' that she shared with her sister.

She says; "What I love about the sport and what got me hooked is the people and the fun of it."

At the age of just 11, she started competing in Eventing and last year represented Australia at the Oceania Championships staged during the Melbourne International Three-Day Event and was on the winning Young Rider team.

She said being part of a team and competing for her country for the first time was "an amazing experience."

Another major highlight for her last year was winning the National Eventing Championship at Equestriad on her mare Annapurna.

Gemma's future goal is to compete at the Olympics and or World Equestrian Games in the next few years.

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