

**Karen Iversen** has been involved with horses her entire life, starting with the U.S. Pony Club Hunter/Jumper division in Connecticut. After completing college, she relocated to Florida where she met her farrier husband, Richard, and for the past 30 years they have operated the Diamond K Ranch in Lecanto, FL. They both trained, raised, bred and showed American Quarter Horses, specifically buckskin and dun colored horses.

Today she offers lessons and trail rides to beginners of all ages and encourages visitors to her ranch.

Her judging career involves a multiple of equine breeds, from miniature horses, to mules and to the glorious Gypsy Vanners. These breeds have kept her busy traveling and judging both nationally and internationally. For well over 25 years, Judge Iversen has had the honor of adjudicating many national level shows for all horse sizes, from Europe, Australia, Canada, and New Zealand. She continues to provide clinics to 4-H youth and offers an Amateur program to the senior riders.