



Based in Gladstone New Jersey, Doug Payne is well known as the competitor, judge and trainer to turn to whether you are training your horse for competition or trying to remedy a complicated behavioral problem. He has recently been profiled in and contributed to *Practical Horseman*, *US Eventing* and *New Jersey Countryside* as well as a number of other regional and national publications. Doug is the son of Marilyn Payne, international judge and trainer who will be judging the 2008 Olympics in Hong Kong, China. He is graduate 'A' pony clubber from Somerset Hills Pony Club, and holds a Mechanical Engineering degree from Rochester Institute of Technology.

Doug might be best known in the discipline of Eventing competing through the Advanced level. He was a member of the Silver Medal team at the North American Young Rider Championships in 2000. Over the years Doug has won countless times in national and international competition, most notably the 2005 American Eventing Championships.

In Dressage he has had international success through FEI Intermediaire I. Doug was 5th at the 2007 Bengt Lindquist Memorial Championships at Prix St. George. He has been a multiple regional year end award winner at the FEI levels.



"I attribute Doug's success to his combination of classical riding background, athletic ability and soft kind way with horses. At 6-foot-3, Doug is a big, strong guy with the necessary physical strength to use when he needs it. Yet Doug's temperament is calm and quiet, not aggressive. The total effect is like an iron fist in a velvet glove."

Denny Emerson - World Championship team gold medalist who was recently inducted into the USEA Eventing hall of Fame.