

# **Calvert Training Stables**

## **Barn Buzz**

### **A little history about Calvert Training Stables ...**

CTS started in 1985 in Camden SC. It took a backseat when Bill took over Brigadoon Farm in Charlotte NC in 1992. 13 years later Brigadoon was sold to developers and CTS resurfaced in Lancaster SC.

### **Here's a little history about Bill and Lisa!**

Bill is from Sacramento CA and Lisa is from Potomac MD. They met in Miami FL in 1983 on a blind date set up by a childhood friend of Lisa's who she rode with in Potomac. Bill and Lisa have 2 grown children and this past February celebrated their 30<sup>th</sup> wedding anniversary.

### **What makes Indian Land an ideal location for your barn and training operation?**

The location is an easy commute from Charlotte, and the farm has superior soil for footing and pasture.

### **Some fond pony memories from Bill...**

Bill and his students were foxhunting with The Camden Hunt, when at a check, he watched his group of 5 ponies drop and roll with all their tack on!

### **If you could offer one piece of advice to a young rider, what would it be?**

Spend time watching better riders' ride - at a show or at home.

### **If a rider is interested in "starting" a horse, is there any advice you could offer?**

Go watch someone else do it before you try it for yourself. We encourage people to watch the training process at Calvert Training Stables.

### **What are some ideal traits you look for in your jumper horses?**

Attitude, attitude, attitude. And a deep shoulder with a pointed croup.

### **What makes Calvert horses special?**

All of our horses are trained to be Equitation horses first. They are also trained to be ridden by middle aged women.

### **Any funny/fun stories from your earlier riding years?**

Lisa and her friends enjoyed trail riding their horses to local ponds in the Potomac area. It was a lot of fun taking the horses in for a swim. And watching everyone try to hang on was pretty funny, too!