## Le Mondial du Lion Equine Hall of Fame

## Vassily de Lassos

Vassily de Lassos competed twice at the Mondial du Lion finishing in 6<sup>th</sup>place when six years old in 2015 and in 4<sup>th</sup> position one year later.

He won the individual Bronze medal at the 2020 Tokyo Olympic Games (held in 2021).

After initially being campaigned in pure show jumping he was introduced to eventing by the Toulousain rider Thomas Carlile. By the time they competed at the Mondial their home-base was at the Parc Départemental de L'Isle Briand, Maine-et-Loire.

Vassily was sold in 2017 to be ridden by the tremendously experienced Andrew Hoy. They represented Australia at the 2018 World Equestrian Games in Tryon, NC, finishing in 4<sup>th</sup> place on their dressage score and also completed the 2022 World Championships held at Pratoni del Vivaro, Italy.

Vassily's consistency of performance is remarkable, it has been rare that he added any penalties to his dressage score. As well as the individual bronze won at the Tokyo Olympics they also collected a team Silver medal, but perhaps his most notable achievement there was that throughout the whole competition, which included two rounds of show jumping, he was the only horse not to gain a single jumping or time penalty.

Unusually for modern day eventers with their busy competition yards, since leaving France the only person to ride Vassily is Andrew himself. He does all Vassily's jumping, dressage, fitness and hacking work.

Says Andrew « He means the world to me – the riding is our very special bond we share exclusively. We trust one another 100% and I know we can always rely on one another. »

Name Vassily de Lassos

6yo MdL 6<sup>th</sup> in 2015 7yo MdL 4<sup>th</sup> in 2016

Olympic Games Bronze medal in 2021 at Tokyo '2020'

DoB 2009 Sex Gelding Studbook Anglo-Arab

Origins By Jaguar Mail out of Illusion Perdue by Jalienny Breeder Jerome Berges, Jean-Louis Beth & Sonia Eyraud

1<sup>st</sup> Owner Philippe Lacaze

1<sup>st</sup> Rider Thomas Carlile (FRA) 2<sup>nd</sup> Owner Paula and David Evans 2<sup>nd</sup> Rider Andrew Hoy (AUS)