

Jess Munro or 'Red Foo' as she's known, is the young gun of the 'Real Deal' challenge, and is fast creating a name for herself in the horse breaking business as well as on the Team Roping scene.

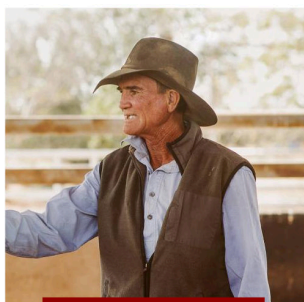
The 21 year old grew up on the back of a horse in Moree, and now lives in Tamworth where she works for last year's 'Real Deal' winner Rob Leach. She's been breaking in and starting young horses since she was 16 and recently won the 'Colt Starting Challenge of the USA' in Wyoming.

Jess believes the key to breaking in horses is timing and feel. She says a system and a goal are crucial but so is flexibility. During the 'Real Deal' Challenge, Jess will be aiming to make a good connection quickly with the horse, to have it focussed on her and to finish each session by preparing for the next.



JESS MUNRO

Ron Wall goes into the 'Real Deal' Challenge with experience on his side, having been working with young horses for decades.



RON WALL

Ron is from Cecil Plains in Queensland and runs 'Simply Horsemanship', starting and training horses as well as visiting stations and conducting horsemanship clinics across Queensland, the Northern Territory and Western Australia. He's passionate about sharing the knowledge and skills to start a horse and says there's nothing better than the satisfaction you get from competing a horse you've had from the beginning.

For Ron, breaking in horses is a matter of staying calm, progressing positively, and not pushing the horse beyond its limits in each session. He says the approach he'll take for the 'Real Deal' Challenge will depend entirely on the horse.

Talk about versatile! Horse breaker Troy Everson splits his time between the rough and tumble of the rodeo circuit and the glamorous, big money business of Thoroughbred racing.

Living in Sydney, Troy has been working with horses since the age of ten and got his professional start with renowned horse educator Greg McNamara. Troy's career has taken him as far as the USA, both breaking in and fixing problems in horses across all disciplines. He currently works as a breaker and rider at the lavish Wild Oaks Pre-Training facility in Oakdale and counts several successful Group One horses among those he's started.

His success in the rodeo world, steer wrestling, calf and team roping has seen him bag several titles and represent Australia. He says there's no fancy tricks when it comes to breaking in horses, it's about patience and being able to read them and that's the approach he'll take into the 'Real Deal' Challenge.



TROY EVERSON

For Jason Sharpe, breaking in horses is a passion, but it's also in his blood. Born into a family of ninth generation Dairy Farmers in the Camden area, Jason doesn't remember a time he wasn't doing cattle work on horses that his parents had bred and broken in themselves.

These days the horses he's starting for clients are mostly dressage or show jumping Warmbloods as well as Arabs for endurance. Jason has a Rural Fence Contracting business and after taking up Campdrafting at the age of 14, is now back on the circuit, this time with his wife and two daughters, competing successfully at events across New South Wales.



JASON SHARPE

When it comes to working in front of an audience in the 'Real Deal' Challenge, Jason has a major advantage, having played the lead role in the Man From Snowy River Arena Production for crowds in their thousands.