

SSA MEMBER PROMOTES SIDE SADDLE RIDING IN JAPAN

Rieko Kikegawa, a Life Member of the Side Saddle Association since 1994 recently took part in a Side Saddle Demonstration to celebrate the 50th anniversary of Niigata racecourse.



North of Tokyo, Niigata racecourse is one of the Japan Racing Association's racecourses.

The celebrations were held on 31st October and 1st November last year.



Most people in Japan are not aware of side saddle so this was an ideal opportunity for Rieko to showcase this elegant art riding for the visitors. Both horses are Andalucia and the horse ridden by Rieko is called Talisman. He is one of the Japan Racing Association's horses for equestrian.



Rieko who is a SSA 'A' Instructor says there few chances to demonstrate side saddle riding in Japan so she makes an effort to showcase whenever an opportunity arises.