

THE RETTERSCHOF 1955

I am so grateful to everyone in Kelkheim for preserving the Rettershof, this special piece of history, in its entirety, purity and purpose. Riding there was one of the best times of my life!

These photographs were taken between 1954 and 1956 when my father was stationed at the Air Force Base in Wiesbaden. Mrs. Beverly Young, a young Air Force wife, brought a small group of us to ride every week. She, along with Herr Gus Hoeschler, were our instructors. Mrs. Young was already an accomplished horsewoman in the United States. She grew to know the Baron and Baroness von Richter very well, and later became the first female Master of the Hounds at the Rettershof. I am told that she was given the red hunt Master's coat from the 1700's by the Baron until she returned to the United States in 1956.

I am sending a few of the photos I have from our time there, hoping you might enjoy seeing them. All these photographs were taken at the Rettershof, with the exception of the first one taken at the Kelkheim Show. All are horses from the Rettershof.

I apologize for the predominance of pictures of me, but these were mostly taken by my father.

Best wishes and thank you for your generous help,
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MRS. BEVERLY YOUNG.

Mrs. Young and Armada -- Kelkheim Show.



Mrs. Young and Nixa.



OUR RIDING GROUP.

Jan Husman
and
Fuchschen

Sue Holt
and
Blusche

Mrs. Young
and
Armada

Schimmel

Pat Ainsworth
and
Nestor

Bianca



Jan Husman

Baron von Richter



Terry Kidner

Mrs. Young Herr Hoeschler

Pat Ainsworth, Jan Husman

Randy Young





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Herr Gus Hoeschler, our instructor

Jan Husman



I am including shots around the stable to show the detail on the walls that might have changed since then.



**My father, Lt Col Harry W. Husman,
and me.**



