



## Ashley Gowanlock

**Birthdate:** March 31, 1987

**Birthplace:** Surrey, BC

**Grade:** 1b

**Horse:** Di Scansano – 2001 black Hanoverian gelding (De Niro x Rubenstein), owned by Wendy Christoff

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Ashley Gowanlock began riding at the age of two, after being diagnosed with Cerebral Palsy, in order to provide physiotherapy and help with her balance. She was soon hooked, and has been riding ever since. In 2006, she made her debut on the Canadian Para-Dressage Team in Langley, BC.

A two-time Paralympian, Gowanlock has represented Canada at the 2008 Beijing Paralympics and 2012 London Paralympics. She also rode for the maple leaf at the 2010 and 2014 FEI World Equestrian Games, held in Kentucky, USA and Normandy, FRA, respectively.

Right from the start, Gowanlock was a force to be reckoned with, but 2013 is where she really came into her own. Riding Ferdonia 2 and Double Agent, she brought home five first place finishes in team, individual and freestyle classes at CPEDI 3\* competitions in Wellington, FL and Bishop Burton, GBR.

Gowanlock kicked off the 2016 season at the Adequan Global Dressage Festival (AGDF) in Wellington, FL, competing at the CPEDI 3\* level with two mounts. Aboard Ferdonia 2 and Why Not Me, her most notable results included two Freestyle wins. In June 2016, Gowanlock returned to her native BC to make a strong debut with new equine partner, Di Scansano, earning a hat trick by sweeping the Grade 1b division.

Since 2014, Gowanlock has been an ambassador for Right To Play, an organization dedicated to educating children about healthy, active living. She is also an author, having published her first book, *My Opportunities Just Dress Up As Obstacles*, in early 2016.

### Notable International Results

2016 CPEDI 3\* Langley, BC – Grade 1b Freestyle – 1st

2016 CPEDI 3\* Langley, BC – Grade 1b Individual – 1st

2016 CPEDI 3\* Langley, BC – Grade 1b Team – 1st

2015 CPEDI 3\* Mulhouse, FRA – Grade 1b Freestyle – 1st  
2014 FEI World Equestrian Games – Grade 1b Individual – 11th  
2012 London Paralympic Games – Grade 1b Freestyle – 6th  
2012 London Paralympic Games – Grade 1b Individual – 6th  
2012 London Paralympic Games – Grade 1b Team – 8th  
2008 Beijing Paralympic Games – Grade 1b Team – 4th  
2008 Beijing Paralympic Games – Grade 1b Individual – 7th  
2008 Beijing Paralympic Games – Grade 1b Freestyle – 8th