Martha "Marty" E. Cook

Maid of Cooks Kitchen Long Green, Maryland Inducted 1993

Marty Cook has been involved in the sport of Jousting for 33 years. Riding first as the Maid of White Valley and now as the Maid of Cooks Kitchen, Marty is well known on the jousting circuit. She has been actively involved in the Amateur Jousting Club serving as a member and chairman of the Board of Directors, Treasurer, Vice President and President. In 1989 she won the AJC William Bell Memorial Trophy.

Marty has given her time and talents to numerous committees for the Amateur Jousting Club such as: Publicity Chairman, Publisher of "The Lancer" newsletter from 1969-73, Parade Committee Chair, Costume Committee Chair, Telephone Communications Captain for 19 years, Riding Committee, Banquet Committee, Trophy Committee and she chaired the AJC Christmas Party for patients at Childrens Hospital in 1989. Also a member of the Maryland Jousting Tournament Association, Marty has served on the spring banquet committee, Riding Rules committee and on the Maryland State Jousting Championship Committee. She has chaired many, many AJC tournaments and sponsored dozens of new members into the AJC.

To promote the sport of Jousting, Marty has chaired free jousting clinics for 4-H groups, chaired free open jousting clinics in her local area and participated in many jousting exhibitions. She regularly makes presentations to many local community organizations such as 4-H groups, Scouts, schools and other civic groups about Jousting. She has set up and manned booths for the AJC at Maryland's Sports Festival Hall in Baltimore, Sports Day and Harford Mall with a minijoust for children. She has made trips to Annapolis to make presentations to committee members to "Keep Jousting Maryland's Official State Sport".

For all this and more, Martha E. Cooks has earned her place in the National Jousting Hall of Fame.

