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Scott Stewart and Catch Me Victorious Again in \$100,000 WCHR Peter Wetherill **Palm Beach Hunter Spectacular**



Scott Stewart and Catch Me won their second Hunter Spectacular at the 'Saturday Night Lights" event of WEF 6. ©Sportfot

For the second year in a row, Scott Stewart and Catch Me won the WCHR Peter Wetherill Palm Beach Hunter Spectacular, the highlight class of week six on Saturday, February 18, at the 2017 Winter Equestrian Festival in Wellington,

Over the 21-year history of the class, Stewart has been a dedicated participant, but it wasn't until 2016 that he found himself in the winner's circle. This year, Stewart piloted not only the stunning ten-year-old grey Holsteiner gelding to a repeat victory, but also a green six-year-old KWPN gelding, Private Life, to the second place position.

The WCHR Peter Wetherill Palm Beach Hunter Spectacular takes place during World Championship Hunter Rider (WCHR) week at WEF as the feature "Saturday Night Lights" event. The United States Hunter Jumper Association (USHJA) founded WCHR in 1992 to recognize hunter riders and the Hunter Spectacular debuted shortly after. Each year, hunter riders look forward to the chance to compete under the lights in the International Arena at the Palm Beach International Equestrian Center (PBIEC). Stewart took the top two spots, while Elizabeth Boyd and Maraschino finished third, and rounding out the top four was Maggie Jayne and Standing

Thirty of the country's top professionals, juniors, and amateurs tackled the two-round course, which is offered at three heights (3'6", 3'9", and 4') and designed by Patrick Rodes. The top 12 riders returned for the second round. Each of the competitors qualified for

the class by winning either champion or reserve in one of the specified hunter divisions during WCHR week at WEF or through another WCHR designation.

Scores came from three panels of judges, including Rick Fancher and Tammy Provost on panel one, Jim Clapperton and Shane George on panel two, and Chris Wynne and Mary Lisa Leffler on panel three. Overall placings were decided by combining scores from the first and second rounds.

Stewart, of Wellington, FL, and Catch Me topped the first round with a score of 94.00, and while their score of 88.66 wasn't the highest in the second round, their two round total of 182.60 was enough for the win. Catch Me is owned by Gochman Sport Horses, LLC, and is no stranger to the winner's circle. The gelding by Casiro was recently named 2016 USEF's National Horse of the Year and has been champion numerous times during the 2017 winter circuit.

'He's been really good this whole circuit," Stewart detailed. "I think he's an even better horse than last year. He was a blast to ride, and after knowing that last year he was so good, I could relax a bit more this year and just have fun. The course rode nice, and it was inviting for the horses.

As Becky Gochman, who also rides Catch Me in the Amateur-Owner Hunters, put it, "Everything is icing on the cake at this point. I'm thrilled with past performances, and I look forward to future performances. Whatever happens, I feel relaxed and filled with gratitude. This sport means a lot to myself and my family. Please turn to page 10 7

Pedro Muylaert and Prince Royal Z MFS Victorious in \$130,000 Grand Prix CSI 3*



Pedro Muylaert and Prince Royal Z MFS won the highlight grand prix event at WEF 6. @Sportfot

Brazil's Pedro Muylaert and Prince Royal Z MFS led the \$130,000 Grand Prix CSI 3* on Friday night, February 17, at the 2017 Winter Equestrian Festival (WEF) in Wellington, FL. Competing in the Global Arena at Equestrian Village at the Palm Beach International Equestrian Center (PBIEC), Paul O'Shea and Skara Glen's Machu Picchu finished second, and Jimmy Torano (USA) riding Day Dream placed third.

Richard Jeffery (GBR) set the course for 44 starters in Friday night's grand prix. Four entries advanced to the jump-off, where O'Shea and Muylaert were the only two to clear the short course without fault.

Muylaert and Stenio da Silva's Prince Royal Z MFS cleared the course in 37.27 seconds to take the win. O'Shea and Skara Glen's Machu Picchu stopped the clock in 37.59 seconds to earn second place. Torano and Day Dream were faster in 36.94 seconds, but incurred four faults at the second to last fence in the jump-off. Hardin Towell (USA) also had a fast time in 37.12 seconds riding Evergate Stables' New York, but dropped three rails on course to finish fourth.

"My plan was to go fast, but not too fast, because I knew there were not too many in the jump-off," Muylaert said of his winning round. "My plan was to go clear and fast enough to be in the top three, and I could not imagine that we would

Prince Royal Z MFS is a ten-year-

old Zangersheide stallion (Prince de Revel x Ramiro Z) that previously jumped in the 2016 Olympic Games with Uruguay's Nestor Nielsen Van Hoff before changing hands to Muylaert this year.

"This is a new horse for me. I bought him one month ago, and he came straight away for the season," Muylaert explained. "This is the first week I have shown him, so I am really happy. He is a very good horse, and I have a lot of confidence with him. He has a lot of heart.

The rider (30) has traveled to Wellington to compete in the Winter Equestrian Festival for three years, and dedicated his win to the late Andres (Chepito) Rodriguez of Venezuela, who passed away tragically in 2016.

"My history coming to Wellington began with a very good friend, Chepito. He was like my brother, Muylaert acknowledged. "I started coming here with him, and today, this victory is for him because I am here because of him. Everything is for him now. The experience here is super; it is beautiḟul. Normally, I compete in Brazil, so here is a little different for me, but I am very happy to be here.

O'Shea has ridden Skara Glen Stable's Machu Picchu, a ten-yearold Dutch Warmblood gelding (Silverstone x Matterhorn) since the end of the horse's seven-year-old year and has seen great progress.

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Suncast® Returns as Title Sponsor of Week Seven CSI 5* Competition



Equestrian Sport Productions (ESP) welcomes Suncast® as the title sponsor of week seven at the 2017 Winter Equestrian Festival (WEF). Held at the Palm Beach International Equestrian Center (PBIEC) in Wellington, FL, WEF 7 runs February 22-26, 2017. featuring CSI 5* jumper and "AA" rated hunter competition.

The highlight event of week seven is the \$380.000 Suncast® Grand Prix CSI 5* on Saturday, February 25, at 7 p.m. The week also features the \$130,000 Ruby et Violette WEF Challenge Cup Round 7 on Thursday afternoon, \$35,000 FEI 1.45m speed classes sponsored by Douglas Elliman (Wednesday) and Illustrated Properties (Friday), and the \$86,000 Suncast® 1.50m Championship Jumper Classic and \$50,000 Grand Prix CSI 2* on Sunday.

One of the biggest supporters of the Winter Equestrian Festival, Suncast® is now in its ninth year of sponsorship. In addition to their week seven title sponsorship during the circuit. Suncast® also presents the

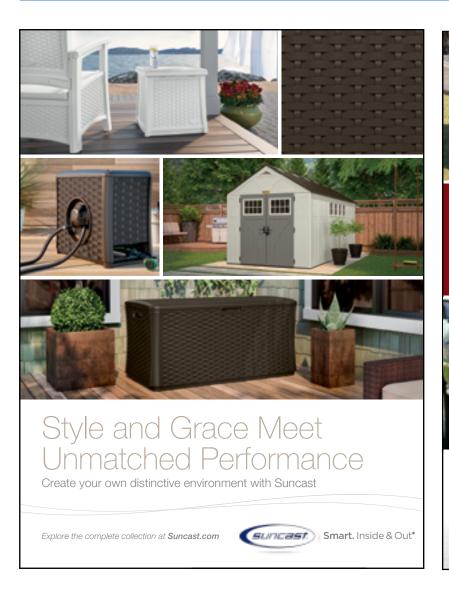
1.50m Championship Jumper Series, always an exciting and competitive division throughout the winter season. In 2017, the series will offer a total purse of \$719,000 with 10 FEI world-ranking classes.

"Suncast® is excited to continue our long standing sponsorship of the 1.50m championship series as well as various other Grand Prix events during the winter circuit," said Suncast® President and CEO Tom Tisbo. 'The hard work and dedication that the rider athletes, and their supporting teams, exhibit to continually raise the level of competition is truly amazing and it is rewarding to know, that while we use these opportunities to build awareness of the Suncast brand, we are helping to grow this wonderful sport. These are the same attributes that I see daily in the 1.600 Suncast associates that work tirelessly to ensure that each Suncast product exceeds the expectations of our consumers."

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PBIEC Week 7 Upcoming Events

LUNCH & LEARN SERIES

On Thursday, February 23, the Lunch & Learn Series will be held from 11:30 a.m. to 1 p.m. at The Wellington Club. The topic is "Invisible Workers: The Crucial Role of Working Equines in Sustaining Livelihoods and Food Security" with Kimberly Wells, Senior Animal Welfare Advisor, and special appearances by Brooke USA Ambas- EQUESTRIANSPORT.COM. sadors, presented by Brooke USA. This informational and educational series has a variety of subjects for horsemen and women to learn more for their horses and health. Admission is free for riders, trainers, and owners. Register at the door for a chance to win exciting prizes. Contact Kailey Blasius at 561-784-1137 or kblasius@equestriansport.com for more information.

GLADIATOR POLO™,

PRESENTED BY U.S. POLO ASSN., RETURNS! The next event of the Gladiator Polo[™] series, presented by U.S. Polo Assn., will be held on Thursday, February 23, at Equestrian Village - The Stadium at PBIEC. With gates opening at 6 p.m. and competition finishing by 8 p.m., it is pm. \$100 in advance; \$150 at the door. Stay on for a a perfect family-friendly event. There will be free general admission and an Asado for \$40/per person and \$10 for children under 12. Visit www.gladiatorpolo.com for more information and to buy Asado tickets.

Gladiator Polo[™], presented by U.S. Polo Assn., is the newest equestrian event to join the elite season in Wellington, FL. Hosted on select Thursdays at the Equestrian Village in The Stadium at PBIEC, also home of the Adeguan® Global Dressage Festival (AGDF), Gladiator Polo™. presented by U.S. Polo Assn., brings the exciting sport of polo to a 3 on 3 setting featuring teams of professional players. Spectator-friendly and offering family fun with free general admission, Gladiator Polo™ is sure to entertain attendees of all ages with interactive activities in an engaging sporting atmosphere!

"FRIDAY NIGHT STARS"

ruary 24, with gates opening at 6 p.m. The FEI Grand Prix Freestyle CSI-W, presented by The Axel Johnson Group, will feature horses completing their freestyle choreography to entertaining music ensembles. In the break of the freestyles, there will be a "Two Tempi Challenge," so stick around to see this fun exhibition! General admission is free and parking is \$10/car.

"SATURDAY NIGHT LIGHTS"

The \$380,000 Suncast® Grand Prix CSI 5* is the second five-star event of the season on Saturday, February 25, and will see the best horses and riders compete for speed Auction is set to take place under the lights of the International Arena. Gates open at at 7 p.m. on Thursday, March 6 pm. General admission is free, parking is \$20/car, and

THE VEUVE CLICQUOT SUITES -**AVAILABLE SATURDAY NIGHT!**

Located in the Special Events Pavilion, The Veuve Clicquot Suites are available on Saturday, February 25. Prime viewing, a full buffet, and premium bar options in a semi-private suite catered by White Horse Catering, this is the place to host friends and family or even a corpo-

rate get-together. Each suite accommodates up to 22 people. Availability is on first-come, first-served basis, so book now before they all fill up! Contact Patti Miele at 561-784-1125 or suites@equestriansport.com today. VEUVE CLICQUOT SUITES NATIONS CUP PACKAGES ARE AVAILABLE! FOR MORE DETAILS, EMAIL SUITES@

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SAVE THE DATE! PBIEC WEEKS 8 & 9 UPCOMING EVENTS

AMATEUR RIDER ASSOCIATION OF AMERICA PANEL

Please join the Amateur Rider Association of America on Wednesday, March 1, at The Wellington Club at 1:30 p.m. for a panel on the new USEF rule for the Low, Medium, and High Amateur-Owner Jumpers. The panel will include Ariane Stiegler, ESP President Michael Stone, Anne Kursinski, Kevin Babington, Peter Leone, David Distler. Dressage returns to Friday night this week on Friday, Feb- and Anthony d'Ambrosio. To RSVP, please call 203-984-

WEF SPORT HORSE AUCTION

Each year the WEF Sport Horse Auction offers an exclusive opportunity for individuals to acquire the next generation of top champions from VDL Stud. Riders,

owners, and trainers have the ability to purchase their next star in an exciting live auction atmosphere. The 2017 edition of the WEF Sport Horse 2, at Equestrian Village at PBIEC (AGDF Show Grounds). General admission is free. For more information on the WEF Sport Horse Auction please visit www.WefSportHorseAuction.com or www.facebook. com/WEFSportHorseAuction.

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Which country will you be cheering for? Come to PBIEC on Friday, March 3, to show your national pride for such teams as USA, Canada, Brazil, Colombia, France, Germany, Ireland, Mexico, and Venezuela. Gates open at 6 pm. General admission is free.

STALLER APP PARTY AT THE TIKI HUT

Come join the Staller team for a good time and a great view of the Suncast® 1.50m Championship Jumper Classic on Saturday, March 4, on the second floor of The Tiki Hut at 7 p.m. Meet for an unforgettable night of horses, music and fun! For more information, visit www.stallerapp com and call 561-480-5296 to RSVP for the party.

PALM BEACH DRESSAGE DERBY

The derby class during AGDF 8 returns on Saturday, March 4, with the finals, sponsored by Yeguada de Ymas, held during the break in competition of the FEI Grand Prix Freestyle. Top dressage riders Mikala Gundersen (DEN). Juan Matute (ESP), Kasey Perry-Glass (USA), and Chris Von Martels (CAN) will compete in semi-finals on Friday and the two winners go head-to-head on Saturday night. Don't miss this special and exciting exhibition!

RIDE & LEARN WITH KEN SMITH

On Tuesday, March 7, at 2 p.m., top trainer Ken Smith will be training with the theme of "Equitation" at the Van Kampen Covered Arena at The Stadium at PBIEC (AGDF show grounds). Participation to ride in the clinic is \$100 per horse/rider per clinic, with a maximum of 6 riders! Auditing is free and encouraged. For more information. please contact Jessica Nichols at 561-784-4275 or inichols@equestriansport.com.

GLADIATOR POLO™, PRESENTED BY U.S. POLO ASSN.

The next event of the Gladiator Polo™ series, presented by U.S. Polo Assn., will be held on Thursday, March 9, at Equestrian Village – The Stadium at PBIEC. With gates opening at 6 p.m. and competition finishing by 8 p.m., it is a perfect family-friendly event. There will be free general admission and an Asado for \$40/per person and \$10 for children under 12. Parking is \$10/car. Visit www.gladiatorpolo.com for more information and to buy Asado tickets.



More high-goal polo action revs up at IPC after Coca-Cola's victory over Tonkawa 9-8 in overtime Sunday, Feb. 19. Coca-Cola took home the 2017 Ylvisaker Cup trophy.

This week features the start of two additional high-goal tournaments at IPC. The 26-goal series kicks off with the prestigious 2017 C.V. Whitney Cup, and the 20-goal series continues with the 2017 Iglehart Cup. Opening day for the C.V. Whitney Cup is Thursday, Feb. 23 at 3 p.m. with a superpower match between Coca-Cola and Orchard Hill.

The Iglehart Cup starts Friday, Feb. 24.

The evening of Thursday, Feb. 23 brings Round 3 of high-goal \$250,000 Gladiator Polo™ Presented by U.S. Polo Assn. Many top polo stars who compete at IPC also play in the Gladiator matches. Held at the Equestrian Village, the 7-evening Roman gladiator-themed series is free admission with \$10 parking. There is an optional asado (\$40) and a lively after-party with music and dancing that is open to all. The family-friendly event offers numerous activities for children without charge.

To purchase tickets to Sunday polo and brunch at The Pavilion, visit international poloclub.com.



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WEF Sport Horse Auction Graduates Excel at Winter Equestrian Festival

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VDL Ferrari SMH currently competes in the 7-Year-Old Jumper division with Erynn Ballard and in the Low Junior Jumper division with owner Sabrina Lefebvre.

Each year during the Winter Equestrian Festival (WEF), the WEF Sport Horse Auction highlights the talent and quality of a hand-selected group of VDL sport horses, sourced by VDL Stud, one of the world's most renowned show jumping and dressage breeding operations located in The Netherlands. Past auction graduates are currently competing at the highest levels of both the show jumping and hunter disciplines with professional, amateur, and

Sabrina Lefebvre, a Canadian junior rider, purchased VDL Ferrari SMH (Bugatti VDL x Burggraaf) at the 2015 WEF Sport Horse Auction and has been pleased with progress and talent the gelding has displayed in the jumper ring. The pair competed for the first time together in the 5-Year-Old Jumper Division only two weeks after Lefebvre purchased VDL Ferrari SMH and the duo have only encountered success since

During the 2016 season, VDL Ferrari SMH competed in the 6-Year-Old Jumper Division and finished sixth overall in the \$15,000 6-Year-Old Finals at the International CSI** at Angelstone and is currently competing with Lefebvre's trainer, Erynn Ballard, in the 7-Year-Old Division at WEF, and in the Low Junior Jumper Division with Lefebyre, Lebfebyre's ultimate goal with VDL Ferrari SMH is to compete in the High Junior Jumper Division throughout the competition

"He has impressed us at every turn. We're so happy with the progress that he's made," commented Lebfebvre. "I would highly recommend VDL horses and the WEF Sport Horse Auction for individuals looking to purchase their next

"Everyone who was involved with the entire trial and purchasing process was amazing. Each time I see Janko [van de Lageweg] at a horse show, he always comes to see us and asks for news about Ferrari and how we're doing!"

For Side VDL, another graduate of the WEF Sport Horse Auction, shares a similar success story. Purchased by Monty and Sandy Kelly, For Side VDL (Zirocco Blue VDL x Landlord) currently competes in the 7-Year-Old Jumper

Division with Mclain Ward, and is also competed by Shaine Brooks. "I have ridden him since he was four and each year he shows me more scope and energy," Brooks says. "It's very exciting and we're looking forward to the future with

Melanie Peterson, who organizes and manages the auction, has worked closely with the VDL organization for many years and believes that the personalities and characteristics of each graduate is what makes them unique both in and out of the competition arena.

"They have Labrador personalities. They're all so incredible to work with and I've never met a VDL horse that didn't display perfect manners," she smiled. "As soon as the auction is over, you can see the horses begin to bond with their new owners. It's amazing."

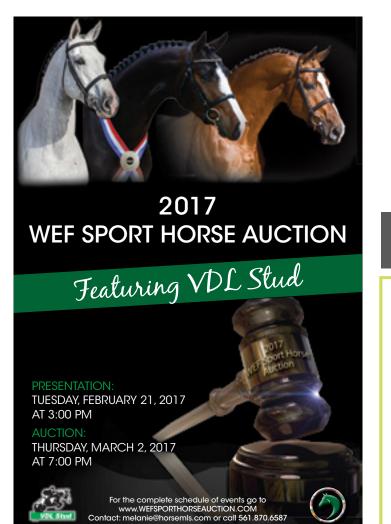
"The success of the auction has been outstanding and we're committed to bringing the best of the European bloodlines to the U.S. and North American market," she added. "These horses are top of the line and each year they uphold the reputation of VDL through their success in the competition arena."

The 2017 auction will offer the same quality of horses, as VDL Stud has selected three Elite mares to participate in the WEF Sport Horse Auction. In addition to being exceptional athletes, the mares VDL Dorina (Indoctro x Burggraaf), VDL Gearcemeta W (Indoctro x Mr. Blue), and VDL Gottie W (Cantos x Casco), will be superb additions to North American breeding programs.

The Presentation of Horses is set to be hosted in the International Ring at Palm Beach International Equestrian Center (PBIEC) on Tuesday, February 21, while the 2017 edition of the WEF Sport Horse Auction will take place on Thursday, March 2, at 7:00 p.m. at the Stadium at Equestrian Village, home of the Adequan® Global Dressage Festival (AGDF).

For more information about the horses available at the 2017 WEF Sport Horse Auction, please visit www.wefsporthorseauction.coth.com.

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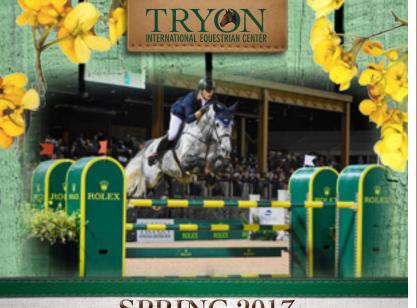
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WEF Week 6 Standings and Awards

HERMES PARIS

Hermès Talented Young Rider Award (after 38 qualifying events)

- 1. Emily Moffitt (GBR): 706
- 2. Daniel Coyle (IRL): 681
- 3. Emanuel Andrade (VEN): 639
- 4. Katherine Dinan (USA): 534
- 5. Jennifer Gates (USA): 376



Suncast® 1.50m Championship **Jumper Classic Series** (after 6 qualifying events)

- 1. Wilhelm Genn (GER): 145
- 2. Richie Moloney (IRL): 138
- 3. McLain Ward (USA): 130
- 4. Samuel Parot (CHI): 128
- 5. Kent Farrington (USA): 121



Hollow Creek Farm Under 25 Grand Prix Series (after 5 qualifying events)

- 1. Lucas Porter (USA): 171.5
- 2. Emily Moffitt (GBR): 158
- 2. Katherine Strauss (USA): 158
- 4. Sydney Shulman (USA): 146.5 5. Alexandra Welles (USA): 145



Leading Lady Jumper Rider, sponsored by Martha Jolicoeur of Douglas Elliman Real Estate (after 12 qualifying events)

- 1. Laura Chapot (USA): 445
- 2. Liubov Kochetova (RUS): 438
- 3. Emily Moffitt (GBR): 407
- 4. Margie Engle (USA): 383
- 5. Adrienne Sternlicht (USA): 380



Champion Equine Insurance Hunter Style Award: Lucador, ridden by Scott Stewart for Dr. Betsee Parker

Champion Equine Insurance Jumper Style Award: Capella 37, ridden and owned by Alissa Kinsey



Lucador, owned by Dr. Betsee Parker and shown in the High Performance Conformation Hunter division by Holly Orando, was presented with the Champion Equine Insurance Hunter Style Award by Laura Fetterman.



Mitchell Robinson and Caliber of Uphill Farm won the WEF 6 Vita Flex Tack Room Award.



Katherine Strauss aboard All In and groom Georgi De Rham (left), are presented with the Equis Boutique Best Presented Under 25 Horse Award by Melanie Bonk (right) of Equis Boutique at the Winter Equestrian estival in Wellington, FL. ©Jump Media



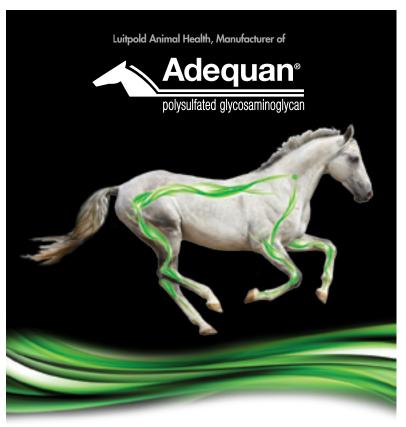
Alissa Kinsey and Capella 37, who competed in the Adult Amateur Jumpers, were awarded with the Champion Equine Insurance Jumper Style Award by Laura Fetterman. © SportFot



trained by Jennifer Bliss (pictured) of Harris Hill Farm, won the Omega Alpha Healthy Horse Award.



Katie Dinan (left), Checkpoint U, and groom Alice Krämer (right) are presented with the Equis Boutique Best Presented Horse Award by Maria Fernanda Benitez (center) of Equis Boutique at the Winter Equestrian Festival in Wellington, FL. ©Jump Media



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"When he was seven he won three grand prixs with his previous rider, and when he was eight he won a 1.50m

in Dublin at a five-star show, so he has always been

pretty consistent and very successful," O'Shea detailed. "He has not actually knocked a fence yet this year, so I

am really happy with him. I tried to go fast tonight, but

I was not fast enough. I could have been quicker to the second fence, but other than that I think I did what I

Torano and Day Dream won the \$216,000 U.S. Open

FEI Grand Prix CSI 3*, presented by Rolex in September

under similar surroundings in a small arena under the

lights at the Rolex Central Park Horse Show. The nine-

year-old Dutch Warmblood gelding (Zento x Heartbrea-

ker) has been with Torano since he was six, and is also

"My biggest thing was the rideability, which I think I have gotten down now," Torano said of his mount. "I

really took a shot (in the jump-off). Maybe I overdid it

to the second to last jump, but he is an inexperienced

horse. He has never really galloped at a big jump like

that off the turn, but he was great. I can count how

many rails he has had since I have had him. He is a very careful horse, and I hope for a big future with him."

Great Britain's Jessica Mendoza was presented the

week six Leading Lady Rider Award by Sharon Loayza,

on behalf of Martha Jolicoeur of Douglas Elliman Real

Lauren Fisher

developing well this winter.



Teddy Vlock

EQUILINE: What has been the highlight of your WEF 2017 so far?



TEDDY: So far. the highlight of my WEF season has definitely been contributing a clear round to help my team win the U25 team competition that Equiline very generously sponsored.

EQUILINE: Which of your horses are you most excited about this season?

TEDDY: Cristobar that I rode in the team event. Unfortunately, for

the majority of the time I have had him, he has been off with an injury. This season he is finally back and in top form. I am excited to show him again this week in the U25, and hopefully throughout the rest of the

EQUILINE: How do you like the S1 Safety First Stirrups you won in the U25 Team Event?

TEDDY: I have been practicing in the new S1 Safety First Stirrups and they have been great. Safety is so important, and people forget how dangerous this sport can be. I am happy that a great company like Equiline is putting out new products to help make it safer.

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 - DARRAGH KENNY (IRL), Gabrielle Bausano: 4/78.24
 - 10. CHARMED 2: 2008 Hanoverian mare by Chacco-Blue x Plural MARKUS BEERBAUM (GER), Michaels & Beerbaum GmbH: 5/80.30
 - 11. TARIOSO MANCIAIS: 2007 Selle Francais gelding by Arioso du Theillet x First Bride KATHERINE DINAN (USA), Grant Road Partners LLC: 5/80.37
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- HARDIN TOWELL (USA), Evergate Stables LLC: 0/12/37.12
- SAMUEL PAROT (CHI), Samuel Parot: 4/71.00
- 6. TOY BOY: 2008 BCP gelding by Unknown x Unknown JESSICA MENDOZA (GBR), Jessica Mendoza: 4/75.74
- 9. FANTASY: 2005 Hanoverian mare by For Pleasure x Acord II

Daniel Coyle Tops \$35,000 Hollow Creek Farm Under 25 Grand Prix, presented by EnTrust Capital



Daniel Coyle and Simba de la Roque won the \$35,000 Hollow Creek Farm Under 25 Grand Prix, presented by EnTrust Capital, at WEF 6.

The \$35,000 Hollow Creek Farm Under 25 Grand Prix, presented by EnTrust Capital, was held on the derby field at PBIEC on Sunday morning with a win for Ireland's Daniel Coyle riding Susan Grange's Simba de

ters over his first round course, followed by a 15-horse That is not a small 1.45m by any means. It is important jump-off with four double clear rounds. Coyle and Simba de la Roque were in a league of their own with the winning time of 36.28 seconds.

Hayley Barnhill (USA) finished second in 43.88 seconds riding Barnhill LLC's Zephire. Emma Butchard last four years with the same mount, her 13-year-old (USA) guided her horse Brasil to third place in 45.05 seconds. Ailish Cunniffe (USA) and Whipstick Farm's Casper placed fourth with their time of 46.80 seconds.

Simba de la Roque, an 11-year-old Selle Français gelding (Kannan x Allegreto) was previously guided to and be quick enough. It worked out in my favor I think numerous victories with Ireland's Conor Swail before changing reins to Coyle this winter, who has already recorded an international victory with him.

"I have only had Simba a couple of months now, but even with Conor, and even before Conor, he was always a fantastic horse," Coyle stated. "I had planned classes to gain experience and jump confident rounds. for today, so it was good that it all went to plan. I would have liked to go a little bit later in the jump-off so I did not have to go as quick, but thankfully it worked

Royal Winter Fair and has the advantage of many new star night classes are a little bit bigger than they are horses to ride for Susan and Ariel Grange's Lothlorien anywhere else, so it is nice to have these classes that

"I have been given an amazing opportunity by Sue and Ariel Grange," he acknowledged. "To all of a sudden have all of these horses that have done five-star level that I have not done, I have gotten very lucky. I really like the under 25 because it gives me a chance to get to the next level with whatever horses I am unsure about. It is a really good class for me to get to know my horses so I don't have to jump in something that I am not ready to do or the horse is not ready to

"The series is very important for me with Simba, for example, because it gives me a chance to get him ready for the next level through this.," Coyle continued. "Simba definitely loves the grass, so I chose him for this. It is brilliant that these classes are now FEI, Course designer Richard Jeffery (GBR) saw 41 starbecause realistically, they are just as hard to win really that they are now FEI because the jumps are the same height, but it gives us more experience being in the FFI environment

> Barnhill has ridden in the under 25 series for the Dutch Warmblood mare, Zephire (Coriano x Animo).

Remarking on her second place finish, Barnhill stated, "I knew there was no way that I would go as fast as Daniel, so I just wanted to jump a clear round because everybody was trying to catch him, so a nice, smooth, clear round worked out for me.

Barnhill has stepped Zephire up to the 1.50m level and enjoys the opportunity to jump in the under 25

"She is a little bit older this year, so it gives you a goal and some real classes to do without having to jump the Saturday nights or bigger grand prix, Barnhill noted. "This series has definitely helped her Coyle was also the Under 25 Champion at the 2016 build up to the that level. Down here, even the threeshe is really strong in."

> Butchard jumped in the under 25 series for the first time in 2016, competing in two events to get her first 1.45m experience. This year, the rider has also moved up to the 1.50m level and has built her own confidence competing in the series.

> Butchard feels secure with her mount, Brasil, an 11-year-old Dutch Warmblood stallion (Tenerife VDL x -arrington) that she has owned for one year.

> "He brought me from the 1.10m up to the 1.50m now," Butchard stated. "We call him the professor because he teaches me everything. He is the horse of

She continued, "Today was our first time doing a jump-off at the 1.45m, so we were just trying to go clear. This year we are hoping to make it to the final."

The Hollow Creek Farm Under 25 Grand Prix Series. presented by The Dutta Corp. in association with Guido Klatte, was expanded to ten events in 2017, offering a total of \$245,000 in prize money for the season. Developed as a bridge to the international level of grand prix competition, the Series gives athletes, both human and equine, an opportunity to compete under a myriad of conditions: all important elements that competitors will face as their international careers progress. The series concludes with a \$50,000 Hollow Creek Farm Under 25 Grand Prix Final, which the top 30 riders in the point standings will be invited to contest on Sunday, April 2. Lauren Fisher





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doing jumpers primarily, and she's for sale. I'm

fortunate enough to get to ride her, and she's

Describing her plan going into the second

round, Boyd said, "[Scott and Maggie] did it so

well because [they] went inside to the one big

oxer and then around to the third jump. [They]

just went forward and flowing. I just tried to

Maggie Jayne of Elgin, IL, rode a new

mount, Standing Ovation, to an overall score of

176.49 and fourth place. Standing Ovation is

a 2007 stallion by Last Man Standing. The pair

second rounds, respectively. The stallion was

by earning the reserve ribbon in the High Per-

formance Conformation Hunter division.

"I didn't know what to expect," Jayne

explained. "After the first round, I knew the

he normally gets better as he goes. He was

sensational. Maddy [Thatcher] rides him in

the Amateur-Owners, and I normally do him

in the green conformation, but this week I did

the Regular Conformation. He's a stallion and

he knows he's a stallion, but he's an absolute

toria Colvin earned scores of 84.33 and 88.00

for a total of 172.33 aboard Koala for a sixth

Jennifer Bliss finished in fifth place aboard

ntleman to ride"

second round would be even better, because

earned scores of 87.83 and 88.66 in the first and

copy what they did; they rode forward."

such a trier. I'm really proud of her."

Hunter Spectacular, Continued From Page 1

Stewart rode Private Life to a second place super happy and wonderful to be around. The finish in the gelding's first Hunter Spectacular. Langmeiers started her; they sort of brought Dr. Betsee Parker owns the 2011 KWPN gelding her along as a First Year horse. Then we bought by Verdi. The gelding was sitting in third place her for a client named Lily Bennett. Now Lily is with a score of 88.66 going into the second round, but after topping the second round, earning a 92.33, he finished in second place, tallying 180.99 total points.

"I didn't know what to expect," Stewart explained. "He's always brave and rides like a made-up horse, but he's only just turning six years old. This was his fourth horse show at 3'6". I was really thrilled with him. He couldn't have been any better."

Earlier in the week, Stewart and Private Life swept the High Performance Working Hunter Division, impressively winning all four classes for the championship title and a coveted spot in the feature Saturday night class. The Hunter Spectacular is limited two entries per rider and purchased by Pony Lane Farm in December and although Stewart qualified several more experi- has only competed in the hunters a handful of enced mounts, he opted to compete Private Life times. Jayne qualified her mount for the class as one of his two mounts.

"He went really well this week," Stewart stated. "Even though he's the greenest, he's probably my easiest horse to ride. He just acts really grown up and rides like a junior hunter. Not only does he jump well, but he's really comfortable to ride"

Elizabeth Boyd knows just what it takes to win the feature event, having won the class on several occasions including the inaugural year. After an unexpected dismount from her first ride, Boyd of Camden, SC, returned to redeem herself. Boyd guided Lily Bennett's Maraschino to a total score of 176.83 for third place. Maras- Poker Face, an entry of Harris Hill Farm, LLC, chino is a ten-year-old Warmblood mare that Boyd has ridden on and off since 2014.

"She's a great mare," Boyd praised. "She's definitely not the typical chestnut mare. She's

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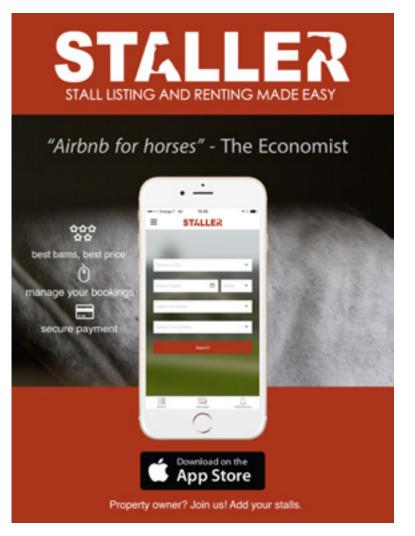
Frank Madden: "I go to the bank, the dry cleaners, and pilates. Then, I go to the gym, grab some lunch, do some paperwork, go to dinner, and then to bed."

Maggie Jayne: "On Mondays, I go to Orange Theory, yoga class, and I take tennis lessons."

Havens Schatt: "Sometimes my husband and I will go to the beach and have lunch if we can get away, but usually in the morning it's all horses and by the time the afternoon comes, it's time to get ready for Tuesday."



with scores of 87.00 and 88.33 for a 175.33 total. Previous winner of the Hunter Spectacular, Vic-





Faces of WEF: Chris Wynne

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On Saturday, February 18, Chris Wynne sat in a special seat for the \$100,000 Peter Wetherill WCHR Palm Beach Hunter Spectacular. He was on the third panel for judging the feature event. A native of Virginia Beach, VA, Wynne grew up successfully competing in the equitation and hunters. After graduating from James Madison University in 1986, Wynne embarked on a career on judging, training, and showing. Wynne now runs his own Breckenridge Manor and is a 'R' rated USEF judge in hunters, jumpers, and equitation.

HERE'S A CLOSER LOOK AT CHRIS WYNNE:

WW: CAN YOU TALK ABOUT WHAT IT WAS LIKE TO JUDGE THE HUNTER SPECTACULAR?

Wynne: Last night was a great class. The most difficult thing about judging that class is that [the judges] are at different vantage points, and it's a big ring. Things look different from different places. You could see by the scores that some people could see things that others couldn't. I think overall, the judging was done very well. The course was great and very rideable, which allowed for the really good horses to show themselves off. We [the judges] were able to throw some high scores for things that we like to see - galloping to the jumps, the high jumps, the loftiness of the horses and correct technique in the air. That part of it was a lot of fun. It's always difficult when you throw a score, then hear lower scores, and you go, 'Oh what did I miss.' Then, you realize you can't see everything and judges are at different vantage points to catch mistakes at different parts of the ring.

WW: WHAT STOOD OUT MOST TO YOU ABOUT SCOTT STEWART'S ROUNDS ON CATCH ME?

Wynne: I thought Scott Stewart's first round on Catch Me was brilliant. Then, in the second round, he had one mistake - a swap. Again, vantage points helped him because we [panel three] were able to see it, but panels one and two were not able to see it. That horse comes in and jumps the first jump and immediately has a high score. So when you have deductions from fabulous horses like that, you still end up with very nice scores. Catch Me is a beautiful mover, a beautiful jumper, has a great expression when he goes around, and Scott rides him beautifully. Those attributes are everything you want in a hunter. Catch Me tries as hard as he can over every jump, and that really makes him stand out from a lot of horses. A lot of horses jump jumps really well, but they don't try as hard over every

WW: HOW HAS YOUR BACKGROUND RIDING AND TRAINING HELPED YOUR CAREER AS A **JUDGE?**

Wynne: When I'm showing, I always enjoy having a horseman judging. Someone that either still does it, or has done it, because I think they can relate to little things that that go wrong. Judges that also ride can interpret a light rub, a swap, a trip, or anything that happens on course a little bit better, because those things have happened to them as well. They can relate to it, interpret it, and bring it back out with a score and placing that I think the rider feels more comfortable. Being in each position has helped me a lot. Hopefully, I do a fair and honest good job. I've been lucky to have the opportunity to judge some very nice horse shows over the years.

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Hunter Champions Excel at WCHR Week







John Ingram and Airport 48 claimed champion honors in the Hunt Ltd Amateur-Owner Hunter 35 & Over division.

The highly anticipated World Championship Rider started under saddle. Scott Stewart and Captivate Hunter (WCHR) week at the 2017 Winter Equestrian settled for the reserve title with a win the handy Festival (WEF) saw fierce hunter competition from the country's best junior, amateur, and professional riders. Throughout the week, hunter riders demonstrated their talents in the main International Arena at the Palm Beach International Equestrian Center

Scott Stewart of Wellington, FL, captured a total of five championships on Thursday. First, Stewart and Catch Me, an entry of Gochman Sport Horses, LLC, were named champions in the Antares High Performance Hunters. The pair earned the highest score of the week with a 95 in the handy round, and went on to also win an over fences class, and the under saddle. Stewart guided Dr. Betsee Parker's Cameo to a first place finish in the stake class, and second place under saddle for the reserve title.

The Shapley's Grooming Products High Performance Conformation division awarded champion and reserve honors to Lucador, and Fun. Both horses were ridden by Scott Stewart. While Lucador, another entry of Dr. Betsee Parker, and Fun, owned by Gochman Sport Horses, LLC, each earned 35.0 points overall, Lucador generated more points throughout the over fences classes and received the championship title

Private Life, owned by Dr. Betsee Parker, swept the Shapley's Equine Grooming Products Green Conformation Hunter division, winning all five classes with Stewart in the irons. The coming sixyear-old gelding by Verdi rides like a made horse, according to Stewart. Jennifer Hannan of Wakefield RI, and Best Regards secured the reserve honors. Hannan piloted Patricia Fulchino's 2008 Holsteiner stallion to second place ribbons in the model, an over fences class, and under saddle, and a third place ribbon in the stake round.

Scott Stewart claimed champion and reserve titles again the Equine Tack & Nutritionals Green Hunter 3'6" division. Riding Rivers Edge's Luster, Stewart won the under saddle and the handy round, and placed second in an over fences class to earn the championship ribbon. The reserve ribbon went to Wonderly, a 2009 Brandenburger gelding by Burberry owned by Dr. Betsee Parker. Stewart piloted Wonderly to a win in the stake class and third place finishes in the handy and under saddle.

Havens Schatt of Georgetown, KY, rode Aristocrat, owned by Tracy Scheriff-Muser, to the championship title in the Equine Tack & Nutritionals Green Hunters 3'9" with three wins in the division. The pair topped two over fences rounds and the under saddle. Schatt began riding the 2008 gelding by Balou du Rouet five years ago, right after he was first

class, second place under saddle, and fourth and fifth place finishes over fences.

The CWD Saddlery Performance Hunters 3'6" saw a remarkable 101 competitions on Thursday afternoon. Due to the number of entries, two championships were awarded. Elizabeth Boyd of Camden, SC, earned the high score of the division with a 92 in the stake round, and the first championship ribbon aboard Stella Styslinger's Cassanto. Riding Koala, an entry of John & Stephanie Ingram, LLC, Victoria Colvin captured the other championship ribbon. Reserve titles in the division went to Elizabeth Boyd with Quatrain, and Maria Rasmussen riding Memo-

On Saturday, junior and amateur hunters ruled the International Arena. Augusta Iwasaki of Calabasas, CA, topped both 15 & Under divisions, while Sophie Gochman of Palm Beach, FL, captured the two reserve titles.

Iwasaki guided Lyn Pederson's Small Affair to the championship award in the Engel & Völkers Large Junior Hunter 15 & Under division. The pair won the handy and an over fences round, as well as placed fourth under saddle and third in the stake. Sophie Gochman steered Garfield, an entry of Rose Hill Farm, to a win in the stake round and a second place finish over fences to earn the reserve ribbon.

In the Small Junior Hunters 15 & Under, Iwasaki rode her veteran mount, Illusion, to wins in the stake and handy rounds for the championship award. Gochman and Mythical placed second in both the handy and an over fences round, plus third under saddle to secure the reserve title. Mythical is a 13-year-old Westphalian gelding by Cornet Obolensky that has been a part of the Gochman family

Taylor St. Jacques of Glen Allen, VA, and Emma Kurtz of Wellington, FL, each won a champion and reserve ribbon in the Junior Hunter 16-17 divisions. St. Jacques and William Hill found their way to the Staller Small Junior Hunter 16-17 championship. In addition to placing second under saddle, the pair topped two over fences classes with scores of 90 and 91. Kurtz and Wisdom, an entry of Rivers Edge, settled for reserve honors after winning the under saddle and placing second and third over fences.

Emma Kurtz and Dr. Betsee Parker's Dedication came out on top in the Bruno Delgrange Large Junior Hunters 16-17. The pair won the under saddle and stake round, as well as placed third over fences and sixth in the handy. In the over fences portion, St. Jacques and Point Being, owned by Derby Lane,

LLC, earned two seconds and a sixth place ribbon to claim the reserve honors.

The Lugano Diamonds Amateur-Owner Hunter 18-35 division was dominated by Callie Seaman of Greenwich, CT. At just her third show following back surgery. Seaman took the champion and reserve titles aboard her own Chicago and Skorekeeper, respectively. Chicago won two over fences classes and placed second under saddle, while Skorekeeper finished first in the handy, second in the stake, third over fences, and fourth under saddle.

A difference of half of a point determined who received the championship and reserve awards in the Hunt Ltd. Amateur-Owner Hunter Over 35 division. John Ingram of Nashville, TN, narrowly beat out Jane Gaston of The Plains, VA, for the championship award. Ingram rode his long-time partner Airport 48. owned by John & Stephanie Ingram, LLC, to a win in the stake round and two second place finishes over fences. Gaston rode her own Because to two wins and a fifth place finish over fences and sixth place under saddle

The 3'3" hunter divisions also took a tour of the International Arena. Martha Ingram of Nashville, TN, topped the Adequan® Amateur-Owner Hunter 18-35 3'3" division aboard Fonteyn, owned by John & Stephanie Ingram, LLC. Ingram and the 2004 German Sporthorse mare clinched the championship title by winning all three over fences classes and placing third under saddle. Lindsay Maxwell of Beverly Hills, CA, captured the reserve tricolor ribbon, riding her own Kingston to a win under saddle, as well as second and two third place finishes over

Arriana Boardman of New York, NY, rode Adelina to win the championship in the Osphos® Amateur-Owner Hunter 3'3" 36 & Over division. The pair won two over fences classes, earned third place in the handy round, and fourth under saddle. With wins in the under saddle and handy round. Becky Gochman of Palm Beach, FL, secured the reserve title aboard Last Man Darling, an 11-year-old Mecklenburg gelding owned by Gochman Sport Horses,

The UHealth Junior Hunter 3'3" division had 46 competitors and was awarded in a California split. Caroline Ratigan of Berwyn, PA, and Elly Ficca of Charlotte, NC, were both named champions of the division. Ratigan rode her own Trust to win the under saddle and an over fences class, while also collecting a fourth place ribbon in the handy round. Ficca and Quatrain, owned by Laura Critz, won. two over fences classes to earn the championship





William Hill, ridden by Taylor St. Jacques, was named Staller Small Junior Hunter 16-17 champion.



Augusta Iwasaki, pictured riding and Illusion in the Engel and Völkers Small Junior Hunter 15 & Under division, scored three tri-color ribbons. She also was also Large Junior Hunter 15 & Under champion riding Small Affair, as well as champion in the Rosenbaum Mollengarden PLLC Large Pony Hunter division aboard Small Soldier



Dedication, ridden by Emma Kurtz, was named champion of the Bruno DelGrange Large Junior Hunter 16-17 division.



Callie Seaman was champion and reserve champion in the Lugano Diamonds Amateur-Owner Hunter 18-35 division with Chicago (pictured) and Skorekeeper.



Quatrain shared champion honors in the UHealth Junior Hunter 3'3" division with Ellv Ficca in the irons.



Trust, ridden by Caroline Ratigan, was co-champion in the UHealth Junior Hunter 3'3" division.

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Diego Vivero and Bijoux Win \$50,000 National Grand Prix



Diego Vivero scored his first WEF grand prix victory at WEF 6 with Bijoux. ©Sportfot

Ecuador's Diego Vivero and Bijoux concluded week six of the 2017 Winter Equestrian Festival (WEF) with a win in the \$50,000 National Grand Prix held on Sunday, February 19, on the derby field at the Palm Beach International Equestrian Center (PBIEC) in Wellington, FL.

Week six course designer Richard Jeffery (GBR) set the track for Sunday's \$50,000 National Grand Prix and had a four-horse jump-off. The winning time of 34.44 seconds belonged to Diego Vivero and Javier Estrada's Bijoux, an 11-yearold Dutch Warmblood mare (Cartani x Athletico).

Taylor Land (USA) finished second riding Jay Land's For Edition with a time of 36.56 seconds. Nicole Shahinian-Simpson (USA) cleared the short course in 36.62 seconds to place third riding Silver Raven Farms' Akuna Mattata, Leslie Howard and Annie Phillips' Street Legal were fast in 35.20 seconds, but incurred eight faults to finish fourth.

"I am very happy. I have had this mare for only ten months," Vivero stated after his win. "She is very fast and very brave. We are a team now, and I think she going to do much more.

"She is fast, and I am very competitive," Vivero detailed. "I just went fast and I

1. BIJOUX: 2006 KWPN mare by Cartani x Athletico DIEGO VIVERO (ECU), Javier Estrada: 0/0/34.446

2. FOR EDITION: 2000 Hanoverian stallion by Forsyth FRH x Leggiero TAYLOR LAND (USA), Jay Land: 0/0/36.569

3. AKUNA MATTATA: 2008 Holsteiner mare by Quinar x Landwind II NICOLE SHAHINIAN-SIMPSON (USA), Silver Raven Farms: 0/0/36.622

4. STREET LEGAL: 2005 Hanoverian gelding by Escudo II x Graf Sponeck LESLIE HOWARD (USA), Annie Phillips: 0/8/35.209

5. CALVIN KLEIN: 2004 Swedish Warmblood gelding by Cardento x Feliciano JONATHON MILLAR (CAN), Millar Brooke Farm Ltd: 4/86.306

6. CYLANA: 2002 Belgian Warmblood mare by Skippy II x Darco CLOE HYMOWITZ (USA), Rose Hill Farm: 4/86.630

7. CHERI DE PAPIGNIES: 2008 Belgian Sport Horse gelding by Copin van de Broy x Darco PETER LUTZ (USA), QBS Equestrian LLC: 4/88.610

8. JULE VAN DEN TINNENPOT: 2009 Belgian Warmblood mare by Calvaro x Major de la Cour BEN MAHER (GBR), Poden Farms: 8/86.598

9. BINGO: 2006 KWPN gelding by For Hero x Kannan RONAN MCGUIGAN (IRL), Marker's Mark LLC: 16/84.519

10. SHOW SHOW: 2002 Belgian Warmblood gelding by Darco x Royal Feu WILLIAM HICKEY (IRL), Alex Jayne: 17/92.994

trusted her today, and she was great."

The pair earned two CSI 2* grand prix victories in Mexico last year, along with other national grand prix titles. In 2016, they also finished third in the \$25,000 Nutrena Spring I Grand Prix competing post-WEF at PBIEC.

"I have been coming to Wellington for three years," Vivero noted. "I am very happy to win because it is very competitive here and there are the most experienced and best riders in the world. It is very difficult, and it is good to win any class, but I am very proud to win here." Lauren Fisher



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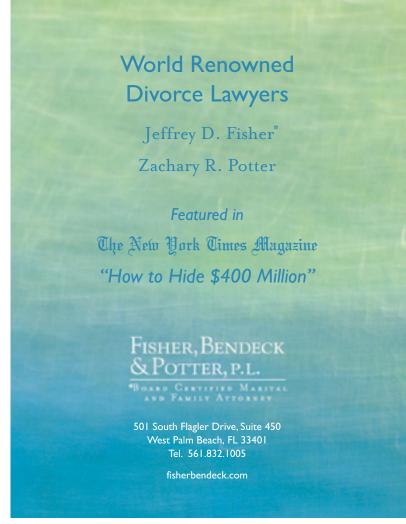
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Hunter Highlights



Amateur and junior hunter riders took their last turns in the International Arena on Sunday. The classic round winners were decided by taking the highest overa score over two rounds. The top 12 combinations of the first round were invited back for a second round. A field of 64 riders vied for the Peggy Cone Memorial WCHR Adult Hunter Classic, but it was Nancy Hooker of Wellington, FL, who was

r receiving the second highest score in the first round, an 87.00, Hooker came back and earned an 89.00. A combined score of 176.00 was enough for Hooker to national and be that good. He's take the win aboard Winter Stroll, an entry of Richard Prant. Winter Stroll is a sixyear-old Warmblood gelding by Convento de Helle that made his debut in the hunter first place prize was Jordan Allen divisions only a few weeks ago.

"I was riding him a little bit this fall and fell in love with him," Hooker explained. "He's got a funny personality and can get a little sassy. We're still learning about each other. He lives in my backyard; I have my coffee and answer emails in the morning and watch him in the paddock."

Lynn Rogers received similar scores of 86.50 and 88.00 in the first and second rounds, respectively, for an overall total of rode Casino to a combined score 174.50 and a second place finish. Rogers rode her own Blue Point, a nine-year-old gelding that she's been partnered with for five years. Rounding out the top three was pair was also named champions in Samantha Karp and Zentina B, with an overall score of 169.50.

Martha Ingram of Nashville, TN, captured the win in the WCHR Amateur-Owner 3'3" Hunter Classic aboard Fonteyn, an entry of John and Stephanie Ingram, LLC. The pair's score of a 2004 German Sporthorse mare the reserve honor. that Ingram has ridden for the past three years.

Speaking of her 2004 German Sporthorse mare, Ingram said, "She's so sweet and really tries hard to do everything right. She to the side of jump one, but she tiful. I had a great flow on her throughout both rounds."

Second place honors went to Kaitlin Porath of Charlotte, NC, and her own Breaux. Porath guided the nine-year-old Dutch Warmblood gelding by Verdi to scores of 85.00 and 87.00 for an overall total of 172.00. Margot Peroni and her 2009 gelding, Orlon, earned the third place ribbon with a total score of 167.00.

Reid Arani of Lexington, KY, made her first class in the International Arena a memorable one. Riding Molly Laughlin's Solo, she won the WCHR Junior 3'3" Hunter Classic. The pair received first and second round scores of 80.00 and 84.00, respectively, for an overall total of 164. Arani has been riding nine-year-old Oldenburg gelding by Argentinus for just two

"He felt really good," Arani stated. "It's nice to know he can show this late [in the day] in the Inter-

Narrowly missing out on the of West Bloomfield, MI. Allen and her own Empress finished just two points behind Arani with an overall score of 162. Stella Propp of New York, NY, and Morocco, an entry of Joe Currais, finished in third with a combined score of 159.

The Children's Hunter 14 & Classic found a winner in Libbie Gordon of Statesville, NC. Gordon of 168, besting a field of 33 first round trips. Casino is a 15-year-old Holsteiner gelding by Casco. The the Children's Hunter 14 & Under

Caroline Passarelli of High Falls,

NY, guided Firatostha R, an entry of Rosemont Farm, LLC, to win the Children's Hunter 15-17 Classic. The pair received a score of 85 in each round for an overall total of 170. Passarelli earned both champion and reserve titles in the Palm Beach 88.00 was the highest in the first International Academy Children's Hunter round. A second round score of 15-17 division. Riding Coco, owned by 87.25 brought their total to 175.25 Cathy Sacher, Passarelli won the champiand clinched the win. Fonteyn is onship ribbon, while Firatostha R captured

Emma Callanan rode Sir Harvey to win the Florida Large Pony Hunter Classic with first and second round scores of 80 and 88, respectively for an overall total of 168. Zayna Rizvi guided Smallwood Mystic to the top spot in the Florida Medium Pony was staring at some of the things Hunter Classic and also won all of the classes in their division to capture the jumped it really clean and beau- Animo Medium Pony Hunter championship. The winner of the Florida Small Pony Hunter Classic was Alexa Elle Lignelli aboard Rollingwoods Knee Deep.

> Nicholas Lopes piloted his own Salty to win the Large Children's Hunter Pony Classic with final score of 165.00. Lopes of Paget, BE, improved his score over the two rounds, earning an 81 in the first round and an 84 in the second round. The blue ribbon in the Small/Medium Children's Hunter Pony Classic went to Taylor Cawley of Wellington, FL, and Ju-Ju B. The pair earned scores of 85 and 81.75 in the two rounds. An overall score of 166.75 gave Cawley and Ju-Ju B the win by less than half a point over Alexandra Sica, who rode Steel My Heart to a combined score of Sara Cook



WEF 6 Hunter Champions













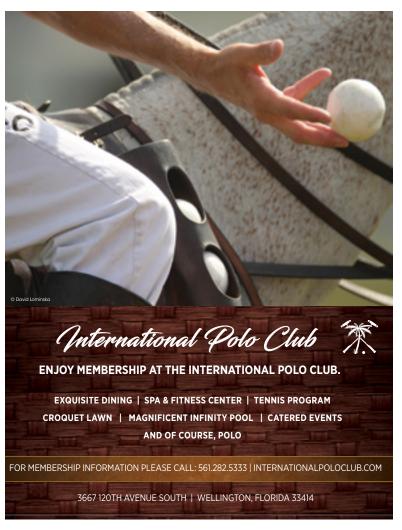




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Life After the Olympics: Sergio Alvarez Moya



Sergio Alvarez Moya and Carlo 273, shown here in Aachen, represented Spain at the 2016 Rio Olympic Games. ©WorldofShowJumping.com

At the 2016 Rio de Janeiro Olympic Games, Sergio Alvarez Moya rode Carlo 273 to represent his home country of Spain. The 2016 Olympic Games were the first time in 16 years that Spain qualified a team for the show jumping discipline. It was a feat pulled off at the European Championships in Aachen, Germany, during the summer of 2015.

Moya's several clear rounds on Carlo 273 in Aachen that summer were an instrumental in helping Spain ultimately qualify for the Olympics. Carlo 273 is an impressive grey 2001 Holsteiner gelding owned by Marta Ortega. Moya took over the ride on the gelding from idol Nick Skelton in 2012. At his Olympic debut, Moya finished 11th as a team and 20th individually. We caught up with Moya to discuss his first Olympic Games and his plans looking forward.

How was Rio different than other championships you've attended? Moya: I think it's an amazing experience to live with and share all our time with different people from other sports. That makes it so special. It was nice we could watch Usain Bolt; we could watch Phelps; we could watch Nadal. I saw many of the big names in the sports, and that was nice and really interesting. Watching Usain Bolt was one of the most memorable experiences. The atmosphere in the stadium was really cool. Bolt is really fast! Apart from that, the format of the Olympics is different. I'm not a big fan of it. I don't think it's fair to carry on all your faults into the final. In this case, I think there were seven people that jumped double clear in the final and then had to jump off for no medal. I don't really like the system, but that's the way it is.

What was your favorite part about being in Rio?

Moya: What I enjoyed most at Rio was being able to share all those moments with my teammates. We have a very good team atmosphere; we're all friends. That makes it so special. Obviously, it was a great experience and I'm looking forward to future Olympics.

What's your next big goal, both personally and with Carlo 273?

Moya: I don't think I'm going to jump any more championships with Carlo. I'm just going to keep him for grand prixs like Aachen and all those big grand prixs. Personally, this year is a little bit of a transition for me. I have some new horses that are young and don't have much experience, but they're definitely great jumpers. I'm working on getting them ready for bigger classes. I'm going to do the World Cup Finals on Arrayan and the European Championships probably on G&C Unicstar de l'Aumone. We'll see how the year goes.

Can you talk about any younger mounts that you have high hopes for? Moya: The best one I have is G&C Unicstar de l'Aumone. She's just nine, but she's already done six grand prixs. Three of those were five-stars. She's been clear in five of them; she's really good, has an amazing mentality, and always tries her best. I definitely think she's the best one I have. I have to work on the others and see how they develop as well.

Stay tuned and read next week's WEF Weekly Wire to discover what another 2016 Olympian has been up to since the Games.

Sara Cook

Bill Claps' "Natural Abstractions", Presented by Keyes Art Projects, Showcased in International Club



Cocotrina Halesander I, mixed media with gold foil on canvas by Bill Claps.

Keyes Art Projects presents "Natural Abstractions", an exhibition of recent mixed media artworks by New York artist Bill Claps, which is showcased in the International Club at WEF.

Bill Claps lives and works in New York City as a visual artist, filmmaker, and writer whose work comments on art history and language. Born in Glen Ridge, NJ, he earned a Bachelor of Arts at Harvard University where he studied painting and art history. He studied painting and drawing at the Art Students League

in New York and Florence, Italy. His painting and drawings have been presented in solo and group exhibitions in galleries and institutions of the U.S. and Europe as well as in private collections and foundations. He also writes for Artspace.com and Exhibit Magazine.

"Natural Abstractions" is the latest in a series of exhibitions that comment on the derivative natures of art, and is Claps' interpretation of nature motifs from 19th century Japanese prints created by such masters a Hokusai, Hiroshige, and Utamaro. Claps' homage provides a contemporary take on nature motifs used and repeated by many generations of artists throughout art history.

"Chinese and Japanese landscape painting has been an inspiration for me for some time now and I wanted to pay tribute to those artists," said Claps. "Each work is executed in a positive and negative in order to articulate the duality that is the basis of much of oriental culture."

In these recent works one can see Claps' fascination with the natural world, captured up close and translated into autonomous compositional elements, which at times recall geometric abstraction, oriental calligraphy, and cellular processes.

His creative process begins with photographs taken in the forests of Cuba, Florida, Colorado, New Hampshire, and New York. The images are processed digitally and printed in black and white. Claps then applies a layer of gold foil to the images, using a unique heat-based process he developed. This technique recalls the Byzantine gilding practices, updated for the 21st century by combining them with photographic and digital processing technologies. In recreating this history, Claps creates dynamic images that live in balance between figuration and abstraction.

Claps' inspiration for his various art historical series has come from sources as varied as language and code, expressionism, the human figure, and images

"Through all these sources, Claps carries on an intense and multifaceted discourse on the stature and role of the artistic image in the contemporary world," said critic Nicola Davide Angerame.



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Week 6 Jumper Highlights



Marilyn Little returned to the winner's circle after a fall two weeks ago in the \$35,000 Suncast® 1.50m Championship Jumper Classic with Clearwater. ©Sportfot

Brazil's Luiz Francisco de Azevedo was the first winner of week six at the 2017 Winter Equestrian Festival (WEF), competing aboard Collin in the \$35,000 Douglas Elliman 1.45m speed class on Wednesday, February 15, at the Palm Beach International Equestrian Center (PBIEC).

Richard Jeffery (GBR) was the international course designer for week six jumper classes, which were held in both the Global Arena and Derby Field at Equestrian Village. Jeffery began with 39 entries in the 1.45m speed competition and had 12 clear rounds in the Global Arena on Wednesday. De Azevedo and Collin, a ten-year-old Dutch Warmblood gelding (Colandro x Amethist), clocked the winning time of 65.05 seconds.

Richie Moloney (IRL) and Equinimity LLC's Alsvid finished second in 65.40 seconds. Peter Leone (USA) and Lionshare Farm's Wayfarer placed third in 66.84 seconds. Margie Engle (USA) finished fourth in 67.82 seconds riding Elm Rock LLC's Böckmanns Lazio.

Also competing in the Global Arena on Wednesday, the \$6,000 Illustrated Properties 1.40m speed class was held, with a win for Peter Leone (USA) and Lionshare Farm's Capito Z.

Chile's Samuel Parot and Atlantis were victorious in Thursday's \$35,000 Ruby et Violette WEF Challenge Cup Round 6.
Richard Jeffery (GBR) set the course for 61 entries in the Challenge Cup, qualifying 22 for the jump-off, with four opting not to return. Completing the short course without fault, Parot and Atlantis clocked the fastest round in 31.94 seconds for the win.

Brazil's Pedro Muylaert finished second in 33.68 seconds riding Stenio de Silva's Prince Royal Z MFS. Laura Chapot (USA) and Mary Chapot's ISHD Dual Star placed third in 33.79 seconds, and Daniel Coyle (IRL) riding Ariel and Susan Grange's Cita finished fourth in 33.92 seconds.

On Friday, Samuel Parot (CHI) and Couscous van Orti won the \$6,000 Illustrated Properties 1.40m on the Derby Field at Equestrian Village. Claire Schreder (USA) and Ceahorse LLC's Luca Toni 18 were the winners of the Hollow Creek Farm U25 1.40m competition.

USA's Marilyn Little won the \$35,000 Suncast® 1.50m Championship Jumper Classic riding Clearwater on Saturday of week six at the 2017 Winter Equestrian Festival.

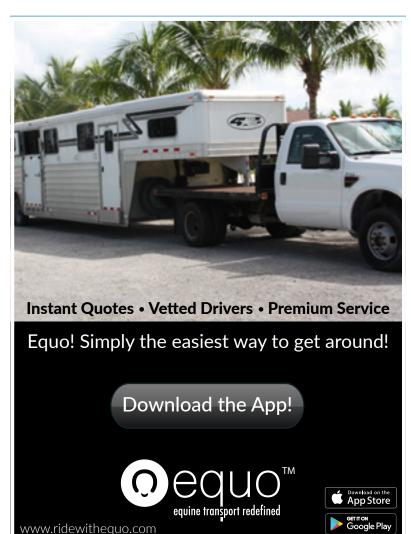
Jumping a course set by Richard Jeffery (GBR) on the derby field at the Palm Beach International Equestrian Center, Little and Karen O'Connor's Clearwater topped a class of 34 and a three-horse jump-off to take victory. They cleared the short course in 39.27 seconds

France's Marie Hecart and Myself de Breve stopped the clock in 41.96 seconds for second place. Mavis Spencer (USA) and Neil Jones Equestrian's Chacco finished third with four faults for a rail, as well as one time fault, in the jump-off.

Lucy Deslauriers (17) of New York, NY, guided Lisa Deslauriers' Hester to victory in Saturday morning's \$10,000 Hollow Creek Farm Under 25 Welcome, presented by EnTrust Capital, on the derby field at PBIEC. The 2015 winners of the Under 25 Series overall, the pair perfected Richard Jeffery's (GBR) speed track in 69.57 seconds.

Forty-eight entries started over the first round speed course, and nine completed clear rounds. Second place went to Mackenzie Drazan (USA) and Waliba VDL in 70.85 seconds. Third place was presented to Jessica Mendoza (GBR) riding Horst van de Mispelaere with a time of 72.42 seconds. Lauren Fischer (USA) took fourth and fifth place honors, guiding Tosca de Feugre through the times in 73.74 seconds and stopping the clock in 75.83 seconds riding My Pleasure, both horses under the ownership of Cheryl Fischer.





Week 6 Jumper Classic Winners:

\$15,000 SJHOF High Amateur-Owner Jumpers,
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Alonso Valdez Prado and Chichester 3
\$10,000 SJHOF High Junior Jumpers,
presented by Sleepy P Ranch
Emily Perez and Paola 233
\$10,000 Equiline Medium Amateur-Owner Jumpers
Michelle Navarro-Grau and Tazman

Michelle Navarro-Grau and Tazman \$10,000 Martha Jolicoeur, Douglas Elliman Real Estate Low Amateur-Owner Jumpers

Joshua Vanderveen and Bull Run's Viola Lee Blue
\$10,000 Maria Mendelsohn, Douglas Elliman Real Estate
Low Junior Jumpers

Sabrina Lefebvre and Wedding Day
\$10,000 Hollow Creek Farm Medium Junior Jumpers

Abbie Sweetnam and Pippi \$10,000 EnTrust Capital Adult Jumpers 18-35

Avery-Anna Hogan and Eurocommerce Tampa \$10,000 Adult Jumpers 36 and Over Alissa Kinsey and Capella 37

\$10,000 Horseware Ireland Don Little Masters
Lauren Brody and Urfee de Bornival

Week 6 Jumper Champions:

Equestrian Sotheby's Children's Jumper 14 & Under Reid Arani and Vindicator

Equis Boutique Children's Jumper 15-17
Samantha Rice and Cheval d'Espoir Z
Griffis Residential Modified Children's Jumpers
Prima Rose Bonaventura and Shutterfly
FarmVet Adult Modified Jumpers
Catherine Wu and Ren Round Number
Karina Brez Jewelry Low Adult Jumper 18-35

Nora Van Veen and Perseus

Pegasus Builders Low Adult Jumper 36 & Over

Molly Athey and Cyber Space

Equo Low Children's Jumper
Daniel Kerins and Sundance

** WEF 8 GRAND PRIX RIDERS ** NATIONAL CLASS UPDATE

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Thursday

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Saturday

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International Arena

- CLASS 200 WILL BE USED AS A QUALIFYING COMPETITION FOR CLASS 1001
- TOP 50 RIDERS FROM CLASS 200 RESULTS BASED ON FAULTS AND TIME WILL QUALIFY
- BOTH CLASSES ARE NATIONAL ROLEX/USEF COMPUTER LIST CLASSES
- HORSES COMPETING IN THE FEI DIVISION ARE INELIGIBLE FOR EITHER OF THESE COMPETITIONS
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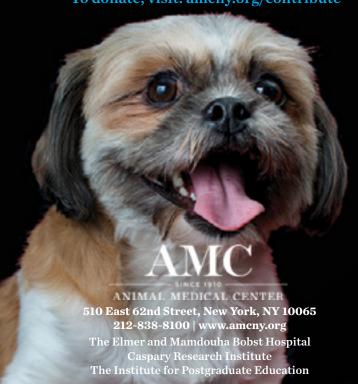


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