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DANIEL BLUMAN AND LADRIANO Z RACED TO WIN \$391,000 Douglas Elliman Real Estate Grand Prix CSI 5*



Daniel Bluman and Ladriano Z won the top prize in the \$391,000 Douglas Elliman Real Estate Grand Prix CSI 5. ©Sportfot*

The highlight event of week 9 at the 2019 Winter Equestrian Festival, the \$391,000 Douglas Elliman Real Estate Grand Prix CSI 5*, hosted the highest level of competition at the circuit, and it was Daniel Bluman (ISR) who rode to the win on Ladriano Z, owned by Over the Top Stables LLC. Over at the grass derby field of Equestrian Village, the \$10,000 USHJA National Hunter Derby had two winners in Havens Schatt on Happy Thought for the professional division and Sofia Roberts riding Small Gesture in the junior/amateur division.

Out of 39 entries in the opening round competing over a course designed by Alan Wade of Ireland, five found the key to a clear round and advanced to the jump-off. First into the jump-off was Alex Granato (USA) and Page Tredennick's Carlchen W. They had the fastest time of the night in 37.09 seconds, but with a rail at the 'a' element of the double combination, they finished in fourth place.

Karen Polle (JPN) and the Kinoshita Group's Sari went to the top of the leaderboard as the next combination in with a clear round in 37.58 seconds, but it would not be quite enough and they placed second at the end of the class.

"She was jumping really, really well tonight, so I knew I could sort of take a shot at some of the verticals," Polle said of her jump-off ride. "I just tried to be as neat as I could. I knew there were a lot of fast pairs behind me. I think I did pretty much the best I could with the stage we're at in our partnership right now."

Polle has been riding Sari, an 11-year-old Selle Francais mare by Ninio de Rox x

Timorrak des Isles, for just over a year, but they have only competed at the grand prix level since September.

"I'm so thrilled with her," said Polle, who was also named the Martha Jolicoeur Leading Lady Jumper Rider for the week. "I've just been working on figuring her out, but she's been so consistent here. This is her fourth grand prix that she's been clear in this season, so I'm absolutely thrilled and I'm just so excited about her."

Beezie Madden (USA) and Abigail Wexner's Breitling LS were next in and despite an incredible slice across a vertical in the middle of a jump-off, they finished just off the pace in 37.76 seconds for third place.

"I'm just really thrilled with his performance," said Madden of the 13-year-old Dutch Warmblood stallion by Quintero x Accord II. "I thought in the first round, he was excellent. In the jump-off, I think I was right on it when I flew across the middle and jumped that vertical so fast. I thought I should take a little care to the next and I throttled down a little bit too much, but I couldn't be happier with the way the night went."

Madden and Breitling were last year's FEI Jumping World Cup™ Finals winners, and Madden feels confident in how her top horse feels for this year's Finals.

"I really used this week as a prep for the World Cup Finals," Madden explained. "I do plan on taking him and so in the first day, even in the 1.45m, I went a little fast with him,

SCHATT AND ROBERTS LEAD THE WAY IN THE \$10,000 USHJA National Hunter Classic



Havens Schatt and Happy Thought won the professional section of the \$10,000 USHJA National Hunter Derby. ©Sportfot

Hunter riders were given the opportunity to venture on to new terrain this week as horses took to the Derby Field at Equestrian Village for the \$10,000 USHJA National Hunter Classic. A total of 70 top hunter horse-and-rider combinations contested Andy Christiansen Jr.'s first course and riders were split into the professional category, where Havens Schatt took the lead, and the junior/amateur category, won by Sofia Roberts.

Sissy Wickes and Tucker Ericson made up the judge's panel and when all trips were completed, a total of 24 entries made up of 12 junior/amateur combinations and 12 professional combinations were asked to return for the second round.

Of the 12 returning in the junior/amateur section, only a total of nine combinations were able to complete the second phase when three entries suffered unfortunate disqualifying refusals. Meredith Lipke and the 10-year-old Dutch Warmblood mare (Argentinus x Sanne Z), For Love, rounded out the top three with a total of 171.00 points. Chloe White and Virginia Langloss's Game Face were the penultimate combination to return and earned a second round score of 91.00 points for a second place finish on 176.50 points.

Repeating her score of 89.00 points in the first round and the handy, junior competitor Sofia Roberts and Small Gesture bested the field of 31 junior/amateur combinations with a grand total of 178.00 overall points. She and the Roberts Stables, LLC's nine-year-old Holsteiner gelding (Catoki x Vedua) just made their debut in Wellington this season.

"I've had him for about three years, and he was my first junior hunter," Roberts explained. "I've done some derbies with him before in Kentucky and at the World Equestrian Center in Ohio, but we've never competed on a grass terrain before or at WEF. We are really enjoying it and don't want to leave!"

"The first round today was pretty straightforward and really nice to ride," she continued, "but in the second course we really focused on the bending line from the first to the second fence because it is sort of a blind turn."

Jeff Gogul duplicated Roberts' scores of 89.00 in the professional division to claim the third place aboard Roaring Brook LLC's nine-year-old Holsteiner gelding Counselor while Peter Pletcher took the reserve honors in the section with the eight-year-old Oldenburg gelding (Lordanos x Lady Silvana), Entourage. Pletcher and the Legado Farms, LLC's gelding pinned the highest first-round score of 91.00 points and would secure 89.00 points in the second round to end on 180.00 total.

On only a half-point lead, Havens Schatt and Caroline Moran's Happy Thought happily rode to the professional section victory with scores of 89.50 and 91.00 landing them on 180.50 points.

"I only bought him a year and a half ago, but Havens had picked him out for another client of hers before, so he was already in our barn," Moran explained of her seven-year-old Warmblood gelding (Colman x Peggy Lee). "He had a bout of illness but Havens has been so patient with

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him, and he has really come back to surprise us all!"

"This is the first year we've actually campaigned him," Schatt added. "He's been playing around in the pre-greens a little bit but his first time in a derby was at Deeridge last week and he ended up second. He seems to do well on the grass, and I thought the courses today were challenging enough to give the horses some things to look at while still being rather inviting to the rider."

Summer Grace



Sofia Roberts and Small Gesture won the junior/amateur section of the \$10,000 USHJA National Hunter Derby. ©Sportfot

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WEF WEEK 9

Leading Lady Jumper Rider, sponsored by Martha Jolicoeur of Douglas Elliman Real Estate in memory of Dale Lawler

- (after 18 qualifying events)
1. Beezie Madden (USA): 723
 2. Karen Polle (JPN): 547
 3. Catherine Tyree (USA): 524
 4. Erynn Ballard (CAN): 485
 5. Tiffany Foster (CAN): 467



CaptiveOne Advisors 1.50m Championship Jumper Classic Series

- (after 8 qualifying events)
1. Erynn Ballard (CAN): 203
 2. McLain Ward (USA): 177
 3. Tiffany Foster (CAN): 175
 4. Lorenzo De Luca (ITA): 168
 5. Martin Fuchs (SUI): 159



Hermès Under 25 Grand Prix Standings

- (after 7 qualifying events)
- Week 2 Class 98, Week 2 Class 99, Week 4 Class 98, Week 6 Class 98, Week 6 Class 99, Week 8 Class 98, Week 8 Class 99=Total
1. Ailish Cunniffe (USA): 17, 40, 34, 14, 32, 13.5, 42=192.50
 2. Eugenio Garza Perez (MEX): 15, 42, 13, 22, 28, 17, 30=167
 3. Abigail McArdle (USA): 19, 26, 0, 16, 42, 19, 29=151
 4. Jacob Pope (USA): 18, 16, 0, 17.5, 39, 19.5, 36=146
 5. Maria Brugal (DOM): 7, 30, 18, 0, 37, 17.5, 32=141.5



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Karen Polle was named the Martha Jolicoeur Leading Lady Jumper Rider, in memory of Dale Lawler, for WEF 9, presented by Martha Jolicoeur and Dr. Stephen Norton.



As the winner of the grand prix, Daniel Bluman was presented with the Herman "Kappy" Kaplan Memorial Perpetual Trophy.



Sarah Ingram and Front Nine were the Marshall & Sterling Adult Amateur Hunter Older Section B champions.



Joanne Weiner presented the Palm Beach International Academy Large Junior Hunter 15 & Under 3'6" championship to Sophie Gochman and Garfield.

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Fred Jr. and Vanessa Mannix on the golf course.

The list of sports that Vanessa participates in goes on and includes squash and golf among other activities, but her main focus is show jumping. She travels the world like a nomad, going from horse show to horse show most of the year. The chance to stay put at WEF for the winter is a welcomed break from all the travel. It's also a chance to spend more time with her brother Fred, who started riding when he was seven years old and is now one of the best polo players in Canada. The 35-year-old is currently competing on the Alegria polo team in the World Polo League.

"The thing I love most about polo is that I get to travel with my beautiful family all over the world," said Fred. "I'm just competitive by nature, I'm a type-A personality, I'm always looking for results and when I set my mind to something, I try to achieve it. Polo is no different than anything I've done in my whole life. When I set out to achieve something with consistent pressure, I've usually had pretty good results."

While they're both busy working on their own crafts, they're in such close proximity for the winter that they're able to support each other and watch some of the live action.



Fred Jr. and Vanessa Mannix riding in the hunt.



Vanessa and Fred Jr. Mannix with their parents, Li-Anne and Fred Sr.

"I love coming into the show and watching my sister, it's a lot of fun," he said. "A lot of energy and effort goes into even qualifying for the Grand Prix, so when Vanessa makes it and we go and get to see her under the lights. I know how much it means to her and how much it means to the family. She's really dedicated herself to these projects, travelling all over the world and getting under the big lights. It's exciting. I really enjoy it, and I'm very proud of her."

The pride and appreciation is mutual as Vanessa can regularly be spotted on the sidelines at a polo field. "I love watching Fred play," she said. "I go as often as I can, usually a few times a week."

When they're not in the ring or on a polo field, the pair can often be found on the golf course together. Rumor has it Fred is as good at golf as he is at polo, but sister Vanessa has been working hard this winter to improve her game. Regardless of who wins on the links, their bond as brother and sister remains strong as they continue to find equestrian success here in Wellington.

Kate Pettersen

PARADE OF CHAMPIONS

WEEK 9
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Rylan Remington won the Walk/Trot championship on Kristin Schuttenmeyer's Fine China.



A championship in the Prestige Italia Low Adult Amateur Hunter Section B went to Jane Olson Fisher and Columbus.



Not So Secret and Sterling Malnik were the Always Faithful Equestrian Club Medium Pony Hunter champions.



Kelly Mullen rode Sea Cloud for Kiara Barnett to a championship in the USHJA Hunter 2'6" division.



Brooke Bidgood and Crownline were the Adult Amateur Hunter Younger Section A champions.



Savannah Emby celebrated a championship in the Small Green Pony Hunters on Farnley Headline at WEF 9 and a championship with Mister Cash Van der Veldmolen in the Equestrian Sotheby's Children's Jumper 14 & Under at WEF 8.

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SAMANTHA COHEN Notches First Grand Prix Victory



Samantha Cohen won her first grand prix in the \$50,000 Griffis Residential Grand Prix CSI 2* with Carmen. ©Sportfot

Forty-five entries lined up for the chance to be named the winner of the \$50,000 Griffis Residential Grand Prix CSI 2*. Of those 45, 10 went on to increase their chances by qualifying for the jump-off, and there were six double clear rounds.

The fastest of those was 18-year-old Samantha Cohen riding Carmen (a 12-year-old KWPN mare by Whitesnake x Corland), who stopped the timers in 37.56 seconds to take the victory as the first ones into the jump-off.

"I was first to go and nine were after me, with so many fast riders. I just wanted to go in and give it my best shot," said Cohen of her jump-off ride. "She's really quick around the turns, and she's deceptively fast. She doesn't ever look like she's really running. I was really happy when I came out, but I was not sure it would hold."

The spot in the jump-off track that Cohen thought most about was the double combination and making sure Carmen was prepared for the

vertical to oxer combination.

"I wanted to gallop away [from the previous fence] and then take my time really getting her on her hind end for that," she explained. "I didn't want her to dive into 'a'. That was, for me, the trickiest part. She is just a genius on the turns. She's right there with me, and I knew that's where I could get my time."

Cohen spends the summers competing in two-star and three-star competitions with her trainers, Laura Kraut and Nick Skelton. "This is my first grand prix win, so I'm really excited," she said. "I've jumped a lot of big tracks with her, so I was really confident going in and knew I could do it."

Coming closest in time to Cohen was 28-year-old Carly Anthony (USA) riding Clochard, owned by Neil Jones Equestrian Inc. They were clear in 38.73 seconds for second place.

"Clochard is naturally fast, so starting with a good pace, sticking to it, and staying tight in the turns as possible, I usually end up in the top three," said Anthony. "I had a bit of luck today coming into the double; he rubbed that quite hard coming into 'a'. I didn't have the tight enough turns that Sam did today. She outrode me; she rode incredibly. I was quite pleased with Clochard, how he jumped, how he was responding. In the end, for me to be second, that was on me. He'll win every day."

Anthony earned the ride on Clochard, an 11-year-old Belgian Warmblood stallion by Kasmir van Schuttershof x Cascadeur, a year ago and is the professional rider for Neil Jones Equestrian Inc. She noted that riding Clochard is like "driving a sports car, a Ferrari, top quality."

She continued, "I don't think there are many like him. He is competitive. He goes into the ring and you instantly feel his energy change. You can go into any class and feel that you have a chance of winning, even if you don't ride that well. I've made mistakes and we've still won. He's quite an incredible horse."

Third place went to Rodrigo Pessoa (BRA) on Hillside Farm's Farrero. They had a time of 38.92 seconds.

"I thought Samantha was really spot on," said Pessoa. "Every time out of the turn she was really smooth, and she was really tight. I thought she had laid it out pretty nicely. I think in retrospect I was a little bit wide from one to two. I wanted to jump number two straight to get on to the double. That's where I left the door open a little bit, and maybe the rollback to the liverpool was not as tight as I should have done."

Pessoa only started riding Farrero in November of 2018. The nine-year-old Dutch Warmblood gelding by Boss x Indorado belongs to his student Coco Fath. They started competing in the 1.30m at WEF in January and have progressed steadily over the weeks.

"He's very, very careful and a very generous horse," he described. "He's fairly easy to ride. He's been great and jumping a lot of clears. He's progressed really well. He's extremely careful, which is very nice because he takes care of the jumps and you don't have to worry about that. You just have to steer and keep him in good gear, and that's it."

👉 Jennifer Wood

JUMPER WRAP UP WEF 9



Eduardo Menezes and H5 Quintol won the \$134,000 Equinimity WEF Challenge Cup Round 9. ©Sportfot

The ninth week of the 2019 Winter Equestrian Festival (WEF) started off competition in the International Arena on Wednesday, March 6, with the \$36,000 Douglas Elliman Real Estate 1.45m class which saw victory for McLain Ward (USA) on Tradition de la Roque. Kristen Vanderveen (USA) took the early lead in Wednesday's class aboard Bull Run's Prince of Peace, but her time of 35.981 seconds was unseated by Rodrigo Lambre (BRA) after several rounds and she would finish in eighth place. Lambre and Mario Onate's Chacanno finished sixth.

Fifteen trips into the line-up, Great Britain's William Whitaker once again changed up the leaderboard clocking in at 35.32 seconds with the Rushy Marsh Farm's RMF Echo. The time laid down by Whitaker and the 14-year-old Belgian Warmblood gelding (Virus De Laubry x Jasmine D) was enough to place the pair third overall.

As the fifth to last competitor, Diego Vivero (ECU) took over the lead with the fastest clean round at the time in 34.97 seconds. He and Javier Estrada's 10-year-old Belgian Warmblood mare (Bamako De

Muze x Fiona Ter Elzen), Capiche 'Ter Elzen', wrapped up the class in second placed. Slotting into fourth place was Erynn Ballard (CAN) riding Ilan Ferder's Ceitasi, while Karen Polle (JPN) and her own Little Lord 90 were fifth. Juan Jose Zendejas Salgado (MEX) and Just Nice van het Indihof, owned by Enny Salgado Negrete, were seventh.

Ward was the last to contest Alan Wade's (IRL) course out of a 58-horse starting field and managed to shave a full second off the timers from the nearest competitor. Ward drode Kessler Show Stables Europe BV's Tradition De La Roque and was the clear winner when the pair crossed through the timers in 33.27 seconds. The victory is the second FEI ranking class win for Ward and the 12-year-old Selle Francais mare (Kannan x Karioa Grand Pre) that was previously shown internationally by young professional Reed Kessler and is now being marketed by Ward.

Victory in the highlight class on Thursday, March 7, went to Eduardo Menezes (BRA) and H5 Quintol, owned by H5 Stables, in the \$134,000 Equinimity WEF Challenge Cup Round 9 at the 2019 Winter Equestrian Festival (WEF).

There were 52 entries in Thursday's class, with seven going clear and advancing to the jump-off. First into the ring were Jessica Springsteen (USA) and Stone Hill Farm's Fleur de l'Aube. They finished clear in 37.15 seconds for third place.

The time was lowered with the next rider in the ring, Kevin Babington (IRL), on Shorapur, owned by Shorapur LLC. They were just under Springsteen's time in 37.10 seconds, which would hold up for second place. Menezes and H5 Quintol were third into the jump-off and set the time to beat at 36.66 seconds, which would not be bested by the remaining four riders.

For the second day in a row, the Brazilian national

anthem played and the flag was raised at WEF. While Eduardo Menezes captured Thursday's five-star win, it was his countryman Rodrigo Lambre who sped to victory on Friday. Lambre and Chapilot, owned by Mario Onate, topped a field of 55 competitors in the speed format of the \$36,000 Bainbridge 1.45m Classic CSI 5*.

There were 15 clear rounds in the class, all competing over a course designed by Alan Wade of Ireland. The early leader, going third in the order, was Carlos Hank Guerreiro (MEX) riding H5 Stables's H5 Market Irminka. They were quick in 60.90 seconds, which would hold up for 12 rounds until Lambre entered the ring and brought the winning time down to 60.34 seconds. Third place went to another early ride (sixth in the order), Daniel Bluman (ISR) riding Over the Top Stables LLC's Entano, who stopped the timers in 62.42 seconds.

On Sunday, March 10, McLain Ward (USA) took the win in the \$72,000 CaptiveOne Advisors 1.50m Classic on HH Gigi's Girl.

Out of 42 entries competing over a course set by Alan Wade of Ireland, 16 were clear to contest the jump-off. Riding out of the second position in the jump-off order, Olympic team gold medalist Ward and HH Gigi's Girl put in a blazing fast time of 33.36 seconds that couldn't be caught. There were seven double clear rounds in the class.

Coming closest was William Whitaker (GBR) on RMF Echo, owned by Rushy Marsh Farm LLC. They were clear in 34.51 seconds. Third place went to Erynn Ballard on Ilan Ferder's Ceitasi, who had a time of 34.89 seconds.

Along with her 1.50m win, HH Gigi's Girl was named the Champion Equine Insurance Jumper Style Award winner, presented by Laura Fetterman.

Final Results: \$50,000 Griffis Residential Grand Prix CSI 2*

- 1 CARMEN: 2007 KWPN mare by Whitesnake x Corland SAMANTHA COHEN (USA), Samantha Cohen: 0/0/37.56
- 2 CLOCHARD: 2008 Belgian Warmblood stallion by Kasmir van Schuttershof x Cascadeur CARLY ANTHONY (USA), Neil Jones Equestrian Inc.: 0/0/38.73
- 3 FARRERO: 2010 Dutch Warmblood gelding by Boss x Indorado RODRIGO PESSOA (BRA), Hillside Farm Inc.: 0/0/38.92
- 4 SKARA GLEN'S PARA BELLUM: 2011 KWPN gelding by Singulord Joter x Indorado PAUL O'SHEA (IRL), Skara Glen Stables: 0/0/40.39
- 5 DAISY: 2008 KWPN mare by Excenel V x Timeless MEREDITH MICHAELS-BEERBAUM (GER), Artemis Equestrian Farm LLC: 0/0/40.79
- 6 CARACHO 14: 2009 Holsteiner gelding by Dobel's Cento Acodetto LUCY DAVIS (USA), Old Oak Farm: 0/0/44.09
- 7 RANDON PLEASURE: 2005 Selle Francais mare by For Pleasure x Quidam de Revel FABIO LEIVAS DA COSTA (BRA), Bonne Chance Farm: 0/4/40.36
- 8 CASCO 11: 2009 Holsteiner gelding by Caspar x Colman LAUREN TISBO (USA), Tequestrian Farms LLC: 0/4/40.37
- 9 PRESTIGIOUS: 2007 Westphalian gelding by Con Cento x Corofino MADISON GOETZMANN (USA), Madison Goetzmann: 0/8/35.85
- 10 ALL IN: 2005 KWPN gelding by Aachen x Indoctro KATHERINE STRAUSS (USA), Katherine Strauss LLC: 0/8/42.98
- 11 PRADO K: 2003 Westphalian gelding by Prado x Dynast BLISS HEERS (USA), Bridgeside Farms LLC: 1/80.29
- 12 VAN SCHIJNDEL'S DOUBLE BEE: 2008 KWPN mare by Lord Z x Tangelo van de Zuuthoeve | ANNA DRYDEN (USA), Double Meadows Farm LLC: 1/80.43



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WHAT FARM DO YOU CURRENTLY WORK WITH AND WHAT IS YOUR POSITION THERE?

I currently work as a rider and trainer at First Blue LLC based out of Bridgehampton, New York.

WHAT OTHER SHOWS DO YOU COMPETE AT BESIDES WEF?

Besides WEF, we will typically go to shows such as Saugerties, the Hampton Classic, and all of the indoor national finals.

WHAT DO YOU THINK IS THE MOST IMPORTANT ASPECT OF BEING ABLE TO SELL/MARKET HORSES WHILE COMPETING DOWN HERE?

We have had a very successful season, not only with results in the ring, but also with sales and leases. I think it is important when showing for each horse to be placed in the appropriate division that will allow them to shine and not be overwhelmed. I also put an emphasis on finding a proper match for both horse and rider so that each are able to grow and gain confidence from each other. Good match creates good results!

IS THERE ANYTHING SPECIFIC YOU WORK ON WITH YOUR STUDENTS/ HORSES THROUGHOUT THE SEASON SINCE IT IS AN EXTENDED 12-WEEK CIRCUIT?

Seeing as it is a long circuit, we try to allow for some down time in between competitions so that the horses and riders do not get burned out. My students will tell you I am famous for filling the ring with pole exercises. I don't like to jump the horses any more than I have to, and I believe that you can learn just as much or more from these drills than constantly pounding the horses with high obstacles.

WHAT HAS BEEN ONE OF YOUR BEST EXPERIENCES SO FAR THIS SEASON?

This has been a huge circuit for our team with unbelievable results. I would have to say the highlight for me was qualifying one of our junior hunters, The Exchange, for the \$100,000 USHJA/WCHR Peter Wetherill Palm Beach Hunter Spectacular. It's a great class for the hunters to get to experience under the lights, and we had a blast participating.

DOUGLAS ELLIMAN REAL ESTATE GRAND PRIX CONTINUED FROM PAGE 1

and then I had the WEF [Challenge Cup] and today, so I wanted him to jump enough rounds in the week that I'm sure he's fit enough. And I'm really happy with that. I think he could have jumped another round or two tonight. This is his last prep before the World Cup, so I think we're good to go."

With a rail in 37.41 seconds, the number 10-ranked rider in the world, Lorenzo de Luca (ITA) and Ensor de Litrange LXII, owned by Stephex Stables, slotted into fifth place.

Last into the jump-off were Bluman and Ladriano Z. With a huge stride and neat turns, they galloped easily over the jumps and came home in a time of 37.41 seconds for the win.

"Today he felt spectacular," said Bluman. "[In the first round] he jumped flawless and then the warm-up for the jump-off was as good as I could have a warm-up for him. Then I got to see Beezie and Karen go, and Lorenzo. I sort of had my plan in my head and I knew if I gave the horse the right chance we could maybe win the class, and it turned out so I'm very thrilled."

The pair were the five-star grand prix winners during week 5 of WEF in 2018, and they also took the top spot in the four-star grand prix at the Hampton Classic Horse Show. When quarantine complications changed Bluman's competition plan for his top horse, he decided to enter into this week's show.

"I wasn't actually supposed to show him this week, but I found out about quarantine restrictions for Mexico and then to go to Europe," he confirmed, "so at the end I said, 'If I'm not going to go to Mexico, then maybe we can jump one more five-star week here.'"

Bluman's cousin Ilan started Ladriano Z in FEI competition at the 2016 WEF, and he took over the ride the following year. The pair have had ten top-five finishes in FEI ranking classes, including their two major wins in 2018.

"I'm just sort of trying to be a better rider for him and get him more rideable and just figure out how to put him in the right spot because if I put him in the right spot, the horse is going to make the jump," he said. "He's a phenomenal horse. They don't get any better than him. I have to get better so we can continue to win classes like this."

Don Langdon, Managing Broker, Florida for Douglas Elliman Real Estate, said, "It's just a great joy for all of us to watch these horses and riders compete. As a spectator, we were at the edge of our seats. We're very happy and we're very proud to be part of everything here at WEF. It means a lot for us to come out and support all of the riders."

Bluman and Ladriano Z were presented with the Herman "Kappy" Kaplan Perpetual Memorial Trophy, and Ladriano Z's owner received a two-night stay at the Brazilian Court Hotel in Palm Beach and a bottle of Banfi Principessa Gavi courtesy of Banfi Vintners.

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- ATLANTIS: 2003 Zangersheide gelding by Andiamo Z x Royal Bravour L SAMUEL PAROT (CHI), Samuel Parot: 0/4/43.37
- VENUE D'FEES DES HAZALLES: 2005 SBS mare by President x Alcatraz EVE JOBS (USA), Eve Jobs: 0/7/48.84
- COULASH VAN DE BROY Z: 2006 Zangersheide gelding by Cadence VT Gelutt x Lys De Darnen JUAN MANUEL GALLEGRO (COL), Juan Manuel Gallego: 4/77.46
- HESTER: 2005 Belgian Warmblood gelding (Wandor van de Mispelaere x Palestro vd Begijnakker) LUCY DESLAURIERS (USA), Lisa Deslauriers: 4/77.55
- H5 SUNSHINE: 2006 Belgian Warmblood gelding by Diamant de Semilly x Hardi CARLOS HANK GUERREIRO (MEX), H5 Sport Horses, LLC: 4/77.97
- CHACCIAMA: 2007 Oldenburg mare by Chacco Blue x Andiamo Z RODRIGO LAMBRE (BRA), Rodrigo Lambre.: 4/78.78
- DAVIDOFF DE LASSUS: 2009 Belgian Warmblood stallion by Ugano Sitte x Ksar-Sitte ZOE CONTER (BEL), Stephex Stables: 4/79.44
- MTM VIVRE LE REVE: 2009 Westphalian gelding by Ustinov x Chello II BRIAN MOGGRE (USA), Major Wager LLC: 8/76.63
- FELLINI S: 2010 KWPN gelding by Vermont x Rash R ERYNN BALLARD (CAN), Ilan Ferder: 8/77.23
- CATUNGEE: 2006 Holsteiner gelding by Contact Me x Liatos CATHERINE TYREE (USA), Mary Tyree: 8/77.51
- ALEJANDRO: 2009 Rheinländer gelding by Acorado's Ass x Continue SHANE SWEETNAM (IRL), Seabrook LLC, Spy Coast Farm LLC, Sweet Oak Farm: 8/77.64
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John Ingram and Airport 48 ©SportFot

How long have you been involved in the sport and what's your story?

Oh gosh, what's my story... I grew up riding with my cousins in the Nashville, TN area at their farm. It first started with pony club and then there was fox hunting because my uncle was the hunt master. Back in the day, you showed your pony and it was also your fox hunter! You did everything with that one pony!

I continued riding competitively through high school and college, then I quit for a couple of years after business school. I actually started back up by playing polo and did that for almost 17 years with my older brother and it was great! I really enjoyed it. I was also married and had kids so it became something that was taking me away from them. My wife, Stephanie, rides along with some of my kids, so I decided to come back to the horse show ring with them. That was probably in the 2000's and I've been back ever since. It took my leg a while to stop swinging when I made the transition from polo back to the show ring! I also don't hop from my hunter to my jumper the way the polo guys do.

Needless to say, I have been around the horses all of my life.

What do you compete in now?

Right now I primarily show in the hunters, but I've shown in both the hunters and jumpers since I got back into competing. My daughter, Martha and my wife, Stephanie really enjoy the hunters as well.

Which horses are you competing with at WEF this season?

Well I gave my daughter my beloved guy, Airport 48. She's a good daughter so she deserves him and she actually rides him better than I do! But I am showing a lovely 3'6" horse named Koala, who has done really well this year. Then I also have two up and comers that are both grey that I do in the 3'3" named Flint and Snowday. They are very special and will be great horses for a long time!

What is something someone may not know about your horses?

Koala might be the sweetest horse in the barn! He's like a big teddy bear so I guess he is well named. I would also say that Flint is a brother to Becky Gochman's well-known horse Sambalino, so he certainly has famous siblings!

How do you balance working full-time and flying down to compete on the weekends?

Who says there is any balance?! No, I'm joking! I like to call myself a weekend warrior. You do what you can to make it work, and it really is a team effort. I view my responsibility to be as fit and rested as I can be, so I can do my part on the weekends.

What do you love most about the family dynamic within the sport?

We really just love and support each other. We mostly show in different divisions, but at this point in my career I love watching Martha ride. She is so good at her craft and she is so quiet, steady, and consistent. Just watching her talent whiz right by me makes me so proud. Stephanie competes in the low adult hunters, and actually rides one of our older famous horses, Hush. She just loves him and doesn't want to ride anyone else, so she doesn't!

How have horses impacted your life?

I just love being around the horses. I so appreciate when you get great effort from them and when you feel totally in-sync. It's a joyful experience. Yes you want to do well, but I also find it to be so fulfilling to do this with my family, friends, and the other crazy people in the ring! I just enjoy being part of it all.

Do you have a favorite moment in your riding career?

I would say qualifying for the night class during hunter week at WEF. The first time I qualified on Hush was particularly special and then also being champion at the bigger shows such as Capital Challenge. Overall, what stands out to me though is getting a really good ribbon when you need to, and coming in clutch to get the points you need to qualify for indoors or something along those lines. That's what I find extraordinary satisfying. It's less about winning than it is about doing your best in important moments.

What advice would you give to a fellow amateur competing at WEF for the first time?

Don't bring a knife to a gun fight. That's what I would say. There are seriously good riders and horses so you better be ready with a quality horse if you want to be competitive.

Thanks for chatting with us John, and good luck during the rest of the season!



John with daughter Martha champion and reserve champion at Devon.

HUNTER COMBINATIONS CONTINUE TO FLOURISH

at WEF 9



Jacob Pope and Bourbon Street won the championship in the the Equitan Performance Hunter 3'6" division at WEF 9. © Sportfot

Another week of top national hunter competition took place during Week 9 of the 2019 Winter Equestrian Festival with new and veteran teams pairing up to take their shot at earning a tricolor ribbon. Hunters will have three more weeks left to add their names to the season's weekly champions and circuit champions will be awarded at the end of Week 12.

In the Triple Crown Nutrition Green Hunter 3' division, Holly Orlando piloted Waverly to a victory after earning the blue ribbon in three of the five classes. She and the Waypoint Farm, LLC's five-year-old Hanoverian mare (Cabardino x Viva's Haya) placed fourth in the remaining two classes of the division. Dr. Betsee Parker's Charlemagne and Scott Stewart took home the reserve champion in the division. Stewart and the four-year-old Selle Francais stallion (Vigo Cece x Bluewenn De Kergane) picked up placings of two firsts, a second, a fourth, and a sixth.

Athletes taking part in the Equitan Performance Hunter 3'6" division returned to the E.R. Mische Grand Hunter Field on Thursday, March 7, to determine the champion and reserve of Week 9. Jacob Pope of Columbia, MD, bested a field of 28 horse-and-rider combinations to take the lead on Kathryn Brown's Bourbon Street with a total of 28 points.

The pair have been teammates for several years with trainer Heather Irvine who has had Bourbon Street under her tutelage since he was roughly five years old. While the nine-year-old Dutch Warmblood gelding was not Pope's only ride in the division, he says he is by far one of his favorites.

The reserve championship was awarded to Havens Schatt and Tracey Scheriff-Muser's 10-year-old Oldenburg gelding (Balou De Rouet x Vorbuch Wonneke), Aristocrat. They placed first and third over fences.

The Champion Equine Insurance Hunter Style Award, presented by Laura Fetterman was also awarded during the Performance Hunter 3'6" division to young professional Victoria Colvin and Adelina. The 10-year-old Westphalian mare (Quicksilber x Bardossa) is owned by Arriana Boardman of New York, NY.

Greg Crolick and Avanti shot to the top of the WEF Open Hunter 3'3" division followed by Kara Raposa and Independent. Crolick and Isabella Cukrowski's Dutch Warmblood sealed the division with three first places and two thirds, while Raposa and Beth Bailey's eight-year-old Holsteiner gelding (Ibsca x Emmely) placed first, second, fifth, and eighth.

Up at Pony Island, riders in the USHJA Hunter 2' division saw the champion ribbon awarded to Alexandra Lynn Willner and Garrison Forest. Willner piloted the 18-year-old Welsh Pony mare for the ownership of Dani Gascoigne, Chuck Waters, and Dana Waters and picked up two first places. Suzanne Mogerman's Warmblood gelding, Soul Mate, was named the reserve champion after placing second and receiving two thirds throughout the division with Jefferey Mogerman and Stella Manship.

Hunter competition will resume at the Palm Beach International Equestrian Center on Wednesday, March 13, for the tenth week of the 2019 Winter Equestrian Festival.

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CECELIA PERRY AND POKERFACE

Play their Cards Right to Win the \$5,000 NickerDoodles USHJA Pony Hunter Derby



Cecelia Perry and Pokerface took the win in the \$5,000 USHJA Pony Hunter Derby, presented by NickerDoodles. © Sportfot

Fifty-three young pony riders were invited to venture away from Pony Island to the Derby Field at Equestrian Village on Friday, March 8, for the \$5,000 USHJA Pony Hunter Derby, presented by NickerDoodles. Eighteen large ponies, 22 mediums, and another 13 small ponies made up the 53 starting combinations. When all rounds were completed, Cecelia Perry and Pokerface led the round of honor with the top score of 167.00 total points.

After a first-round cut-off score of 76.00 points, the top 14 ponies were combined from all three sections and invited to jog to determine which 12 would return for round two.

The pairs were then asked to learn Danny Moore's handy course which consisted of a trot fence and several rollbacks where riders could display their pony's handiness. Of the 12, only Carolyn Colter and So Enchanted

returned to represent the small pony category. Colter and Ticket To Ride LLC's nine-year-old Welsh Pony Cross (Maple Side Mr. Magic x Sophisticated lady) earned 78.00 points in their second effort and finished third overall with 157.5 points.

Second place was awarded to Mae Mannis with Ashland Farm's Mind Your Step on a total of 161.75 points with scores of 77.75 and 84.00 being combined. Mannis and the 19-year-old Dutch Riding Pony were one of only four medium pony combinations asked to return for the handy portion.

Cecelia Perry and Winter Teitjen's Pokerface entered the field as one of the final teams to go as the large pony division was last to return. She and the 10-year-old Dutch Riding Pony (The Braes My Mobility x Rieke) shot to the top of the leaderboard after securing the highest-scoring second round of 87.00 points.

Perry only began working with the gelding several months ago before the start of the 2019 winter season and said that her main goal for the derby was just to make sure they both had a positive experience.

"I hoped it would be a learning experience for both of us," Perry explained. "This is only my second time in this class, and it was his first time competing on the grass field."

She added, "When I went into the ring, my main goal was just to make sure that he was happy and that we both were able to have fun."

Perry said that while her main focus was making sure he willingly went over all of the fences, especially the second fence in the handy which several ponies had trouble with, she had full faith in Pokerface because he has always stepped up to the plate.

"I wanted us to end with a great experience, but I never imagined that we were going to win so this is incredibly exciting," said Perry. "He will definitely get to celebrate this afternoon by eating all of his NickerDoodles treats; he loves food!"

Summer Grace

From Riding to Real Estate: MARTHA W. JOLICOEUR



Martha Jolicoeur specializes in equestrian properties in Wellington, FL. Photo by Erin Gilmore Photography

Martha Jolicoeur first became involved in the equestrian industry as an accomplished show jumping athlete. Training under legendary horseman including the likes of Norman Dello Joio, Ian Millar, and George Morris, Jolicoeur competed throughout North America as well as Europe, and was named the American Grand Prix Association (AGA) Rookie of the Year in 1985.

In 1991, Jolicoeur started thinking beyond her career in the saddle. She had moved to Middleburg,

VA, with her then-husband, Pierre, and purchased a farm, balancing her riding with a career in real estate.

"In 2005, I decided to make a big change," recalls Jolicoeur. "I was riding my horse along a hill and thought to myself, 'I'm not getting better at riding, and I really want to secure my future for my family.' I got off the horse and Pierre and I decided that same day to sell the farm and I would focus on real estate full-time.

"I wanted to be really good at something," she continued. "To this day, people ask me if I miss riding. It was a conscious decision to stop riding and focus on real estate, but I feel lucky that I still get to spend so much time at the shows and around the horses."

Relocating permanently to Wellington in 2005, Jolicoeur became a member of the elite Douglas Elliman Real Estate Sports and Entertainment division and was named the top-selling agent in both Wellington and the state of Florida in 2018. Her position has allowed Jolicoeur to generously present the Leading Lady Rider Award each of the 12 weeks of the Winter Equestrian Festival for the past nine years.

"Wellington and the Winter Equestrian Festival have equipped me with unique opportunities to help buyers and sellers find their own piece of horse heaven," said Jolicoeur. "I have been in love with the location since showing here myself as a junior rider and it is that experience and familiarity, combined with a passion for all things horses, that motivates me. I feel the same passion for equestrian real estate that I did when I was in the ring jumping fences myself."

Jolicoeur presents the Martha Jolicoeur Leading Lady Rider Award, given in memory of fellow

realtor and horsewoman Dale Lawler, to the high-scoring female rider based on performances in the weekly WEF Challenge Cup Series and grand prix events. In addition, the cumulative highest scoring lady rider will be presented with the Overall WEF Leading Lady Rider Award at the completion of the 2019 season.

Jolicoeur is also the title sponsor of the Low Amateur-Owner Jumper division throughout the 12-week WEF. The division consists of three jumping events each week, including the \$10,000 Low Junior/Amateur-Owner Jumper Classic held each Sunday.

"I am a horsewoman," she said. "I understand what equestrian clients need and want for their horses and their families. That understanding, as well as my involvement with equestrian events like the Winter Equestrian Festival, puts me in front of a very specific audience, but it is an audience that speaks my language and looks to me to help them make Wellington home."

To find out more about Martha W. Jolicoeur and her range of property listings, visit www.marthasproperties.com. Also, find her on Facebook and Instagram for a behind-the-scenes look at her available Wellington properties.

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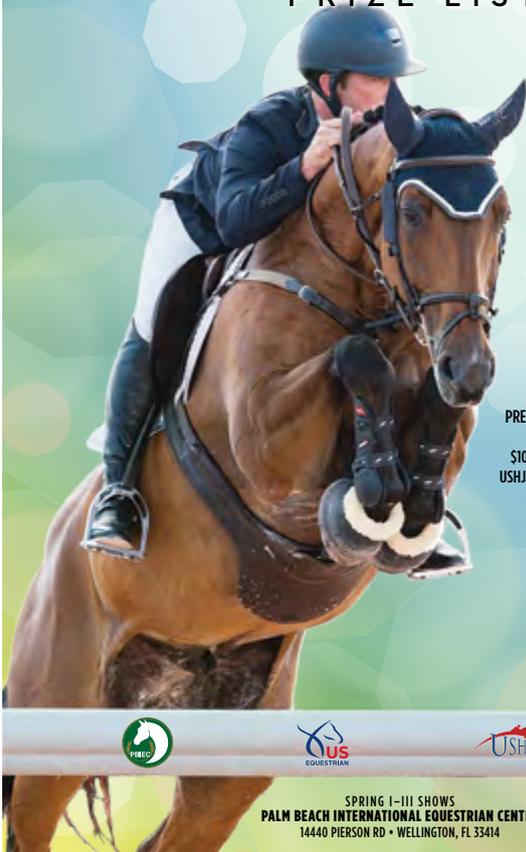
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SUNDAY, MARCH 17

10 a.m.: USPA Gold Cup Quarterfinal*
3 p.m.: USPA Gold Cup Quarterfinal*

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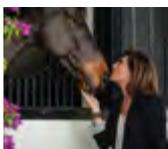
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