



# WEEKLY WIRE

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## IT'S LADIES NIGHT AS AMANDA DERBYSHIRE AND ROULETTE BH Top All-Female Jump-Off in \$134,000 Horseware Ireland Grand Prix CSI 3\*



Amanda Derbyshire led an all-female jump-off to win the \$134,000 Horseware Ireland Grand Prix CSI 3\* with Roulette BH. ©Sportfot

The highlight event for week 10 of the 2019 Winter Equestrian Festival (WEF) was the \$134,000 Horseware Ireland Grand Prix CSI 3\* on Saturday, March 16, and coming away with the victory was Amanda Derbyshire (GBR) riding Roulette BH for Gochman Sport Horses LLC. There were 45 entries in the grand prix, all competing over a course designed by Michel Vaillancourt of Canada. Of those entries, four found the path to a clear round and the jump-off.

In a fitting finish during Women's History Month, four ladies were competing for the top spot in the grand prix. Returning first was Amy Millar (CAN) riding Truman, a 10-year-old Selle Francais gelding by Mylord Carthago\*HN x Kolibri owned by Millar Brooke Farm Ltd. They set a nice pace with the all-important clear round in 45.65 seconds, which would hold up for second place.

"Everyone in the jump-off had the ability to go quickly," said Millar, who was an Olympian for Canada in 2016. "I essentially had to go as fast as I felt comfortable and leave the jumps up. I must say, I did think I was going to do one less stride in both of those lines when I made my plan. Then it just wasn't working out that way. I just rode the plan and left the jumps up, and I feel fortunate that I finished second."

Millar termed Truman as a "completely for Canada" horse. She explained, "It's a pretty great story about this horse. I bought him from Eric Lamaze, and Tiffany [Foster] helped me find the horse when we were all in Europe getting ready for

the Rio Olympics. They sold me the horse as a seven-year-old. Then, last year I had a baby, so my dad, Ian Millar, trained the horse for me all last year, got him going around these 1.50m grand prix. I came back this season and have capitalized on everything that everyone has done to help me with the horse."

Next in was a woman known for her incredible speed in jump-offs. Laura Chapot and Mary Chapot's Chandon Blue have had a great run at WEF so far with six top-three finishes, including the two-star grand prix win at WEF 9. But it was not to be another victory for the pair as they pulled a rail for four faults in 43.07 seconds. They finished in third place.

"It's hard to say," said Chapot when asked about the rail that fell. "That was a difficult combination in the first round, and I think coming off a long gallop and then a short turn back to it, he just got oversteaded a little bit and slowed down."

"He maybe jumped a little bit too high and just barely caught that back rail, but I couldn't be more pleased with him," said Chapot of the 14-year-old Oldenburg gelding by Chacco Blue x Landcapitol. "He's been jumping fantastic the entire time. He's jumped an awful lot of clear rounds. He's way exceeded my expectations, and to get another top finish tonight is spectacular."

Vanessa Mannix (CAN) and her own Valentino d'Elte were next in, but eight faults in 45.47 seconds relegated them to fourth place.

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## HUNTER RIDERS PREPARE FOR PENULTIMATE WEEK of Winter Equestrian Festival



Jordan Allen piloted Chevito to the Bruno Del Grange Large Junior Hunter 16-17 3/6". ©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

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# WELLINGTON AGRICULTURAL SERVICES

Wellington Agricultural Services has been in service for over 30 years as a small-scale land maintenance service company. The company specializes in livestock waste removal, where the staff aims to deliver friendly, fast, and efficient service that clients can always rely on. Directed by Jose Gomez, Wellington Agricultural Services has expanded over the last 15 years to include a wider variety of services for clients as well as a new green initiative. The company boasts a machine fleet of 8 dump trucks, 100-yard hauler, and 3 logistics loaders. Services include one-yard garbage bin service and dumpster removals of up to 25 tons.

Through the company's work, Wellington Agricultural Services has identified a significant problem that the community faces. Wellington's equestrian industry attracts over 35,000 horses every single year, resulting in large amounts of livestock waste, which could potentially be harmful to the residents and the environment. This waste requires proper management; otherwise Wellington is threatened with the possibility of contaminated water and soil. As one of the largest agricultural companies in the Palm Beach area, Wellington Agricultural Services has taken the lead in tackling this issue. The company plans to eliminate illegal dumping and offer affordable dumping solutions to farmers, local haulers, and show grounds.

The demand for manure removal is extremely high and Wellington Agricultural Services is offering a more affordable dumping solution as well as a fully recycled process at a proposed pellet plant, outside of the Village of Wellington limits. The company wants to help prevent further health and environmental risks. A GoFundMe has been set up to help raise funds for this eco-friendly initiative. The pellet plant will convert horse manure into four lucrative organic products; wood pellets, fertilizer pellets, liquid waste absorption pellets and manure compost. This will not only help with the illegal dumping of horse manure, but will also aid in making Wellington more "green."



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**LUNCH & LEARN SERIES**

On Thursday, March 21, the Lunch & Learn Series will be held from 11:30 a.m. to 1 p.m. in The Wellington Club. The presentation is titled "How Does Equestrian Waste Impact Our Community? How Can We Become an Eco-Friendly Equestrian Industry?" sponsored by Wellington Agricultural Services. This informational and educational series has a variety of subjects for horsemen and women to learn more for their horses and businesses. 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](mailto:kblasius@equestriansport.com) for more information.

**\$72,000 EQUINIMITY WEF CHALLENGE CUP ROUND 11**

The \$72,000 Equinimity WEF Challenge Cup Round 11 will be featured on the grass derby field at Equestrian Village (home to the Adequan® Global Dressage Festival - 13500 South Shore Blvd.) on Thursday, March 21, at 10 a.m. General admission and parking are free.

**SPY COAST FARM DEVELOPING YOUNG JUMPER CLASSICS**

The International Arena at WEF will host three Developing Young Jumper Classes presented by Spy Coast Farm on Friday, March 22. Competition will begin at 9 a.m. with the \$20,000 Developing Jumper 7 Year Old Classic, followed by the \$15,000 Developing Jumper 6 Year Old Classic, and will conclude with the \$10,000 Developing Jumper 5 Year Old Classic. General admission and parking are free.

**\$36,000 DOUGLAS ELLIMAN REAL ESTATE 1.45M CLASSIC**

The \$36,000 Douglas Elliman Real Estate 1.45m Classic will be featured on the grass derby field at Equestrian Village (home to the Adequan® Global Dressage Festival - 13500 South Shore Blvd.) on Friday, March 22, at 10:30 a.m. General admission and parking are free.

**GEORGE MORRIS EXCELLENCE IN EQUITATION CLASS**

The best junior riders at WEF have been competing all season to qualify for the George Morris Excellence in Equitation class. Held Friday, March 22, at 5 p.m. in the WEF International Arena, they will compete on their own with no trainers; walking the course, warming up, and heading into the ring by preparing themselves. See the young talent of WEF competing for top honors and numerous prizes from Equiline in this interesting class - who will rise to the top this year? Free general admission and parking.

**FOURTH ANNUAL SUNSET POLO & WHITE PARTY @ THE WANDERERS CLUB TO BENEFIT BROOKE USA**

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**\$209,000 WELLINGTON AGRICULTURAL SERVICES GRAND PRIX CSI 4\***

The grand prix competition during WEF 11 will be featured on the grass derby field at Equestrian Village (home to the Adequan® Global Dressage Festival - 13500 South Shore Blvd.) on Saturday, March 23, at 11 a.m. The best show jumpers of the circuit qualify during the week to compete and show off their skills on the field. This always-exciting competition features the biggest jumps with daring jump-off rides for the best prize money. General admission and parking are free.

**"SATURDAY NIGHT LIGHTS" - \$134,000 CAPTIVEONE ADVISORS 1.50M JUMPER SERIES FINAL**

The \$134,000 CaptiveOne Advisors 1.50m Jumper Series Final CSI 4\* will be the featured class during "Saturday Night Lights" in the International Arena on Saturday, March 23, at 6:30 p.m. The event features some of the world's top horse and riders competing in the final CaptiveOne Advisors 1.50m Classic of the WEF season. Admission is free and parking is \$20/car with \$30 valet available.

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**\$50,000 HERMÈS UNDER 25 GRAND PRIX SERIES FINAL**

The popular Hermès Under 25 Grand Prix Series will culminate with its \$50,000 Final on Sunday, March 24, at 11 a.m. on the grass derby field at Equestrian Village (home to the Adequan® Global Dressage Festival - 13500 South Shore Blvd.). Watch some of the best young talent in the world and the top qualifiers of the circuit compete in FEI international competition. General admission and parking are free.

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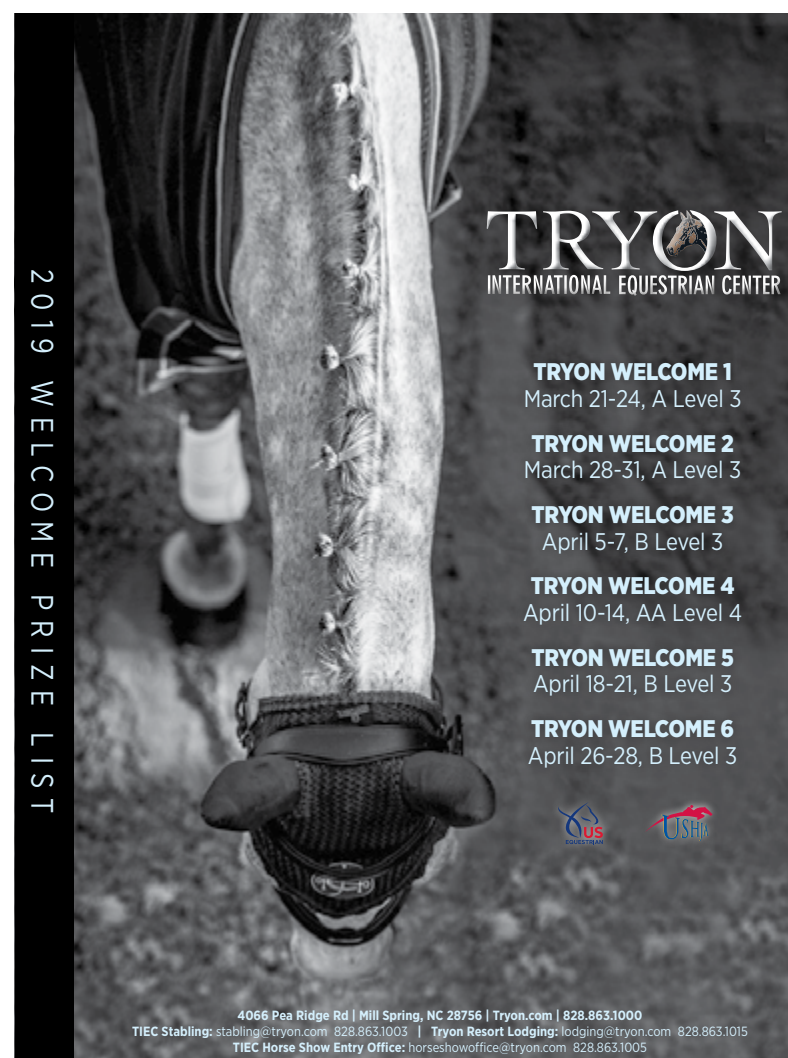




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**FRIDAY, MARCH 29**  
8:00 pm - Gladiator Polo™ #3  
(Palm Beach vs. Los Angeles)  
GATES OPEN AT 7:00 PM


**SATURDAY, APRIL 6**  
8:00 pm - Gladiator Polo™ #4  
(Dublin vs. New York)  
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## HUNTER WRAP UP

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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 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."

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# Standings and Awards

WEF WEEK 10

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

(after 20 qualifying events)

1. Beezie Madden (USA): 723
2. Tiffany Foster (CAN): 604
3. Amanda Derbyshire (GBR): 581
4. Margie Engle (USA): 579
5. Georgina Bloomberg (USA): 561



## CaptiveOne Advisors 1.50m Championship Jumper Classic Series

(after 9 qualifying events)

1. Lorenzo De Luca (ITA): 219
2. Erynn Ballard (CAN): 203
3. Adrienne Sternlicht (USA): 179
4. McLain Ward (USA): 177
5. Tiffany Foster (CAN): 175



## 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 Cuniffe (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



## Champion Equine Insurance Hunter Style Award:

Trending, ridden by Ellie Ferrigno and owned by Abbie Taylor

## Champion Equine Insurance Jumper Style Award:

Armani SL Z, ridden by Eugenio Garza Perez and owned by El Milagro



Thanks to a grand prix victory, Amanda Derbyshire was named the Martha Jolicoeur Leading Lady Rider, which was presented by Martha Jolicoeur and Dr. Stephen Norton, in memory of Dale Lawler. © Sportfot



Lindsay Maxwell and Largesse were the Adequan Amateur-Owner Hunter 18-35 3'3" champions, presented by Kathy Serio.



The Karina Brez Jewelry Low Adult Jumper 18-35 classic winner and reserve champion Jane Gemellaro and Mr. Brightside.



In the Palm Beach Equine Clinic Amateur-Owner Hunter 36 & Over 3'3" division, Shaw Johnson Price and River took home the championship presented by Dr. Laura Hutton and shown with Peter Pletcher.



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## FAMILIES OF WEF The Newmans

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If you've spent some time near the hunter rings at the Winter Equestrian Festival, you've probably heard the name Katherine Newman over the loudspeaker. The young professional has made Wellington home for the season, campaigning a solid string of young horses.

By most standards, Newman got a late start to her career, entering the show ring for the first time at age 11. While she wasn't immersed in the world of show jumping from the beginning, she was born into a family very much involved in equestrian sport. In her early years, she participated in a few leadline classes but spent most of her time riding at home in Upperville, VA, and going on fox hunts with her dad, who at the time was the whip with the local hunt.

Her parents boast decades of experience working with horses. Her father Gerry, a former steeplechase jockey, won the Irish Grand National and finished third in the English Grand National. Her mom, Kathy, started riding at a young age and was one of George Morris's first students. Katherine, now 28 years old, has been a pro since she aged out as a junior and spends most of her time competing in Florida and Kentucky. While she continues to grow her own business, she still

works closely with her parents as they've partnered to develop sale horses for the past several years.

"Right now, I do a lot of catch riding. That's the majority of my business," said Newman. "I also have two of my own horses that I work with, with my parents. They're horses the three of us picked out together to develop and sell, and then we'll start the process again."

That's been the bread and butter for the Newman clan as Katherine is regularly in the ribbons with her young horses. Her current schedule involves showing five or six horses a week, mostly in the pre-green divisions. While the competition in the hunter ring at WEF is known to be incredibly stiff, the young professional embraces the opportunity.

"It's so rewarding," she said. "It can be hard with green horses because you never know what you're going to get on the day, but I really like developing young horses. It's definitely a challenge but I find it fun."

It's not always easy working with family but the trio's deep understanding of horses and horsemanship has



created a unique foundation and strong partnership. It seems to be the perfect blend of unique skill sets and experience that helps them maintain their relationships while furthering their business together.

"It works really well most of the time," said the youngest Newman. "A lot of people ask how I do it but it's really pretty easy because as far as the training program for all of our horses, we're all on the same page. Like most people would say, it's hard to be around them 24/7 but we all agree on the plan for the horses so that's what it comes down to."

Newman has committed herself fully to her career and displays a calm and focused demeanor at the ring. While the resemblance to her parents is uncanny, she's also inherited some of their skills, reflected in her finessed technique and riding style.

"I'd say 90% of my riding came from them," she said. "They trained me since I learned to ride. My dad has always been the brave one coming from his background. He helped me be a little braver in the jumper ring. My mom is always very focused on flatwork which I agree is a huge component of showing. Really good flatwork is important, I learned that from her."

Kate Pettersen



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**Ylvisaker Cup - 20 Goal**  
January 11 - February 10, 2019

**The Lucchese  
40 Goal Challenge**  
February 16, 2019

**22 GOAL**  
C.V. Whitney Cup - 22 Goal  
February 13 - 24, 2019

**Butler Handicap - 22 Goal**  
February 17, 2019

**U.S. Women's Open Final**  
March 23, 2019

**USPA Gold Cup\* - 22 Goal**  
February 24 - March 24, 2019

**Gay Polo League™ Tournament**  
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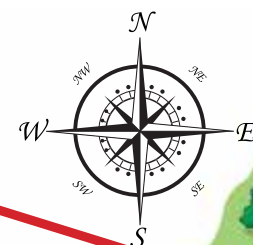
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Diego Perez Bilbao and Helios won the \$36,000 CaptiveOne Advisors 1.50m Classic at WEF 10. ©Sportfot

Daniel Coyle of Ireland christened Week 10 of the Winter Equestrian Festival with a victory in the \$36,000 Douglas Elliman CSI 3\* 1.45m on Wednesday, March 13. On the opening day of the three-star week, Michel Vaillancourt (CAN) designed a two-round course for 53 starters. Coyle, 24, contested the track with only six to compete behind him. He stopped the timers at 2798 seconds riding Tienna, an 11-year-old Canadian Sport Horse mare owned and bred by Ariel Grange's Lothlorien Farm based in Cheltenham, Ontario. The time was good enough to bump Eduardo Menezes (BRA) to second aboard H5 Uchingo, owned by H5 Sport Horses, after they held the lead for the majority of the class on a time of 28.37 seconds.

Conor Swail (IRL) took third riding Captain for owner B Gingras Equestrian Ltd. in 28.71 seconds, while Italy's Lorenzo De Luca ended in fourth in a time of 28.81 seconds on Cheindira, owned by Stephex Stables, Pedro Veniss, and Jean Saerens. Darragh Kenny (IRL) and Billy Dorito rounded out the top five on a time of 29.13 seconds for Vlock Show Stables.

Thursday's featured \$36,000 Equinimity WEF Challenge Cup Round 10 CSI 3\* competition saw 85 entries contest the first-round track set by Canada's Michel Vaillancourt before the field was narrowed to 19 horse and riders qualified to return for the jump-off. Laura Chapot (USA) ultimately rode Chandon Blue

## JUMPER WRAP UP WEF 10

to the win. Of the 19 jump-off qualifiers, six elected to save their horses for another day, having already secured their places in Saturday's \$134,000 Horseware Ireland Grand Prix CSI 3\* based on their clear first round results.

With 13 horses still in the jump-off, speed was the name of the game for the early returning riders, but one-by-one they all saw rails fall, as the fast pace kept any of the first nine riders from jumping double clear. Turning in the fastest four-fault time was Amanda Derbyshire (GBR) aboard Roulette BH, owned Gochman Sport Horses, LLC. When Chapot and Chandon Blue entered the ring, Derbyshire had set the score to beat at four faults in a time of 38.74 seconds, making Chapot's goal a quick and clear round, but not one that required an all-out speed effort, which is just what she delivered, stopping the clock in a clear 39.21 seconds to ultimately take the win.

Two of the remaining returners, Zoe Conter (BEL) and Georgina Bloomberg (USA), also took Chapot's smooth, clear round approach, securing the second-place honor for Conter and her mount Davidoff de Lassus, owned by Stephex Stables, with a time of 40.48 seconds, and giving Bloomberg and Manodie II H, owned by Gotham Enterprizes, LLC, third with a time of 45.81 seconds. Derbyshire's four-fault effort held up for fourth place, while fifth went to Francisco Jose Mesquita Musa (BRA) who rode Daniel Aguiar Morelli's Catch Me Imperio Egipcio to a four-fault finish in 39.05 seconds.

Santiago Lambre and Charatinus outpaced a field of 70 entries to win the \$36,000 Bainbridge 1.45m Classic CSI 3\* on Friday, March 15, at the Winter Equestrian Festival (WEF) in Wellington, FL.

Speed was the name of the game for competitors contesting Michel Vaillancourt's (CAN) course in Friday's one-round \$36,000 Bainbridge 1.45m Classic CSI 3\*, Santiago Lambre (MEX) and Charatinus outpacing a field of 70 entries to win. Brazil's Rodrigo Lambre set a quick time to beat from the get-go, stopping the clock in a clear 60.64 seconds aboard

Chapilot as the fourth entry in the class. It was not until 19 trips later that Rodrigo Lambre's time was toppled by fellow Brazilian Fabio Leivas da Costa who set the new leading time at 59.35 seconds aboard Randon Pleasure.

That was the time that Santiago Lambre had to beat when he entered the ring aboard Charatinus, owned by Paul Schockemöhle, and the pair narrowly did, crossing the finish line less than a tenth of a second faster than Leivas da Costa to ultimately secure the win with a time of 59.26 seconds.

Leivas de Costa's time with Randon Pleasure, owned by Bonne Chance Farm, would hold up for second place, while Ireland's Conor Swail – the only rider in the final third of the class able to come close to the top-two finishers – would slide into third with a time of 60.29 seconds aboard Captain, owned by BB Gingras Equestrian Ltd. Rodrigo Lambre's early time to beat would hold up for fourth place for he and Chapilot, owned by Mario Onate, while fifth place with a time of 60.77 seconds went to Andrew Kocher riding Fashion V for owner Eye Candy Jumpers.

The tenth week of the Winter Equestrian Festival (WEF) came to an end with a win for Spain's Diego Perez Bilbao in the \$36,000 CaptiveOne Advisors 1.50m Classic CSI 3\* riding Helios. Michel Vaillancourt (CAN) set the track for the \$36,000 CaptiveOne Advisors 1.50m Classic CSI 3\* and saw 13 horses advance to the jump-off from a starting field of 63. Bilbao took the win with a double-clear performance in 34.79 seconds, a full second faster than USA's Katherine Dinan riding Tarioso Mancais for Grant Road Partners, LLC.

Taking third behind Bilbao and Dinan, Gabriela Reutter (CHI) piloted Atticus Diamant to a time of 35.90 seconds for owner Juan Reutter, while Markus Beerbaum (GER) finished fourth aboard Daylight VDL, owned by Daylight Group, in 36.28 seconds. Rounding out the top five, Emil Hallundbaek (DEN) stopped the clock at 36.64 seconds riding Dazermie for Ecurie François Mathy.

## SOUTHERN ARCHES GROOM'S CLASS AWARDS DUAL WINNERS



Abelardo Sanchez and Olympic Fire



Juan Daniel Garcia Dominguez and Ebony M with ringmaster Steve Rector and Amy White of Southern Arches.

The Southern Arches Groom's Class split into jumper and hunter sections at WEF 10, awarding prize money to two worthy winners. The winner of the jumper section was Juan Daniel Garcia Dominguez, who groomed Ebony M for owner Dapple LLC and Kristen Collins of Pine Cone Farm.

"I have been grooming for four years, and this mare is my favorite part about grooming," said Garcia Dominguez. "She is beautiful, so that makes my job easier. I curry her and bathe her everyday. She is my princess!"

Collins noted that Ebony M is "like Juan's baby." She said, "Basically, she is his horse. No one else can take her out because she is a little difficult when it comes to standing still or patience. If she needs to be hand-walked, tacked up, or taken to the ring it has to be Juan. He is like her security blanket. If he can't take her to the ring, she might as well not go. Everything is Juan and Ebony together.

"To see him win a class like this is so great because he works at it and prepares for this for weeks," she continued. "He polishes the brass, he has the back-packs washed, and will clean my saddles days before! He's had a couple of other top three ribbons here, but this win has been elusive. So this has been a nice way to cap off the season for him."

That partnership showed in the impeccable turnout of Ebony M and obvious pride that Garcia Dominguez has in his charge, which was awarded by the judges.

"They work so hard to make our day easier every show day, so it's really fun to make it about them for one of the show days. It's really special," said Collins. "I hope that more people encourage their grooms to do it, more horse shows host these classes, and more sponsors reach out! They are such a vital and important part of the team that I think it's fantastic to have that recognition and something to compete in."

In the hunter section, it was another victory for Abelardo Sanchez, who brought Olympic Fire, owned by Jennifer Hannan of Ocean Echo, to the groom's class.

"When I came to do this class for the first time, I didn't even place," said Sanchez. "But now, I have won it three times in a row! The first time I came, I didn't have all of the supplies or things I needed. I wasn't organized at all, so I went home and practiced and got more prepared. This is also the same horse that I won with the first time I won the class."

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What is your background in the horse industry?

I started going for riding lessons when I was seven years old. Once my parents got me my own pony there was no turning back. I rode as a junior/amateur until I graduated college, then began my career as a professional: grooming, riding, training, and showing for a number of different barns.

In between riding jobs, I spent two seasons working for James Parker as a horse show photographer. I was able to learn from incredibly talented photographers, and I quickly developed a passion and love for photography.

What farm or riders do you work with personally for your own riding?

Four years ago, I started working for Madison Hills Farms under Mike Rheinheimer and Amanda Lyerly. I owe so much of what I know to the two of them; they really taught me to be a better trainer, rider, and horsewoman, and they gave me the opportunities I needed to excel. I feel so grateful and lucky that I was able to learn from one of the best before he left us too soon.

It was at Madison Hills that I also really began to combine my two passions because on quiet show days I would usually grab my camera and photograph the kids showing. Sometimes I was even training from behind the camera.

How do you balance working as a private photographer at WEF as well as riding and showing?

This is the first year that I'm doing freelance photography as a business. I've taken on several private clients that I "follow" around the show to capture not only show ring photos but also behind the scenes. I didn't want to stop riding altogether though, so I was able to take on a sales horse and show in the 6 year old young jumpers with the help of my good friend Jonathan Corrigan.

The days that I show and also have photography clients showing can be tough, but I'm really lucky to have amazing people surrounding me that are willing to help me out. It definitely keeps me busy!

Why is Wellington your destination of choice for the winter?

Wellington is really a perfect place for me to be in the winter because I am able to do both of the things I love at exactly the same place! It's also where my fiancée and most of my friends plan to be for their winters, so I get to be surrounded by a great crowd!

What is the most fun or exciting part about circuit for you, as a photographer or a rider?

I absolutely love being able to ride and show. I love the horses and the sport so much, but I also love being able to give someone photos and see how happy and excited it makes them. I feel very lucky to be able to do both of the things I'm so passionate about.

HORSEWARE IRELAND GRAND PRIX  
CONTINUED FROM PAGE 1

With the prime spot of last to go, Derbyshire and Roulette BH not only had to be quick, but a clear round was imperative. They were able to do just that, leaving all the jumps up in a time of 44.12 seconds for victory.

"I did actually plan nine [strides from jumps] two to three in the jump-off and ended up doing eight," Derbyshire recalled. "Then I just kept going. I was really lucky in the double at the end; I didn't have much control by then. Luck was on my side. I had the advantage of watching all three go. I knew if Laura was clear it'd be hard to beat her. It worked out!"

Derbyshire started riding Roulette BH, a 10-year-old Irish Sport Horse gelding by Moschino x Michellino, in May of 2018 and had to work with the "very, very strong" horse that had previously been ridden by a man.

"For literally the last nine months, we've been working on rideability so in the jump-off I can actually let him go," she said. "We took it pretty slow last summer, and we didn't face him at all the big stuff. I think by doing that we've trusted each other. He's jumped I think three grand prix here, and he's been clear every time. I had a time fault once. We haven't tried to over show him. We've got big plans for the future."

Those big plans include the Nations Cups at Dublin and Hickstead, plus another big championship that is just around the corner.

"The big aim is 2020 for him for sure," she said of the Tokyo Olympic Games.

This was Derbyshire's first "Saturday Night Lights" grand prix victory. "I'm absolutely ecstatic. I don't think there's a better feeling than being able to canter around there," she said. "To win anything at WEF under the lights with so many people and such a big crowd is always so special. I've been in America nine years, and I spent the first seven years watching all of these night classes, so to be able to jump them and be able to win is a dream come true."

Tom MacGuinness, CEO of Horseware Ireland, said, "I'm glad that you ladies are here and that you did so well. I can share the honor of being the oldest competitor in [the 2014 FEI World Equestrian Games in] Normandy with Amy's father actually. I like what's happening here. We're going to keep doing more of the same here, and we're proud to sponsor at WEF."

Jennifer Wood

FINAL RESULTS:

\$134,000 HORSEWARE IRELAND GRAND PRIX CSI 3\*

- 1 ROULETTE BH: 2009 Irish Sport Horse gelding by Moschino x Michellino  
AMANDA DERBYSHIRE (GBR), Gochman Sport Horse LLC: 0/0/44.12
- 2 TRUMAN: 2009 Selle Francais gelding by Mylord Carthago\*HN x Kolibri  
AMY MILLAR (CAN), Millar Brooke Farm Ltd: 0/0/45.65
- 3 CHANDON BLUE: 2005 Oldenburg gelding by Chacco Blue x Landcapitol  
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- 4 VALENTINO D'ELTE: 2009 Selle Francais gelding by Castronom Z\*de Hus x Windsor  
VANESSA MANNIX (CAN), Vanessa Mannix: 0/8/45.47
- 5 KEOKI: 2009 Holsteiner gelding by Catoki x Cassini I  
DAVID BLAKE (IRL), Pine Hollow Farm: 1/81.50
- 6 FAIR PLAY: 2010 KWPN gelding by Gaillard de la Pomme  
AIDAN KILLEEN (IRL), Andrea Hippeau Vogel: 1/82.50
- 7 CHARMEUR: 2007 KWPN gelding by Numero Uno x Gelha's VDL Emilion  
SERGIO ALVAREZ MOYA (ESP), Alvarez Moya Horse SL: 4/75.05
- 8 VICTOR: 2002 KWPN gelding by Elmshorn x Grandeur  
TIFFANY FOSTER (CAN), Artisan Farms LLC & Torrey Pines Stable: 4/75.90
- 9 CATCH ME IMPERIO EGIPCIO: 2008 Hanoverian mare by FRANCISCO JOSE MESQUITA MUSA (BRA), Daniel Aguiar Morelli: 4/76.47
- 10 DICAS: 2009 Rheinlander gelding by Diarado x Cassini I  
MARGIE ENGLE (USA), Storm Ridge Capital LLC, Show Horses, Garber & Gladewinds Partners LLC: 4/77.53
- 11 DAVIDOFF DE LASSUS: 2009 Belgian Warmblood stallion by Ugano Sitte x Origine du Mont D'or  
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Alexa Elle Lignelli not only won the THIS National Children's Medal 14 & Under, but won a section championship in the Children's Hunter Younger division at WEF 10. Photo © Sportfot

Many junior and amateur pairs found success in the equitation rings during Week 10 of the 2019 Winter Equestrian Festival. Both equitation medals and entire equitation divisions were held throughout the course of the week.

For the younger junior riders, the USEF Pony Medal was a huge highlight up at Pony Island. The class consisted of 17 riders, but all were bested by Helen Ryan aboard Charming. Jocelyn Rhyno took the second place ribbon with Bold Dream while Agatha Lignelli rounded out the top three on Woodlands Polar Bear. Pony Island also hosted the WIHS Pony Equitation and SFJHA Pony Medal class which saw Amira Kettaneh take home the blue ribbon with Qualen's Got Magic. Ellie Sadrian rounded out the third place

position on Cleverist while Alexa Elle Lignelli took second with Fox Creeks Curious George.

Lignelli also found success with her new partner, Pop Rocks, in Saturday's THIS National Children's Medal 14 & under where the pair rode to first place. They were followed by Annalise Manoog and Carollo in second place and Aerin Genatt with Alcado in third. In the 15-17 portion of the THIS National Children's Medal, Sophia Mitchell and Callahan were on the receiving end of the blue ribbon. Mia Chimenti piloted the Gal Investments-owned Jassini into the second place position, and Catherine Kramer took the Sorensen Stables' Odyssey into third.

Older junior riders also competed across the Alessandro Albanese Equitation 15-17 division. After receiving two first places and a fourth, Ava Stearns and Apollo were the first to claim a tricolor champion ribbon. Due to the fact that the division had close to 50 horse-and-rider combinations, results were pinned in a California split format that allowed for a second champion. Also having earned two blue ribbons, as well as a seventh, Ellie Ferrigno picked up the second championship ribbon with her partner, East.

Adult equitation riders had several opportunities to display their talents with the Omega Alpha Adult Amateur Equitation division as well as the Ariat National Adult Medal. In the division, Emily Gilbert rode her self-owned mount, Beckham Jr. to three top placings of a first and two seconds for the champion victory. Alexandra Indeglia and her self-owned Bravo Van De Kwakkelhoek also picked up a first and a second place over fences which made the pair the reserve champions. In the Ariat National Adult Medal class, the top three placings went to Elizabeth Eccleston, Elissa Davis, and Meghan Knapic. Knapic and Casino were the recipients of the third place ribbon, Davis and Eric took second, and Eccleston teamed up with Castlewood Farm Inc.'s El Tigre for first.

Two more weeks of national equitation competition are ahead before the 2019 Winter Equestrian Festival comes to a close. Competition at the Palm Beach International Equestrian Center will resume Wednesday, March 20.

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Francesca Roman won the Crossrails Hunter Younger championship in WEF 9 with Pink Floyd and in WEF 10 with Goliath.



Little sister Victoria Roman Walk/Trot jump Section B class with Goliath.



Livia Martin and Briar Fields Beyond Words were the Equitation 11 & Under champions in WEF 7.



Ana Lisa Carr and E-Wally rode to the Pegasus Builders Low Adult Jumper 36 & Over championship.



Kertis, ridden by Sydney North and owned by Dave Burton, was the Children's Hunter Older champion.



During WEF 8, Nanci Africk and Taken won the Marshall & Sterling/ Great American Insurance Group Adult Amateur Hunter Older Section B championship.



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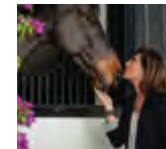
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The USPA Gold Cup® concludes this week at the International Polo Club with the finals match taking place on Sunday at 3 p.m. on the U.S. Polo Assn. Field 1. The U.S. Open Women's Polo Championship is also taking place this week and wraps up on Saturday, March 23 on Field 1. Check out this week's full game schedule below.

**Tuesday, March 19**

12:30 p.m.: Postage Stamp Farm vs. La Indiana - Patriots Cup  
Subsidiary Semifinal

5 p.m.: SD Farms vs. Cessna - Sawgrass Cup Subsidiary Semifinal

**Wednesday, March 20**

10 a.m.: USPA Gold Cup® Semifinal I

4 p.m.: USPA Gold Cup® Semifinal II

**Friday, March 22**

10 a.m.: Patriots Cup Subsidiary Final

5 p.m.: Sawgrass Cup Subsidiary Final

**Saturday, March 23**

11 a.m.: Final of the US Open Women's Polo Championship Final on  
Field 1

**Sunday, March 24**

3 p.m.: USPA Gold Cup® Final on Field 1

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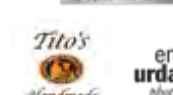
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