Frederic Wandres Earns Career High Score



Frederic Wandres (GER), rode Hot Hit OLD to a career high score in the CDI3* FEI Grand Prix, presented by Barnwalkers during opening week of the Adequan® Global Dressage Festival. All five judges placed the pair first, awarding 75.348% overall, improving on their previous best by over 1%.

"To start the season here in Wellington with a personal best is super and we are looking forward to what's coming next," added Wandres, who also scooped a personal best in week one's "Friday Night Stars" at last year's show on another of his Grand Prix horses, Bluetooth OLD.

Wandres has ridden Hot Hit at Hof Kasselmann, where he works, since the grey gelding by Blue Hors Hotline x Diamond Hit was six. The now 12-year-old already has an impressive resume, and this victory took his unbeaten streak to five.

"We are very happy about him — he is our unicorn," grinned Wandres. "It's always good to have a white one in the stable. He's in our hearts and I feel he gives his best in the arena."



Lyle and Salvino Stamp Their Authority on Friday Night Stars

The first "Friday Night
Stars" evening of musical
freestyle action during the 2023
Adequan® Global Dressage
Festival in lived up to its stellar
billing with the FEI World Cup™
Grand Prix Freestyle, presented
by Lövsta Stuteri. The evening
included top-class dressage,
personal bests on the podium
and a winning score of over 83%.

Adrienne Lyle (USA) and the 16-year-old stallion Salvino made it two for two in the Lloyd Landkamer Memorial week when they scooped the blue ribbon with 83.54% for a harmonious test brimming with expression and power. Lyle and Betsy Juliano's Sandro Hit x Donnerhall son topped the previous day's qualifying Grand Prix with 77.5%. In the freestyle, second placed Sarah Tubman (USA) kicked off her Wellington season with a personal best of 78.25% on another stallion, the 13-year-old First Apple, while third placed Caroline Darcourt (SWE) and Lord Django contested their first Grand Prix freestyle and pulled out a 78.17% performance.

Lyle is chasing down one of



three starting places allocated to North America for the FEI World Cup™ Final in Omaha, NE, in April. Her top score of 86% came courtesy of the Dutch five-star judge at H, Mariette Sanders- van Gansewinkel.

Of her performance, Lyle said, "I'm super thrilled to be here again at this amazing venue and I was happy to see how packed it was despite this cold weather. Salvino felt great — he was fiery and very excited to be here.

"We did most of the things on my terms, and some of the things on his terms — but like any good relationship it's all about compromise, and he feels great," added Lyle of Salvino, whom she rode on the silver medal USA team at the Tokyo Olympics.

"We were fortunate to have the World Cup qualifier in December under our belt [which they won with 85.015%], so this was the second of three that we have to try and do," added Lyle, who is 38. "He doesn't do a whole lot in between shows; he knows his job now so we just keep him happy and healthy and fit."

Owner and class sponsor Antonia Ax:son Johnson added, "We have been coming here

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These shows give us the energy and enthusiasm to believe in dressage. This really is a place that attracts the best riders.
There's nothing more magic than watching dressage."

Judge at C William Warren had some trepidation about the weather conditions before the class started, saying, "Before we started the evening I wondered how this would turn out because suddenly it didn't feel like we are in Florida," he explained. "The temperature plummeted, and horses can be horses so I didn't know how things would go for the riders tonight, but they all pulled it off beautifully."





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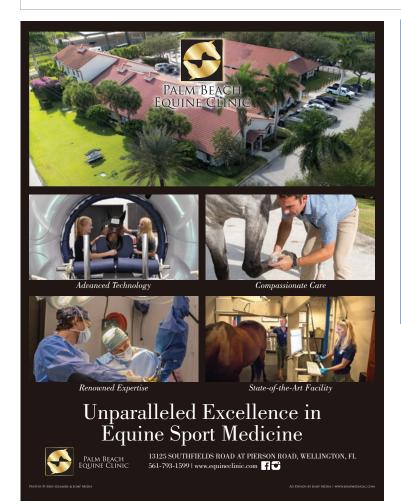
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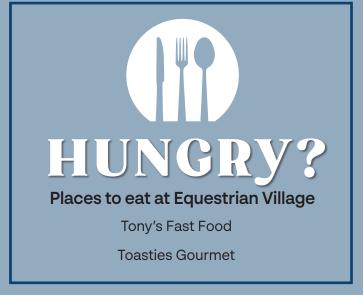
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Baden Spa & Wellness Brings Sun Damage Correction and Much More to The Equestrian Community

Baden Spa owner, Nora
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sun's damaging rays have on
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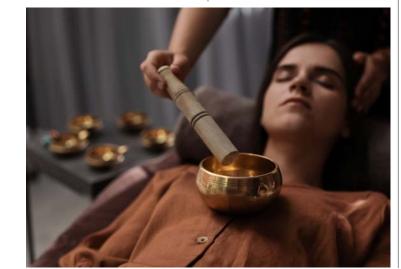
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2023 AGDF 1 SPECIAL AWARD WINNERS



Zen Elite Award winner Anna Marek. L to R: Endel Ots, Anna Marek (mounted) Anne Gribbons and Kati Dagge.



Performance Farms Adult Amateur Achievement Award winner Audrey Humphries riding J'Adore.



Omega Alpha Healthy Horse Award winner Gigi ridden by Kyle McIver.



N2 Sport Horse of the Week (tie) won by First Apple and Salvino. L to R: Sarah Tubman, Sue Newell from N2 Saddlery, Adrienne Lyle.



Baden Spa BEST Award winner Ogla Hartsock riding Jinta won the \$550 Gift Certificate for Baden Spa. L to R: Olga Hartsock mounted with Kevin Kohmann



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Donato Farms Team Achievement Award winner Adrienne Lyle on Salvino.



RIDER SPOTLIGHT: ADAM STEFFENS



dam Steffens has been riding since he was about nine years old and immediately fell in love with Dressage. After continuing his education and letting his passion for horses grow deeper, he joined forces with Wendy Petrik at Candoit Stables to focus on bringing along young horses and train clients. This season Adam is fully loaded with four top young horses owned by Candoit Stables that are ready to take the stage at AGDF this season. Continue reading to learn more about Adam, the horses he's currently riding, and his goals for 2023!

Tell me about your riding journey and when you began Dressage.

Well, I've had horses since I was born because my mother was an avid trail rider, and I started doing Dressage when I was about nine or ten years old.

Tell us about your partnership with Candoit Stables!

My partnership with Candoit began by hosting clinics once a week there, and I would drive up from Wellington. But in October 2021, we decided to merge forces. Now, Candoit Stables is a boarding facility with 24 stalls, and Wendy Petrik, the owner, manages the staff, boarding, and clients. I provide lessons and training coinciding with Wendy's business. Candoit Stables has also purchased four

world-class horses within the past year, and we hope they make the team in the future.

Is there anyone in particular who has mentored you and helped you get to where you are today?

Currently, I am working with Christine Traurig, with whom I have had a very long relationship over the past ten years. I have also worked with Debbie MacDonald quite a bit, so they are both my biggest mentors and inspirations.

What are your goals for the 2023 season?

I aim to compete with Candoit's Boston Strong OLD in the Small Tour CDIs and see where that takes us. Recently I competed Candoit's Secret
Weapon in the 4-year-olds at
the Festival of Champions, so
this year we are hoping to bump
her up to the 5-year-old classes.
Candoit Stables recently
purchased two incredible sixyear-olds, Candoit's Donkey
Kong and Candoit's Fabuleux
Coeur, that I plan on competing
in the 6-year-olds. I also have
multiple students showing, and
we are hoping for success.

If you could relive any moment, what would it be and why?

If I could go back to any moment in time, it would probably be my first season in Wellington. It was when I met my core group of friends; it was just the best group of people!



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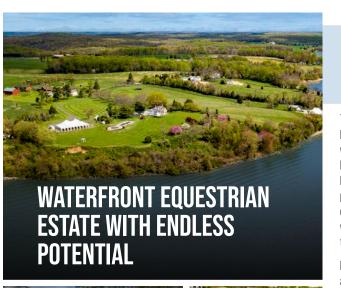


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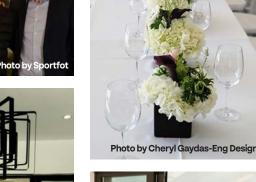
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