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It's hard to believe we're already almost halfway through the 2017 Winter Equestrian Festival (WEF), but the winter season here at WEF has gotten off to a great start for Team Lizzie!

Captain, Coup de Chance, Daylight VDL, and Ima van d'Abdishove have all been competing regularly at WEF while Zilversprings made his 2017 show ring debut at the CSI4*-W Palm Beach Masters, held from February 2 to 5 at Deeridge Farm in Wellington, FL.



Lizzie and Zilversprings at the Palm Beach Masters. Photo by [The Book LLC](#)

The entire team is thrilled that Lizzie and Zilversprings have been named to the Canadian Team for the CSI04* Nations' Cup at HITS Ocala, FL, on Friday, February 17! Joining Lizzie and Zilver in representing Canada are Rio Olympians Tiffany Foster and Amy Millar, and ten-time Canadian Olympian Ian Millar.

Thank you to all of our friends, families, supporters, and sponsors, including our newest sponsor, Ride Every Stride, for your ongoing support. We could not do it without you, and we hope that you enjoy our newsletter updates and increased efforts to recognize and thank you for all that you do!

TOP FIVE FINISHES

Coup de Chance
5th place - \$35,000
1.45m WEF Challenge Cup Round 2, January 19



Chance enjoying an apple following a job well done! Photo by [Jump Media](#)

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Sponsor Spotlight: Selleria Equipe

Selleria Equipe was one of our first sponsors and has now been an invaluable partner for nearly two years.



The team at Selleria Equipe generously provide beautifully handcrafted and custom-made saddles, made especially flat for Lizzie at the request and recommendation of Eric Lamaze. We also have the pleasure of working with Janis Cook, founder of

Saddle Solutions Inc., who measures each of our horses and precisely fits their Selleria Equipe saddles and Thin Line pads, ensuring that nothing moves out of place. Visit Selleria Equipe's website [here!](#)



Getting to Know Daylight VDL



Daylight VDL (Baloubet Du Rouet x Stakkato) is an eight-year-old Dutch Warmblood gelding that was purchased by the Daylight Warm in early 2016, and he has been an incredible part of the team since then.

Four fun facts about Daylight VDL:

- Daylight VDL's personality has really started to shine behind-the-scenes. Whenever Lizzie comes to the barn, he's quick to stick his head out the window and whinny (and Lizzie reports that he has the cutest whinny!)
- He's always hungry. He lets us know he's hungry about a half hour before dinner time by starting to chew on his tongue.
- He loves going out for gallops in the field.
- It took a few months for things to click with Lizzie for the long, gangly gelding, but he's been all business ever since, and Lizzie has high hopes for the talented young horse's future.

SHOW SCHEDULE

2017 Winter Equestrian Festival

Palm Beach International Equestrian Center, Wellington, FL

WEF 6 CSI3* - February 15-19

WEF 7 CSI5*/CSI2* - February 22-26

WEF 8 CSI4* - March 1-5

WEF 9 CSI5*/2* - March 8-12

WEF 10 CSI3* - March 15-19

WEF 11 CSI5*/CSI2* - March 22-26

WEF 12 CSI4* - March 29-April 2

FEI Nations Cup CSI0-4* at HITS Ocala

HITS Post Time Farm, Ocala, FL

FEI Nations Cup - February 17



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