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Capital Challenge Hunter Competition Continues with Full Live Stream Available!

Upper Marlboro, MD – The Capital Challenge Horse Show continues now through Sunday, October 8, at the Prince George's Equestrian Center and live on your computer with coverage of each and every round and class throughout the competition on the USEF Network and at www.capitalchallenge.org.

US Equestrian members can sign in at www.usef.org/tune-in to access the live stream of the horse show in its entirety, including full coverage of both the indoor and outdoor arenas. Non-US Equestrian members can watch on www.capitalchallenge.org or take advantage of a special, free US Equestrian fan membership offered throughout Capital Challenge using promo code "Capital17" when joining here, in order to view the live stream on USEF Network.

Monday's competition marked the opening of the professional hunter divisions, which will award championships on Tuesday and Wednesday. Highlight classes still to come this week include:

Wednesday, October 4: World Championship Hunter Rider (WCHR) Professional Challenge, WCHR Developing Professional Challenge, and the North American Green Hunter Championship



Catherine Ellis and Kamera Shy, winners of both of the Green Hunter Mares 3'-3'3" over fences classes on Monday, October 2.

Photo by [Shawn McMillen Photography](#)

Thursday, October 5: WCHR Amateur-Owner 3'3" and 3'6" Challenges, Children's Jumper Classic, and the Adult Amateur Jumper Classic

Friday, October 6: WCHR Adult Amateur Challenge, Ariat National Adult Medal Finals, and the WCHR Professional Finals

Saturday, October 7: WCHR Pony Challenge, and the North American Low Junior/Amateur-Owner and Medium Junior/Amateur-Owner Challenge Cup Finals

Sunday, October 8: WCHR Children's Hunter Challenge, and the WCHR Junior 3'3" and Junior 3'6" Challenges

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THE CAPITAL CHALLENGE HORSE SHOW

BY THE NUMBERS

More than

1,200

total entries at the 2017 Capital Challenge Horse Show

Riders competing from 41 states, Canada, and Puerto Rico

24 WCHR perpetual trophies awarded at Capital Challenge

8 WCHR Regions Around the Country

970 WCHR Members in 2017

MOMENTS FROM MONDAY

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INSTAGRAM OF THE DAY

Spotted at Capital Challenge and on @theplaidhorsemag Instagram: a rather creative new saddle use for those early horse show mornings!

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THE DAILY UPDATE

Tuesday, October 3, 2017

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Amanda Steege Cherishes Her Luck

Photo right and story by Tricia Booker for the USHJA

Although Amanda Steege is quick to tell you she's lucky to be where she is as one of the nation's top professional hunter riders, if you delve a bit deeper you'll discover that much of what she's accomplished is through hard work, dedication and talent.

This year, Steege, of Ashmeadow Farm in Califon, New Jersey, traveled to the Capital Challenge as the winner of the WCHR Northeast Regional Handy standings, second in the WCHR Northeast Professional standings and 11th in the WCHR National Professional standings.

She attended the WCHR shows at Old Salem Farm II (New York), Garden State (New Jersey), Fairfield County Hunt Club (Connecticut) and the Manchester Classic (Vermont) but was unable to compete during the late summer due to an injury.

"I think it's the first year I haven't won the regional title in seven years. I had a fall at Lake Placid and concussion and didn't show at the Hampton Classic. I'm actually the WCHR Northeast Region

awards coordinator this year, so at least I'm not giving myself all the awards," she joked.

At this year's Capital Challenge, Steege has her sights set on competing in the WCHR Professional Challenge on Wednesday, and she also hopes to move up in the standings to vie for a spot in the WCHR Professional Finals on Friday night.

Steege has enjoyed a banner year with such horses as Ripken HTF, Spotify, Cascade, Surreal, Balou, Daughtry, Bamolino, Barolo and Loxley in the Green and Performance Hunter sections. But it was Wendy Salomon's Maitre D', the horse on whom she placed third in the USHJA International Hunter Derby Championship in Kentucky in August, that provided her with the highlight of her summer.

"He went out there like he owned the place, and it was an amazing feeling," said Steege after placing 12th in the Classic Round, fourth in the Handy Round and third overall. "Maitre D' is his name, and Lucky is his barn name. He likes to be called 'Mr. Lucky' he told the animal communicator."

Steege ranked her 2017 Derby Championship placing as one

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INDOOR ARENA 7:30 am	OUTDOOR ARENA 7:30 am
47. High Performance Conf. Model	218. Green Hunter 3' Cotts & Geldings O/F
28. & 328. Green Handy Stake 3'6" Sec. A	219. Green Hunter 3' Cotts & Geldings Stake
43. Green Conformation Hunter O/F	210. Green Hunter 3' Open Sec. B O/F
44. Green Conformation Handy Stake	211. Green Hunter 3' Open Sec. B Stake
33. Green Handy Stake 3'9" O/F	207. Green Hunter 3' Open Sec. B Stake
38. High Performance Handy Stake O/F	215. Green Hunter Mares 3' & 3'3" Stake
48. & 49. High Performance Conf. O/F	203. Green Hunter 3'3" Stake Sec. A
29. & 329. Green Hunter 3'6" U/S Sec. A	603. Green Hunter 3'3" Stake Sec. B
216. Green Hunter 3'-3'3" Mares U/S	52. Performance Hunter 3'6" O/F
208. Green Hunter Open 3'	
204. Green Hunter 3'3" U/S Sec. A	
604. Green Hunter 3'3" U/S Sec. B	
55. Performance Hunter 3'6" U/S	

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About the Capital Challenge Horse Show
Now in its 24th year, the Capital Challenge Horse Show sets itself apart with a distinct and unique focus on preeminent hunter and equitation competition. Held each autumn at the Prince George's Equestrian Center in Upper Marlboro, MD, the 2017 edition of the Capital Challenge Horse Show will take place September 29 – October 8. The ten days of competition will include prestigious equitation events and the World Championship Hunter Rider (WCHR) Finals with many of the country's best horses and riders competing in junior, amateur, and professional divisions. Learn more at www.capitalchallenge.org.

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