

THE CAPITAL CHALLENGE HORSE SHOW

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SEPTEMBER 27 - OCTOBER 6, 2019 UPPER MARLBORO, MARYLAND

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Hunters From Both Coasts Crowned Champions at Capital Challenge

Upper Marlboro, Maryland – Twelve professional hunter champions were named on Tuesday, October 1, at the Capital Challenge Horse Show in Upper Marlboro, MD, which continues through Sunday, October 6, at the Prince George's Equestrian Center.



John French and San Marco won the Green Hunter 3'6" Section A. Photo by Shawn McMillen Photography

Earning the first championship of the day inside the Show Place Arena were Victoria Colvin of Loxahatchee, FL, and Gabriel, owned by JT Farm. Colvin, 22, and the eight-year-old Dutch Warmblood gelding won two Green Conformation Hunter over-fences classes and finished second in the handy before ultimately claiming the Green Conformation Hunter division championship, sponsored by Joie Gatlin – Morley Abey Show Jumping Inc.

Throughout much of the summer, Gabriel shows with owner Ellen Toon in the Amateur-Owner Hunters – which Toon will contest with the gelding at Capital Challenge as well – but Colvin enjoys the opportunity to compete Gabriel at Capital Challenge.

"All of his rounds were very consistent; he didn't get anything lower than an 84 or 85," said Colvin, who first rode the gelding a year ago at Capital Challenge. "It's neat to see how he's come along since last year. This is like a one-year anniversary."

"It's a nice show, and everybody – East Coast, West Coast – comes together to compete here," said Colvin, who noted that she has been competing at the horse show for more than 12 years. "I was here in the ponies; I showed here in the junior hunters when I was nine."

Finishing behind Colvin and Gabriel as the Green Conformation Hunter reserve champions were Erica Quinn of Royal Palm Beach, FL, and Turner, owned by Penelope Ayers.



Victoria Colvin rode Gabriel to the Green Conformation Hunter championship on Tuesday, October 1. Photo by Shawn McMillen Photography

Colvin and Gabriel also finished as the reserve champions in the Green Hunter 3'6" Section B, sponsored by Lee Sadrian and the Kellogg Family. The division championship went to Jeff Gogul of Wilmington, OH, aboard Maverick, owned by Roberts Stables, LLC.

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Green Conformation Hunter

Sponsored by Joie Gatlin-Morley Abey Show Jumping Inc.

Champion: Gabriel, ridden by Victoria Colvin and owned by JT Farm

Reserve: Turner, ridden by Erica Quinn and owned by Penelope Ayers

3'6" - 4' Hunter Champions

All photos by Shawn McMillen Photography



High Performance Hunter

Sponsored by Take the High Road, LLC

Champion: Catch Me, ridden by Scott Stewart and owned by Gochman Sport Horse LLC

Reserve: Cameo, ridden by Scott Stewart and owned by Dr. Betsee Parker

Green Hunter 3'6" - Section A

Sponsored by Peter Fletcher, PJP Farm

Champion: San Marco, ridden by John French and owned by Ann Russo

Reserve: Love Note, ridden by Scott Stewart and owned by Richard Prant

Green Hunter 3'9"

Sponsored by Lannie Lipson

Champion: Moonshot, ridden by Sandra Ferrell and owned by Stephanie Bulger

Reserve: Lafitte de Muze, ridden by Amanda Steege and owned by Cheryl Olsten

High Performance Conformation Hunter

Sponsored by Hidden Hollow LLC and Ginny Edwards

Champion: Private Life, ridden by Scott Stewart and owned by Dr. Betsee Parker

Reserve: Fibonacci, ridden by Christopher Payne and owned by Still Water Farm LLC.

Green Hunter 3'6" - Section B

Sponsored by Lee Sadrian and the Kellogg Family

Champion: Maverick, ridden by Jeff Gogul and owned by Roberts Stables, LLC

Reserve: Gabriel, ridden by Victoria Colvin and owned by JT Farm

Green Hunter 3' Colts and Geldings

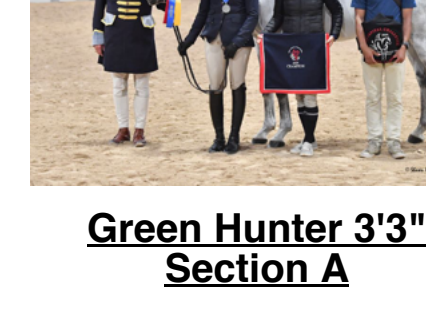
Sponsored by Boggs Hill/Mr. & Mrs. Tim Goguen

Champion: Ravello, ridden by Liza Boyd and owned by Finally Farm, Inc.

Reserve: Sandstone, ridden by Scott Stewart and owned by Dr. Betsee Parker

3' - 3'3" Hunter Champions

All photos by Shawn McMillen Photography



Green Hunter 3'3" Section A

Sponsored by Hunt Tosh, Inc.

Champion: Blink, ridden by Jennifer Bauersachs and owned by Lee Kellogg Sadrian

Reserve: Bordeaux, ridden by Hunt Tosh and owned by Dr. Betsee Parker

Green Hunter 3' 7 & Over

Sponsored by David Belford & Christopher Payne, New Hope LLC

Champion: Quiet Time, ridden by John French and owned by Ann Russo

Reserve: Normandy, ridden by Scott Stewart and owned by Dr. Betsee Parker

Green Hunter 3'3" Mares

Sponsored by Penelope Ayers

Champion: Waverly, ridden by Holly Orlando and owned by Privet Farm, LLC.

Reserve: Mayflower, ridden by Scott Stewart and owned by Dr. Betsee Parker

Green Hunter 3'3" Section B

Sponsored by Hunt Tosh, Inc.

Champion: Commentary, ridden by Julie Curtin and owned by Amy Squier Perez

Reserve: Tufton Avenue, ridden by Katie Cooper and owned by Caves Farm LLC

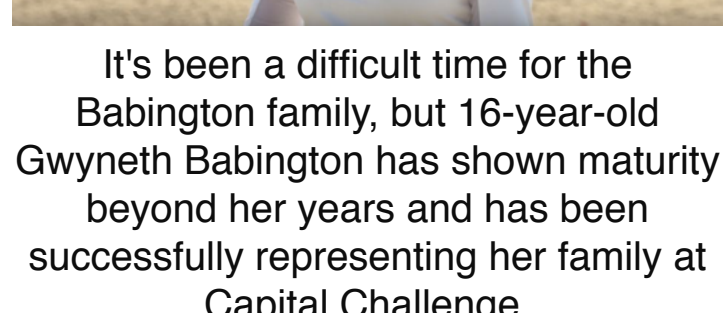
Green Hunter 3' 6 & Under

Sponsored by Jennifer & Roger Smith

Champion: Canyon, ridden by Patricia Griffith and owned by Lexi Maounis

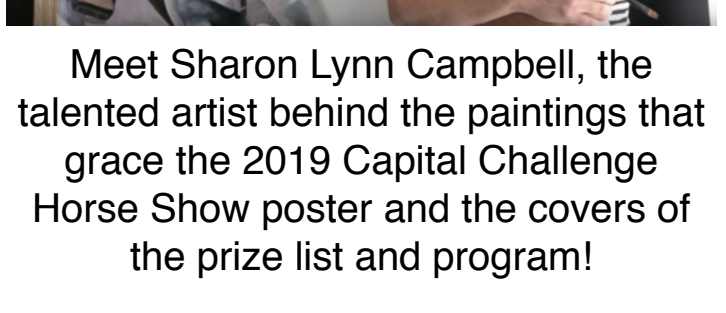
Reserve: Silver Lining, ridden by Patricia Griffith and owned by Callie Seaman

Behind-the-Scenes Videos



It's been a difficult time for the Babington family, but 16-year-old Gwyneth Babington has shown maturity beyond her years and has been successfully representing her family at Capital Challenge.

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Judges Pick Favorite

Karl Postel got a taste of winning at Capital Challenge last year, when she topped the \$5,000 WCHR Developing Pro Challenge, and this year she was eager to take another blue ribbon home to Westlake Village, CA. So when she and Favorite emerged as the winners of the WCHR Professional Under Saddle, Postel was all smiles. "Once we were qualified for the class, then I definitely wanted to win" Postel said. "He's a contender in the hack every time, he's a floater. His movement in the trot is so accentuated, and he does it so easily and gently. He immediately captures your eye. He's a true hunter." Postel shows Favorite, a nine-year-old Dutch Warmblood, in the High Performance Conformation division. She took over the ride last year from John French, who had shown the bay gelding in the green conformation division on page 2.

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About the Capital Challenge Horse Show

Now in its 26th year, the Capital Challenge Horse Show, presented by the World Equestrian Center, sets itself apart with a distinct and unique focus on preeminent hunter and equitation competition. Held at the Prince George's Equestrian Center in Upper Marlboro, MD, the 2019 edition of the Capital Challenge Horse Show is taking place now through October 6. The 10 days of competition include prestigious equitation events, jumper divisions, the World Championship Hunter Rider (WCHR) Finals, the \$25,000 3' and 3'3" Green Hunter North American Championships, and more, with many of the country's best horses and riders competing in junior, amateur, and professional divisions. For more information, visit www.capitalchallenge.org.

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