

In the News



Emerson Segó with Frosty
Photo by Jill Segó

The amazing power of horses (and in this case a pony) is evident in the life of **Emerson Segó**, who was born with a very rare genetic disorder in which he is missing a portion of his 3rd chromosome. He's 4 years old and deals with a great many physical and mental challenges in his life, but in spite of it all, he's the gentlest little soul anyone could ever meet. His love for animals, especially horses and dogs, is profound. Emerson is non-verbal and uses sign language to communicate; one of the first signs he learned was "horse," and whenever he gets the opportunity to ride **Frosty** the pony, he lights up with joy and excitement. He doesn't need words to be able to express his love for the animals in his life. He gently kisses and pets them with all the love in his heart even though he cannot express it in words. Frosty the pony is 25 years old. She is also a gentle soul who has spent most of her life as a children's school pony bringing joy and love into the hearts of many kids. Frosty is now retired at **Klein Ranch**, where Emerson is able to enjoy her whenever he visits his grandparents.



Evening of Cocktails and Conversations

The evening of **Cocktails & Conversations**, presented by **Rood & Riddle Equine Hospital** in Wellington, Florida, along with exclusive partner **Zoetis**, was a smashing success! Nearly 250 guests attended the seminar session held at the **Wanderers Club** in Wellington. The seminar was open to the public, free of charge and well-attended by South Florida equestrians who represented multiple disciplines and who were educated on a variety of topics by the experts of Rood & Riddle Equine Hospital.



Eoin Thompson, TRM sales and marketing director; John Brennan and Missy Clark of North Run; and Gabby Russum, TRM U.S. representative.

Congratulations to **Missy Clark** and **John Brennan** and their **North Run** team on a new sponsorship with **TRM**, Europe's largest manufacturer and distributor of nutritional feed supplements and general healthcare products for horses. Missy, John and North Run's **Tomi Yofre** join an impressive list of some of the sport's leading competitors who use and endorse TRM and its products. "We are thrilled to welcome North Run to the TRM team," said **Elaine Hatton**, TRM's marketing manager. "Missy and John have built North Run into one of America's most successful training operations and Tomi is an up-and-coming grand prix rider who has had success in the U.S. and is ready to burst onto the scene internationally. We look forward to working with them in making more people aware of the ways that TRM products can help maximize horses' athletic performance."



Three team members from New York Empire (left to right): Daniel Bluman, Scott Brash and owner Georgina Bloomberg
Photo by Jump Media

New York Empire team owner **Georgina Bloomberg** announced the six riders ready to take on the **Global Champions League's** 2020 season. Joining the New York City native in returning to the line-up are **Daniel Bluman** (ISR), **Scott Brash** (GBR), **Denis Lynch** (IRL), and Under 25 member **Spencer Smith** (USA). They will be joined by new team member **Shane Breen** (IRL), who made a move from the Miami Celtics to jump for Lady Liberty this season. New York Empire finished 12th overall in the 2019 regular season and qualified for the Global Champions League

Playoffs in Prague. Last year, the team enjoyed four podium finishes, including a victory in Valkenswaard, the Netherlands. Georgina is looking forward to another successful season, which kicked off in Doha, Qatar, March 5-7 and continued to Mexico City, Mexico, from March 26-29 before arriving on U.S. soil in Miami Beach, Florida, in April.



TJ O'Mara has joined Stonehenge's team as a professional rider and trainer
Photo by Jump Media

Following a highly successful junior and amateur career training with **Stonehenge Stables**, **TJ O'Mara** has now joined the Stonehenge team as a professional rider and trainer. Under the tutelage of Stonehenge's **Max Amaya**, TJ rode to wins in the 2016 Platinum Performance/USEF Show Jumping Talent Search Finals, the 2016 Pessoa/US Hunter Seat Medal Final, and the 2016 George H. Morris Excellence in Equitation Championship. The 21-year-old rider recently spent six months training with 2006 World Champion **Jos Lansink** in Belgium before returning to Stonehenge Stables, with bases in Wellington, Florida, and Colts Neck, New Jersey.



Dinja van Liere riding Iron Spring Farm's new KWPN Approved Stallion Lowlands
Photo by DigiShots

Congratulations to **Iron Spring Farm**, the proud new owner of the exciting Approved KWPN stallion **Lowlands**, Reserve Champion at the autumn KWPN Stallion Performance Test in Ermelo in 2019. The addition of Lowlands represents a long search for a young stallion with the right mix of athleticism,