

In the News



Georgina Bloomberg with Barky Pines Animal Rescue dogs
 This spring, four lucky dogs made their way from **Barky Pines Animal Rescue** in Loxahatchee, Florida, to **South Hampton Animal Shelter** in Hampton Bays, New York, to find their forever homes. Rescue-dog advocate and grand prix show jumper **Georgina Bloomberg** transported them to Palm Beach International Airport and wished them well as they headed north. Three out of the four were adopted to their forever homes before they even arrived in New York.



Capital Challenge equitation lineup
 Photo by Jump Media

The **Capital Challenge Horse Show** management team has announced new qualification guidelines for the **Taylor Harris Insurance Services (THIS) National Children's Medal** and **Ariat National Adult Medal** classes. Both are scheduled to be held during the Capital Challenge Horse Show, which will run September 25–October 4, 2020, at the **Prince George's Equestrian Center** in Upper Marlboro, Maryland. As not all areas of the country resumed showing at the same time,

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and in an effort to make the qualifying process as fair as possible, the following revision was made for both classes: The points a rider earns at their 10 best shows will count toward qualifying. A rider may compete in more than 10 shows during the qualification period, but only the 10 shows where they earned the most points will count toward qualifying for the finals. Learn more at www.CapitalChallenge.org.



Julia Tops
 Photo by Arnd Bronkhorst

Sidelines magazine congratulates **Julia Tops** on her graduation from the prestigious **London School of Economics (LSE)** with a master's degree in development studies. *Sidelines* spotlighted the 22-year-old Canadian show jumper and her success in the saddle as well as the classroom in our November 2017 issue, and the young rider has continued to thrive in both areas. The daughter of Canadian show jumping team veteran **Tani Zeidler** and Dutch Olympic gold medalist **Jan Tops**, Julia completed much of the LSE master's program at the university in England. However, amid the coronavirus pandemic and with classes subsequently moved online, Julia returned home to Calgary, Canada, to finish out her studies and her dissertation on the financing of water infrastructure projects in the developing world. Given the seven-hour time difference between Calgary and London, it was not unusual for Julia to be attending class online at 3 a.m. as she concluded her degree!



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FABIO & BUDDY

Hi, I'm Fabio — for the obvious reasons — and this is my sidekick, Buddy. We're both 13 years old. We came to Barky Pines after our mom passed. It was her wish for us to stay together and Aunt Liz said she will make certain that happens. Like typical brothers, sometimes we bicker — buddy starts it, he tries to steal my cookies! But I look out for the little guy.



PHEONA

Hi, I'm Pheona. I'm thought to be nearly 15, though I act like a 9-year-old. I love to run in the yard and roll around in the soft grass. I've had a rough life and people weren't very nice to me, so, of course, I'm pretty scared when I meet new people and prefer them giving me time to come to them. I'd like a quiet home with not a lot of visitors or any other pets: Someone with patience to let me know I can trust them, and then I will love them forever.



MARTY

Hi, I'm Marty! Yes, I am so cute — my people tell me all the time, so it must be true. I may be 10 but I have lots of spunk. When I'm not playing and running around the farm, I'm getting snuggles. Those are the best! I could snugg all day! I'm a bed sleeper, so night snugs are my favorites! I am only 8 lbs, so don't take up much room. I make friends with everyone I meet!



SMOKEY

Introducing Smokey: He's thought to be 5 but acts much younger. At last weigh-in he was 91 lbs — up from a skinny 74! He had lived most of his life outside on a farm, where he contracted heartworm and his ears were chewed up by flies and infected. We've done his treatment and he's doing amazing! He is smart and learned manners quickly.