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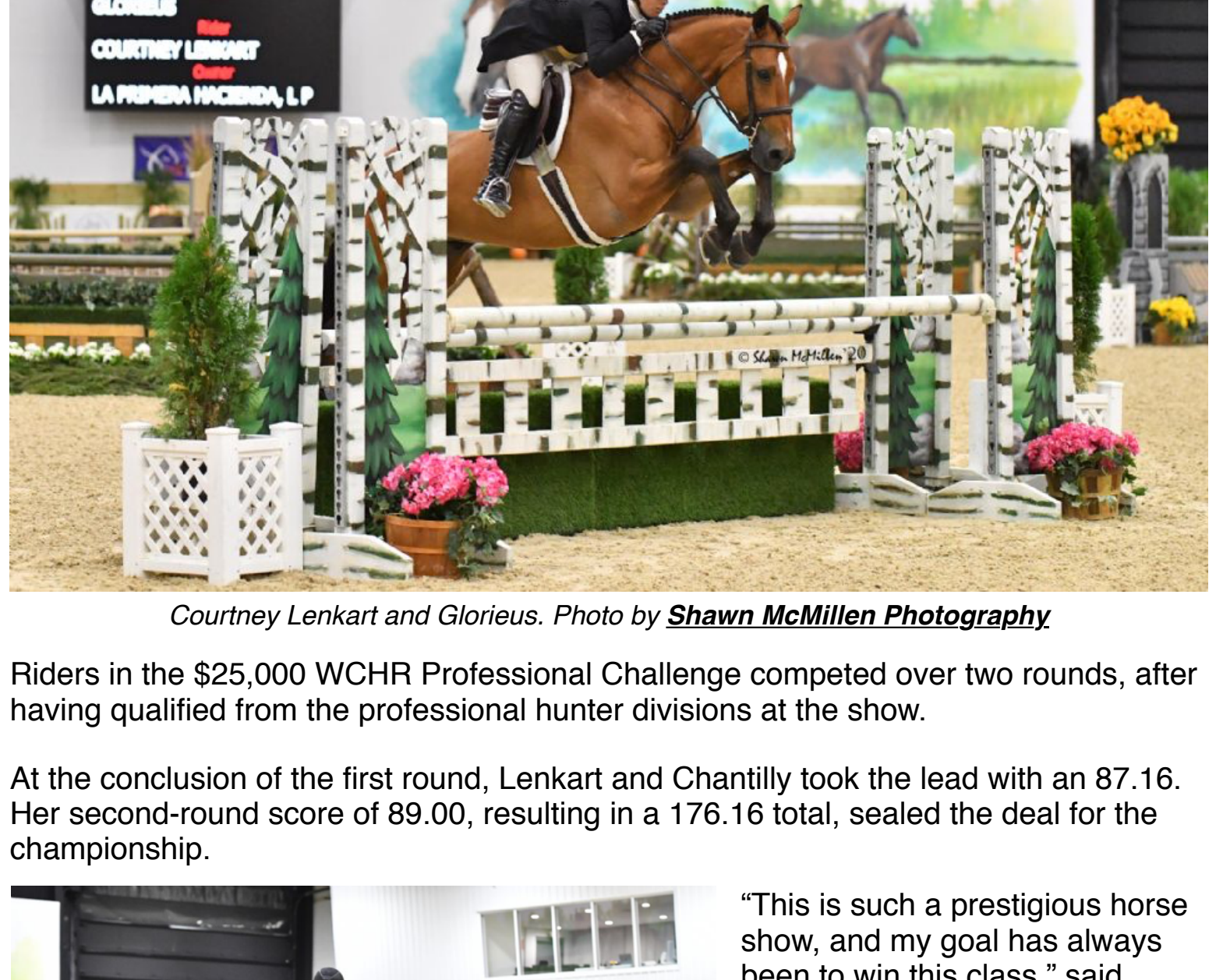
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Courtney Lenkart Claims WCHR Pro Challenge at Capital Challenge

Wilmington, OH – Wilmington, OH – Courtney Lenkart of Bartonville, TX, rode Glorious to capture the top prize in the \$25,000 World Championship Hunter Rider (WCHR) Professional Challenge, sponsored by The Gochman Family, at the Capital Challenge Horse Show on Wednesday, September 30.

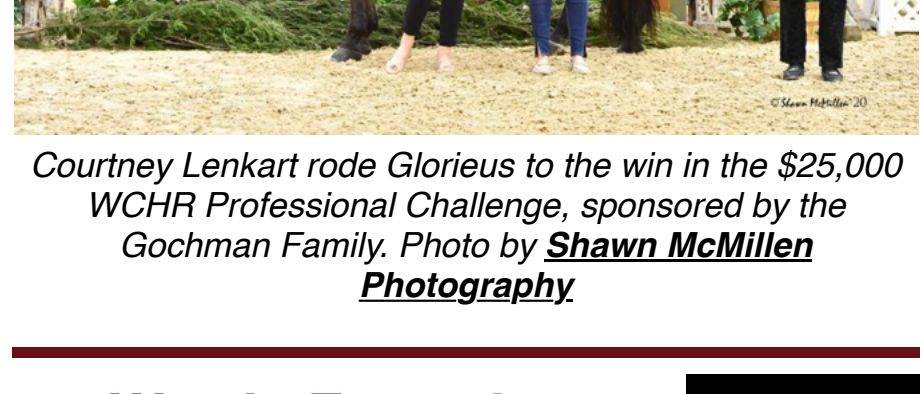
In the \$5,000 WCHR Developing Pro Challenge, sponsored by the John R. Ingram Fund, Julia Rose Rossow piloted Chantilly to the win, while Daniel Geitner and Mr. Manhattan topped the \$25,000 North American Green Hunter 3' and 3'3" Championship, sponsored by The Wheeler Family. The three classes marked a highlight day of Capital Challenge, which runs through Sunday, October 4, at the World Equestrian Center in Wilmington, OH.



Courtney Lenkart and Glorious. Photo by [Shawn McMillen Photography](#)

Riders in the \$25,000 WCHR Professional Challenge competed over two rounds, after having qualified from the professional hunter divisions at the show.

At the conclusion of the first round, Lenkart and Chantilly took the lead with an 87.16. Her second-round score of 89.00, resulting in a 176.16 total, sealed the deal for the championship.



Courtney Lenkart rode Glorious to the win in the \$25,000 WCHR Professional Challenge, sponsored by the Gochman Family. Photo by [Shawn McMillen Photography](#)

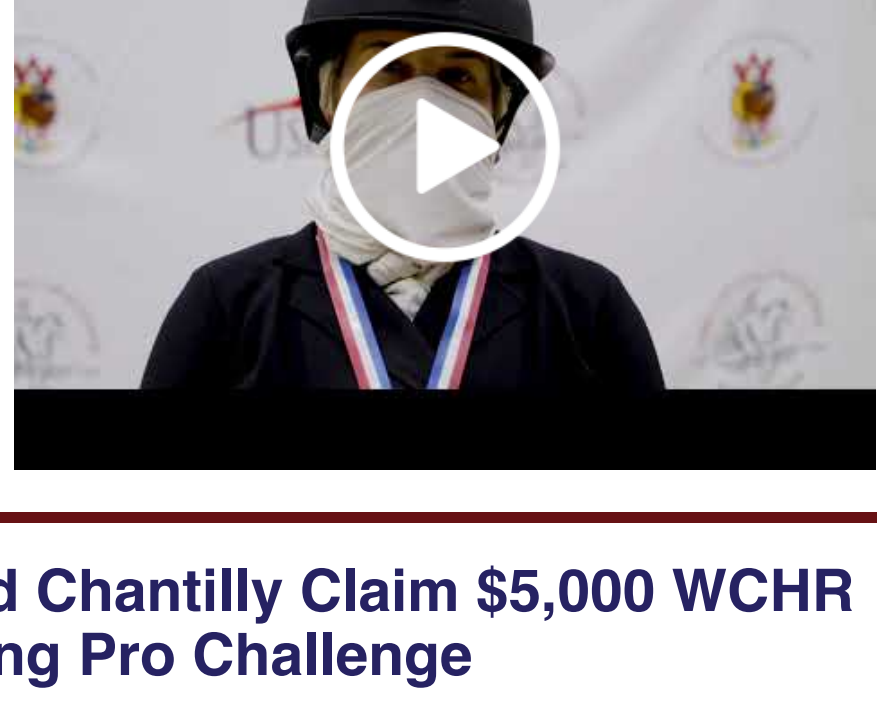
"This is such a prestigious horse show, and my goal has always been to win this class," said Lenkart, who had competed in the class once prior. "It was an amazing experience. It was a little nervous going into the second round just because I was leading. I tried to stay very relaxed and just have fun when I went in. Everything came up really smoothly. It's like a dream come true."

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Words From the Winner

Hear from Courtney Lenkart following her win in the \$25,000 WCHR Professional Challenge.

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Julia Rose Rossow and Chantilly Claim \$5,000 WCHR Developing Pro Challenge

Julia Rose Rossow of Calabasas, CA, emerged victorious in the \$5,000 WCHR Developing Pro Challenge. She and Chantilly, a warmblood mare owned by Malibu Valley Farms Inc., were best out of 30 entries in the class.



Julia Rose Rossow and Chantilly. Photo by [Shawn McMillen Photography](#)

Rossow and Chantilly were the last to go in round one, claiming a tie for the lead with a score of 88.16. The added pressure of a tied score proved to help the young professional, as she added a second-round score of 88.66 to record a total winning score of 176.82.

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Daniel Geitner and Mr. Manhattan Win \$25,000 North American Green Hunter 3' and 3'3" Championship

The win in the \$25,000 North American Green Hunter 3' and 3'3" Championship, sponsored by the Wheeler Family, went to Daniel Geitner and Mr. Manhattan, owned by Martin Schlaeppi.

Geitner, of Aiken, SC, and the six-year-old German Sporthorse gelding (by Maximus) were one of 31 entries that qualified to compete in Wednesday's championship class based on their results in the five Green Hunter 3' and 3'3" divisions offered on Monday and Tuesday at the Capital Challenge Horse Show.

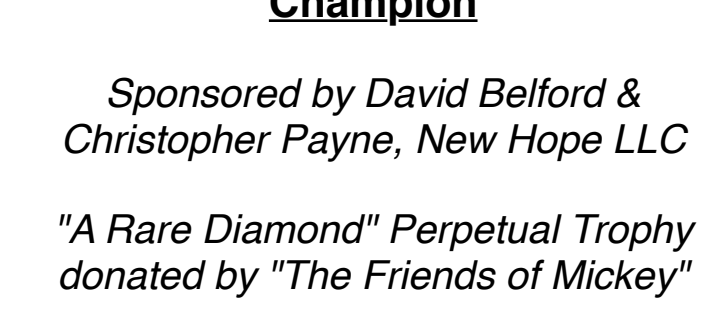
Geitner and Mr. Manhattan led Wednesday's two-round class from beginning to end, earning a score of 89.00 in the first round and returning to earn an 87.75 in the second round for a 176.75 total from the three judging panels. Second place went to Cassandra Kahle riding Cascatero.



Daniel Geitner and Mr. Manhattan. Photo by [Shawn McMillen Photography](#)

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Grand Hunter Champions

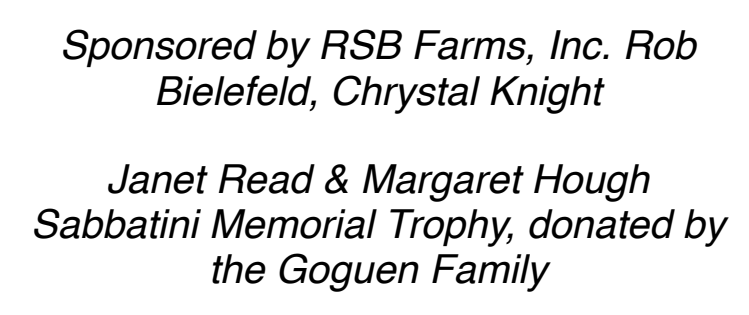


Grand Green Hunter 3' & 3'3" Champion

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"A Rare Diamond" Perpetual Trophy donated by "The Friends of Mickey"

Champion: Ever So Often, ridden by Kate Conover and owned by Ava Peck

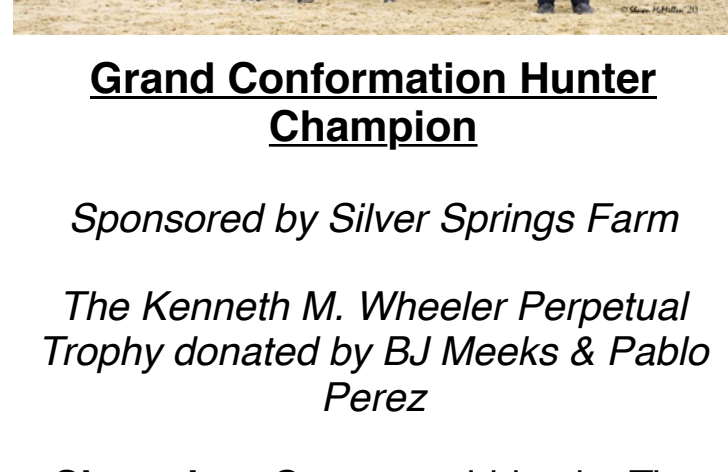


Grand Hunter Champion

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Janet Read & Margaret Hough Sabbatini Memorial Trophy, donated by the Goguen Family

Champion: Philadelphia Story, ridden by Evan Coluccio and owned by Balmoral



Grand Conformation Hunter Champion

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The Kenneth M. Wheeler Perpetual Trophy donated by BJ Meeks & Pablo Perez

Champion: Category, ridden by Tim Goguen and owned by Camille LeBlond

Evan Coluccio and Philadelphia Story also received:

The Tribute Award

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The Leading Hunter Rider Award

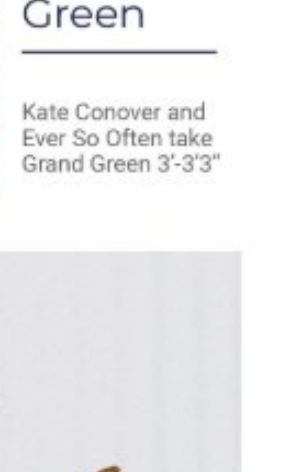
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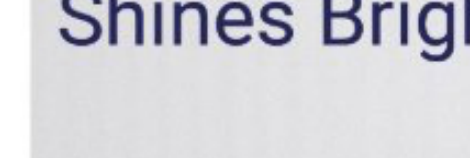
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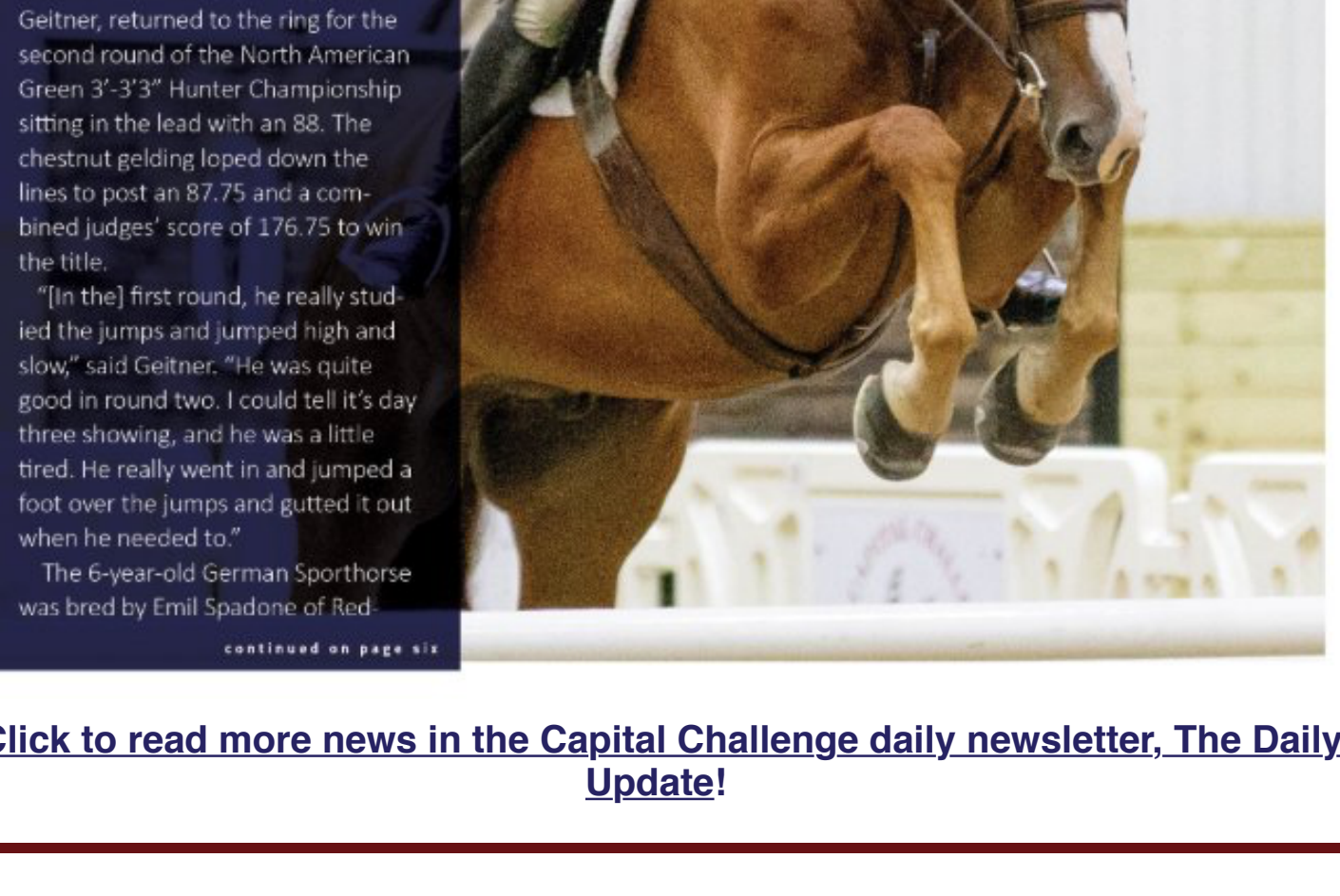
WCHR Challenges

Pro and Developing Pro Challenge Classes showcased top professionals.



Grand Green

Kate Conover and Ever So Often take Grand Green 3'-3'3"



Mr. Manhattan Shines Bright

Mr. Manhattan, piloted by Daniel Geitner, returned to the ring for the second round of the North American Green 3'-3'3" Hunter Championship sitting in the lead with an 88. The chestnut gelding loped down the lines to post an 87.75 and a combined judges' score of 176.75 to win the title.

"[In the] first round, he really studied the jumps and jumped high and slow," said Geitner. "He was quite good in round two. I could tell it's day three showing, and he was a little tired. He really went in and jumped a foot over the jumps and gutted it out when he needed to."

The 6-year-old German Sporthorse was bred by Emil Spadone of Red.

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