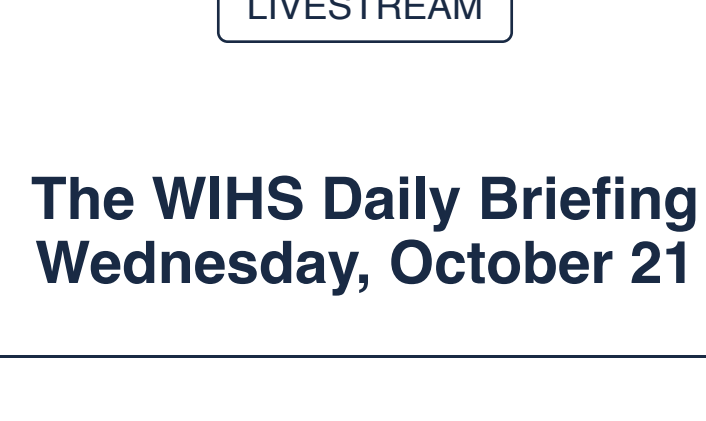




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The WIHS Daily Briefing Wednesday, October 21

Mattie Worsham Wins \$10,000 WIHS Adult Hunter Championship



WIHS Adult Hunter Champions Mattie Worsham and Scout. Photo by Shawn McMillan Photography

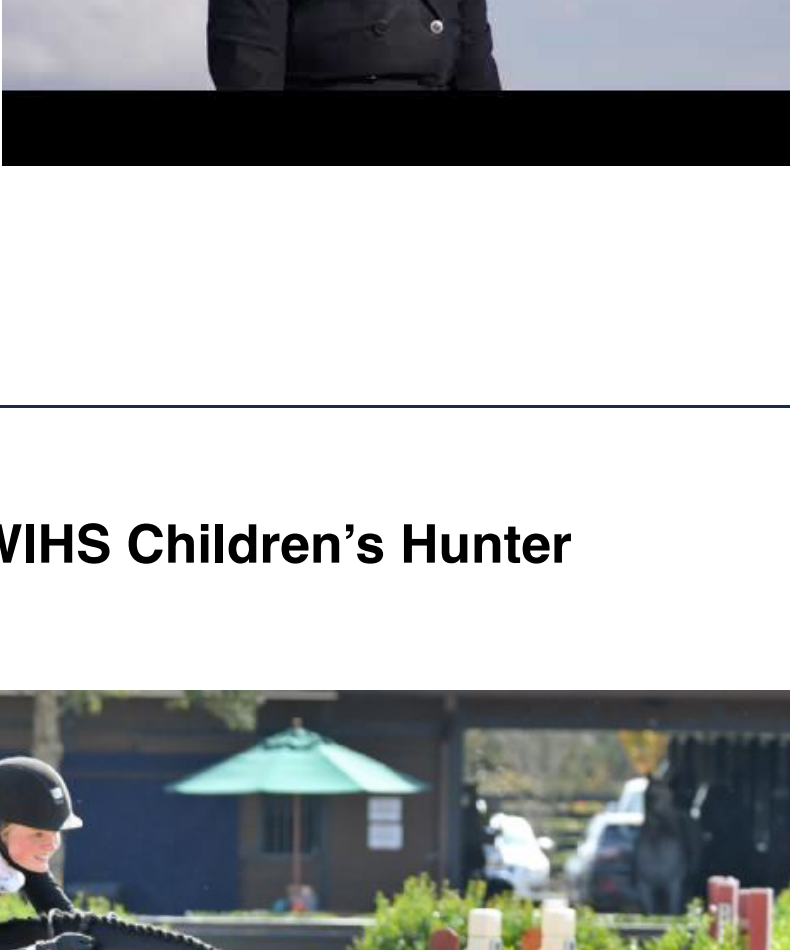
The Washington International Horse Show (WIHS) presented by MARS Equestrian™ officially commenced on Wednesday, October 21, at Tryon International Equestrian Center (TIEC) and continues through Sunday, October 25. Opening day featured the WIHS Hunter Championships presented by MARS Equestrian™ with the adult title going to Mattie Worsham of Aiken, SC, riding Scout.

When Worsham, 23, pulled Scout out from the retirement field two years ago, she never imagined he would bring her back to the show ring, let alone the winner's circle. Scout, a now 20-year-old gelding, was Worsham's junior hunter mount beginning when she was 13. After suffering from several degenerative conditions, Worsham and her family did their best to keep him sound and happy.

"He was off for almost four years, and my dad who is a veterinarian with his own practice [Foxdale Equine Veterinary Services] worked tirelessly to get him back here, while my mom took care of him while I was away at college," said Worsham, who is currently pursuing her PhD in English from Louisiana State University. "It is a dream come true and very redemptive to get him back here, especially since we grew up together. He will have a very happy long retirement after this at our farm in Aiken. It was really nice to be able to end his career here."



Words from the Winner



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Margaret Stell and Clever Claim WIHS Children's Hunter Championship



Margaret Stell and Clever on the way to a WIHS Children's Hunter Championship. Photo by Shawn McMillan Photography

Margaret Stell, 17, dominated the first round of the WIHS Children's Hunter Championship in the irons of Clever, her children's hunter mount of nearly three years. Her score of 87 set her apart from the field and was combined with a 76 in the second round for a total of 163 and a spot on the H. Fenwick Kollock Memorial Perpetual Trophy, donated by Friends of Fen.

"Clever is perfect," said Stell as she gave credit to the 13-year-old Holsteiner gelding by Clarimo. "He is all try – you could point him at the moon and he would say, 'If you are down to jump the moon, let's do it.' He's a once in a lifetime horse."

"It was very unexpected to even qualify for this," continued Stell, who trains with Pat Dodson and Keith Hastings, and was accompanied by her mother and groom, Jennifer Claus. "The trip to qualifying was definitely a crazy ride because we took so much time off that when we first came back in June, it was a little bit rough. My horse was there the whole time; I just had to reconfigure how I was thinking about it. The feeling of coming out here and winning is amazing."

Stell is currently a senior in high school and considering studying nursing in college.



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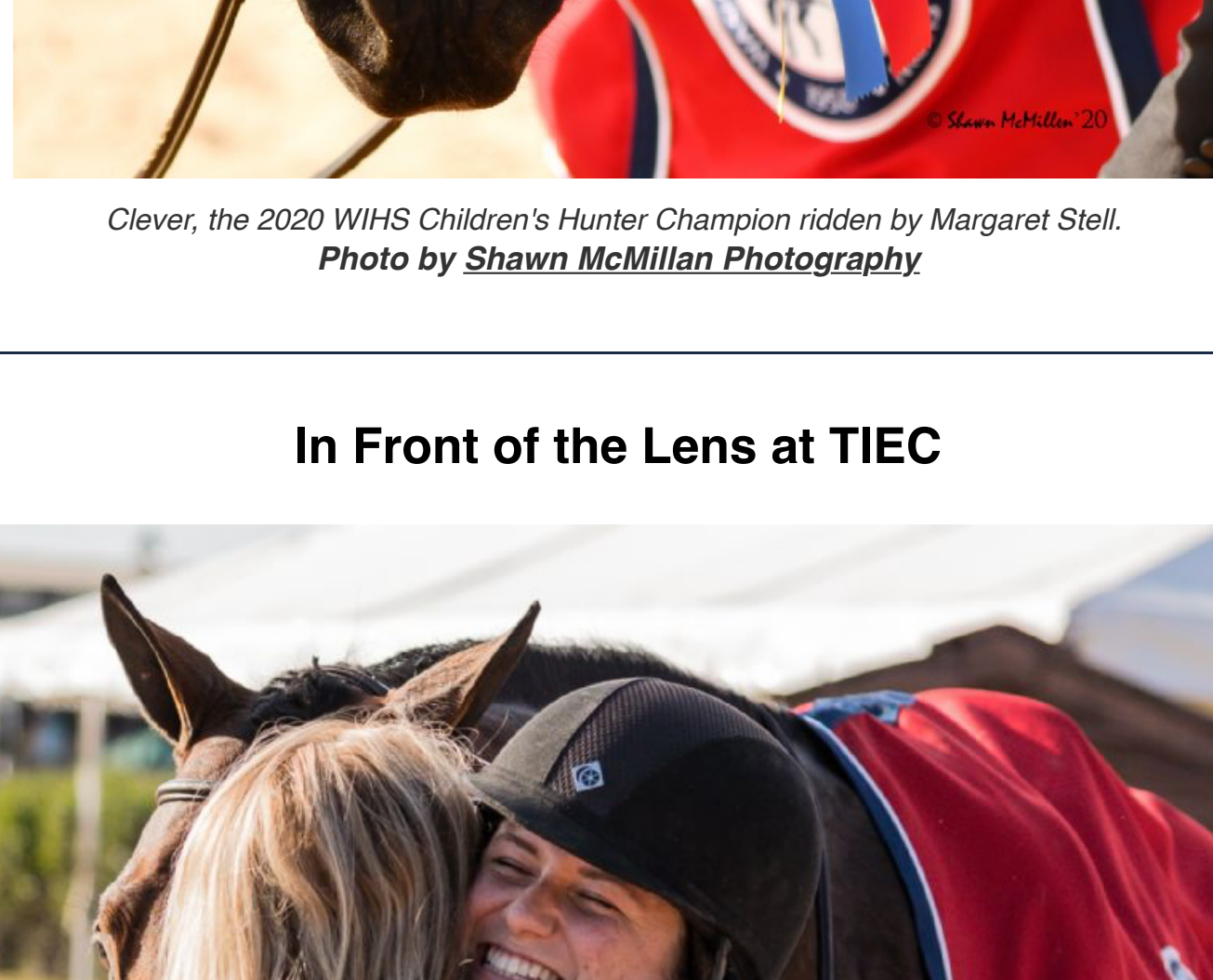
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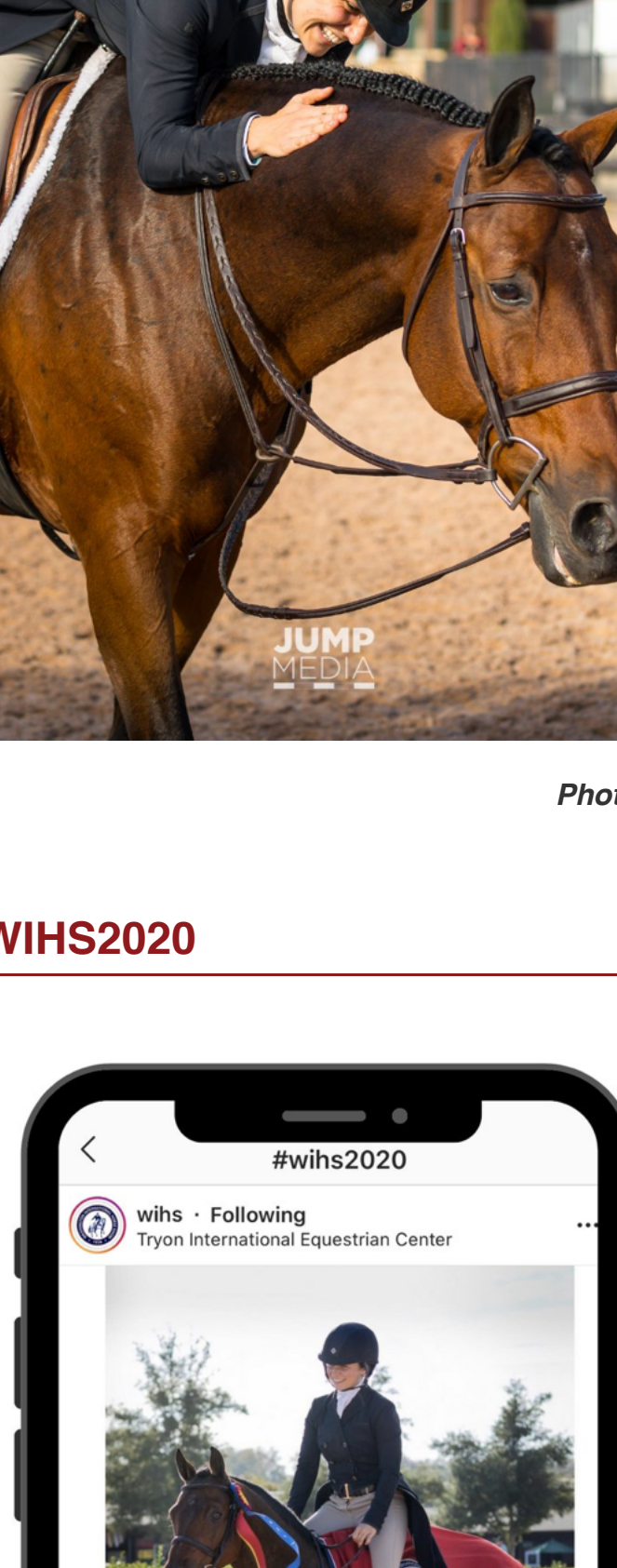
Clever, the 2020 WIHS Children's Hunter Champion ridden by Margaret Stell. Photo by Shawn McMillan Photography

In Front of the Lens at TIEC



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- WIHS Adult Jumper Championship

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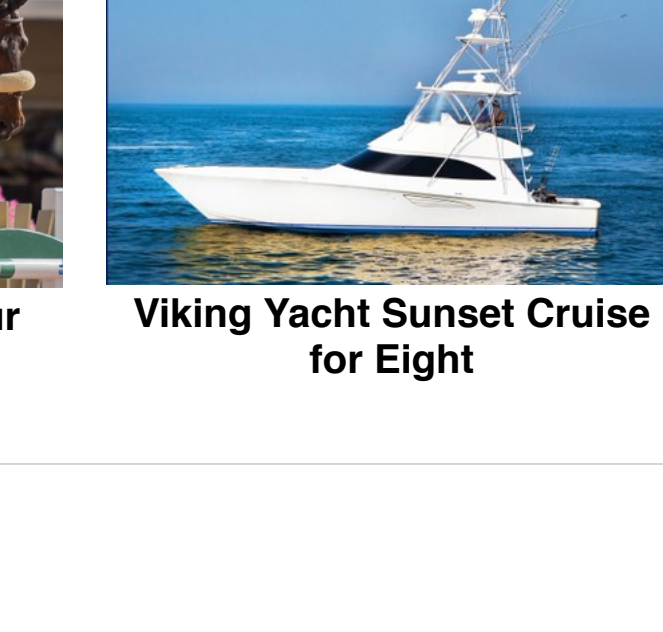
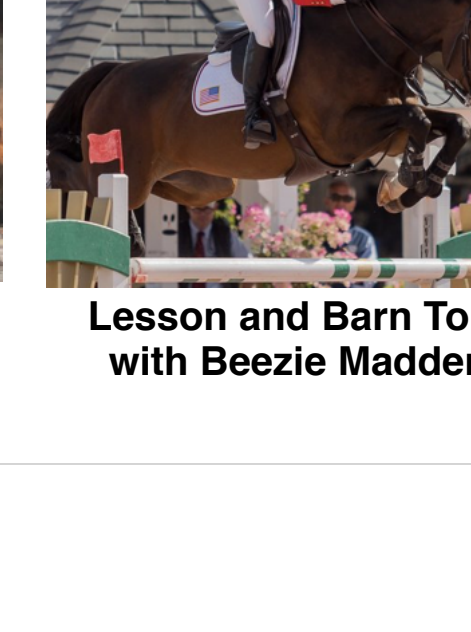
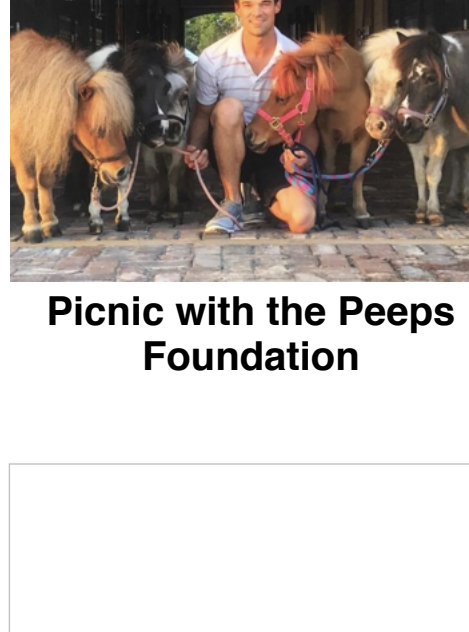
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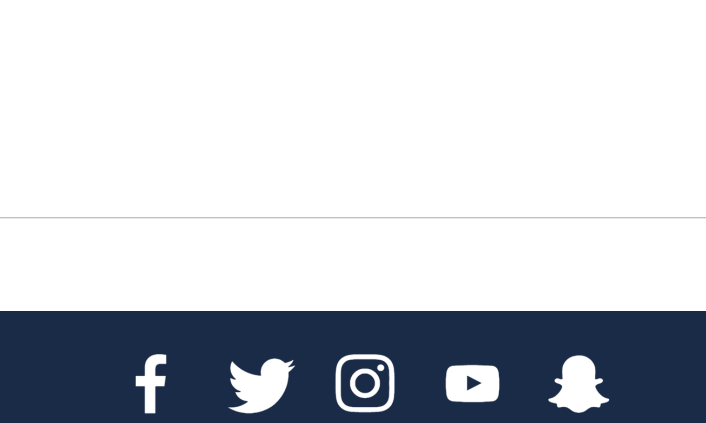
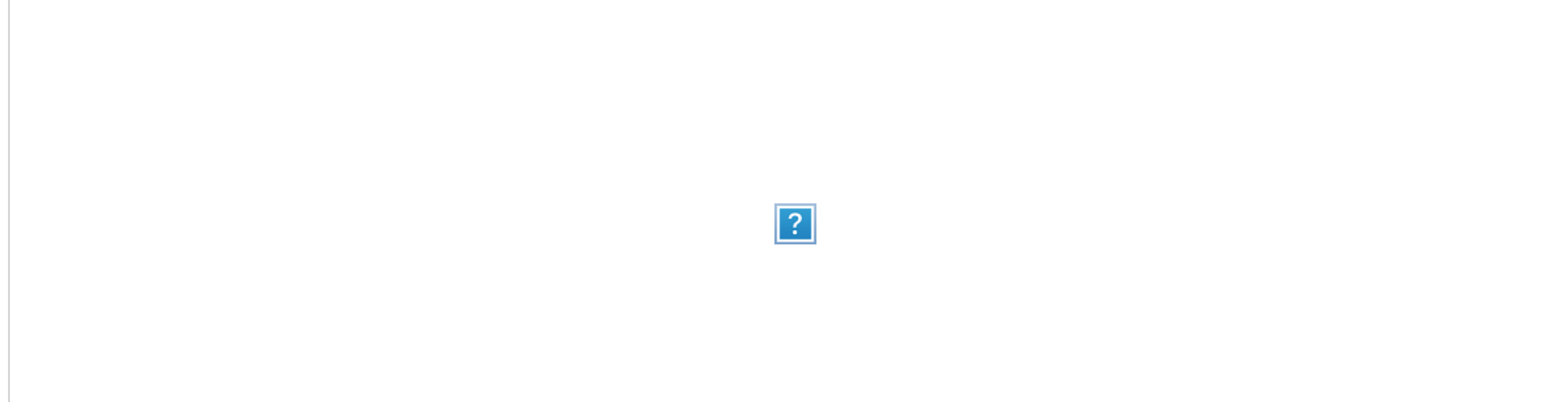
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