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Highlights From Summer IV at World Equestrian Center – Ocala



Kristen VanderVeen and Bull Run's Prince of Peace won the \$75,000 Yellow Pony Pub & Garden Grand Prix during Summer IV. **Photo by** <u>Andrew Ryback Photography</u>

Kristen VanderVeen and Bull Run's Prince of Peace Prevail in the \$75,000 Yellow Pony Pub & Garden Grand Prix



An international list of 65 competitors took on the \$75,000 Yellow Pony Pub & Garden Grand Prix on Saturday, July 3, during week four of the World Equestrian Center – Ocala Summer Series. Eighteen entries advanced to the jump-off, but it was Kristen VanderVeen (USA) and Bull Run's Prince of Peace, a 12-year-old Holsteiner gelding (Cardenio 2 x Contender) owned by Bull Run Jumpers Six LLC, that captured the win.

Kristen VanderVeen and Bull Run's Prince of Peace were joined in their winning presentation by Jennifer Glass of World Equestrian Center, Jeremy Gow, Director of Food and Beverage of The Equestrian Hotel, and Karla Campbell, WEC Sponsorship Coordinator. **Photo by <u>Andrew</u>** <u>**Ryback Photography**</u>

"I have had Prince of Peace for quite a while – almost four years – and he is quite the character," said VanderVeen. "He has a really strong personality and can be kind of rambunctious, but I think those quirks are what really makes him special."

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Brady Mitchell Scores Second Consecutive \$12,500 WEC – Ocala 3'6"-3'9" Hunter Derby Victory



Brady Mitchell and Casting Call won the \$12,500 WEC – Ocala 3'6"-3'9" Hunter Derby during Summer IV. Photo by <u>Andrew Ryback Photography</u>

Fresh off his derby wins last week, Brady Mitchell came back strong on Friday, July 2, taking the win in the \$12,500 WEC – Ocala 3'6"-3'9" Hunter Derby aboard Casting Call, owned by Float On Equestrian LLC. Scores of 90 and 95 put Mitchell and the seven-year-old Westphalian gelding on a 185 total to secure the victory.

Clair Kellner won the \$10,000 WEC Ocala 3' Hunter Derby with Caligua, owned by Suzanne Cayatte. Mitchell took second in the class with Pompidou.

Of her handy round plan, Kellner said, "Originally, I was talking to Brady [Mitchell], saying I was not going to go and do the inside turn after [fence six] but then he did it, so I had no choice."

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Tracy Fenney Earns Her Second \$15,000 WEC – Ocala Welcome Prix Victory



Tracy Fenney (USA) topped 54 entries in the \$15,000 WEC – Ocala Welcome Prix on Thursday, July 1, aboard MTM Apple, a 10-year-old Danish Warmblood owned by MTM Farm. The pair sped to the fastest time among 23 jump-off contenders. "Everyone thinks she's slow because she is big and stout," Fenney said of the deceptively fast mare. "She is just moseying into the ring super relaxed, but then she just kicks into another gear."

Tracey Fenney and MTM Apple captured the \$15,000 WEC – Ocala Welcome Prix win. **Photo by Andrew Ryback Photography**

Second place went to Diego Perez Bilbao (ESP) and ABC Quantum, owned by Wyndmont, Inc., and Kris Killam (USA) took home third place with Gangster CHS, owned by Helene Jones.

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Kim Farlinger and Imara Claim the \$15,000 WEC – Ocala 1.40m Classic



Kim Farlinger and Imara won the \$15,000 WEC – Ocala 1.40m Classic. **Photo by <u>Andrew Ryback Photography</u>**

Kim Farlinger (CAN) topped the \$15,000 1.40m Classic on Sunday, July 4, aboard her own Imara. Farlinger and the eightyear-old KWPN mare bested seven jump-off contenders to take the win. "My plan was to run as fast as I could, really," said Farlinger. "Sharn [Wordley] is always fast, and I knew he was leading, so I thought, if [Imara] jumped clear, I might as well give it a go."

Sharn Wordley (NZL) and Esmee took second place, and Diego Perez Balboa (ESP) finished third with Tinker Bell.



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- July 14-18 WEC Ocala Summer VI
- July 14-18 WEC Wilmington Summer 1
- July 21-25 WEC Ocala Summer VII
- July 21-25 WEC Wilmington Summer 2
- July 28-August 1 WEC Ocala Summer VIII
- August 4-8 WEC Ocala Summer IX
- August 11-15 WEC Ocala Summer X
- August 11-15 WEC Wilmington Summer 3

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