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# World Equestrian Center Highlights from Ocala and Wilmington



Sharn Wordley (NZL) and Gatsby topped the \$75,000 Stella Artois Grand Prix during Summer VII at WEC – Ocala. Photo by <u>Andrew Ryback Photography</u>

## Grand Prix at WEC – Ocala



Olympian Sharn Wordley of New Zealand captured the top two spots in the \$75,000 <u>Stella Artois</u> Grand Prix, brought to you by <u>Tri-Eagle Sales</u>, on Saturday, July 24, during the World Equestrian Center – Ocala Summer VII show. Wordley and his own Gatsby, a 17-year-old Irish Sport Horse stallion by Simba, were the fastest of four double clears and eight in the jump-off.

Sharn Wordley (NZL) and Gatsby in their winning presentation for the \$75,000 Stella Artois Grand Prix with Justin Gill, Tri-Eagle Sales Branch Manager, and Jim Wolf, Director of Sponsor Relations at WEC. *Photo by <u>Andrew Ryback Photography</u>* 

Wordley finished second on Casper, his own 15-year-old Oldenburg gelding by Contender, a mere four-hundredths of a second off his own winning time. Peter Petschenig (USA) and his own Wannabe CS placed third.

An additional \$5,000 was awarded to Diego Bilbao (ESP) and Tinker Bell for jumping the fastest four-fault round of Saturday night's \$75,000 Stella Artois Grand Prix, in 71.200 seconds. The non-award-winning entry that received the Luck of the Draw \$5,000 prize was Callan Solem (USA) and Essenar Crixus.

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#### Dorothy Douglas Pilots MTM Exceptional to \$12,500 WEC – Ocala 3'6"-3'9" Hunter Derby Win



Dorothy Douglas and MTM Exceptional won the \$12,500 WEC – Ocala 3'6"-3'9" Hunter Derby during Summer VII. Photo by <u>Andrew Ryback Photography</u>

Dorothy Douglas topped the \$12,500 WEC – Ocala 3'6"-3'9" Hunter Derby on Friday, July 23, with MTM Exceptional, owned by Abigail Davenport. Scores of 88 and 90 for a combined score of 170 secured the win for Douglas and the 12year-old Holsteiner gelding.

"I have been riding MTM Exceptional for about four years now," Douglas said. "I am so used to doing sale horses, so it is really nice to have one that I have had a relationship with for a couple of years."

Winning the \$10,000 WEC – Ocala 3' Hunter Derby was Isabel Harbour and her own Lost Art.

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# Back-to-Back Wins for Van Gogh and Wilhelm Genn in \$30,000 WEC – Ohio Grand Prix



After a victory in Thursday's Welcome Stake during the WEC – Wilmington Summer 2 show, Wilhelm Genn (GER) returned to the winner's circle on Saturday in the \$30,000 WEC Ohio Grand Prix. Riding his own Van Gogh, a 13-year-old Oldenburg gelding by Valentino, Genn stopped the jump-off clock more than four seconds faster than the second-place finishers, Natalie Thornell (USA) and Snow White, owned by Loveland Equine Investments.

Wilhelm Genn and Van Gogh captured their second win of the week in the \$30,000 WEC – Ohio Grand Prix. *Photo by <u>J. Winslow Photography</u>* 

Maria Roberts (USA) and her own Tyson Uno were the only other pair in the jump-off taking third place, and Genn was fourth with Bugatti, owned by Eduardo Leon, with one time fault in the first round. His son, Ryan Genn (USA), rode VDL Gerinus T to fifth place.

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#### Jeff Gogul and No Doubt Prove Unbeatable in \$12,500 WEC – Ohio 3'6"-3'9" Hunter Derby



Jeff Gogul and No Doubt won the \$12,500 WEC – Wilmington 3'6"-3'9" Hunter Derby. Photo by <u>J. Winslow Photography</u>

Jeff Gogul and No Doubt took the win in the \$12,500 WEC – Ohio 3'6"-3'9" Hunter Derby on Friday, July 23. A first round score of 92 put the pair on top early and a handy round score of 93, for a combined 185, secured the victory.

"This class was the first time he set foot in the ring at this show," Gogul said of No Doubt, a nine-year-old Holsteiner gelding. "I can always count on him. He rode the course great. Some horses come into your life at just the right time and he did that for me. He is just perfect!"

Winning the \$10,000 WEC – Ohio Hunter Derby 3' Open was Colleen Holton aboard Clayton 35, while Christopher Coberley and Undercover earned first place in the \$10,000 WEC – Ohio Hunter Derby Non-Pro.

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- 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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