

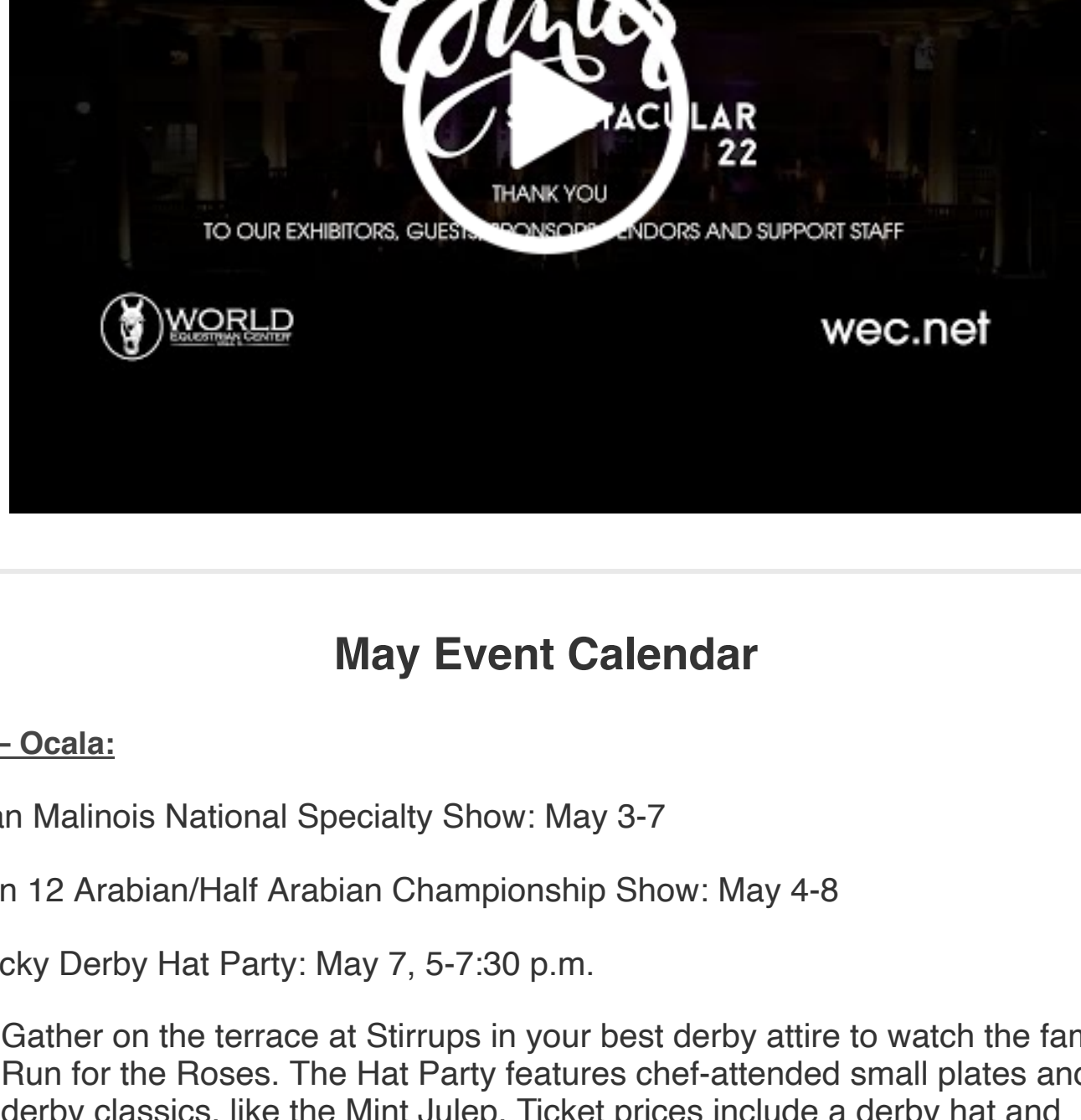


# WORLD EQUESTRIAN CENTER



In this month's newsletter, you'll find all the information you need to know for both World Equestrian Center locations in May!

## WEC – Ocala Winter Spectacular Wrap-Up



### May Event Calendar

#### WEC – Ocala:

- Belgian Malinois National Specialty Show: May 3-7
- Region 12 Arabian/Half Arabian Championship Show: May 4-8
- Kentucky Derby Hat Party: May 7, 5-7:30 p.m.

- Gather on the terrace at Stirrups in your best derby attire to watch the famous Run for the Roses. The Hat Party features chef-attended small plates and derby classics, like the Mint Julep. Ticket prices include a derby hat and keepsake bourbon bottle per couple.

[Kentucky Derby Hat Party Tickets](#)



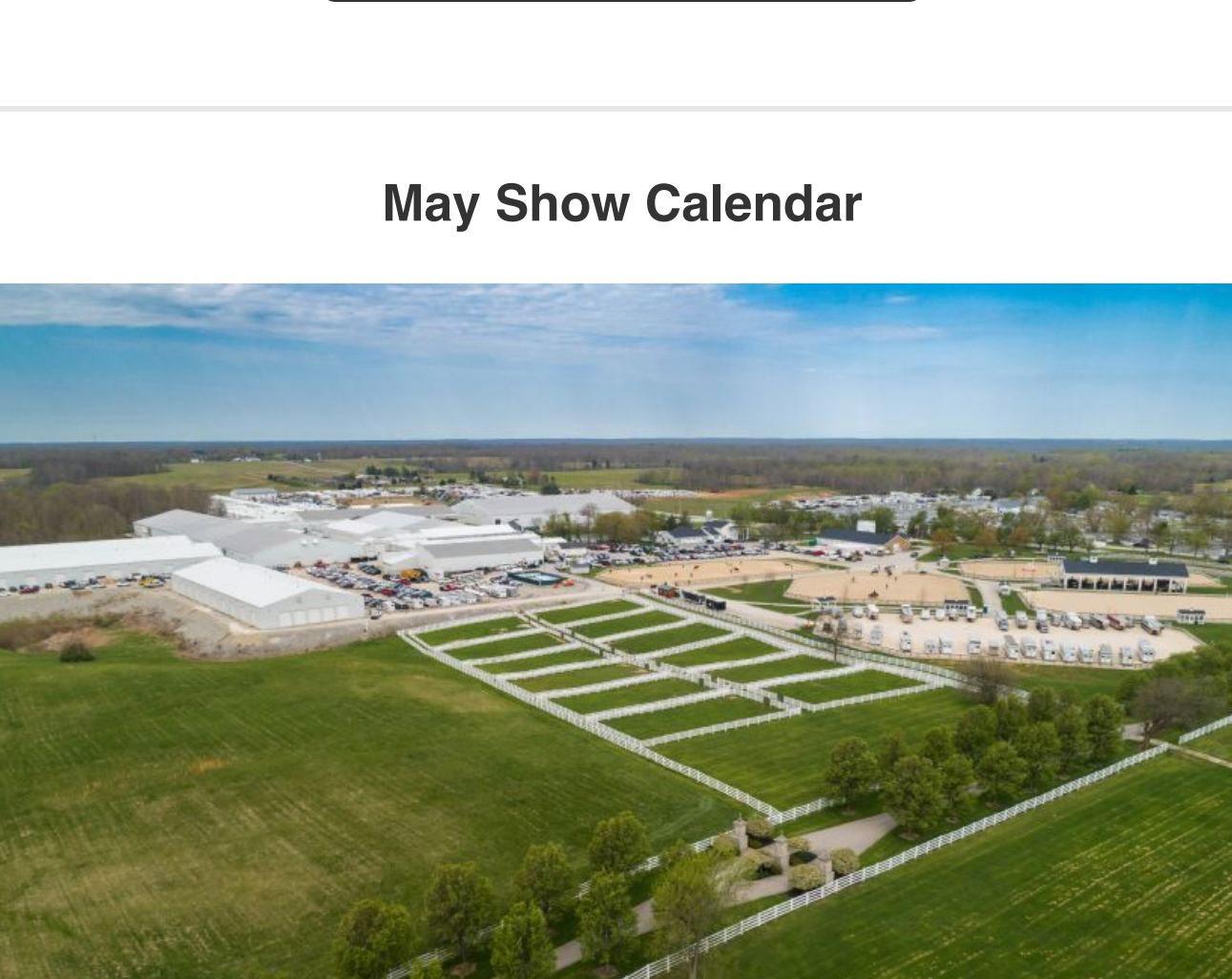
#### Mother's Day Brunch: May 8

- This special brunch on the terrace honors mothers and features a fresh menu with items like a house-made biscuit bar, made-to-order omelet station and exciting action stations serving grilled marinated skirt steak and much more. Reservations required.

[Mother's Day Brunch Reservation](#)

#### WEC Blueberry Festival, powered by Gary Yeomans Ford: May 14

- Bring the family to the Grand Plaza for a celebration of spring. Enjoy blueberry pie, jam, beer and other artisan fare. Shop at the Farmer's Market with handmade goods from local vendors. Free to enter; Register for the Blueberry 5k Fun Run that kicks off the festival!
- 5k Fun Run: 8 a.m.
- \$10 Pancake Breakfast: 9 a.m.
- Farmer's Market: 11 a.m.-5 p.m.



[Sign Up for the 5K Fun Run](#)

### May Show Calendar



The WEC – Ocala facility will hold several horse shows in May. Photo courtesy of WEC.

- May 4-8: Region 12 Arabian/Half Arabian Championship Show at WEC – Ocala
- May 6-15: The Madness AQHA at WEC – Wilmington
- May 13-15: Florida Paint Horse Club May Mane Event at WEC – Ocala
- May 19-22: Buckeye Classic Region 13 Arabian Show at WEC – Wilmington
- May 25-29: WEC Ohio Spring 1 USEF Hunter/Jumper Show at WEC – Wilmington
- May 25-29: Paso Fino Extravaganza International at WEC – Ocala

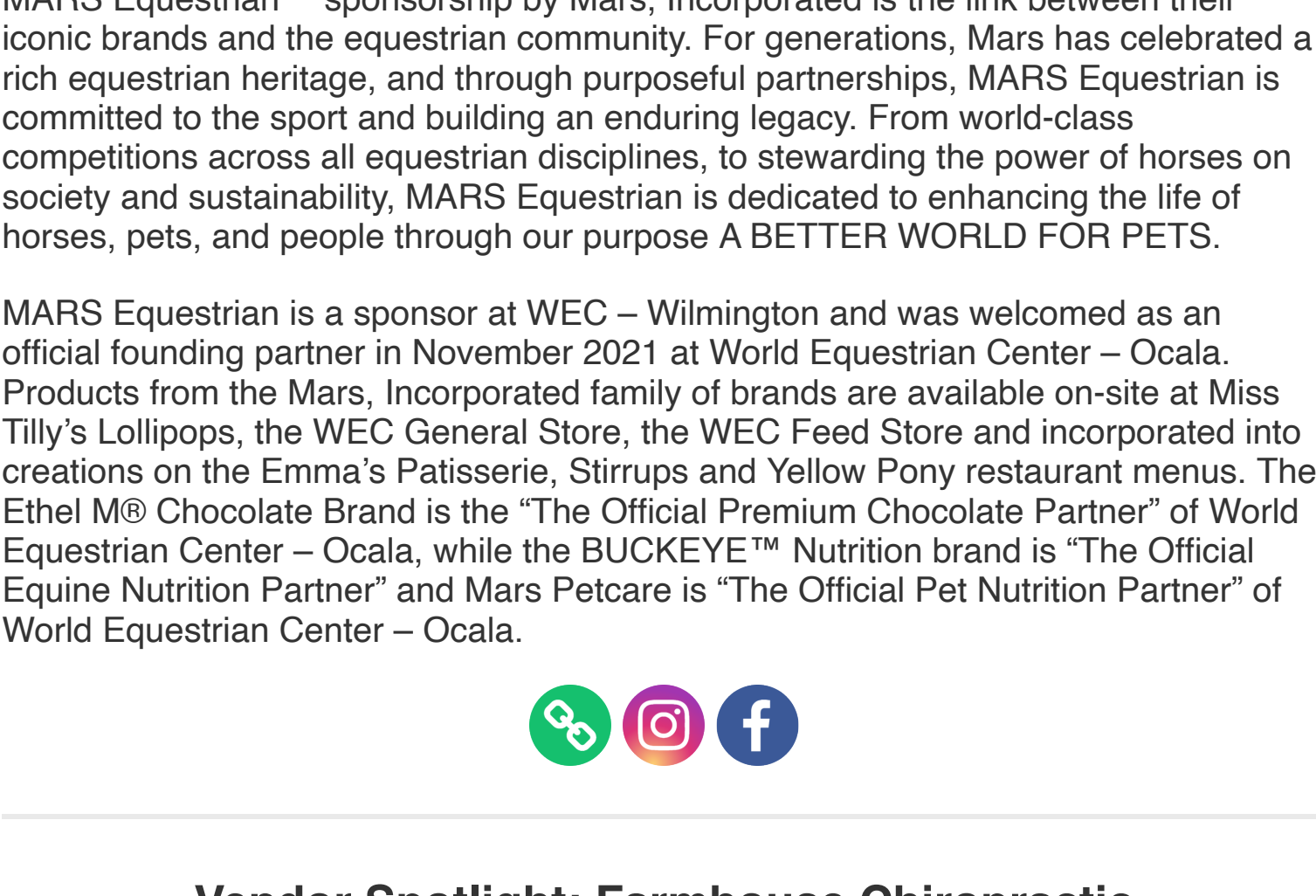
[Show Calendar](#)

WEC – Wilmington Spring/Summer Show Series continues this summer with the following dates:

- June 1-5: Spring 2 USEF "Regional 2 (C)" Level 4
- July 13-17: Summer 1 USEF "Regional 1 (B)" Level 3
- July 20-24: Summer 2 USEF Premier Level 4
- August 10-14: Summer 3 USEF Premier Level 4 & HJAM Medal Finals

[WEC – Wilmington Spring/Summer Prize List](#)

### World Equestrian Center Social Media Memories



Remember to tag World Equestrian Center and use #worldequestriancenter on all of your WEC social media posts!

### Sponsor of the Month: MARS Equestrian™



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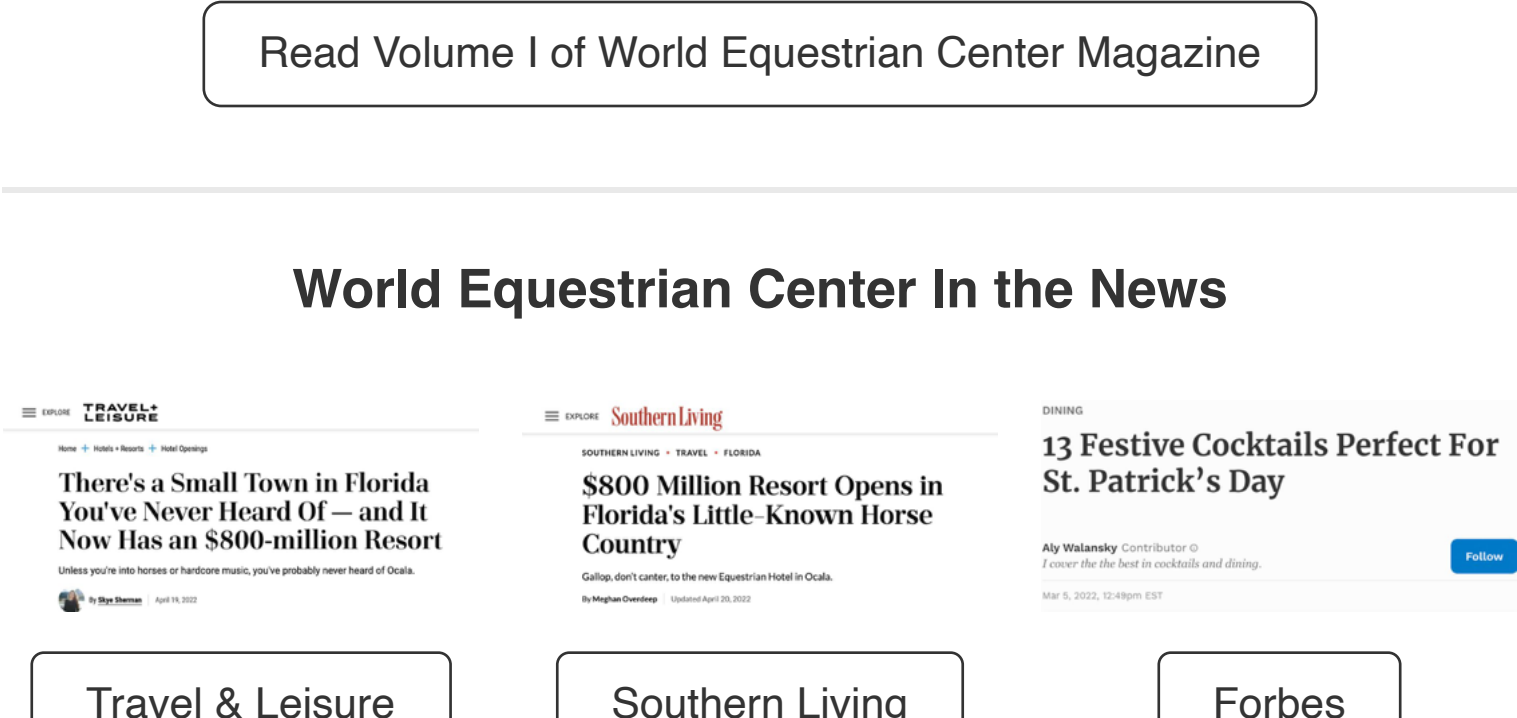
Did you ever wonder why a candy company like Mars, Incorporated cares so much about equestrian sports? Horses are deeply rooted in Mars, Incorporated history dating back to the 1930s. Spanning across generations, the Mars family continues to be involved in a variety of equestrian disciplines and interests. Giving back through Equestrian partnerships illustrates the Mars, Incorporated commitment for a better world.

MARS Equestrian™ sponsorship by Mars, Incorporated is the link between their iconic brands and the equestrian community. For generations, Mars has celebrated a rich equestrian heritage, and through purposeful partnerships, MARS Equestrian is committed to the sport and building an enduring legacy. From world-class competitions across all equestrian disciplines, to stewarding the power of horses on society and sustainability, MARS Equestrian is dedicated to enhancing the life of horses, pets, and people through our purpose A BETTER WORLD FOR PETS.

MARS Equestrian is a sponsor at WEC – Wilmington and was welcomed as an official founding partner in November 2021 at World Equestrian Center – Ocala. Products from the Mars, Incorporated family of brands are available on-site at Miss Tilly's Lollipops, the WEC General Store, the WEC Feed Store and incorporated into creations on the Emma's Patisserie, Stirrups and Yellow Pony restaurant menus. The Ethel M® Chocolate Brand is the "The Official Premium Chocolate Partner" of World Equestrian Center – Ocala, while the BUCKEYE™ Nutrition brand is "The Official Equine Nutrition Partner" and Mars Petcare is "The Official Pet Nutrition Partner" of World Equestrian Center – Ocala.



### Vendor Spotlight: Farmhouse Chiropractic



Farmhouse Chiropractic's welcoming setup at WEC – Ocala. Photo courtesy of Farmhouse Chiropractic

On-site at WEC – Ocala and located in Arena 2, you will find your team of physicians and therapists offering an individualized approach to performance optimization, natural pain management, rehabilitation and wellness for the equestrian athlete. Focusing on equestrians, equine, and canine care, the goal of Farmhouse Chiropractic is to keep you happy, healthy, and in the ribbons! Services available include chiropractic care, myofascial work and class 4 laser therapy for both humans, and animals, as well as corrective exercise, nutrition, shockwave, cupping, spinal disc decompression, kinesiotaping, and heated/cooled compression for rider recovery.

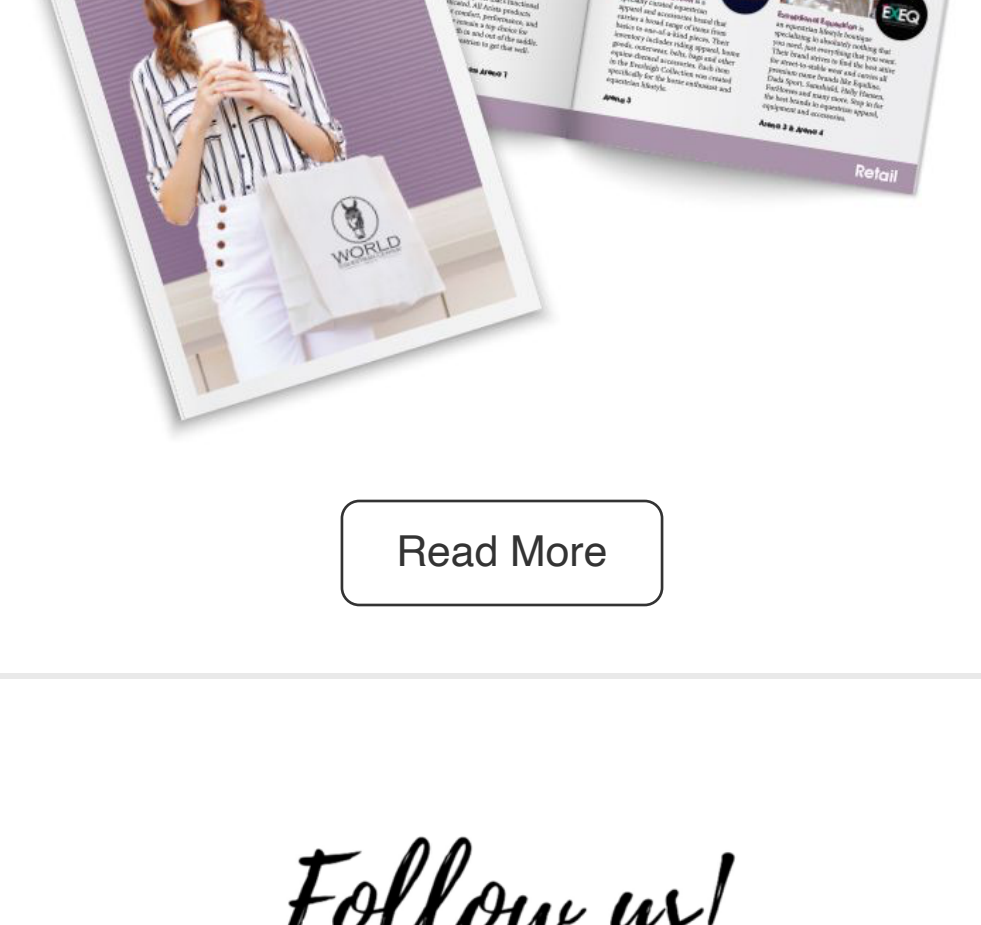
Coming soon: a variety of gifts and businesses that cater to a wellness lifestyle and support local artists and boutiques!

In this office, everyone is Farmhouse Family!

Call or text [352-812-0085](tel:352-812-0085) to reserve an appointment.



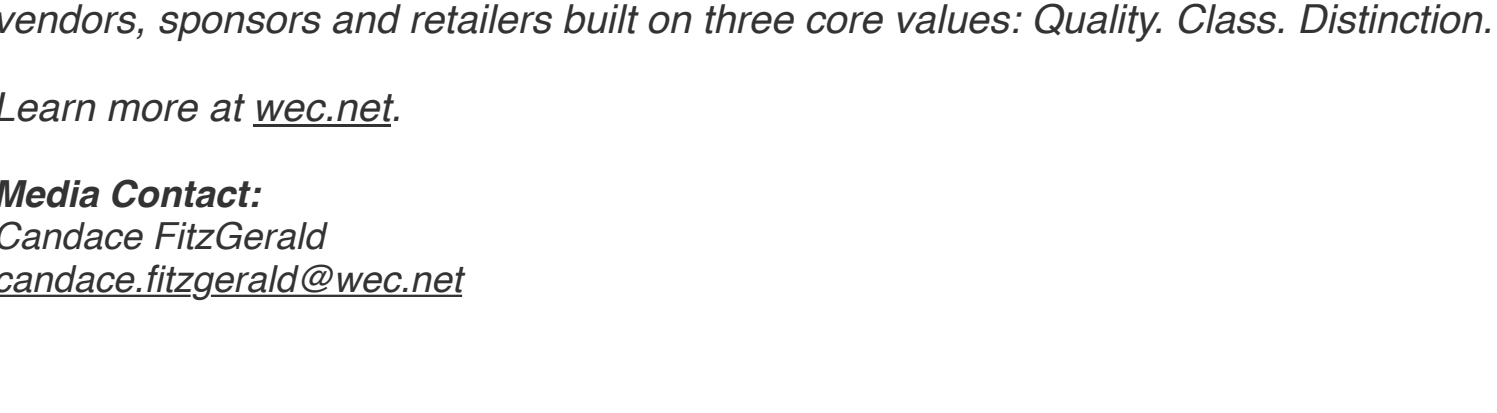
### World Equestrian Center Magazine



Check out the latest issue of the World Equestrian Center Magazine with cover star Doug Payne, who was recently crowned the U.S. National Champion after earning third place in the CCIS™-L competition at the 2022 Land Rover Kentucky Three-Day Event.

[Read Volume I of World Equestrian Center Magazine](#)

### World Equestrian Center In the News



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### New Paddock Club Menu From Chef Sean Eason



Photo by Winslow Photography

Chef Sean Eason is new to the World Equestrian Center – Wilmington and has reimaged the menu at The Paddock Club. Guests can enjoy the relaxed atmosphere and elegant, equestrian-inspired décor of The Paddock Club. Intimate seating areas and high top dining tables are ideal spots for eating and conversing with friends.

[New Menu](#)

### Did You Know? WEC – Ocala Has a Digital Shopping and Dining Guide?



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### About World Equestrian Center

World Equestrian Center features two premier equestrian and multidisciplinary venues in Ocala, Florida, and Wilmington, Ohio.

These exclusive facilities comprise state-of-the-art arenas, expansive stadiums, versatile outdoor space, sporting fields and well-appointed exposition centers. An abundance of lodging options and luxury accommodations are conveniently located on-site, along with shopping and dining throughout each property.

Dedicated to offering great sport and fun in a family-friendly environment, World Equestrian Center promises an unparalleled experience for exhibitors, spectators, vendors, sponsors and retailers built on three core values: Quality. Class. Distinction.

Learn more at [wec.net](http://wec.net).

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