

TUESDAY, OCTOBER 4



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**Kathleen Mathews and Downtown Brown**  
**Take the Crown in the North American**  
**League Adult Hunter Finals**

Competition at the 2022 Capital Challenge Horse Show at the Prince George's Equestrian Center in Upper Marlboro, Maryland, continued on Tuesday, October 4, with many of the professional divisions awarding championships. The star of the evening, though, was Kathleen Mathews, who was crowned the winner of the \$10,000 North American League (NAL) Adult Hunter Finals after two rounds aboard her own Downtown Brown.

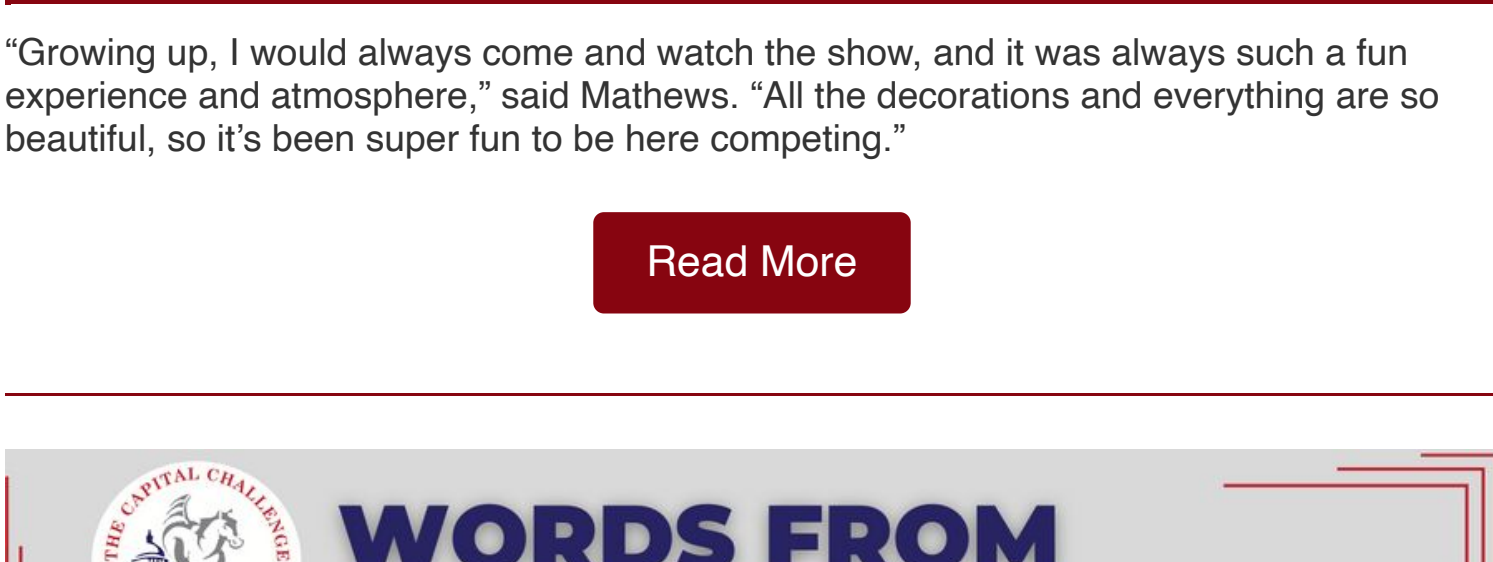
Riders qualified for this year-end final by accumulating points in the NAL Adult Hunter competitions throughout the year. Of the 28-horse-and-rider combinations, Mathews piloted "Dewey" to the first-round high score of 88. When the top 12 were called back for the second round, Mathews kept her composure, receiving an 86 from judges Gavin Moylan and Shane George for a winning two-round total of 174.



Kathleen Mathews was joined in her winning presentation of the North American League (NAL) Adult Hunter Finals by Katie Francella, Katie Cooper, NAL representative Annette Longenecker, and Abbey Moffitt. Photo by Shawn McMillen Photography

"When I went in for the second round, I just wanted to trust that Dewey was going to be there for me, because he always is, and not second guess any of the choices that I made," explained Mathews, who trains with the team at Caves Farm in Owings Mills, Maryland. "He really stepped up to the plate and was super. He was jumping well and going around really nicely, so I was very happy with him."

Hometown hero Mathews hails from Davidsonville, Maryland, just 20 minutes from the show grounds. Even with the close proximity, this is only her second time as a competitor at Capital Challenge.



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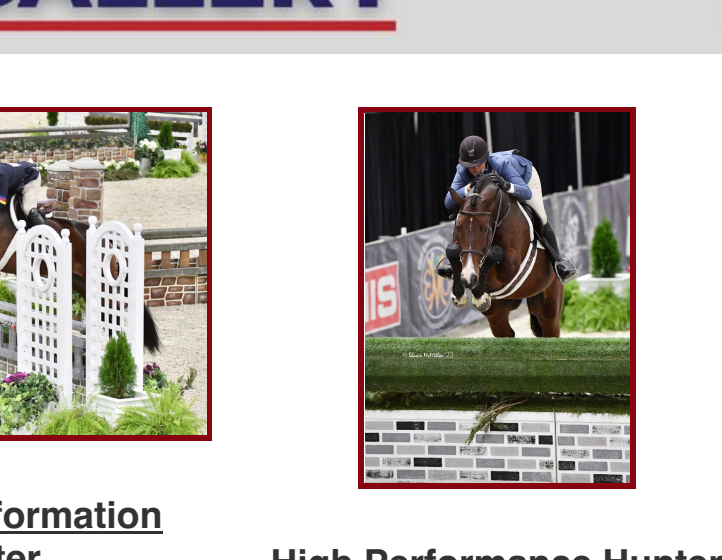
"Growing up, I would always come and watch the show, and it was always such a fun experience and atmosphere," said Mathews. "All the decorations and everything are so beautiful, so it's been super fun to be here competing."

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<p><b>Green Hunter Mares 3' &amp; 3'3"</b> Sponsored by <b>Aquitaine Equine</b></p> <p><b>Champion:</b> Arosa B, ridden by Amanda Steege and owned by Samantha Kramig</p> <p><b>Reserve Champion:</b> Avola, ridden by Elizabeth Boyd and owned by EMO Stables</p>	<p><b>Green Hunter 3'3" Section B</b> Sponsored by <b>Hunt Tosh, Inc.</b></p> <p><b>Champion:</b> Kuba Libre, ridden by Nick Haness and owned by Jaime Auletto</p>	<p><b>Green Hunter 3'3" Section B</b> Sponsored by <b>Hunt Tosh, Inc.</b></p> <p><b>Champion:</b> Kuba Libre, ridden by Nick Haness and owned by Jaime Auletto</p>

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