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LILY ELLIOT VICTORIOUS IN JC MEDAL NATIONAL FINAL

Lily Elliot of Richmond, BC, won the JC Medal National Final on Tuesday, November 8, at the Royal Horse Show in Toronto, ON. Facing off against a starting field of 16 horse-rider combinations, Elliot, 17, emerged victorious following three phases of competition.

Riders from across the country qualified for The Royal by competing in the four JC Medal Regional Finals held in the British Columbia, Prairie, Ontario, and Atlantic regions.

Elliot and her partner Carvill VA, a 13-year-old Holsteiner gelding (Casall x Carolus I) owned by Yvonne Van Duin, finished in second place during the opening jumping phase with a score of 83 points to secure their place among the top eight invited back to contest the flat phase. The flat phase allowed Elliot to showcase her equitation skills and moved her to the top of the standings. The top four, including Elliot, then proceeded to the final test.

In the final, Elliot and her fellow competitors were asked to canter three fences, halt, take three steps backwards, trot a final fence, perform two simple changes in front of the judges, and proceed back to the line-up in sitting trot. Elliot and Carvill VA excelled in the final test to win the coveted JC Medal jacket, courtesy of the Equestrian Canada Jumping Committee, as well as the JC Medal Final trophy, presented by the Usherwood family.

Finishing as the Reserve Champion was Esme Chapman, 17, of Mono, ON, riding Melbourne Z, a 16-year-old Swedish Warmblood gelding (Eurocommerce Memphis x Leubus) owned by M.L. Equestrian Inc. Catherine Brown of Ottawa, ON, rode her horse, the bay gelding Cohiba, to a third-place finish while Aevery-May Pritchard of Collingwood, ON, rounded out the top four riding her seven-year-old chestnut Hanoverian gelding, Nykaenen.



Lily Elliot, pictured mounted on Carvill VA, is presented as the winner of the 2022 JC Medal National Final by Karen Hendry-Ouellette (left) of Equestrian Canada and representatives of the Usherwood family.