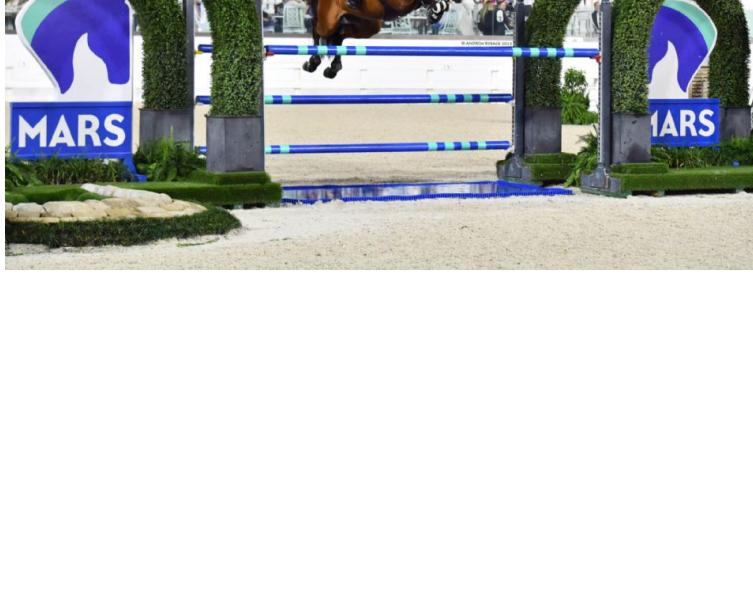


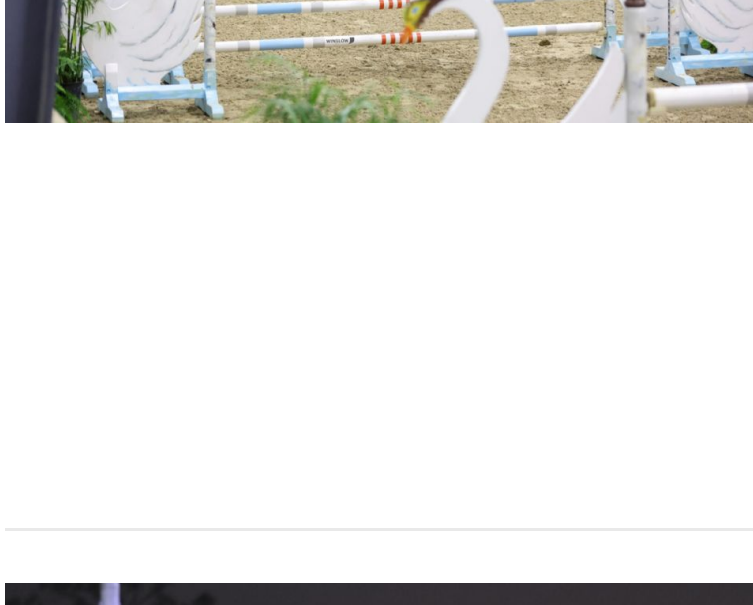
World Equestrian Center Highlights From Ocala Winter Spectacular XII and Wilmington Winter Classic XV



Geronimo Marcello Viana Ciavaglia (BRA) and HST Cartouche, owned by Arnaldo Wald Filho, secured victory in the \$250,000 MARS Equestrian Grand Prix at WEC – Ocala.

"I have had a dream to come to Ocala since I was 17. I had a good friend visit Disney many years ago and told me he went to a small city called Ocala. Since then it was a dream to come here. This is my second time in America. I came [to Wellington] three years ago but always wanted to come here. I have never seen anything like this. If you love horses you have to come here."

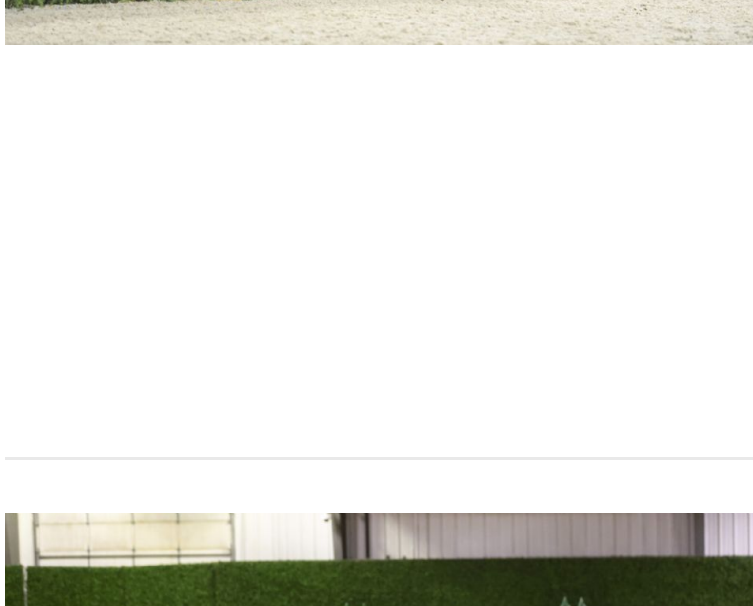
Photo by Andrew Ryback Photography



Richard Rinehart (USA) and Vincent, owned by Ron Caraway, earned the win in the \$30,000 Grand Prix at WEC – Wilmington.

"I didn't want to try and outrun horses that hadn't gone. I planned to start on a medium stride in the jump-off. I opened up the stride to the third fence and met it well, but he spooked a bit off the ground. At that point, I didn't want to take a big risk to open up the pace. From [fence] eight to nine, I walked a very direct forward eight. I met it quite well. I asked him to get right up there, and it carried a nice momentum up to the last in and out."

Photo by Winslow Photography



Samantha Schaefer and In the Know, owned by Madeline Schaefer, topped the podium in the \$75,000 Golden Ocala Golf and Equestrian Club 3'6"-3'9" Hunter Derby at WEC – Ocala. The duo received two impressive scores of 94.

"This horse has a weird way of knowing when it's important. There was no bucking or nonsense. He came out and was focused from the start. His groom of seven years told me this morning, 'He's good; he's in the zone.' I always say you have to play into his things and his personality. If you took the fun out of it for him he wouldn't be the horse he is for us."

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Catherine Rinehart and Luke Rinehart's Hero captured the win in the \$15,000 Shoo-fly USHJA National Hunter Derby 3' Open at WEC – Wilmington. The pair received high scores of 86 and 90.

"There were a lot of long bending lines. I thought the hay bale jump at the end of the arena was super pretty and very classic. I just wanted to make the handy as handy as possible. That is one of the great things about Hero. He is super handy and will always turn in the air. He is almost better that way so the course suited him."

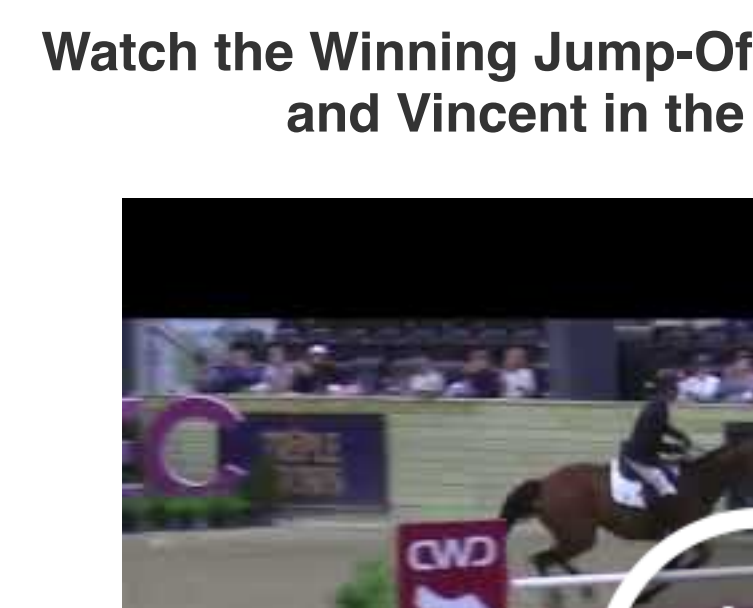
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William Simpson (USA) and Quentin VA, owned by Two Socks Farm LLC, were victorious in the \$15,000 Buckeye Nutrition Futures Prix at WEC – Ocala.

"[Quentin VA] has got the full package. He's small and compact with a huge stride. He's brave as can be, and he makes it easy. He's settled into a very competitive roll, and I think he's going to be a top contender."

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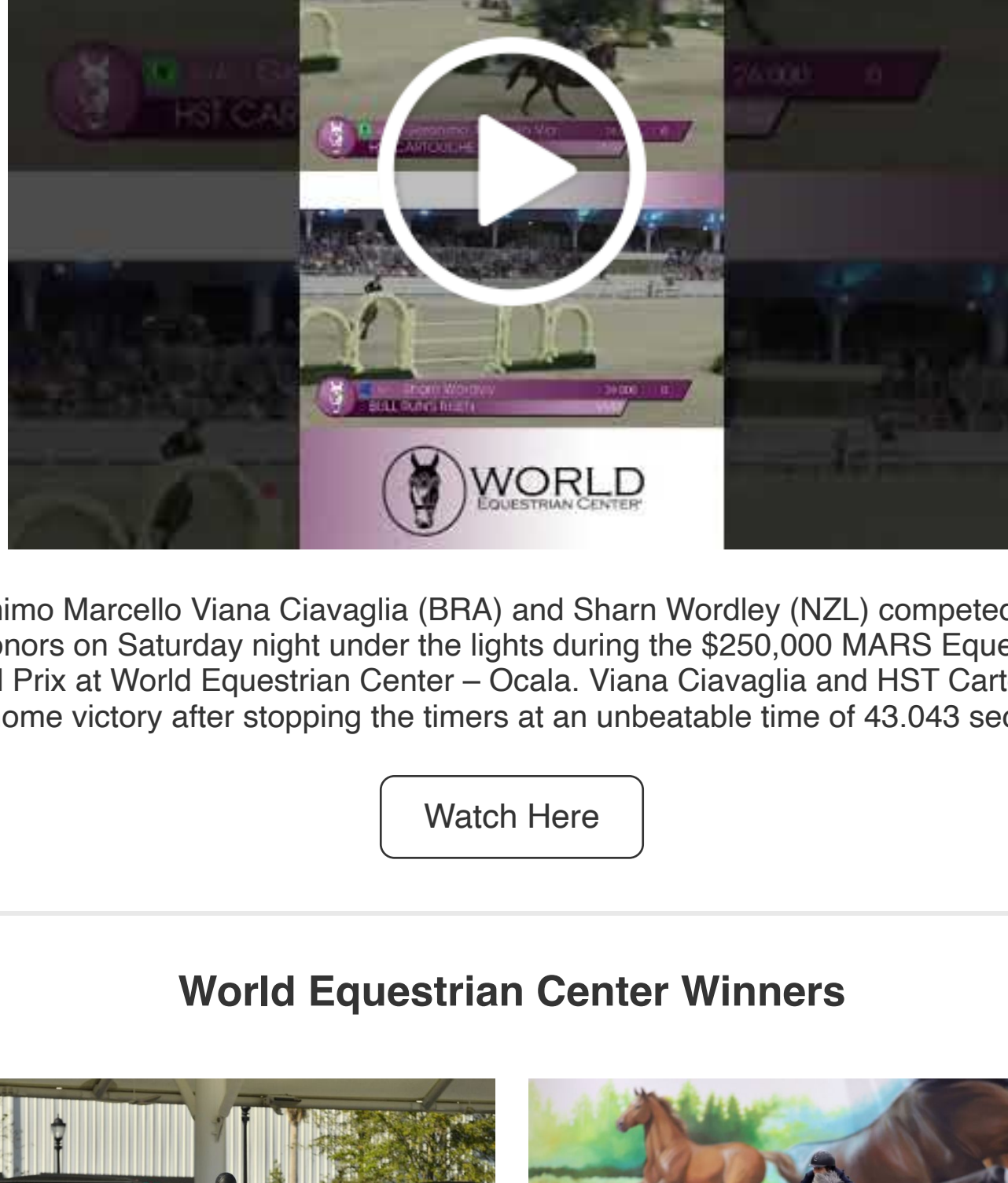
Drew Arnold (USA) and Chacomo 11, owned by Theresa Kraft, won the \$10,000 Futures Prix at WEC – Wilmington.

"I wanted to have a nice first round. It was a really nice track. Chacomo turns better to the right than the left, and there were a fair number of right turns in the jump-off. I have been working on trying not to hit the brakes so much in the jump-off and helping him do his job. I just let him take over a little bit. I went in and tried to have fun more than anything!"

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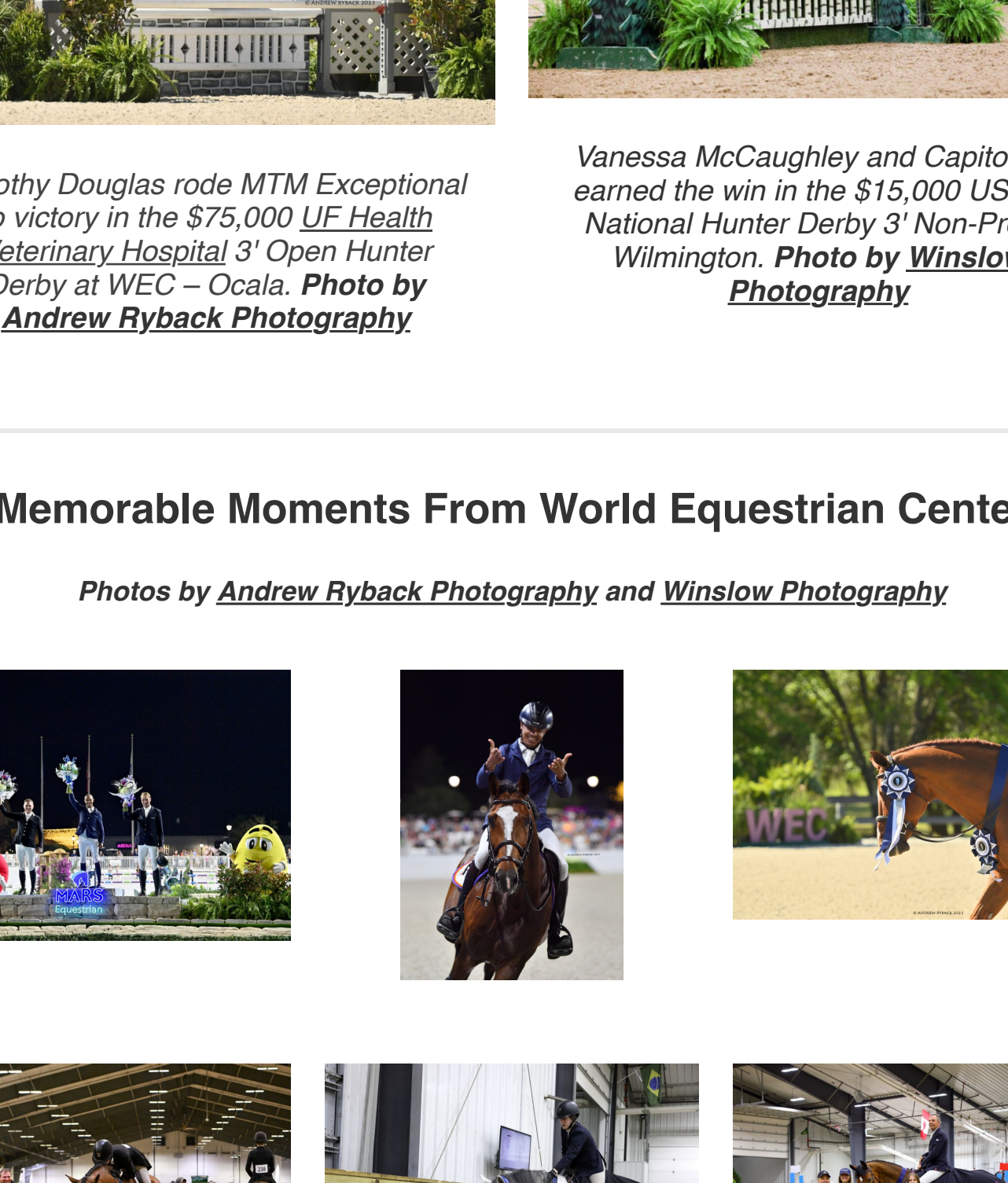
Watch the Winning Jump-Off Round for Richard Rinehart and Vincent in the \$30,000 Grand Prix



Check out Richard Rinehart (USA) and Vincent, owned by Ron Caraway, as they secure victory in the \$30,000 Grand Prix at WEC – Wilmington on Saturday in the Sanctuary Arena.

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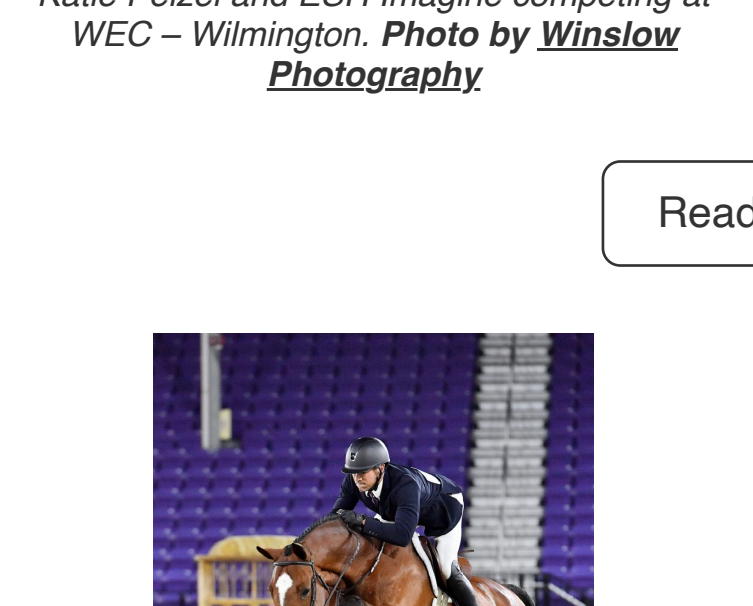
Geronimo Marcello Viana Ciavaglia and Sharn Wordley Go Head to Head in the \$250,000 MARS Equestrian Grand Prix



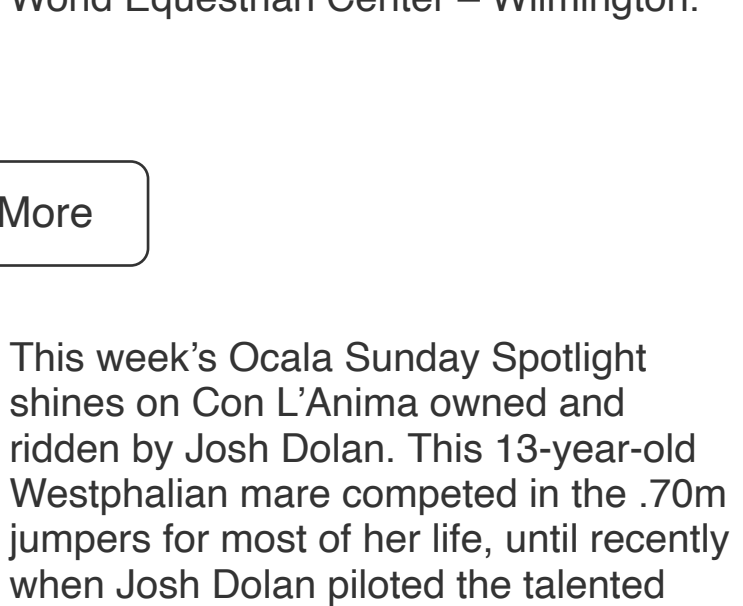
Geronimo Marcello Viana Ciavaglia (BRA) and Sharn Wordley (NZL) competed for top honors on Saturday night under the lights during the \$250,000 MARS Equestrian Grand Prix at World Equestrian Center – Ocala. Viana Ciavaglia and HST Cartouche took home victory after stopping the timers at an unbeatable time of 43.043 seconds.

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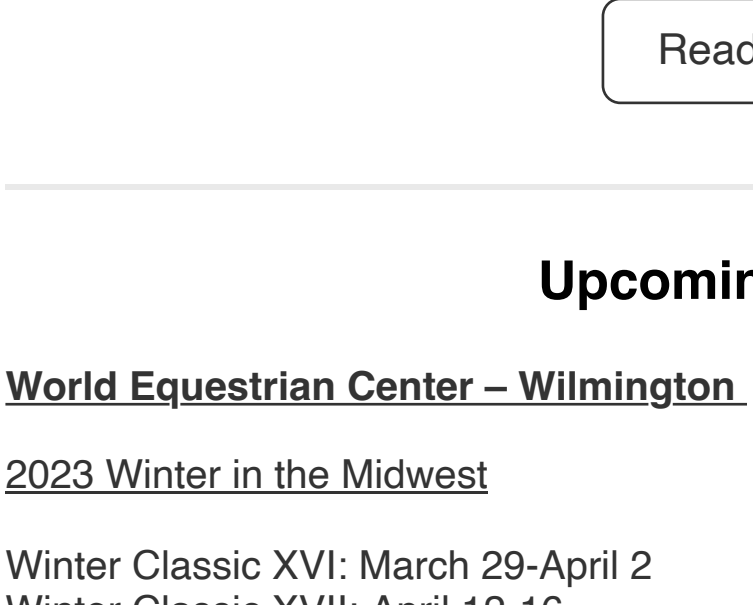
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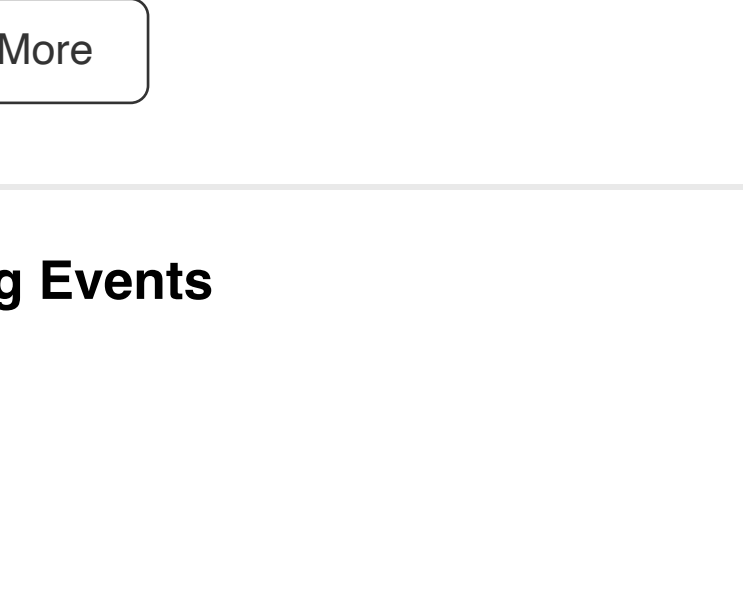
Tracy Fenney (USA) and MTM Apple took home the blue ribbon in the \$24,000 C. Jarvis Insurance Welcome Prix in Ocala. *Photo by Andrew Ryback Photography*



Devin Milan (USA) and Conquest were victorious in the \$10,000 Feist Arena Groomers Welcome Stake at WEC – Wilmington. *Photo by Winslow Photography*



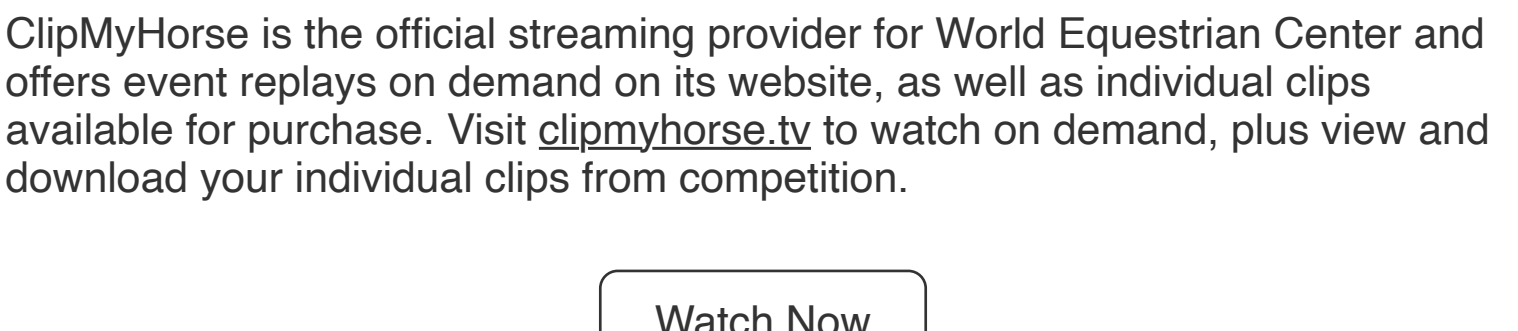
Dorothy Douglas rode MTM Exceptional to victory in the \$75,000 UF Health Veterinary Hospital 3' Open Hunter Derby at WEC – Ocala. *Photo by Andrew Ryback Photography*



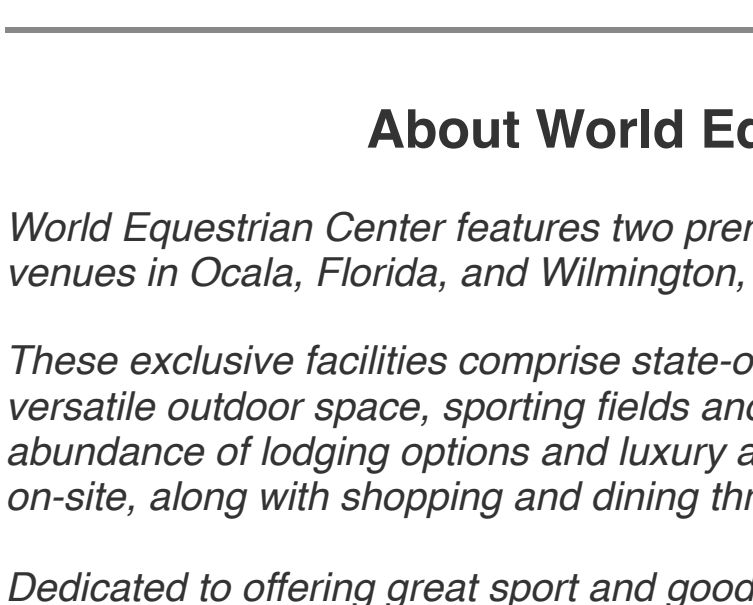
Vanessa McCaughley and Capitol Hill earned the win in the \$15,000 USHJA National Hunter Derby 3' Non-Pro in Wilmington. *Photo by Winslow Photography*

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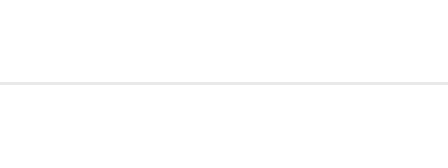
Sunday Spotlight: Katie Pelzel and Con L'Anima



Katie Pelzel and ESH Imagine competing at WEC – Wilmington. *Photo by Winslow Photography*

This week's Wilmington Sunday Spotlight shines on the talented young professional Katie Pelzel (USA) of Fall River Farm in Firestone, CO. The recent Oklahoma State University graduate spent four years riding on the school's NCEA Equestrian team in Stillwater, OK. After winning the 2022 NCEA National Championship, the seasoned 22-year-old moved on to be a professional alongside her mother, Jill Pelzel. We caught up with Pelzel in between her many mounts at World Equestrian Center – Wilmington.

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Josh Dolan and Con L'Anima competing at WEC – Ocala. *Photo by Winslow Photography*

This week's Ocala Sunday Spotlight shines on Con L'Anima owned and ridden by Josh Dolan. This 13-year-old Westphalian mare competed in the .70m jumpers for most of her life, until recently when Josh Dolan piloted the talented mare to consistent scores in the high 80s and 90s in the 3'6"-3'9" hunter derbies. We caught up with Dolan to learn more about his new mare and her first few shows in the hunter ring.

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