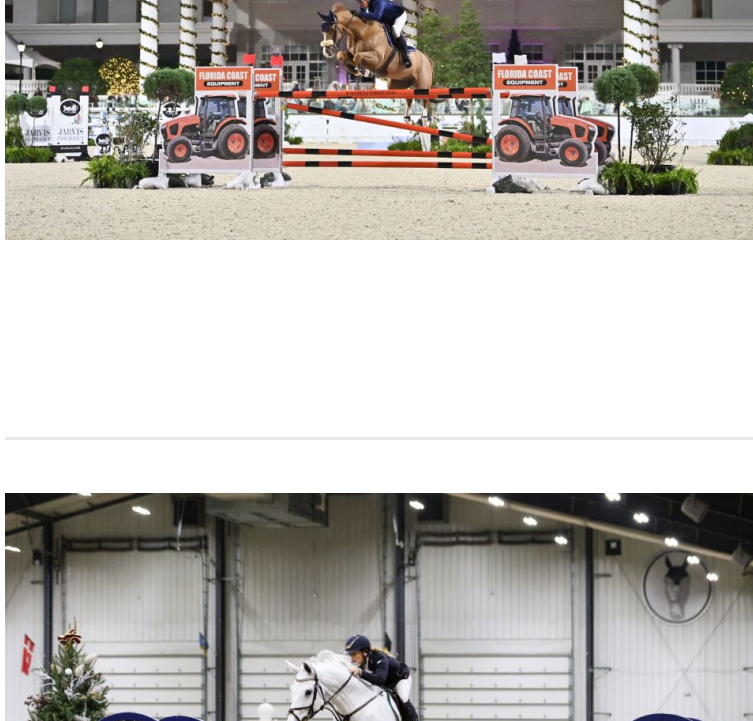




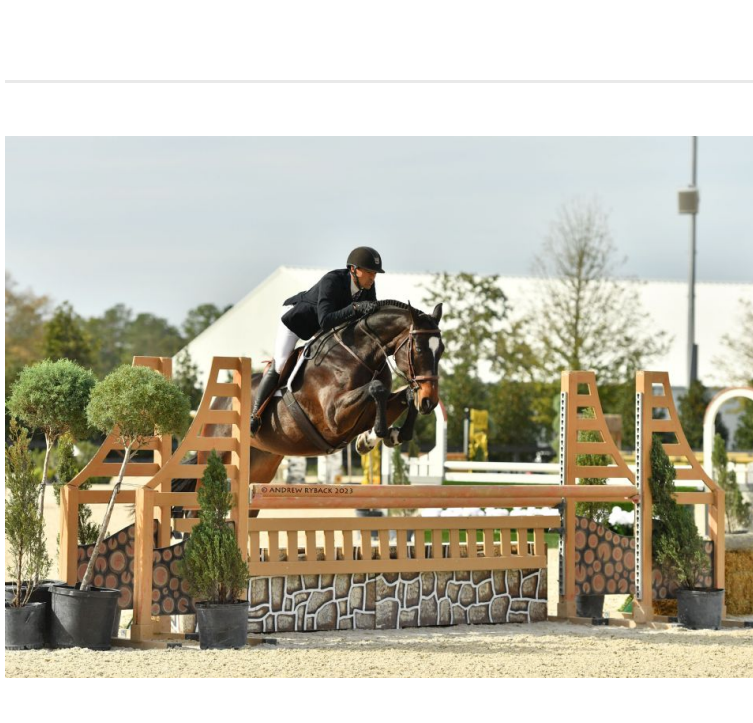
World Equestrian Center Highlights From Ocala December II and Wilmington Winter Classic III



In the grand finale of 2023, the \$150,000 [Florida Coast Equipment](#) Grand Prix CSI3* Luis Sabino Goncalves (POR) and Scoop de Septon took the win at WEC – Ocala.

"My horse doesn't have all the experience. I started him in the futures prix here at WEC, then did the national grand prix, and then his first ever three-star. This venue has helped develop him and it feels like a championship show. It's an amazing opportunity to help the horses prepare for big championships in the future."

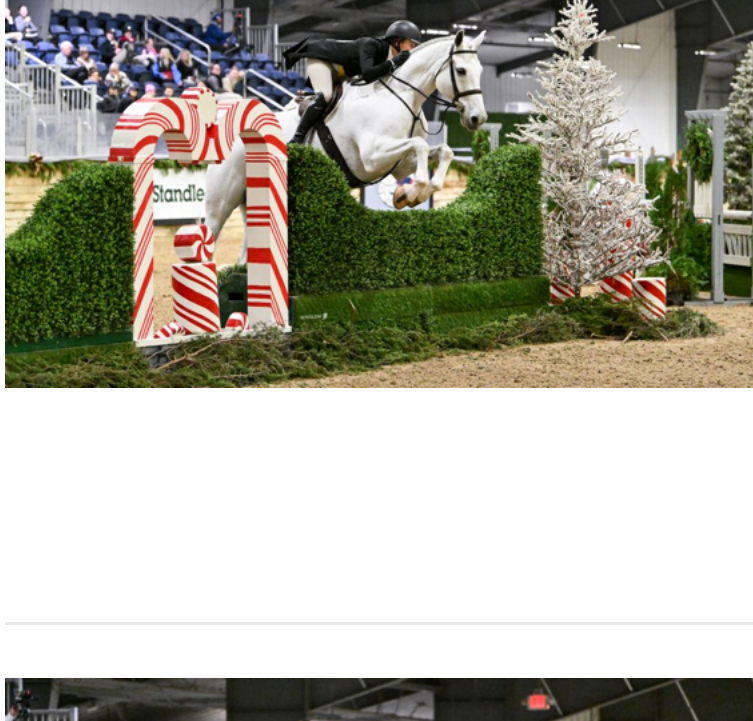
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Sarah Meier (USA) and her own Nightsshade SCF came out on top in the \$30,000 Grand Prix at WEC – Wilmington.

"He is a little bit quirky, but I can't say enough good things about him. I have a great relationship with him. Aaron Vale and David O'Brien started him, and it took me a minute to get to know him. He loves his job, which is half the battle, and he is super brave."

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Josh Dolan earned superior scores with Something Blue in the \$12,500 Golden Ocala 3'6"-3'9" Hunter Derby at WEC – Ocala.

"This is his first show back since Derby Finals. I was really happy with him. Our original plan was to save him for circuit, but it was a light week, so we decided to pull him out – it was a great decision."

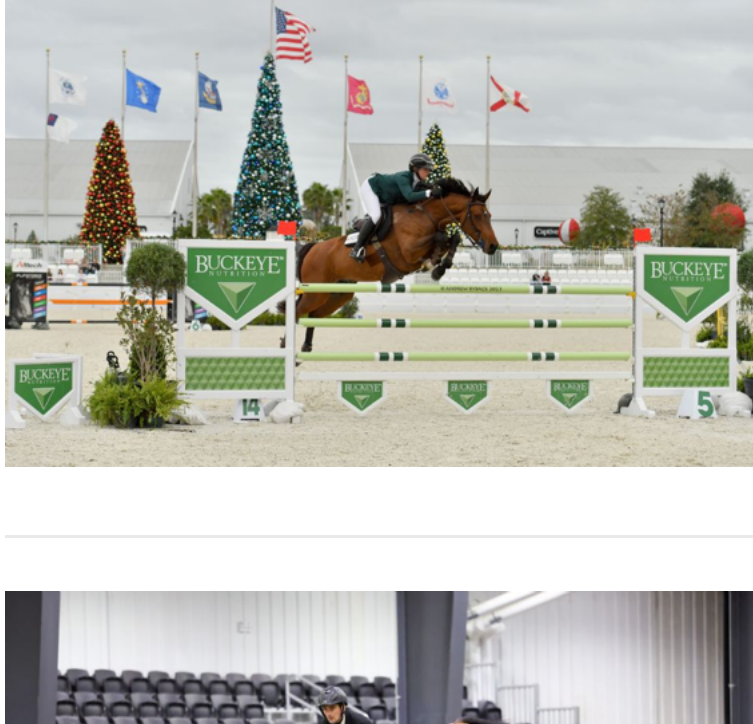
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In the \$15,000 USHJA National Open Hunter Derby, where Melissa Donnelly and Corlando 49 ultimately bested the field at WEC – Wilmington.

"Corey" had me a bit worried about the halt after the trot jump. He doesn't like to halt. Once he stops he doesn't believe in going again. I made the turn snug and tidy from the end jump to the in-and-out, and he was really good about following me. He was great about the gallop down to the last jump, and it was nice to have a little bit of space to show off."

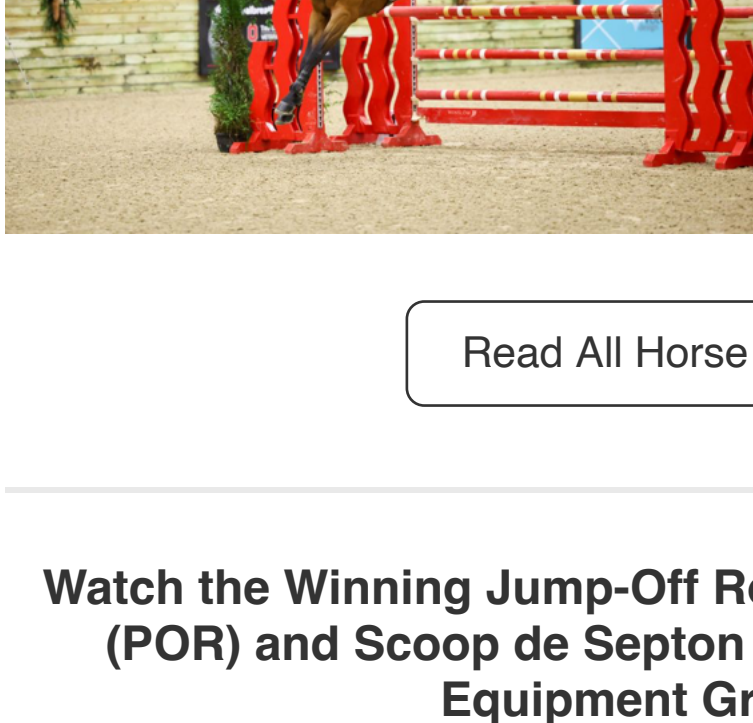
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The WEC Professional Medal 3' offered professional athletes an opportunity to apply their well-practiced skills over an equitation track. Melissa Donnelly secured the win aboard Cinda. Along with a blue ribbon and friendly bragging rights, Donnelly walked away with a free stall for three horse shows at WEC – Wilmington.

"It was such a fun class to do. We spend all our time on the hunters and teaching our equitation students, but we really had to think about where to show off. The kids were all so excited to watch us do it as well. All of the professionals agreed that it is such a nice class to see on the schedule, and it would be fun to see it more often!"

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Maya Denis (MEX) clinched the victory aboard her own Callypso De La Hamente Z in the \$15,000 [Buckeye Nutrition](#) Futures Prix at WEC – Ocala.

"I was able to watch a lot of people, and they were so fast. A lot opted to do the inside turn to the yellow vertical, but knowing how effective he is on the ground, I decided to go around and keep moving – thankfully it paid off!"

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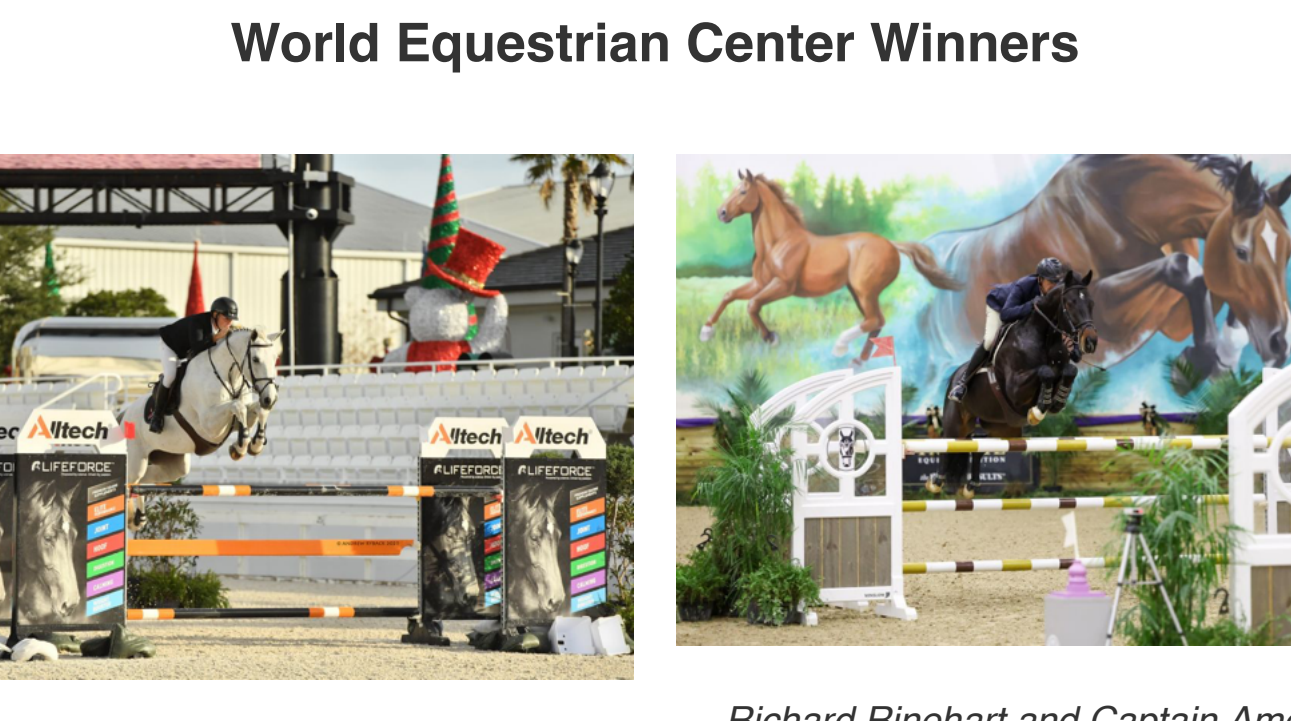
Sam Pegg (CAN) added another win to his 2024 Winter in the Midwest Series with Rokeechobee STB in the \$10,000 Futures Prix at WEC – Wilmington.

"She is super careful but very bold. She isn't very afraid of anything. She will jump a little bit high sometimes, but that just comes with experience."

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Watch the Winning Jump-Off Round for Luis Sabino Goncalves (POR) and Scoop de Septon in the \$150,000 Florida Coast Equipment Grand Prix CSI3*



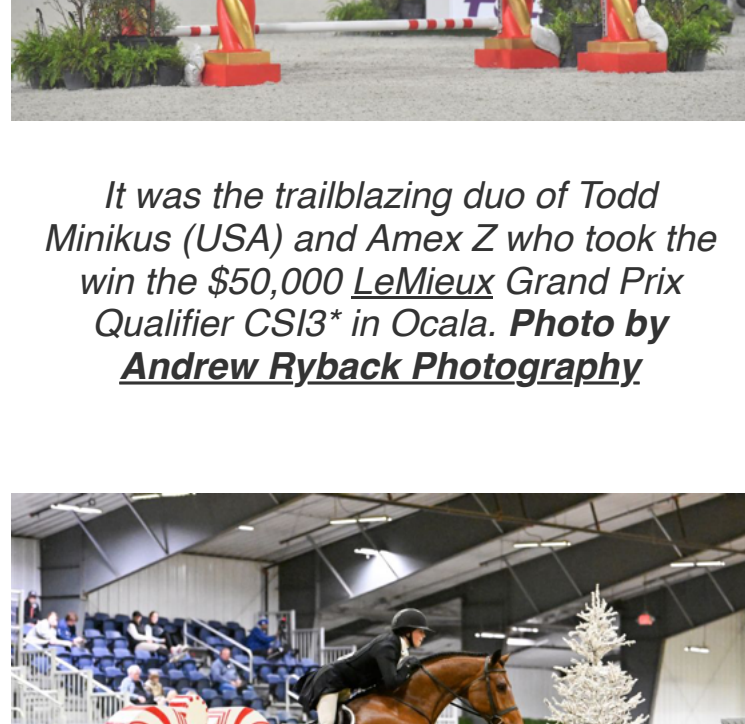
Watch the winning round for Luis Sabino Goncalves (POR) and Scoop de Septon in the \$150,000 Florida Coast Equipment Grand Prix CSI3* in the WEC Grand Arena on Friday, December 15.

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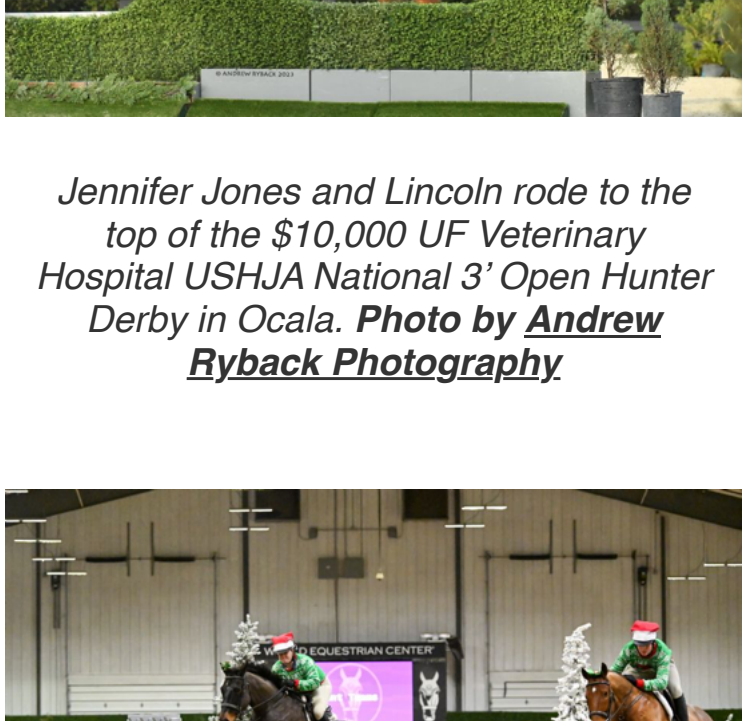
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Sharn Wordley (NZL) showcased exceptional speed riding Mick Jagger, ultimately claiming the \$40,000 1.45m Two Phase Special CSI3* in Ocala. Photo by [Andrew Ryback Photography](#)



Richard Rinehart and Captain America 10 scored their second consecutive \$10,000 Welcome Stake win in Wilmington. Photo by [Winslow Photography](#)



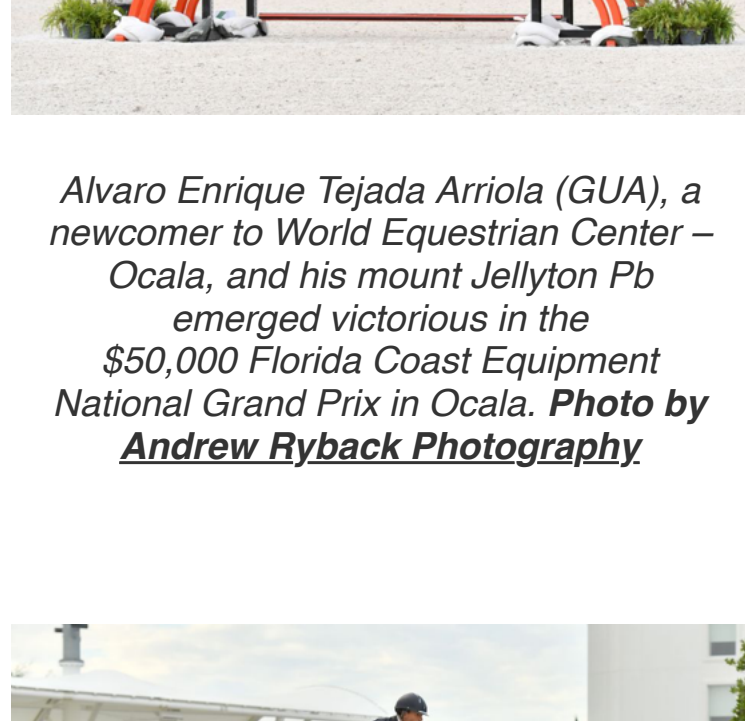
Rowan Willis (AUS) piloted his longtime partner Wellington Grey Goose to win the \$40,000 1.45m Speed CSI3* in Ocala. Photo by [Andrew Ryback Photography](#)



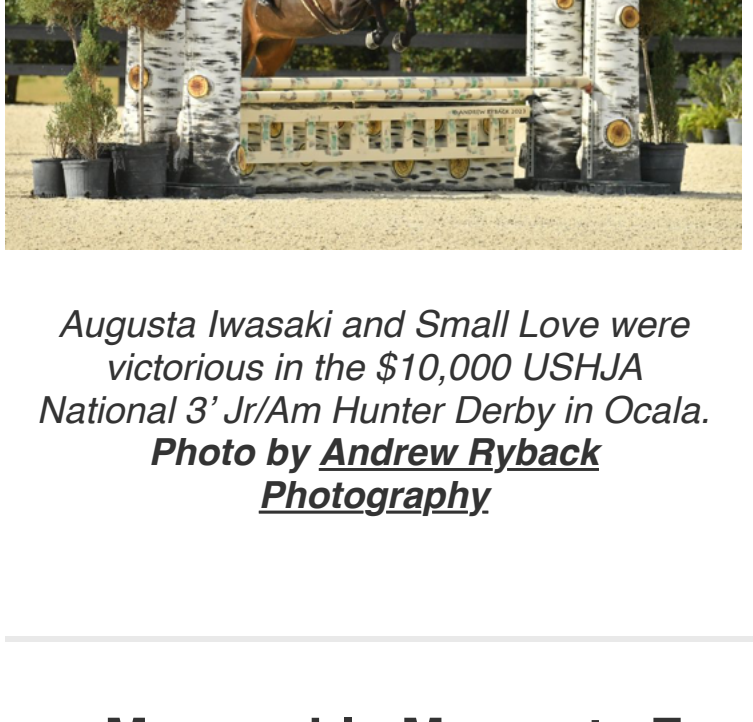
It was the trailblazing duo of Todd Minikus (USA) and Amex Z who took the win the \$50,000 [LeMieux](#) Grand Prix Qualifier CSI3* in Ocala. Photo by [Andrew Ryback Photography](#)



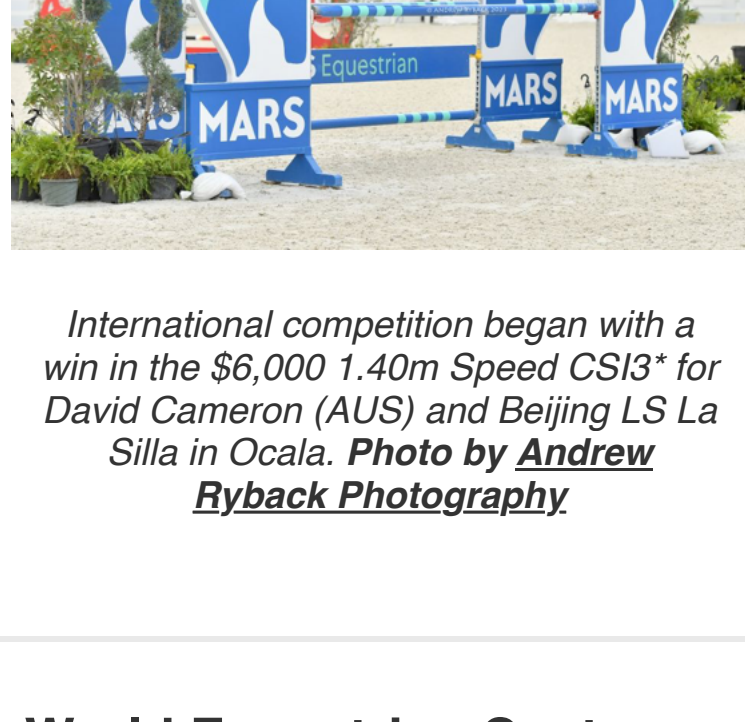
Jennifer Jones and Lincoln rode to the top of the \$10,000 UF Veterinary Hospital USHJA National 3' Open Hunter Derby in Ocala. Photo by [Andrew Ryback Photography](#)



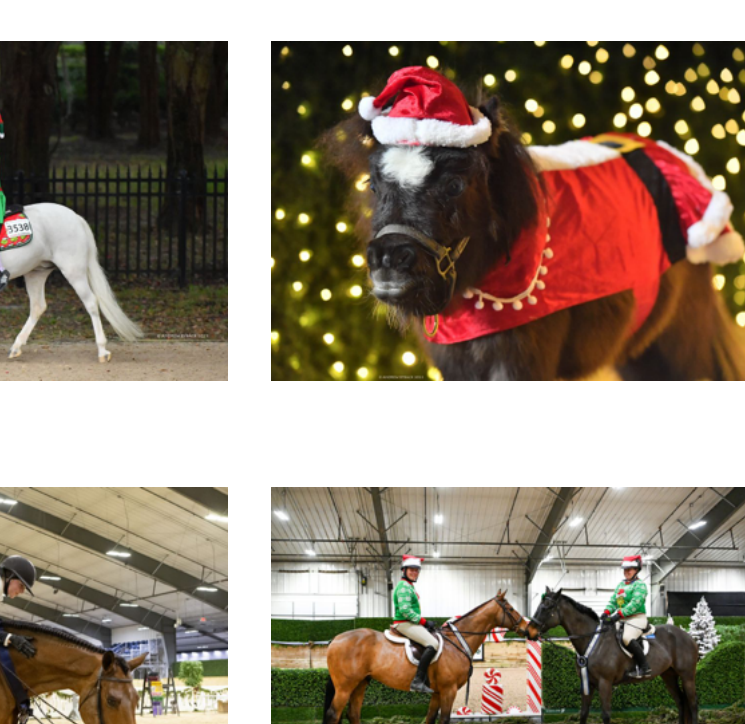
Alvaro Enrique Tejada Arriola (GUA), a newcomer to World Equestrian Center – Ocala, and his mount Jellyton Pb emerged victorious in the \$50,000 Florida Coast Equipment National Grand Prix in Ocala. Photo by [Andrew Ryback Photography](#)



Team "This One's for Hannah", made up of Madison Barnett on No Cash Back and Caden Nolt with Gio Lemon, accurately maintained a three-stride distance apart and jumped in perfect sync to claim the win in the \$1,500 Christmas Sweater Hunt Team class in Wilmington. Photo by [Winslow Photography](#)



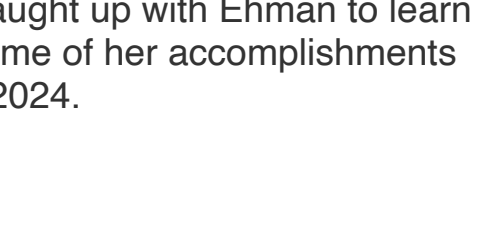
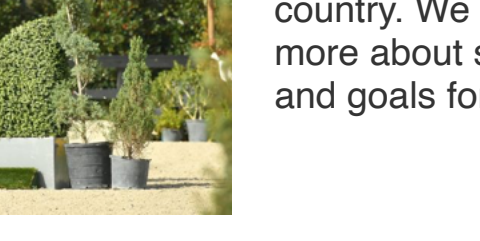
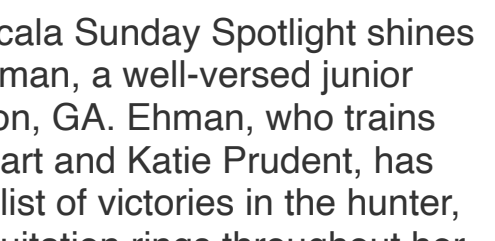
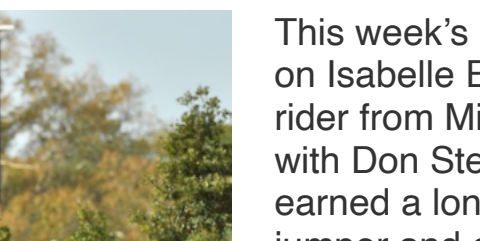
Augusta Iwasaki and Small Love were victorious in the \$10,000 USHJA National 3' Jr/Am Hunter Derby in Ocala. Photo by [Andrew Ryback Photography](#)



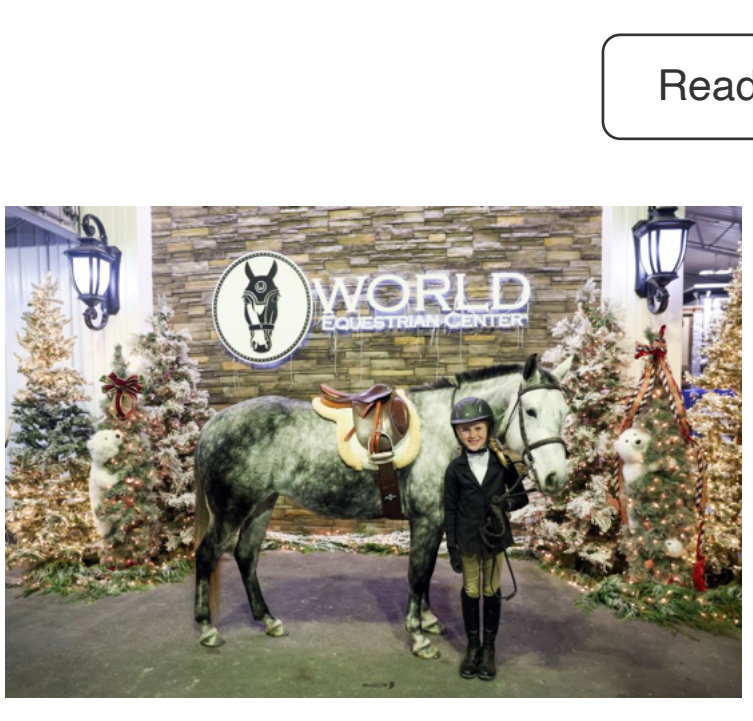
International competition began with a win in the \$6,000 1.40m Speed CSI3* for David Cameron (AUS) and Beijing LS La Silla in Ocala. Photo by [Andrew Ryback Photography](#)

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Sunday Spotlight: Isabelle Ehman and Sylvia Martin



Isabelle Ehman and Charlie Brown. Photo by [Andrew Ryback Photography](#).

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Sylvia Martin and Blueberry Muffin. Photo by [Winslow Photography](#).

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This week's Ocala Sunday Spotlight shines on Isabelle Ehman, a well-versed junior rider from Milton, GA. Ehman, who trains with Don Stewart and Katie Prudent, has earned a long list of victories in the hunter, jumper and equitation rings throughout her junior career from venues across the country. We caught up with Ehman to learn more about some of her accomplishments and goals for 2024.

This week's Wilmington Sunday Spotlight shines on 10-year-old rider, Sylvia Martin. The young rider of Mattawan, MI, fulfilled her dream of showing at World Equestrian Center – Wilmington with her seven-year-old Quarter Horse mare, Blueberry Muffin, in the Crossrail division at Winter Classic 1. Sylvia started selling homemade crafts, cookies, artwork, and beanie babies over the summer to save money for her trip to Ohio. Ultimately, a Christmas present and a successful first outing for Blueberry and Sylvia made the young rider's dreams come true!

Upcoming Events

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Winter Spectacular VII: February 13-18 CSI3*
Winter Spectacular VIII: February 20-25 CSI3*
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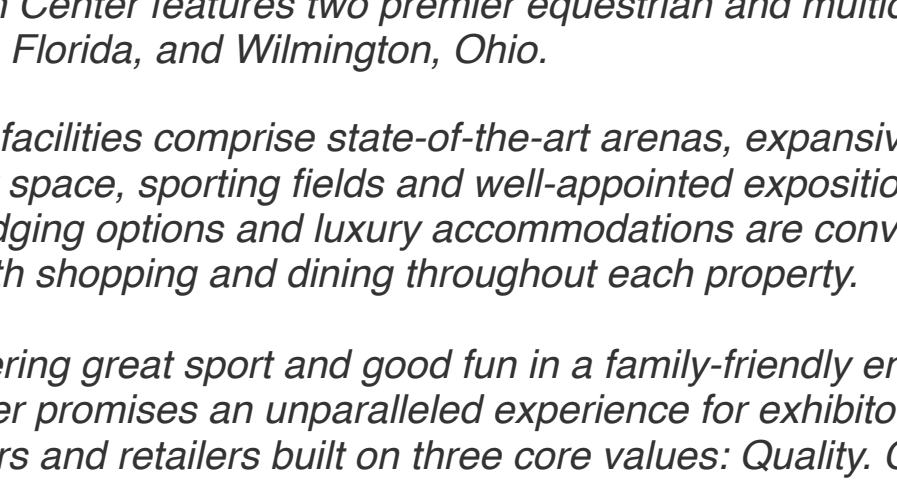
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