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Aaron Vale and Gray's Inn Deliver in \$182,000 Florida Coast Equipment Grand Prix CSI4* at World Equestrian Center – Ocala



Aaron Vale (USA) rode Gray's Inn to win the the \$182,000 Florida Coast Equipment Grand Prix CSI4* at World Equestrian Center – Ocala. **Photo by Andrew Ryback Photography**

Ocala, FL – Riders from 12 nations contested the \$182,000 [Florida Coast Equipment](#) Grand Prix CSI4* under the lights of the WEC Grand Arena on Saturday, June 29, 2024. Hometown hero Aaron Vale (USA) emerged victorious, piloting Thinkslikeahorse's Gray's Inn to the horse's first-ever international win.

FEI Level IV course designer Alan Wade (IRL) set the complex tracks for Saturday's event, where only five combinations managed to find the key to a clear round. The strong jump-off field consisted of riders from Ireland, Spain, the United States, Austria and Brazil.

Gray's Inn isn't Vale's usual partner; his wife, Mallory Vale, has been riding the talented 10-year-old Warmblood (Cannavaro x Oscar) since the gelding was six. "It was my wife's idea," laughed Vale. "She's been asking me for a long time, 'Do you want my horse?'" and I always said no. She's been doing so well with him and knocking on the door. But this week, I didn't have a horse, so she told me I was showing her horse and the rest is history. What a production my wife has made for me, allowing me to step in and win a class like this."

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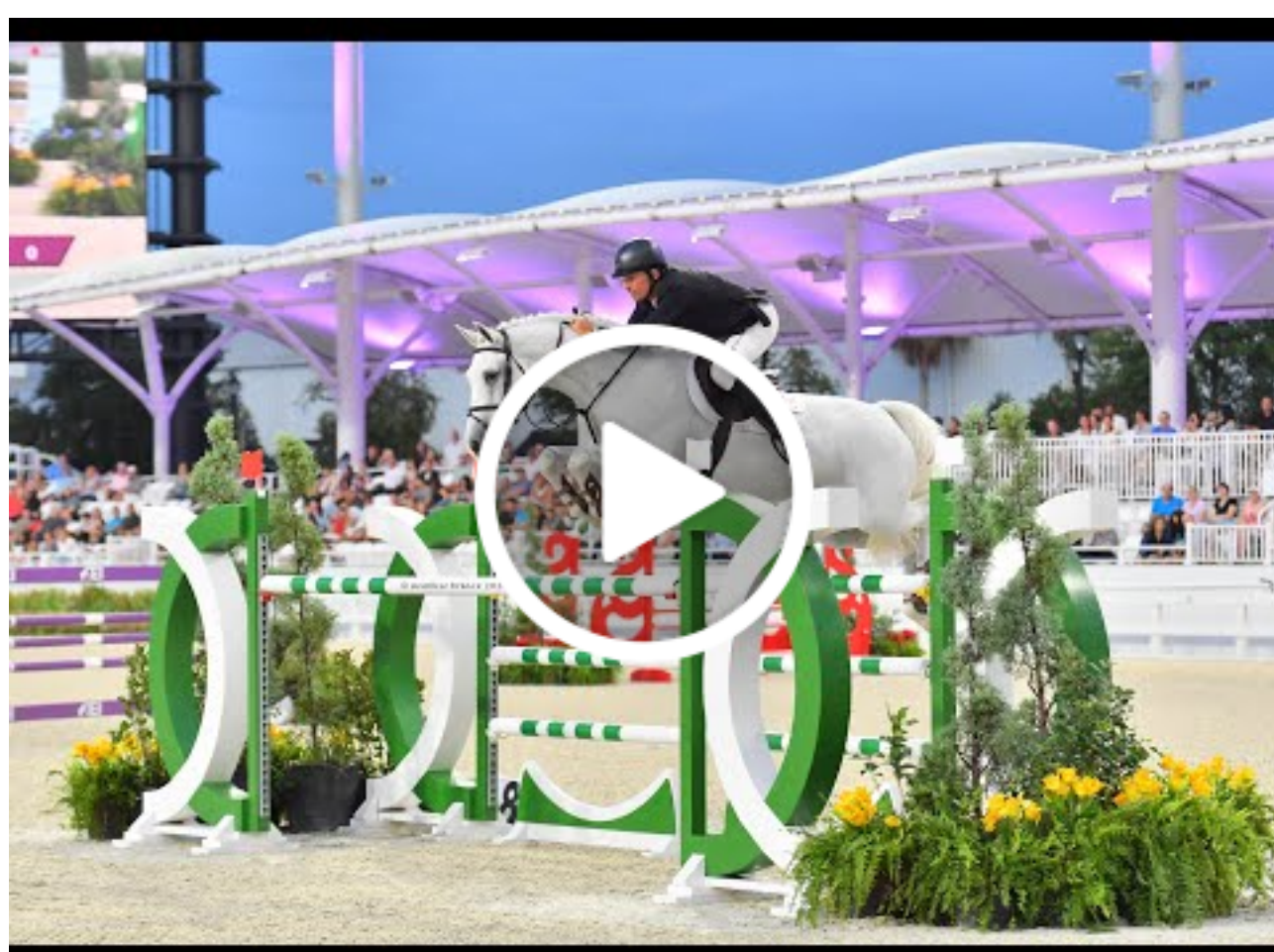
Vale and Gray's Inn in their winning presentation with Shawn Booth; Jim Wolf of World Equestrian Center; Timothy Morris, Business Development Manager, and Isaiah Webb, Ocala Sales Manager, of Florida Coast Equipment; and Ben Taylor. **Photo by Andrew Ryback Photography**



Darragh Kerins (IRL) and Lissino finished in second place. **Photo by Andrew Ryback Photography**



Celso Ariani (BRA) and Jip Van T&L Z placed third. **Photo by Andrew Ryback Photography**



[Watch Aaron Vale and Gray's Inn gallop to victory in the \\$182,000 Florida Coast Equipment Grand Prix CSI4*](#)

\$182,000 Florida Coast Equipment Grand Prix CSI4* Results:

- Gray's Inn: 2014 Warmblood gelding by Cannavaro x Oscar
Aaron Vale (USA), Thinkslikeahorse: 0 | 0 | 36.32
- Lissino: 2011 Holsteiner gelding by Guardus Llmbus x San Patrignano Cassini
Darragh Kerins (IRL), Eve Jobs: 0 | 0 | 38.23
- Jip Van T&L Z: 2013 Zangersheide gelding by James Vd Kornelishoeve x Toulon
Celso Ariani (BRA), The Maya Group Properties LLC: 0 | 0 | 41.76
- Ennebel Van Het Posthuijs: 2009 KWPN mare by Numero Uno x Argentinus
Peter Petschenig (AUT), Petschenig Showjumping, LLC: 0 | 1 | 38.23
- Pinot Gris Di Fer: 2015 Warmblood gelding by Vdl Cardento x Baloubet De Rouet
Gonzalo Busca (ESP), Steven Bluman: 0 | 1 | 38.86
- Blues RW: 2013 Westphalian gelding by Untouched x Chacco-blue
Michael Walton (USA), Mia Marano: 2 | 1 | 76.07
- Catemaco Ls: 2011 SLS gelding by Carusso Ls La Silla x Carthago Z
Richard Neal (USA), Richard Neal: 2 | 1 | 76.81
- Chacco Bumpy: 2010 Oldenburg mare by Chacco-blue x Toulon
Luis Pedro Biraben (ARG), Luis Pedro Biraben: 4 | 1 | 71.12
- Gideon: 2014 Zangersheide gelding by Super Trooper De Ness x Corland
Kelli Crucioti Vanderveen (USA), Serenity Farm: 4 | 1 | 72.35
- Bull Run's Jireh: 2014 Holsteiner gelding by Uriko x Colman
Kristen Vanderveen (USA), Bull Run Jumpers, Inc.: 4 | 1 | 72.47

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