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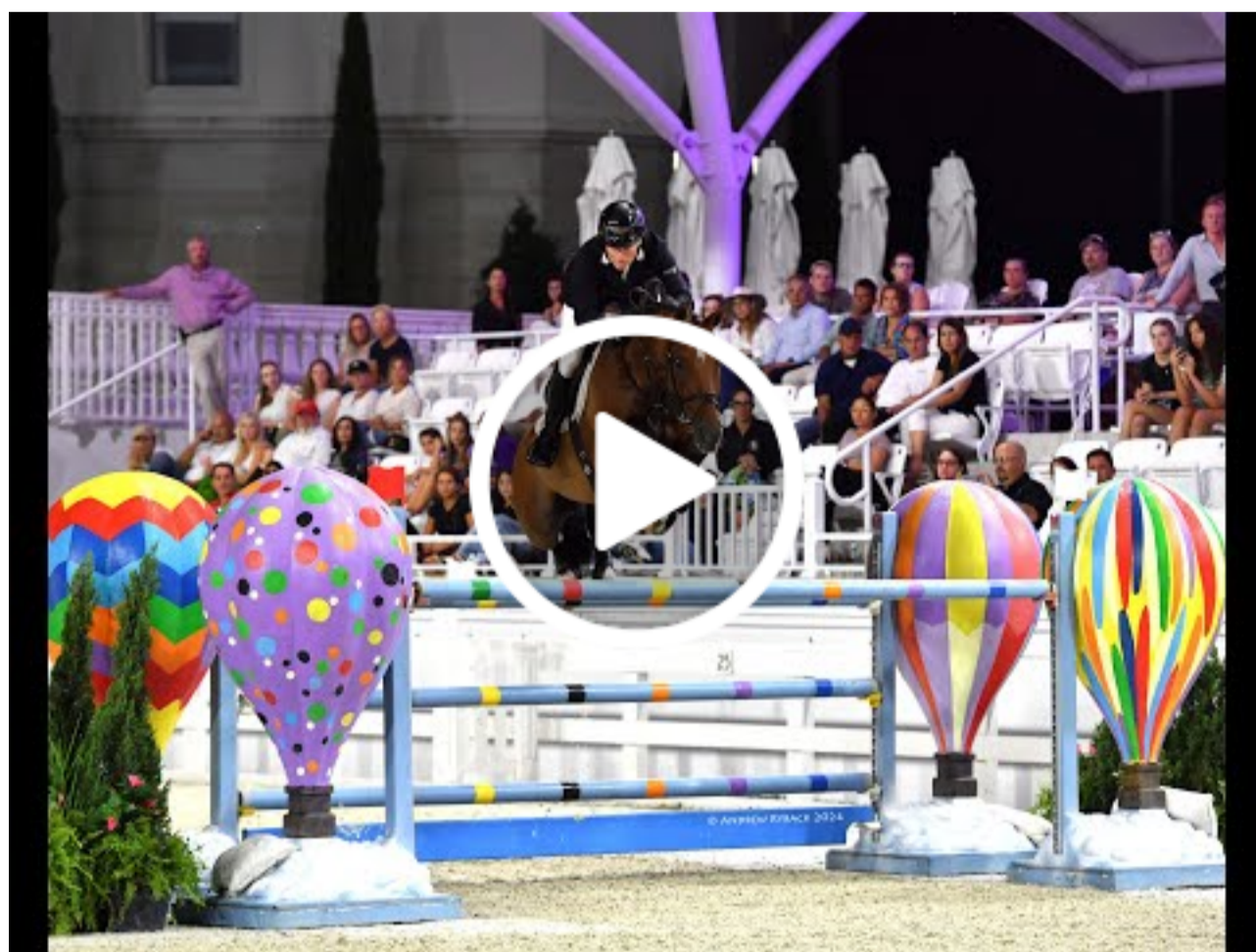
Ocala Summer VIII



The \$75,000 [R+L Carriers](#) Grand Prix was the highlight of the penultimate week of the 2024 Summer Series at WEC – Ocala. Thirteen countries were represented in the field of 34 horse-and-rider combinations, but it was New Zealand’s Sharn Wordley who emerged victorious aboard Della Wordley’s Hagelin after a thrilling 14-horse jump-off.

"We stayed quick and coming home to the last jump, we did one less stride than Tracy [Fenney], and that’s where I think we had it. Hagelin is such a good horse and such a pleasure to ride. I think I mentioned a couple of weeks ago that he was due for a win, and he delivered."

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See the winning jump-off ride for Sharn Wordley and Hagelin



Penny Lombardo secured the top spot on the leaderboard in the \$12,500 [Golden Ocala](#) 3’6”-3’9” Hunter Derby riding Tricia Barr’s Party Started, an eight-year-old Westphalian gelding.

Owner Tricia Barr shared insights about the talented young gelding and said, “He’s an American-bred Warmblood. He was born in Aiken, SC, and we got him as a two-and-a-half-year-old from Pennyless Farm. We’ve had him ever since, and this is actually his first 3’6” derby.”

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Sharn Wordley (NZL) started his winning ways early in the week in the \$24,000 [C. Jarvis Insurance](#) Welcome Prix. He secured both first place with Hagelin and third place on Conto Blanco 4, both owned by Della Wordley.

“Both horses have been jumping so well. Ever since our last week in Spruce Meadows, [Conto Blanco 4] hasn’t touched a single rail and has placed in every welcome and grand prix. Hagelin has been knocking on the door on Saturday night and jumping so well.”

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Maria Rasmussen secured another victory during Hunter Derby Friday at the 2024 Summer Series, this time with Sunset View Farm LLC’s Hobbs Lane in the \$10,000 [UF Veterinary Hospital](#) USHJA National 3’ Open Hunter Derby.

“I started him when he was three, and he’s 12 years old now. It has been a very long partnership. For Kristen Hamel, who owns Sunset View Farm and most of the horses I ride, Hobbs Lane is kind of our pet. This is all he does now. He maybe comes out five times a year. He will now get a nice break until winter.”

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Hayley Waters Wear triumphed in the \$10,000 USHJA National 3’ Jr/Am Hunter Derby once again, this time riding Malcommé owned by Chuck Waters.

“He has been so close over and over again this summer to winning a derby. He was second in two other derbies here, so I am happy he finally got a much-deserved win!”

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Upcoming Events

[World Equestrian Center – Ocala](#)

[2024 Summer Series Dates](#)

Summer Series IX: August 7-11

[2024 November and December Show Series Dates](#)

November I: November 6-10
November II: November 13-17
December I: December 3-8
December II: December 11-15

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[2024 Spring/Summer Series Dates](#)

Summer III: August 7-11

[2024 Fall Classic Series Dates](#)

Fall Classic I: September 25-29, 2024
Fall Classic II: October 2-6, 2024
Fall Classic III: October 9-13, 2024
Fall Classic IV: October 16-20, 2024
Fall Classic V: October 23-27, 2024

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Named one of TIME’s 2024 World’s Greatest Places, World Equestrian Center features two premier equestrian and multidisciplinary venues in Ocala, Florida, and Wilmington, Ohio.

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