



World Equestrian Center Highlights

Ocala Summer IX



The \$75,000 [UF Health](#) Grand Prix reached its pinnacle with a thrilling 12-horse jump-off, where the podium mirrored last week's results, but this time Sharn Wordley (NZL) emerged victorious aboard Fernandez' Valentine Car. Wordley won three grand prix classes in the Summer Series.

"All of the horses have been fantastic. Valentine Car has jumped clear in nearly every grand prix this season except one where he had the fastest-four. It's been a great circuit. Now the horses will get a well-deserved break before gearing up for the fall shows and the winter circuit here."

Photo by [Andrew Ryback Photography](#)

Watch the Winning Jump-Off Round for Sharn Wordley and Valentine Car in the \$75,000 UF Health Grand Prix



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In the \$12,500 [Golden Ocala](#) 3'6"-3'9" Hunter Derby, Lauren Schweppe delivered two impressive performances for victory aboard Cataumet, owned by Cynthia Boudreau.

"He's been incredible this circuit. He was circuit champion in the Green Hunter 3'9". Now he gets to relax in a paddock for a month, and then we'll start gearing up for the November and December shows here."

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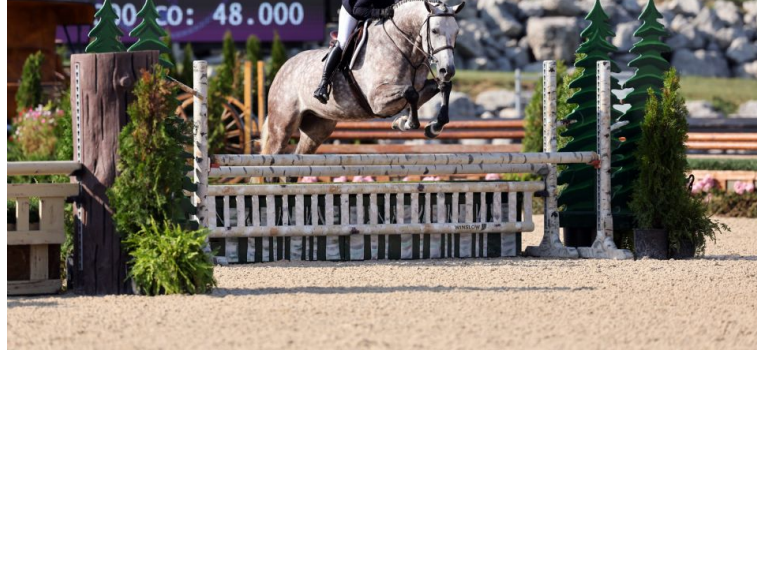
Wilmington Summer III



In the \$30,000 [GGT Footing](#) Grand Prix, Kelly Soleau-Millar (USA) and M. Michael Meller's Fire Fly ultimately ended their summer at WEC – Wilmington the same way they started, back on top of the leaderboard. A day trip to Wilmington after a successful week in Lexington, KY, proved worthwhile for the team at Millar Brooke South.

"What a great weekend! I just came from USEF Pony Finals and our pony was second overall, but I love it here and was determined to come back. My team is amazing, so while we were showing yesterday my manager brought Fire Fly up. We hoped for the best, and what a week we had!"

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The \$20,000 [GGT Footing](#), USHJA National Open Hunter Derby was a highlight event during WEC – Wilmington Summer III. Havens Schatt had the ride on a longtime resident of Milestone Farm LLC, Caroline Moran's Cruise, to ultimately take the win.

"I bought him at an online auction when he was four. I didn't try him or anything; I just saw him and thought he was the cutest thing I had ever seen, and I had to have him. Two of my clients and I bought him together, but Caroline Moran now owns him outright. We did it for fun as an investment because we all thought he was so cute!"

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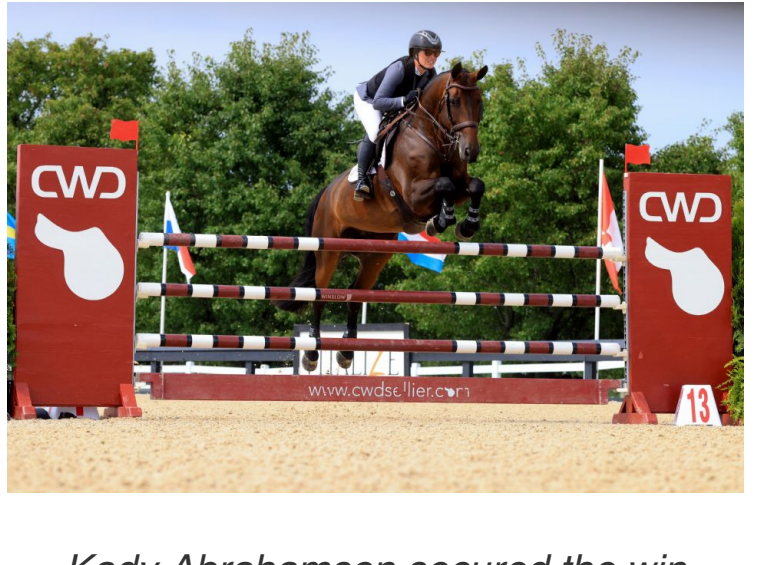
As the ninth to go in the posted order, Sarah Sturges (USA) ultimately took over the lead to secure her second consecutive Futures Prix win with her own Labyrinth.

"I got lucky with the jump-off today. There were a couple of long lines at the end, and my horse with his big step was able to leave a stride out. He tends to be a little bit faster over those kinds of courses than something with a lot of turns. It was made for him to be fast today, so it was nice!"

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World Equestrian Center Winners



Kady Abrahamson secured the win with her own Jazil Du Houssoit in the \$7,500 [CWD Welcome Stake](#) at WEC – Wilmington. **Photo by [Winslow Photography](#)**



In the \$10,000 [USHJA National 3' Jr/Am Hunter Derby](#), Hayley Waters Wear dominated the competition for her third consecutive win in the class, securing first and second place aboard Genuine and Malcommie, both owned by Mr. and Mrs. Chuck Waters at WEC – Ocala. **Photo by [Andrew Ryback Photography](#)**



Will Simpson (USA) claimed victory aboard Elizabeth Phillips' Imar in the \$20,000 [C. Jarvis Insurance Welcome Prix](#) at WEC – Ocala. **Photo by [Andrew Ryback Photography](#)**



Jenny Miller emerged victorious with Finn's Pride, owned by Nelle Dressler, in the \$10,000 [UF Veterinary Hospital USHJA National 3' Open Hunter Derby](#) at WEC – Ocala. **Photo by [Andrew Ryback Photography](#)**



Elizabeth Rinehart and Bond posted the highest score of the day with 94 to win the \$20,000 [USHJA National Non-Pro Hunter Derby](#) at WEC – Wilmington. **Photo by [Winslow Photography](#)**



Jared Petersen rode Kawi MS to victory in the \$10,000 [Buckeye Nutrition Futures Prix](#) at WEC – Ocala. **Photo by [Andrew Ryback Photography](#)**

Memorable Moments From Ocala

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Wilmington Sunday Spotlight



Avery Roper and Caspen **Photo by [Winslow Photography](#)**

This week's Wilmington Sunday Spotlight shines on junior rider Avery Roper. The 11-year-old athlete rides at her family-owned and -operated Roper Farms in Hobart, IN. She can be found in all three rings at WEC – Wilmington with her string of horses and ponies. We caught up with the joyful, hard-working young rider to learn more about her riding journey, her horses and her goals.

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Upcoming Events

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[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

World Equestrian Center – Wilmington

[2024 Summer Schooling Show Series Dates](#)

August 23-25
August 30-September 1

[2024 Fall Classic Series Dates](#)

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

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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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