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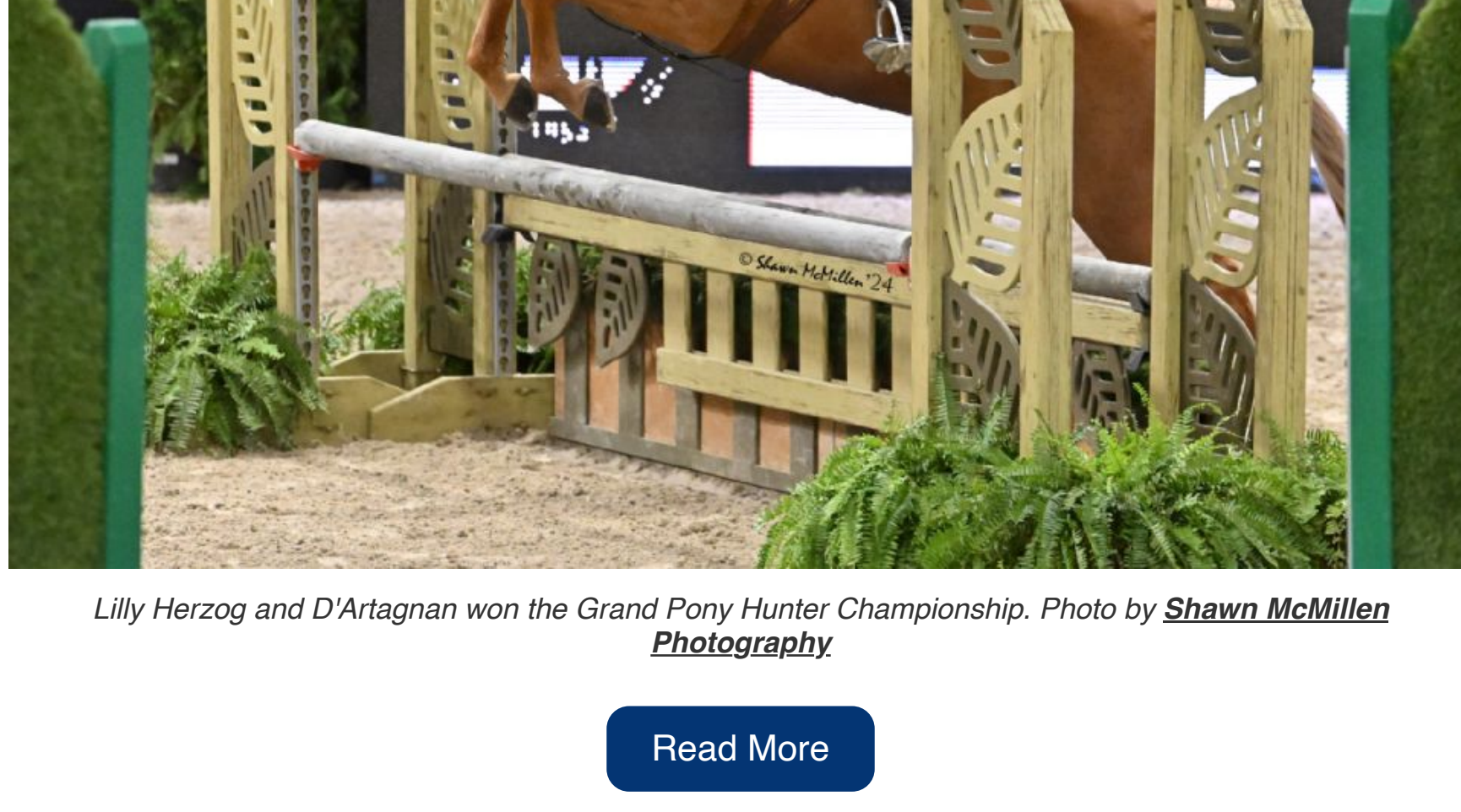
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LILLY HERZOG DOMINATES PONY SUNDAY AT 2024 WIHS

The 2024 Washington International Horse Show (WIHS), presented by MARS Equestrian™ came to a close on Sunday, October 27, with competition for ponies. The tiniest and the mightiest competitors took center stage across the Pony Hunter divisions as well as in the WIHS Pony Equitation Finals and Pony Hunt Teams costume class. When all athletes had laid down their final trips, it was Lilly Herzog of Pepper Pike, OH, who dominated the day. She claimed the Grand Pony Hunter Champion honors aboard Robin Greenwood's D'Artagnan and went on to win the WIHS Pony Equitation Finals.

Earning the win in both the Large Pony Hunter under saddle and the Large Pony Conformation Hunter round as well as a third place over fences, Herzog and D'Artagnan not only secured the Large Pony Hunter Championship and Grand Pony Hunter Championship, but also Best Child Rider on a Pony and Gochman Style of Riding awards.

"He is such a steady eddy that if I can get my act together, it's always in him to win," expressed Herzog of the 14-year-old German Riding Pony gelding by Donnerhall. "He is so consistent, and he's been doing it for a while; he knows his job. He is just always looking for the next challenge and is focused in as much as I am."



Lilly Herzog and D'Artagnan won the Grand Pony Hunter Championship. Photo by [Shawn McMillen Photography](#)

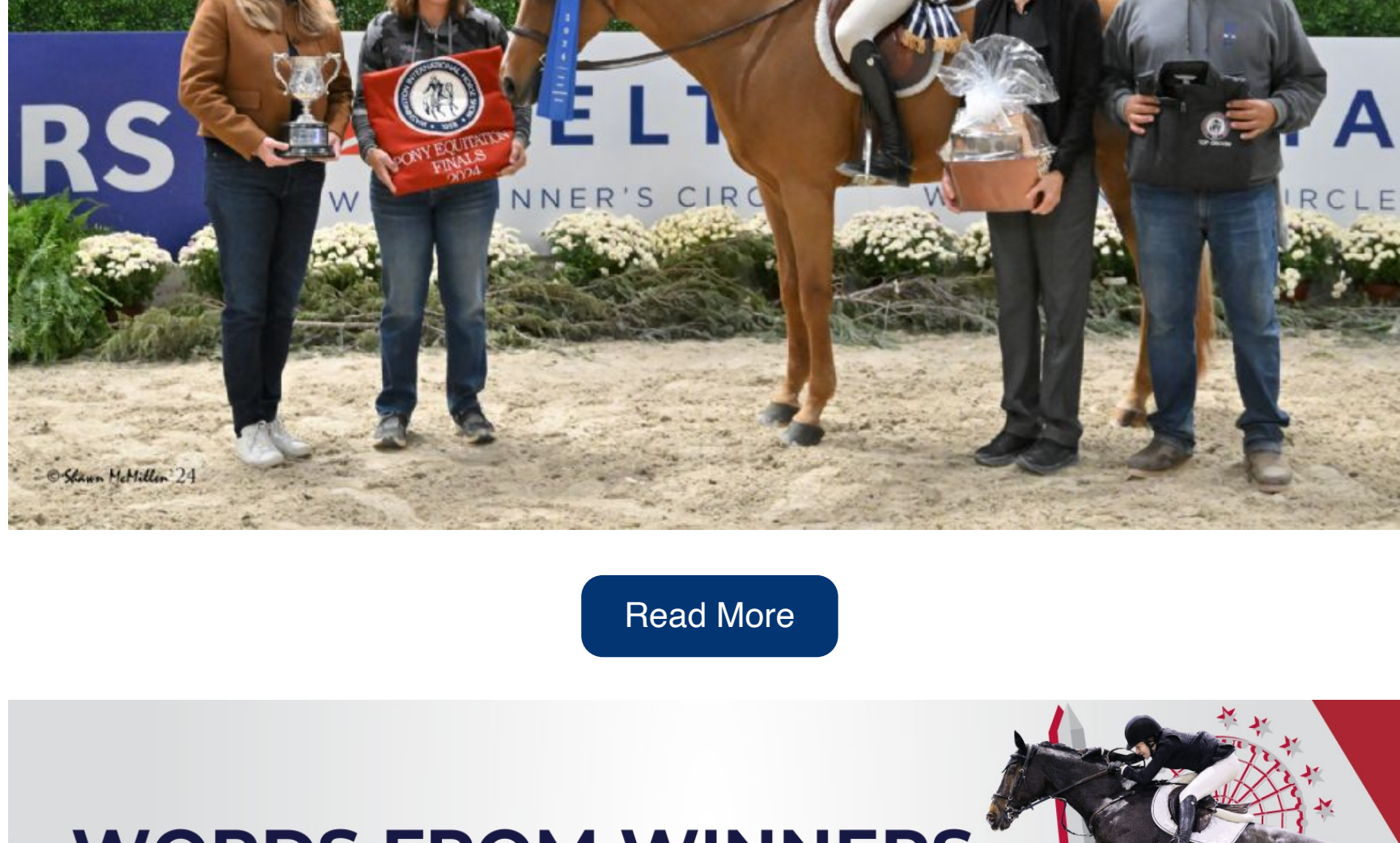
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However, the bittersweet day didn't end there for Herzog. Taking her final turn around the ring aboard the beloved gelding, she piloted her partner to another brilliant performance worthy of a 92 from the judges in the WIHS Pony Equitation Final, presented by Huntland.

"I have such mixed emotions right now, but I wouldn't have today end any other way," she admitted. "We had such a great result in the large division earlier, but my plan for this class was again just to be as calm as possible and lay down a solid round with no massive mistakes."

Herzog relied on her longstanding relationship with D'Artagnan to know where they could shine best as a pair.

"I think we really showed off our partnership the best in the last line," she detailed. "I've gotten to know him and his stride so well that I was able to move up and melt to the last oxer exactly how I wanted to meet it. He just has the best personality; walking into the ring with him you know you have a great pony under you, and it's like you've already won before you even walk in."

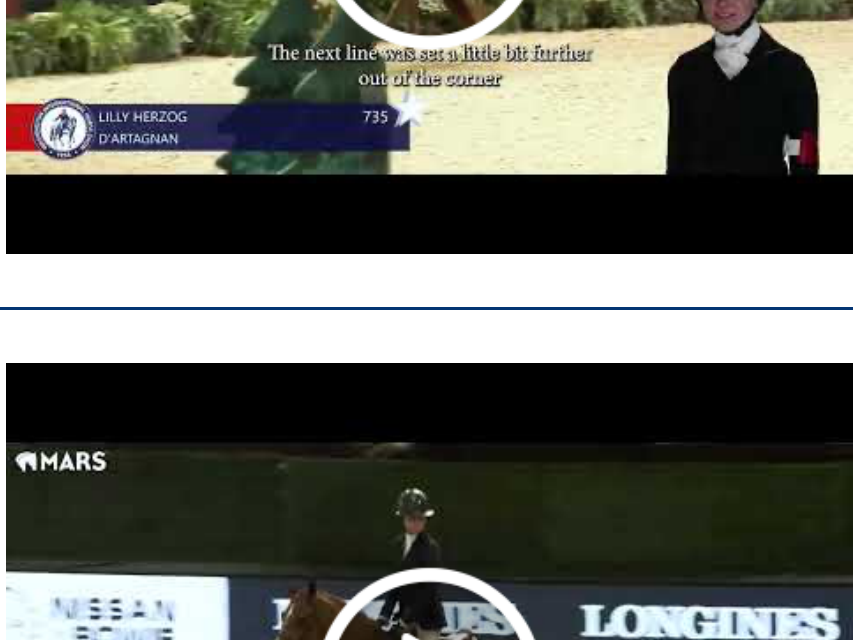


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WORDS FROM WINNERS

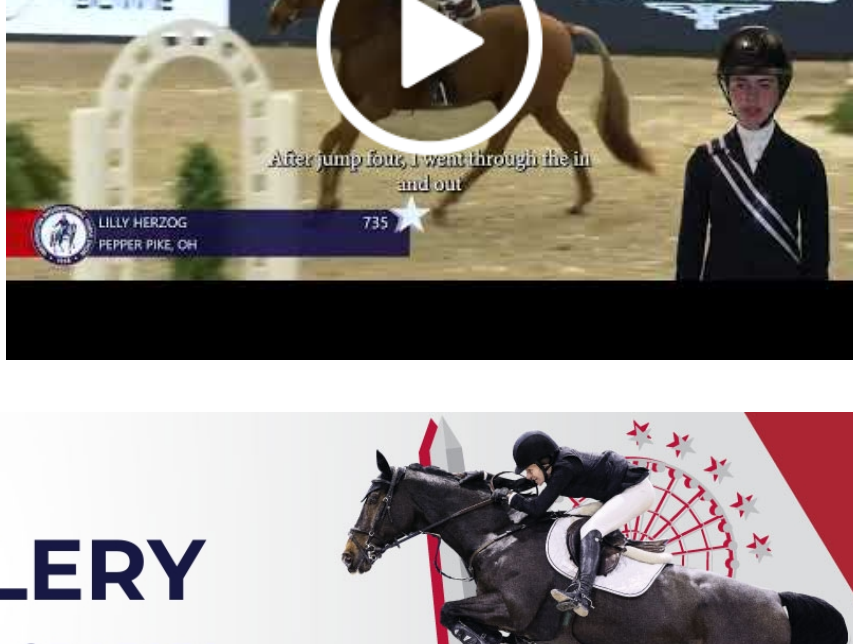
Hear from Grand Champion Pony Hunter winner Lilly Herzog!

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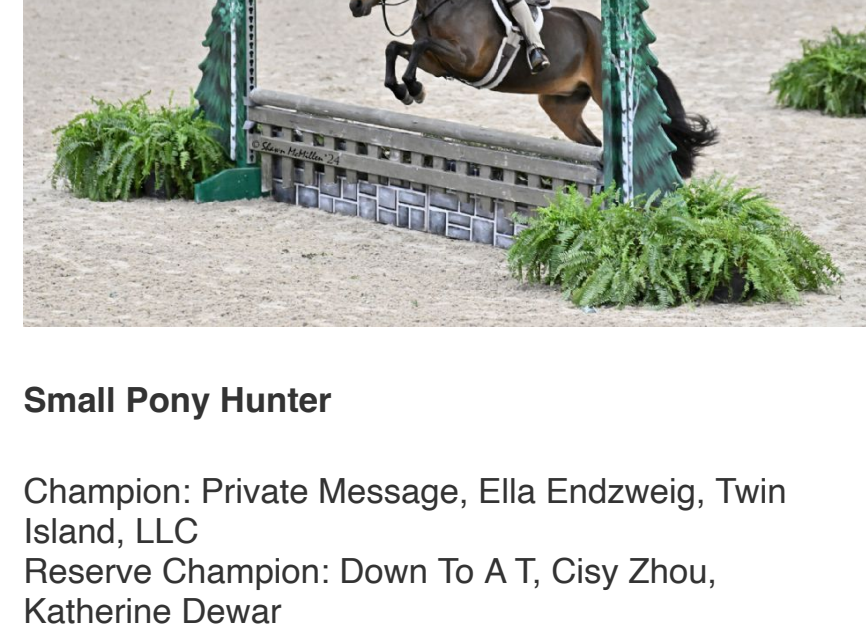
Lilly Herzog also discussed her win in the WIHS Pony Equitation Finals, presented by Huntland.

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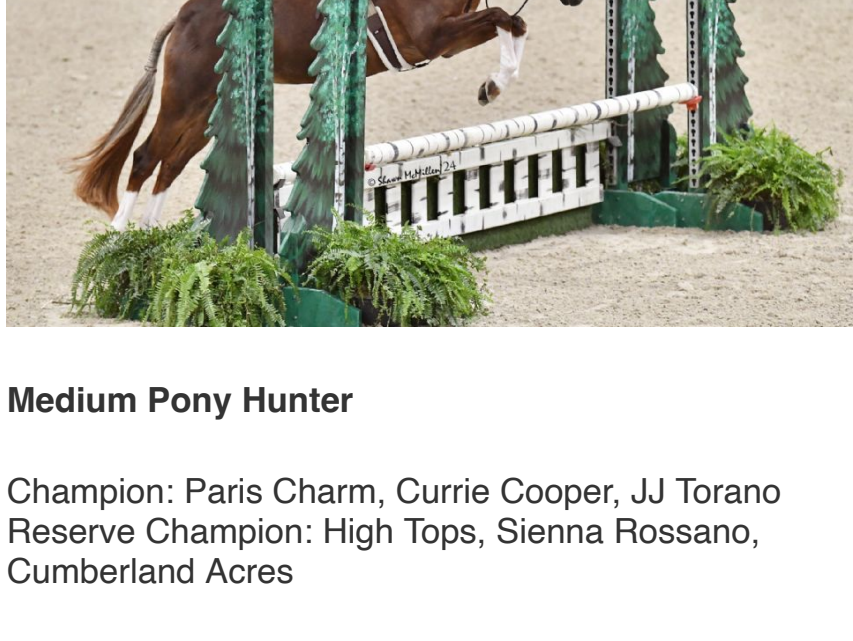
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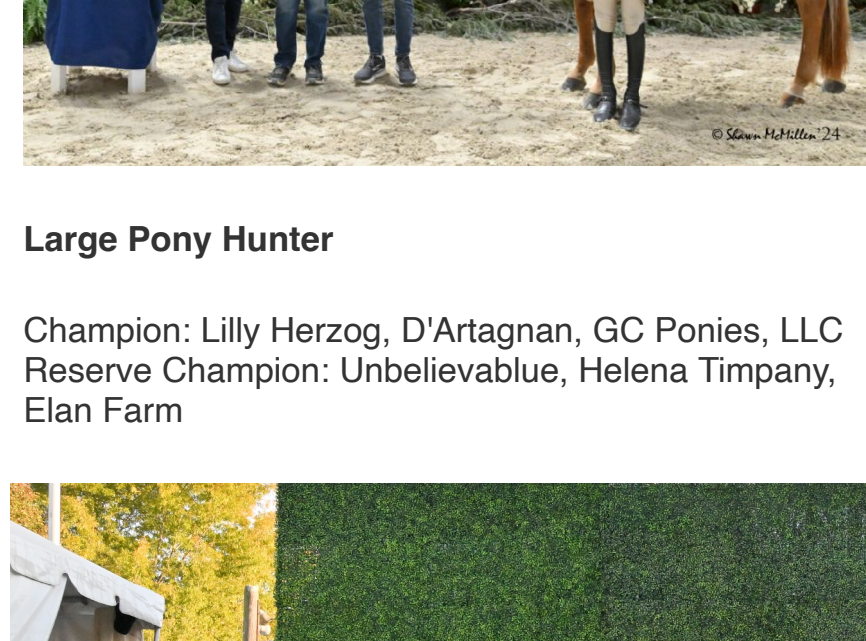
Small Pony Hunter

Champion: Private Message, Ella Endzweig, Twin Island, LLC
Reserve Champion: Down To A T, Cisy Zhou, Katherine Dewar



Medium Pony Hunter

Champion: Paris Charm, Currie Cooper, JJ Torano
Reserve Champion: High Tops, Sienna Rossano, Cumberland Acres



Large Pony Hunter

Champion: Lilly Herzog, D'Artagnan, GC Ponies, LLC
Reserve Champion: Unbelievable, Helena Timpany, Elan Farm



The "Inside Out" team won the Pony Hunt Teams costume class.

PHOTO OF THE DAY

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