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AMATEUR OWNER 3'6" CHAMPIONSHIPS

18-35 Division

Champion: Caroline Ingalls and Concerto
Reserve: Augusta Iwasaki and Small Love

The 3'6" hunters owned the Dixon Oval to kick off the final weekend of the 2023 Devon Horse Show. Split into the 18-35 and the 36+ divisions, 25 and 26 entries respectively eagerly awaited their shot to earn one of the final blue ribbons of this year's show.

The 18-35 division was the first to take on the challenging course in both the over fences and stake class. Caroline Ingalls and her own Concerto dominated the talented group of competitors, taking first in both phases of the class. Ingalls and her gelding also took home several other coveted awards including Devon Grand Amateur Owner Hunter Champion, the Sambalino Award, and the Devon Leading Amateur Owner Hunter Rider.

Ingalls on riding in the Dixon Oval:

"It was incredible. Last year was my first time here and I think I was very nervous. But this year we came back and I was just really determined and excited to be back."

36+ Division

Champion: Irene Neuwirth and Guess Who
Reserve: Lee Kellogg Sadrian and Augustine

Up next was the 36+ division, and it was just as exciting as the previous class. The riders and their mounts prepared on how they would approach the course, and then worked together to lay their best rounds.

Irene Neuwirth and her own Guess Who stood above the pack, putting their best foot forward in the stake round to emerge victorious and take home the blue ribbon. The Holsteiner gelding showed off his impressive power, approaching each jump with ease under the guidance of Neuwirth. Their partnership and stellar communication carried them throughout the course to secure the championship.

Neuwirth on Guess Who:

"He's incredible. He's eight years old and I've have him for about two years. He has a really natural explosive front end, and is just a powerhouse."



Caroline Ingalls and Concerto
Amateur Owner 3'6" 18-35 Champion



Augusta Iwasaki and Small Love
Amateur Owner 3'6" 18-35 Champion



Irene Neuwirth and Guess Who
Amateur Owner 3'6" 36+ Champion



Lee Kellogg Sadrian and Augustine
Amateur Owner 3'6" 36+ Champion

HISTORY OF THE WHEELER FAMILY & THE DEVON HORSE SHOW



Ceil Wheeler & CH Calloway's Brioni

Ceil Wheeler on the Devon Horse Show:

"The Devon Horse Show means a lot to this family, the Wheeler Family, Kenny's father showed here in the 1940's and his mother showed here in the 1950's. Sally Wheeler showed her fine harness horses and her hackney ponies, which is the logo for the Devon Horse Show."

Ceil Wheeler on what can be done to keep the Devon Horse Show going:

"I think everyone just has to keep an open mind about it. I think everyone loves the history and the prestige of the Devon Horse Show, and we certainly had wonderful weather and crowds this year. Who wouldn't want to show in front of these wonderful crowds cheering?"

Ceil Wheeler on their family's perspective:

"The Wheeler Family brings a unique perspective because we show hunters, saddlebreds, and my youngest daughter showed her road horse this year. We are thankful to our Saddlebred trainers, Smith & Alexandra Lilly, and the awesome Mercer Springs Farm team for supporting the Devon show for many years! We were also very proud and honored to have Burt Honaker's reigning 2022 World Grand Champion Epoque Kiss NKF from Virginia. He put on a beautiful performance and allowed the fans to see an incredible individual as well as a stud that is showing today."

WORKING FOX HUNTER

1st: Camilla Grover-Dodge and Forte

2nd: Kendell Grisollo and Backstage

3rd: Taylor Willever and Levianto

Fox hunting is an equestrian sport where the horse, rider, and hound track a scent, either real or artificial, through varied terrain and wilderness.

In the show ring, however, the working hunter is representative of the type of horse used in the sport of Fox Hunting, possessing manners, jumping ability, style, pace, and quality. In these unique classes, the judge is looking for a horse which would be the most agreeable mount to 'ride to the hounds'.

The horse must demonstrate their ability to furnish the rider with a smooth and safe ride, clearing all of the obstacles in stride with a minimum of effort and a pace he or she could maintain during a day in the hunt field. The courses are typically designed to offer a reasonable facsimile for the conditions a working hunter would meet on a day at the hunt, with natural obstacles and decor.

This class was open to riders that placed 1st-4th in their respective Local Hunter divisions. It is yet another inclusion of a long line of opportunities that the Devon Horse Show includes to diversify the performances for the fans. Offering different classes to display a multitude of skill sets is something that sets the Devon Horse Show apart.

Grover-Dodge on how it felt to win the class:

"It felt really good, knowing that its probably only the third or fourth time that I've jumped that horse. It's usually Matthew's ride but I was lucky enough to be able to ride Forte in it today and he was a really good boy."



Camilla Grover-Dodge and Forte



Kendell Grisollo and Backstage



Taylor Willever and Levianto

\$20,000 SJHOF AMATEUR JUMPER CLASSIC

1st: Augusta Iwasaki & Fresca | 2nd: David Oberkircher & Upper | 3rd: Layla Kurbanov & A Toi De Prim

This high level class was set for the amateur jumpers to show off their unique skills in front of an amazing atmosphere at the Devon Horse Show. The young riders and their mounts set their sights on renowned Dixon Oval, eager to collect a blue ribbon to close out their 2023 Devon resume.

Of the 19 total entries, half of the horse and rider combinations managed to best the first round course and qualify for the all-important jump off. Of those eight partnerships, five laid a clear ride in the jump off and less than a second separated the three podium finishers.

After the class, overall Amateur Jumper Champion and Reserve Champion honors were also awarded to Layla Kurbanov and A Toi De Prim and Augusta Iwasaki and Fresca respectively.



Augusta Iwasaki & Fresca



David Oberkircher & Upper



Layla Kurbanov & A Toi De Prim

Champion Kurbanov on her plan in the \$20,000 SJHOF Amateur Jumper Classic:

"My plan was to go in and have a nice solid first round. I really wanted to keep her organized; she tends to get a little excited. So I wanted to keep her under control but also have a good rhythm because she works well out of that good canter to clear the jumps. For the jump off, I went first so I wanted to start off strong. I didn't really know what other riders were going to do so I just went as fast as I could. She's a very fast horse across the ground, and I just really trusted her with that."

\$145,100 IDLE DICE OPEN STAKE CSI4*

1st: Roberto Teran Tafur & BP Wakita
2nd: McLain Ward & First Lady
3rd: Jessica Mendoza & I-Cap CLZ

As the final FEI night class of the 2023 Devon Horse Show, the crowd on hand was electric for the highly talented horse and rider combinations in the \$145,100 Idle Dice Open Stake.

The riders took in the great atmosphere and put together their best efforts to give the crowd a good show. With the final FEI blue ribbon of Devon on the line, the riders and their mounts entered the Dixon Oval with total confidence.

At the completion of the first round, eight partnerships remained to take on the all important jump off. Emerging victorious under the lights was Roberto Teran Tafur and BP Wakita to cap off a very successful run at Devon this year. McLain Ward and First Lady took second, while Jessica Mendoza and I-Cap CLZ took third.

Tafur on winning in Devon:

"I'm feeling super excited. This mare means a lot to me. Winning in Devon, and with the group that made it to the jump off, is really hard. And it just feels great."



Roberto Teran Tafur and BP Wakita



McLain Ward and First Lady

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Saturday, June 3

Blue Ribbon Moments

As the 2023 Devon Horse Show winds down on the last weekend of competition, the blue ribbon moments become more and more sacred. The opportunity to claim a blue ribbon at Devon is something many equestrians dream of from the junior levels all the way to the FEI CS14* level. The traditions at Devon are rooted in so much history that the blue ribbons mean that much more.

Check out several special blue ribbon moments from the day below!



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VENDOR SPOTLIGHT



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Clydesdale's Corner is the perfect spot for your late night hang out and adult beverages. It is on the grounds of the Devon Horse Show to make it easily accessible to fans after a long day of watching the show. There is live music or a DJ on site every night for your entertainment. Whether it's a special event, or just casual drinks with friends Clydesdale's Corner is always the place to be.

Courtney Design is a privately owned, custom jewelry shop with a variety of styles and designs to meet every customer's wants and needs. The custom pieces are made by Courtney and Lee, and each creation is unique in design and made with stones they have personally selected from gem shows across the country. Unless otherwise noted, all Pin / Pendants come with both a pin back and a bail, giving you the versatility to wear either as a pin or you can slip it on to your favorite neckring or chain to wear as a necklace.



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