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LIVE FROM ROLEX STADIUM AT THE KENTUCKY HORSE PARK

The 2023 edition of USEF Pony Finals got underway this morning at Kentucky Horse Park with the Medium Pony Hunter Model & Under Saddle and the Small Green Pony Hunter Model & Under Saddle. It was a two for two day for both Emi Richard and JJ Torano. Torano won the Medium Model with Valentijn, and rode La Croix to the win in the Small Green Under Saddle. Richard took home top honors in the Medium Under Saddle with Play Date and a win in the Small Green Model Confidentially.

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Medium Pony Hunter MODEL & UNDER SADDLE



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Medallions

The Medium Pony Hunters saw 137 entries today split into 12 sections. JJ Torano and Valentijn took home the top spot overall in the Model, while the blue ribbon in the under saddle went to Emi Richard and Play Date.

MEDIUM PONY HUNTER MODEL *News*



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Lexington, KY - This morning the massive Rolex Stadium was split in half, with the Model classes going on one side and the Under Saddles on the other. Welcoming a field of 137 entries, the Medium Pony Hunters were split into 12 sections - one by one each section modeled and then hacked.

When all was said and done, it was 13-year-old JJ Torano of Wellington, FL and Pamela Wright & Charlotte Rossetter's Valentijn who took home the win in the Model. The pair also finished up 9th in the Under Saddle, putting them in a good spot going into tomorrow's Over Fences.



JJ TORANO, ON THE WIN:
"To win at Pony Finals is pretty cool, you have to be at the top of your game and have good ponies. I've been riding Valentijn for a few months now, my favorite thing about him is how sweet he is on the ground."

Regarding how it went today, Torano said, "I felt good about how today went and the win puts me in a good place going into tomorrow."

Winner
WINNER, MEDIUM PONY MODEL: VALENTIJN
OWNED BY: PAMELA WRIGHT & CHARLOTTE ROSSETTER
PRESENTED BY: JJ TORANO

MEDIUM PONY MODEL *Results*

1st	VALENTIJN	JJ TORANO
2nd	MTM SO FLY	ROME REHME
3rd	WOODLANDS CORDUROY	ADDISON LITMAN
4th	FOXMOR SECRET POWERS	LILY EPSTEIN
5th	SUPER SPORT	LUCA ENDZWEIG
6th	PARIS CHARM	CURRIE COOPER
7th	DONAMORE KESTREL	EMMA MILLICAN
8th	SOMERSET CASSIOPEIA	ESME MULLIGAN
9th	PAPERBACK WRITER	PIPER KULKIN
10th	WOODLANDS ELF	KARSON O'CONNOR



MEDIUM PONY HUNTER U/S *News*

Under Saddle



Taking center stage in the Medium Pony Hunter Under Saddle for the win with an overall score of 266 were Play Date, an El Manto, LLC entry out of Wellington, FL, and Emi Richard of Middlefield, CT.

"The ride on Play Date was last minute," Richard said, "It was good that I already knew him - I rode him in his first show. He is so much fun to ride and is very floaty."

Richard, shared a very valuable lesson learned early in life, "My mom always says attitude is everything, so even if I don't get a good ribbon, I keep a good attitude and keep going."

MEDIUM PONY U/S WINNER

PLAY DATE
RIDER
EMI RICHARD
OWNER
EL MANTO, LLC
TRAINER
MARY RIVAS



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EMI RICHARD, ON THE WIN
"I felt today went really well considering it was so last minute! I am very excited for tomorrow, we are pretty high overall which is good. It's exciting to be going into tomorrow in such a good spot, I am a little nervous, in a good way."

MEDIUM PONY UNDER SADDLE *Results*

1st	PLAY DATE	EMI RICHARD
2nd	FRIEND REQUEST	ELLA ENDZWEIG
3rd	QUADRONEUR'S JUNIOR	KATHERIN BABUN
4th	FAREWELL	COLIN SHIPPAM
5th	ANNINGS CATWALK	LEILA HINSHAW
6th	GRYFFINDOR	ALSTON MCLANE
7th	HIGH TOPS	SIENNA ROSSANO
8th	BEL AIR	MARY KATE GEORGE
9th	VALENTIJN	JJ TORANO
10th	FOXMOR SECRET POWERS	LILY EPSTEIN



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Small Green Pony MODEL & UNDER SADDLE

Small Greens



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The Small Green Pony Hunters welcomed a field of 65 entries. JJ Torano and Emi Richard each took home their second win today - Torano aboard La Croix in the Under Saddle, and Richard with Confidentially in the Model.

SMALL GREEN PONY MODEL *News*

Winner



SMALL GREEN MODEL WINNER
CONFIDENTIALLY
RIDER
EMI RICHARD
OWNER
ERIN STEWART
TRAINERS
JAMIE RICHARD & FRANK MADDEN

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Entering the Winner's Circle for the second time today was Emi Richard, this time to collect the blue ribbon in the Small Green Pony Model with Erin Stewart's entry, Confidentially.

Imported in 2021 from Holland, Confidentially, a 2015 Welsh Pony gelding, has proven himself here at his Pony Finals debut. "We are really excited," Stewart said, "We knew he was special. We were thrilled to see him do well today and hope it carries over to tomorrow."

Richard and Confidentially took the top spot with an overall score of 269. Second place went to Clovermeade Heartthrob presented by Reilly Robertson, while JJ Torano took third with JET Show Stables' La Croix.

**EMI RICHARD,
ON THE WIN**

"I won the Small Green hack here two years ago and it was very exciting just like today's win in the Model. I've been riding "Pete" for two years now, and my favorite thing about him is how willing he is."



SMALL GREEN MODEL *Results*

1st	CONFIDENTIALLY	EMI RICHARD
2nd	CLOVERMEADE HEARTTHROB	REILLY ROBERTSON
3rd	LA CROIX	JJ TORANO
4th	SACHI	CURRIE COOPER
5th	FIRST DIBS	LILLY HERZOG
6th	OTTERIDGE SHAMELESS	ADDISON LITMAN
7th	LEMONCELLO	CAITLYN CALIJAN
8th	BIT A COUNTRY	FINLEY BARAS
9th	CLOVERMEADE MAGIC CRUSH	SYDNEY CUMMINGS
10th	WONDERLAND	SLOANE GREINER



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Under Saddle



Winner

SMALL GREEN PONY
UNDER SADDLE WINNER

LA CROIX
RIDER

JJ TORANO

OWNER

JET SHOW STABLES

JET Show Stables' La Croix, and JJ Torano of Wellington, FL topped the Under Saddle in the Small Green Pony Hunters. Speaking highly of "Fin," Torano said "He has a great personality and is very cool in any situation. The Under Saddle went great today, it is nice to be able to head into tomorrow sitting higher up in the overall standings."

Second went to Carsyn Korotkin of Wellington, FL aboard the Castlewood Farm entry, Call Of Duty. Lacey Powers of Loxahatchee, FL and Miss Miracle rounded out the top three.



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SECOND PLACE

CALL OF DUTY

RIDER

CARSYN KOROTKIN

OWNER

CASTLEWOOD FARM

TRAINER

ALAN KOROTKIN



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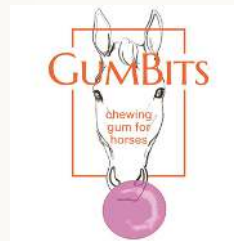
SMALL GREEN UNDER SADDLE *Results*

1st	LA CROIX	JJ TORANO
2nd	CALL OF DUTY	CARSYN KOROTKIN
3rd	MISS MIRACLE	LACEY POWERS
4th	GLITTERATI	ALINA MCLEAN
5th	LEMONCELLO	CAITLYN CALIJAN
6th	SUMMERTIME	KAITLYN LINCK
7th	SACHI	CURRIE COOPER
8th	CONFIDENTIALLY	EMI RICHARD
9th	BLUE TIE AFFAIR	ELLA ENDZWEIG
10th	WINDHOVER MISS AMERICA	GRACELYN FOLGER



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