# Winners' Showcase

This year's fair was golden, with appearances by special Olympic medal-winning international guests Nick Skelton and Michael Jung.

## 2016 ROYAL HORSE SHOW **INTERNATIONAL JUMPERS**

MCLAIN WARD (USA) and HH AZUR repeated their Longines **FEI World Cup** performance from 2015 – a win which marked an incredible eight victories by Ward in this event. A starting field of 22 was whittled down to five over the big but fair course set by Portuguese course designer Bernardo Cabral, but only Ward and the speedy, careful mare managed a double-clear performance, edging out two other Olympians. "This venue has been very good to me, so it's like coming home," said Ward. "When you have a horse like Azur you just try and stay out of her way, and she normally gives a great performance. Every once in a while, I don't mess it up." Not surprisingly, Ward once again donned the Leading International Rider sash at the end of the show.

DAVID WILL (GER), in his first visit to the Royal, scored two victories in a row, winning the \$35,000 International Accumulator aboard (FNTO DU ROUET on Thursday and the \$50,000 Weston Canadian Open on Friday, where he and CALISTA shaved more than two seconds off the time posted by McLain Ward and Malou. "It's really, really hard to beat him, so it's like a little plus, even," said Will of his victory over McLain, who historically racks up a lot of wins at the Royal. "It shows me that I've done well if I'm able to beat him.



Olympic gold medalist NICK SKELTON (GBR) and BIG STAR came close in the two biggest classes, placing third in the FEI World Cup and second in the Big Ben Challenge. Skelton first showed at the Royal in the late 1970s. "They have a great crowd here that really takes part in and enjoys the show," he said. "I like coming here; it's one of my favourite indoor shows." (Read more about Nick in an exclusive interview on page 40.)





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KENT FARRINGTON (USA) and CREEDANCE, a nine-year-old Dutch Warmblood gelding owned in partnership with RGC Farm, won the final evening's **\$75,000 GroupBy Big Ben Challenge**. From 21 starters, a total of seven jumped clear. "There were some really nice horses jumping here tonight," said Farrington, who was competing at the Royal after a five-year hiatus. "More than anything, more than winning, I'm thrilled with the progress of the horse. I feel like he's on track to become a very good grand prix horse."



## CHARLY BROWN carried DARRAGH KENNY (IRL)

to first place in the \$35,000 Brickenden Trophy. "This is a very good horse," said Kenny of the horse, owned by Vlock Show Stables. "He is intended for Teddy Vlock to ride, but I borrowed him for these two weeks while my horses are in Europe. **He is** very experienced, has jumped a lot of big classes, and is really capable of doing anything."

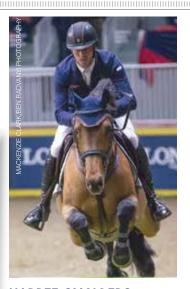


LESLIE HOWARD (USA) kicked off the international classes with a win aboard **DONNA SPÉCIALE**, an eight-year-old grey Dutch Warmblood mare, in the **\$35,000 International Power and Speed**. "It was a perfect course for the first time in the ring," Howard, 60, said following the win. She has been competing at the Royal Horse Show for nearly three decades. "It's special for me simply because I have a lot of great memories. I think it is the best indoor show that we have; the footing is perfect, they have great course designers, the scheduling is wonderful, and they have super **crowds.** It really is the best of the best."

## SHANE SWEETNAM

(IRL) won the \$20,000 McKee **International Jumper Challenge** riding **COBOLT**, a 10-year-old son of the stallion Cyklon, a horse he has also campaigned with great success for several years.





HARRIE SMOLDERS (NED) guided the 12-year-old Danish Warmblood mare APOI I ONTA **73** to first place in the **\$20,000** International Canine/Equine Challenge.

## **INTERNATIONAL JUMPERS**

#### \$130,270 LONGINES FEI WORLD CUP™ JUMPING TORONTO

- 1. HH Azur, McLain Ward (USA) 0/0-36.02 2. Creedance, Kent Farrington (USA) 0/4-35.19
- Big Star, Nick Skelton (GBR) 0/4-37.26 Chaqui Z, Shane Sweetnam (IRL) 0/4-37.49 Gasper van den Doorn, Mac Cone (CAN)

## \$75,000 GROUPBY BIG BEN CHALLENGE

- Creedance, Kent Farrington (USA) 0/0-
- 2. Big Star, Nick Skelton (GBR) 0/0-33.55

- 3. Dixson, Ian Millar (CAN) 0/0-33.79
- Gasper van den Doorn, Mac Cone (CAN) 0/0-36.26
- 5. Confu, Laura Kraut (USA) 0/4-33.82

#### \$50,000 WESTON CANADIAN OPEN

- Calista, David Will (GER) 0-51.20 Malou, McLain Ward (USA) 0-53.31
- 3. Tiger Lily, Jessica Springsteen (USA) 0-53.77
- 4. Dixson, Ian Millar (CAN) 0-55.09
- 5. Cassini Z, Darragh Kenny (IRL) 0-55.33

## \$35,000 INTERNATIONAL POWER AND

SPEED – 1. Donna Speciale, Leslie Howard (USA); 2. Monodie H, David Will (GER); 3. Thalys Z, Erynn Ballard (CAN)

## \$35,000 JOLERA INTERNATIONAL WELCOME

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 1. Malou, McLain Ward (USA); 2.
 Citizenguard Cadjanine Z, Rodrigo Pessoa (BRA); 3. Main Road, Shane Sweetnam (IRL)
 S35,000 BRICKENDEN TROPHY – 1. Charly Brown, Darragh Kenny (IRL); 2. Tiger Lily, Jessica Springsteen (USA); 3. Malou, McLain Ward (USA)
 S35,000 INTERNATIONAL ACCUMULATOR – 1. Cento du Rouet David Will (GFR): 2

– 1. Cento du Rouet, David Will (GER); 2. Cobolt, Shane Sweetnam (IRL); 3. Caruso

472, Jos Verlooy (BEL) \$20,000 MCKEE INTERNATIONAL JUMPER
CHALLENGE – 1. Cobolt, Shane Sweetnam
(IRL); 2. Bialda, Laura Kraut (USA); 3. Baranus, Ian Millar (CAN)

### \$20,000 INTERNATIONAL CANINE/ **EQUINE CHALLENGE** – 1

Apollonia 23, Harrie Smolders (NED); 2. Cento Du Rouet, David Will (GER); 3. Moondoggie, Leslie Howard (USA)

## LEADING CANADIAN RIDER - lan

LEADING INTERNATIONAL RIDER -

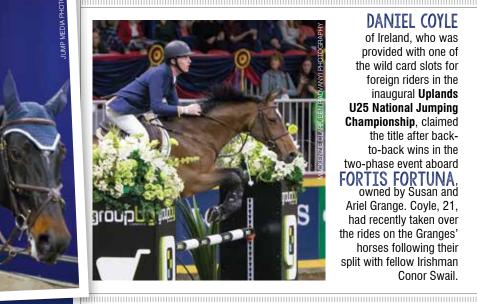
McLain Ward (USA)
ALL CANADIAN CUP LEADING CANADIAN-OWNED HORSE -Dixson, Susan & Ariel Grange (owner), lan Millar (rider) THE WHITAKER AWARD – Victor,

Tiffany Foster (CAN)

## 2016 ROYAL HORSE SHOW NATIONAL JUMPERS

IAN MILLAR of Perth, ON, won the \$100,000 Greenhawk Canadian Show Jumping Championship riding DIXSON. "I am thrilled to have Dixson back," said Millar of the 13-year-old Belgian Warmblood gelding that had recently returned to competition following sinus surgery to remove hematomas, "I have never ridden him indoors before: his last competitions were always September and then he was off again until January," said Millar of the horse owned by Susan and Ariel Grange. "A good horse is a good horse, and they just find a way to succeed."These championships were a real family affair, with lan's kids Amy (Heros) and Jonathon (Bonzay) also finishing in the top five.







## DANIEL COYLE

of Ireland, who was provided with one of the wild card slots for foreign riders in the inaugural **Uplands U25 National Jumping** Championship, claimed the title after backto-back wins in the two-phase event aboard FORTIS FORTUNA. owned by Susan and Ariel Grange, Coyle, 21, had recently taken over the rides on the Granges' horses following their split with fellow Irishman

Conor Swail.

VERONICA BOT of Burlington, ON, rode the grey Oldenburg mare QUIDAM'S CAPRICE M to claim the \$10,000 McKee-Pownall Equine Services Jr/Am Jumper Royal Stake. Bot, 20, who trains with Chris Delia, won this class two years ago with Calato's Charles. "It's a huge sentimental experience," she said. "To win this class both times is really exciting." Bot hopes to move Quidam's Caprice M up to the FEI division in 2017.



\$100.000 GREENHAWK **SHOW JUMPING** CHAMPIONSHIP

#### ROUND ONE

- Dixson, Ian Millar 59.41 Heros, Amy Millar 60.25
- 2. Heros, Amy Millar 60.25 3. Bonzay, Jonathon Millar 60.33
- 4. For Freedom Z, Keean White 60.59
- 5. Gasper van den Doorn, Mac Cone 62.87

#### FINAL

- Dixson, Ian Millar 52.75 2. Gasper van den Doorn, Mac Cone 54.99
- 3. Granturo, Hyde Moffatt 52.44
- 4. Bonzay, Jonathon Millar
- 5. Heros, Amy Millar 51.27

## **UPLANDS U25 NATIONAL CHAMPIONSHIP** – CH: Fortis Fortuna, Daniel Coyle; RES: Calgary 56,

Quincy Hayes
\$12,500 U25 NATIONAL
CHAMPIONSHIP PHASE
1 – 1. Fortis Fortuna,
Daniel Coyle; 2. Calgary
56, Quincy Hayes; 3. Eos

van de Donkhoevé, Kathryn Dafoe \$12,500 U25 NATIONAL

CHAMPIONSHIP PHASE 2 – 1. Fortis Fortuna,
Daniel Coyle; 2. Tax Free,
Muhammad Itani; 3. Cool
Down 3, Veronica Bot
DOUGLAS M. CATTO
HIGH POINT EASTERN

STANDINGS - Hermelien VD Hooghoeve, Ali Ramsay

\$10,000 MCKEE-POWNALL **EQUINE SERVICES JR/** AM JUMPER ROYAL STAKE – 1. Quidam's Caprice M, Veronica Bot; 2. Scandalous, Carolyn Catton; 3. Qrishna van de Smiss Z, Jennifer Buchan \$2,500 JUNIOR JUMPER

STAKE – 1. Alonzo, Makayla Barta; 2. Nature des Pierres, Coraline Thibault; 3. Bazinga,

Kennedy Ballard
JR/AM JUMPER – CH:
Caliana, Jeff Brandmaier; RES: Egano Van Het Slogenhof, Susan Horn

ROYAL JR JÚMPER – CH: Alonzo, Makayla Barta; RES: Zídane B, Jenna Lee

Gottschlich \$5,000 ROYAL PONY JUMPER FINAL – 1. Bloomsbury, Laura Robertson; 2. Ever So Clever, Grace Munro; 3. Montreux, Emily Burton
ROYAL PONY JUMPER

- CH: Ever So Clever, Grace Munro; RES Beaverwood's Cinnamon, Kilby Brunner Deforest

JEFF BRANDMAIER and Knightwood Stable's CALTANA, a 13-year-old bay Rheinlander mare, won the McKee-Pownall Junior/Amateur Championship. Brandmaier, 57, had recently returned to the show ring following major surgery in his battle with cancer. "My trainer Erynn Ballard is incredible," he said. "She worked with us to develop the winning plan for the year and that reflected in Caliana's readiness for the Royal; she was fresh, focused, and happy to do her job."



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## 2016 ROYAL HORSE SHOW **HUNTER DERBIES & EQUITATION**

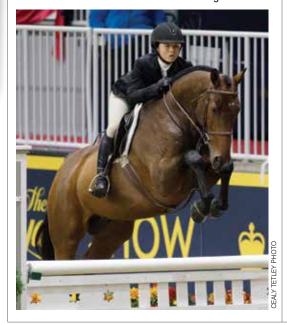
**DARCY HAYES** and Danielle Trudell-Baran's eight-year-old Dutch Warmblood gelding SAY WHEN dominated the derbies at the Royal, winning both the \$15,000 Braeburn Farms Hunter Derby and the \$25,000 Knightwood Hunter Derby - an elusive goal they have been chasing for the last two years. "It's just a joy to have a horse like this," said Trudell-Baran, who rides Say When in the adult-amateur hunters. "He's the horse of a lifetime. To have him go out with me and do the three-foot and then to go out with Darcy and do the big classes; he's a special horse. He takes my breath away every time."





MEGAN CHAMPOUX, 17, of Aldergrove, BC, won the 2016 Running Fox CET Medal National Final riding **BRIGHTON**, a 10-year-old Holsteiner gelding owned by Denise Kinvig. The pair – who had only been partnered for a month - won both the flat and gymnastic phases, the latter which included a final-four test over a short course of six fences with roll-back turns, a trot jump, and a jump from the counter-canter. "My horse was a little bit spooky, so I definitely knew I had to ride and get down the lines." said Champoux, who is coached by her mother, Sarah. "It's been a goal of mine forever [to win this] and it's nice that I got it done." Champoux also earned a third-place finish in the Jump Canada Medal National Final earlier in the week.

MACKENZIE WRAY, 17, of Loretto, ON, displayed exemplary poise, position, and skill to clinch the Jump Canada Medal Final riding **CONTACT**, a seven-year-old Holsteiner gelding owned by Makim Holdings Inc. They aced the initial jumping round, were part of the top eight invited back for the flat phase and then the top-four jumping phase, which included jumping from a trot, counter-canter, and hand-gallop. "Connor' is the best horse. He's young and I didn't expect any of this out of him; it's been awesome," Wray said. She has been coached by Erynn Ballard for the past three years. "Erynn just does her job so well and I love riding with her."



## **HUNTER DERBIES**

\$15,000 BRAEBURN FARMS

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HUNTER DERBY – 1. Say
When, Darcy Hayes 108; 2.
Heavenly, Sam Walker 100;
3. Crush, Darcy Hayes 99
\$25,000 KNIGHTW00D
HUNTER DERBY – 1. Say
When, Darcy Hayes 108;
2. Bayridge, Ryan Roy
103; 3. Hide Away, Erynn
Rallard 102 Ballard 102 LORNA JEAN GUTHRIE

CANADIAN HUNTER DERBY CH: - Say When, Danielle Trudell-Baran (owner) /

PRINCE OF THIEVES TROPHY
EASTERN CH: – Say When,
Danielle Trudell-Baran
(owner) / Darcy Hayes
(rider)

## **MEDAL CLASSES**

**RUNNING FOX CET MEDAL** NATIONAL FINAL OVERALL

– 1. Megan Champoux, Brighton; 2. Taylor McManus, Thiago; 3. Allie

Sullivan, Aphrodite M
CET MEDAL FLAT/GYMNASTIC
PHASE – 1. Megan
Champoux, Brighton; 2. Taylor McManus, Thiago; 3. Jenna Lee Gottschlich, Zidane B

CET NATIONAL MEDAL FINAL JUMPING PHASE – 1. Megan Champoux, Brighton; Jenna Lee Gottschlich, Zidane B; 3. Dannie Murphy,

Jaquino CANADIAN CHAMPIONSHIP JUMP CANADA MED<u>al – 1</u> Mackenzie Wray, Contact; 2. Emma Seger, Cohiba; 3 Megan Champoux, Brighton

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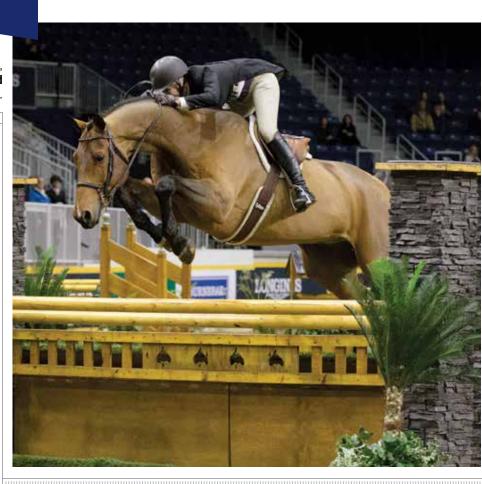
BAYRIDGE, ridden by RYAN ROY, won the Duke Of Beaufort Combined Working Hunter honours.



The **Cornblum Adult Amateur Hunter 36** + division champion was **KRISTEN BARAN** riding **YORKVILLE**.



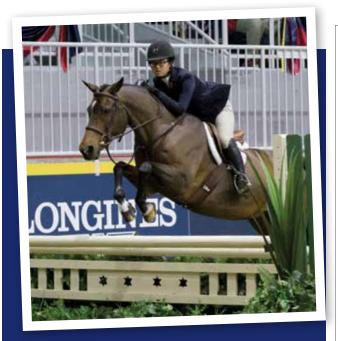
SIDNEY JEFFERSON aboard SOCIALITE took the Horse Sport Adult Amateur Hunter 18-35 championship. Socialite also clinched the Canadian Bred Hunter Award.



The Michael C Sifton Amateur/Owner Hunter championship went to OLIVIA IRVING and DAVENPORT, who also won the Grand Champion Amateur Hunter award and the Killer Tom High Score Hunter.



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LUNAR ECLIPSE, with MAIA STENGER in the irons, was Shaun Goilin Large Pony Hunter champion.

**LEANNA LAZZARI** was named Horse Sport Children's Hunter champion aboard SOCIALITE, and also got the nod for Top Junior Rider.



The Junior **Working Hunter** champion was SOPHIE DEWITTE **CABALLERO** 

GREENHAW

DUKE OF BEAUFORT COMB. WORKING HUNTER - CH:

Bayridge, Ryan Roy; RES: Hide Away, Erynn Ballard CORNBLUM AD AM HUNTER 36+ – CH: Yorkville, Kristen Baran; RES: Case Closed, Natasha

Skupsky Horse sport ad am hunter **18-35** – CH: Socialite, Sidney Jefferson; RES: Harraby, Emma

Wieland Michael C Sifton A/O Hunter CH: Davenport, Olivia Irving;
 RES: Damiro Van Ter Notelaere,

Muffie Guthrie
JR WORKING HUNTER – CH: Caballero, Sophie Dewitte; RES: Excellent Balou, Gabrielle

Buisson
HORSE SPORT CHILDREN'S
HUNTER – CH: Socialite, Leanna
Lazzari; RES: It's Coolman,
Charlotte McLaughlin
SHAUN GOILIN LARGE PONY
HUNTER – CH: Lunar Eclipse,
Maia Stenger; RES: Circassian,
Stephanie Skarica
FINDELN DIFFY MEDIUM PONY
HUNTER – CH: Cherrybrook
Just Blue In, Ella Davison; RES:
Grafffit, Olivia Darling

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THREE'S A CROWD SMALL PONY
HUNTER – CH: First Frost, Sasha
Maniaci; RES: Alexandria's Short Notice, Elizabeth Parish

SPECIAL AWARDS KILLER TOM HIGH SCORE HUNTER

Davenport, Olivia Irving
 CANADIAN BRED HUNTER AWARD

- Socialite, Leanna Lazzari
J. ELLIOT COTTRELLE MEMORIAL
TROPHY ROYAL GRAND
CHAMPION AMATEUR HUNTER
- Davenport, Olivia Irving
YVONNE COLLARD MEMORIAL

**GRAND CHAMPION PONY** Cherrybrook Just Blue In, Ella

Davidson

ROWFANTINA COLLAGE TROPHY

TOP JUNIOR RIDER – Leanne

Lazzari Jane Hunter Memorial Sportsmanship Award – ROYAL HUNTER GROOM'S AWARD

Lesley Lehman

CHERRYBROOK JUST BLUE IN earned the Findeln Diffy Medium Pony Hunter championships, guided by  $\mbox{\bf ELLA DAVISON}.$  The pair also took the Yvonne Collard Memorial Grand Champion Pony title.





**FIRST** FROST with SASHA **MANIACI** 

up, was crowned

Three's A **Crowd Small Pony Hunter** champion.

## 2016 ROYAL HORSE SHOW ROYAL ROUND-UP



Toronto's own **RACHEL MCDONOUGH** placed second in the **Horseware Indoor Eventing Challenge** riding **IRISH RHYTHM**, with Jessica Phoenix and Abbey GS rounding out the top three. Eighttime winner of this class, Waylon Roberts, was unable to compete this year due to a broken foot suffered during a schooling incident.

## \$20,000 HORSEWARE INDOOR EVENTING CHALLENGE FINAL

- 1. Cruising Guy, Michael Jung (GER) 0/152.13
- 2. Irish Rhythm, Rachel McDonough (CAN) - 0/160.59
- 3. Abbey GS, Jessica Phoenix (CAN) 1/176.50
- 4. Manny, Diana Burnett (CAN) 2/189.13
- 5. RF d'Orbalia, Kendal Lehari (CAN) 5/160.30
- 6. Uptown Girl, Selena O'Hanlon (CAN) 5/163.67

## INVITATIONAL DRESSAGE CUP

#### **GRAND PRIX**

- 1. Caravella, Megan Lane 71.633%
- 2. All In, Brittany Fraser-Beaulieu 69.267%
- 3. Drentano, Christilot Boylen 67.567%

## GRAND PRIX FREESTYLE

- 1. Caravella, Megan Lane 76.753%
- 2. All In, Brittany Fraser-Beaulieu 75.250%
- 3. D Niro, Jacqueline Brooks 72.708%
- 4. Drentano, Christilot Boylen 68.500%

Reigning Olympic champion MICHAEL JUNG of Germany claimed victory aboard Shawn Ferguson's CRUISING GUY in his \$20,000 Horseware Indoor Eventing Challenge debut at the Royal Horse Show becoming thr first non-Canadian to win the title. Jung, 34, who won individual gold and team silver medals at the 2016 Rio Olympics, remarked, "I really liked the show ... the course designer [Captain Mark Phillips of Great Britain] is very experienced. I've ridden many of his courses outside. It's totally different inside, but he did a good job."



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**MEGAN LANE** of Loretto, ON, and **CARAVELLA** won both classes in the **Royal Invitational Dressage Cup** at the Royal Horse Show. The Rio Olympian called the chance to compete at the Royal "a **lifelong dream of mine**," adding, "I would love to do the World Cup. I really wanted to come to The Royal to experience this indoor atmosphere and to see how she would react. I think it was a pretty positive experience." Lane co-owns the 15-year-old Dutch Warmblood mare with her mother, Cathy Lane, and trains with Canadian Olympic veteran and fellow Dressage Cup competitor, Christilot Boylen, who placed 3rd in the grand prix and 4th in the freestyle with Drentano.

LAURA ROBERTSON rode **BLOOMSBURY** to win the \$5.000 Royal **Pony Jumper** Final.



Twice second on the leaderboard in the Royal Invitational Dressage Cup was BRITTANY FRASER-BEAULIEU of Ottawa, ON, and her 2015 Pan American Games partner, **ALL IN**, the 11-yearold Dutch Warmblood gelding she co-owns with her husband. Marc-Andre Beaulieu. Their score of 75.250% in the freestyle represented a new personal best.



Robyn Eames and Mark Trussell. owners of Belinda Trussell's Olympic mount ANTON, were presented with the 2016 Dressage Owner of the Year Award during a special presentation at the Royal Horse Show. (L-r) Victoria Winter, Christine Peters, Mark Trussell, Belinda Trussell. 2016 ROYAL HORSE SHOW BREEDING

For the second year in a row, Grand Champion TB Colt/Stallion and winner of the Ontario Jockey Club Challenge Trophy was the 11-year-old stallion DON'S FOLLY (Tethra x Bold Below), owned and handled by EMILY FISHER of Burlington, ON. Previously, Don's Folly enjoyed a successful career on the track, banking purse earnings in excess of \$485,000.





Grand Champion TB Mare was the unraced five-year-old LOOK AT MY GIZMO (Giant Gizmo x Icy's Legacy) owned by KATHERINE PATTERSON of Port Hope, ON. "Vienna," as she is now called, and Patterson also took part in the 2015 Thoroughbred Makeover in Kentucky, placing 11th in the show hunter division.





Champion CSH Mare was 13-year-old ISABELLA K (Popeye K x Spanish Treasure), owned and handled by ALLISON WEST of Carleton Place,
ON. Popeye K is a prolific US sire of top hunters.

The **President's Cup CSH Colt, Gelding, or Filly of 2016** title was won by the weanling filly **CARTE NOIR** (Cabardino x Penny Black V), owned by **ULLA BROOKS** of Caledon, ON, and handled by Garry Roque. Carte Noir's sire, Cabardino, owned by W. Charlot Farms, is also the sire of Cafe Noir, the 2012 Lieutenant Governor's Cup winner, also bred by Brooks.

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The Sportpony Star Search Challenge Cup champion was the imported 12-year-old German Riding Pony stallion HILKEN'S GO FOR GOLD, owned by Ashland Farm and co-owner/manager DARLENE TIERNEY of Ashton, ON, who was also the handler.





### CUP CLASSES

THE GOVERNOR GENERAL'S CUP –

1. West Star, Andrea Galan-Nicholls (owner) / Claire Hunter (handler); 2. Cabella W, Hannah Ellingham (owner) / Andrea Volasko (handler); 3. Bystorm Judas, Garry Roque (owner),

Ronnie Davidson (handler)
THE LIEUTENANT GOVERNOR'S CUP - 1. West Star, Andrea Galan-Nicholls (owner) / Claire Hunter (handler); 2. Cabella W, Hannah Ellingham (owner) / Ándrea Volasko (handler); 3. Dante's Diamond, Dianna Haughton (owner) / Caitlin Phillips (handler)

### **THOROUGHBREDS**

SR FILLY - CH: Heart Of Gold, Tennille Kerrigan (owner) / Julie Tremblay (handler) SR COLT/GELDING – CH: Hashtag

Flash, Sylvia Dixon (owner) / Sarah Croft (handler); RES: Copy Cat Creek, Sandra Zelmer (owner) / Krystin Anderson (handler)

GRAND CHAMPION MARE – CH:

Look at my Gizmo, Katherine Patterson (owner/handler); RES: Heart Of Gold, Tennille Kerrigan (owner) / Julie Tremblay (handler)

GRAND CHAMPION COLT/

STALLION – CH: Don's Folly,

Emily Fisher (owner/handler); RES: Simply Decadent, Treena McClelland-Desautels (owner)

Marc Desautels (handler)

PERF U/S H/J 3-7Y0 – 1. Detoxing,
Blythe Miller (owner) / Shara
Pavan (rider); 2. Luther, Fiona
Levers (owner) / Alissa Jordan
(rider); 2. Man Cave, Blythe Millel (rider); 3. Man Cave, Blythe Miller

(owner/rider)

PERF U/S H/J 8Y0+ - 1. Eyes To
Rule, Daniella McLean (owner/
rider); 2. Alex's Love, Leslie McCormick (owner/rider); 3. Ocean Serenity, Deidre Dengo

TB PERF U/S DRESSAGE 3-7 YO -1. Luther, Fiona Levers (owner) / Alissa Jordan (rider); 2. Copy Cat Creek, Sandra Zelmer (owner) / Krystin Anderson (rider); 3. Formal Dress Attire, Treena McClelland-Desautels (owner) / Heidi Mireault (rider)
PERF U/S DRESSAGE 8Y0+ - 1.

Lincold Fortyniner, Treena McClelland-Desautels (owner/ rider); 2. Ocean Serenity, Deidre Dengo (owner/rider); 3. Eyes To Rule, Daniella McLean (owner/

TB ONTARIO JOCKEY CLUB CHALLENGE TROPHY - Don's Folly, Emily Fisher (owner/handler)

CANADIAN SPORT HORSES GRAND CHAMPION – CH: West Star, Andrea Galan-Nicholls (owner) / Claire Hunter (handler); RES: Cabella W, Hannah Ellingham (owner) / Andrea

Volasko (handler)

PRESIDENT'S CUP COLT, GELDING,
FILLY 2016 – 1. Carte Noir, Ulla
Brooks (owner) / Garry Roque
(handler); 2. Joule IHE, Debra
Ottier (owner/handler); 3. Waiting
Game CM, Andrea Corvari & Daune MacGregor (owner) /

Andrea Corvari (handler) ' JR COLT OR GELDING – CH: Iron Clad's Fairmont, Brandon Hall (owner) / Claire Hunter (handler); RES: Bandera du Stern WS, Deanna Cubellis (owner) /

Victoria Broadbent (handler) SR COLT OR GELDING – CH: Bystorm Judas, Garry Roque (owner) / Ronnie Davidson (handler); RES: Darwin IHE, Debra Ottier (owner/handler) JR FILLY – CH: Karamel K, Darlene

Tierney (owner) / Colleen McGrath (handler); RES: Braecrest Beautiful, Claire Hunter

(owner/handler)

SR FILLY – CH: West Star, Andrea Galan-Nicholls (owner) / Claire Hunter (handler); RES: Cabella W, Hannah Ellingham (owner) / Andrea Volasko (handler) CHAMPION MARE – Isabella K,

Allison West (owner/handler); RES: Cindy Van Het Keizerhof, Sylvia Dixon (owner/handler)

## SPORT PONY

SPORTPONY STAR SEARCH CHALLENGE CUP CHAMPION

- 1. Hilken's Go For Gold, Ashland Farm & Darlene Tierney (owner) / Darlene Tierney; 2. Northmore's It's About Time, Madison Cadieux-Moran (owner) / Valerie Jackson (rider); 3. Clanfair Capri Sun. Leslie McCormick (owner/rider)
SPORTPONY U/S SUITABLE H/J

- 1. Fairfields Lunar Landing, Heather Fairlie (owner) / Christine SmithAvery (rider); 2. Northmore's It's About Time, Madison Cadieux-Moran (owner/rider); 3. Reidell Thrill Me Tu, Kenzie Black (owner/

rider)
SPORTPONY U/S SUITABLE
DRESSAGE – 1. Kingsland, Debbie Traver (owner) / Ellah Dubeau-Kielty (rider); 2. Northwind Cartier, Valerie Jackson (owner/rider); 3. Scarlett O'Hara, Crystal Ritchie (owner/rider)

## WEST STAR CAPTURES THE CUPS

In the fall of 2016, ANDREA GALAN-NICHOLLS told her long-time friend Claire Hunter, handler and trainer of Galan-Nicholls' three-year-old filly, **WEST STAR**, "This horse is going to do something special for both of us." Galan-Nicholls' hunch paid off when the elegant black Canadian Sport Horse won both the Governor General's and Lieutenant Governor's Cup classes, then claimed the **Grand Championship** at the Canadian Sport Horse show at the Royal.

West Star is the first horse Galan-Nicholls has bred and is by the Hanoverian stallion Westporte, out of Etoile (French for star), a Canadian Sport Horse mare by the Hanoverian stallion Earl. The filly goes by the barn name 'Mel' in honour of Galan-Nicholls' late mother, Melissa. Galan-Nicholls, a hunter-jumper rider who lives in Beeton, ON, plans to let her "beauty pageant queen" have some down time during the winter before starting her over fences. She may even have a 2017 Cup contender waiting in the wings: Mel's full sister, Rayna. ~Tracy Hanes

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