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## Tracy Fenney and MTM Outbid Are Tops in \$25,000 WCHR Professional Challenge

Upper Marlboro, MD – Schedule hunter highlighted the professional on Wednesday at the Capital Challenge Horse Show, presented by World Equestrian Center. Tracy Fenney and MTM Outbid were victorious in the \$25,000 WCHR Professional Challenge, sponsored by The Gochman Family. In the \$5,000 WCHR Developing Pro Challenge, sponsored by the John R. Ingram Fund, Dominique Damico and Rockette took the top spot. The Capital Challenge Horse Show, held at the Prince George's Equestrian Center in Upper Marlboro, MD, runs through Sunday, October 8.

The \$25,000 WCHR Professional Challenge had 31 entries in the first round, which ran on Wednesday afternoon. Twelve returned for the second round in the evening session.



Tracy Fenney earned the win in the \$25,000 WCHR Professional Challenge aboard MTM Outbid, owned by MTM Farm.  
 Photo by [Shawn McMillen Photography](#)

Fenney, of Flower Mound, TX, and MTM Outbid, owned by MTM Farm, went tenth in the order and had a fantastic opening round. With an average score of 90, they sat in second place going into the night class. Fenney was happy that she did not have to go at the end of the class.

*"I think that's to my benefit, to watch one and then go get ready and do the course. The jumps are so beautiful, and they do such a wonderful job here [at Capital Challenge]. The grounds and everything is so nice; it just feels important to be here."* - Tracy Fenney

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### WCHR Pro Finals Qualifiers

- John French
- Hunt Tosh
- Scott Stewart
- Victoria Colvin
- Elizabeth Boyd
- Tracy Fenney

#### WCHR PROFESSIONAL CHALLENGE

Pl	Horse	Rider	J1	J2	J3	Round	Final
1	MTM OUTBID	TRACY FENNEY	91.00	90.00	89.00		90.00
			93.00	93.00	95.00		93.66
2	KINGS LANDING	LOUISE SEIBER	92.00	91.00	87.50		90.16
			90.00	91.00	93.00		91.33
3	O'RYAN	ELIZABETH BOYD	88.00	86.50	90.00		88.16
			88.50	87.75	89.00		87.61
4	CARENTO	SARA TAYLOR	89.00	86.25	88.00		87.75
			89.00	87.50	87.00		87.83
5	ARISTOCRAT	HAVENS SCHAFF	85.50	85.00	85.00		85.17
			82.00	83.00	82.50		82.50
6	SMALL GESTURE	JEFF COGUL	87.00	87.00	87.00		87.00
			82.00	87.00	86.50		86.16
7	ALWAYS	VICTORIA COLVIN	81.75	82.75	85.75		83.41
			87.00	90.00	92.00		89.66
8	SEASIDE	NICK HANESS	89.00	88.00	88.50		88.50
			84.00	84.00	83.50		83.83
9	TOP SHELF	LESQIE STEELE	87.50	89.00	92.00		89.50
			80.00	79.00	78.00		79.00
10	GALANI	AMBER HENTER	86.50	83.75	82.50		84.25
			82.00	83.00	82.50		82.50
11	STELLAR	PATRICIA GRIFFITH	84.00	86.00	85.00		85.16
			81.00	81.00	75.00		79.00
12	KNOW-HOW	DUSTIN GOODWIN	86.00	84.00	85.00		85.00
			78.00	78.00	64.00		73.33

### WINNING ROUND

Watch Tracy Fenney and MTM Outbid's winning round from the \$25,000 WCHR Professional Challenge!



## Damico Makes Maiden Voyage Successful in \$5,000 WCHR Developing Pro Challenge

In her first appearance in the \$5,000 WCHR Developing Pro Challenge, Dominique Damico of Berwyn, PA, took the win on Rockette, a horse she owns with student Katie Williams.

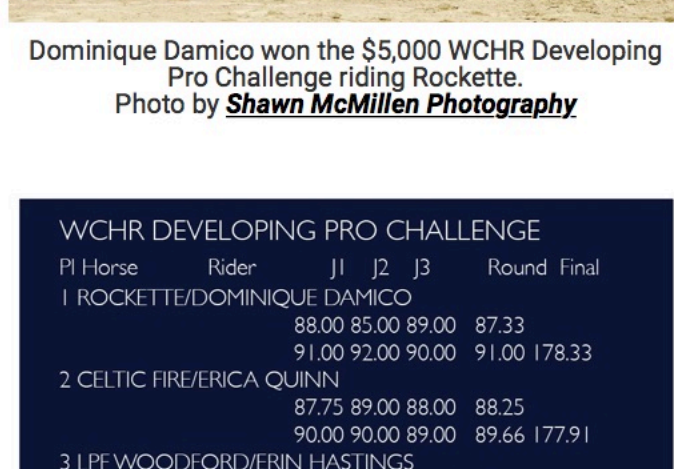
In the first round, they had an average score of 87.33 and sat in second place. Returning for the second round in the evening session on Wednesday, they moved up for the win after fantastic scores of 91, 92, and 90 from the judges for an average of 91 and a total of 178.33.

Second place went to Erica Quinn on Celtic Fire, owned by CF Partners. They scored 88.25 and 89.66 for a total of 177.91. With double scores of 86 for a total of 172, Erin Hastings and LPF Woodford, owned by Thea Bitar, placed third.

Damico has been riding Rockette, a nine-year-old Warmblood mare that won the junior hunter championship at the Devon Horse Show in 2015, for three years. The 32-year-old trainer is based at Ramble On Farm, where she works with Seth Vallhonrat, who she credited for helping her with Rockette. Another helping hand for the WCHR Developing Pro Challenge was former winner Brian Feigus.

*"One of my best friends, Brian Feigus, won it a few years ago, and he was at the gate helping me all week. It was particularly special to win it after him, and I'm just excited about the future."* - Dominique Damico

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Dominique Damico won the \$5,000 WCHR Developing Pro Challenge riding Rockette.  
 Photo by [Shawn McMillen Photography](#)

#### WCHR DEVELOPING PRO CHALLENGE

Pl	Horse	Rider	J1	J2	J3	Round	Final
1	ROCKETTE	DOMINIQUE DAMICO	88.00	85.00	89.00		87.33
			91.00	92.00	90.00		91.00
2	CELTIC FIRE	ERICA QUINN	87.75	89.00	88.00		88.25
			90.00	90.00	89.00		89.66
3	LPF WOODFORD	ERIN HASTINGS	84.00	88.00	86.00		86.00
			86.00	86.00	85.50		85.83
4	CASSIUS	CATLYN SHIELDS	81.50	87.00	90.00		86.16
			85.00	85.00	88.00		85.66
5	REMI	JENNIFER WAXMAN	79.00	86.00	83.50		82.83
			87.00	87.00	84.00		86.00
6	AS EVER	ASHLEY HOTZ	83.00	82.50	85.00		83.50
			85.00	85.00	86.00		85.33
7	JUSTIFIED	DUSTIN GOODWIN	87.50	84.50	84.00		85.33
			80.00	83.50	84.50		82.66
8	GONE	COUNTRY/CHARRA CARNERY	87.00	87.00	81.00		83.66
			86.00	84.50	82.00		84.16
9	VIRGINIA	Z/TORY BOVA	82.50	83.50	80.50		82.16
			84.00	84.00	85.00		84.33
10	STATESIDE	MORGAN VARD	87.25	78.00	85.50		83.58
			83.00	83.00	82.50		82.83
11	MALDI	ALEXI SHAW	83.50	86.50	84.50		84.83
			82.50	82.00	80.00		81.50
12	STELLAR	HEATHER HAYS	86.00	84.00	82.00		84.00
			82.00	78.00	79.00		79.66

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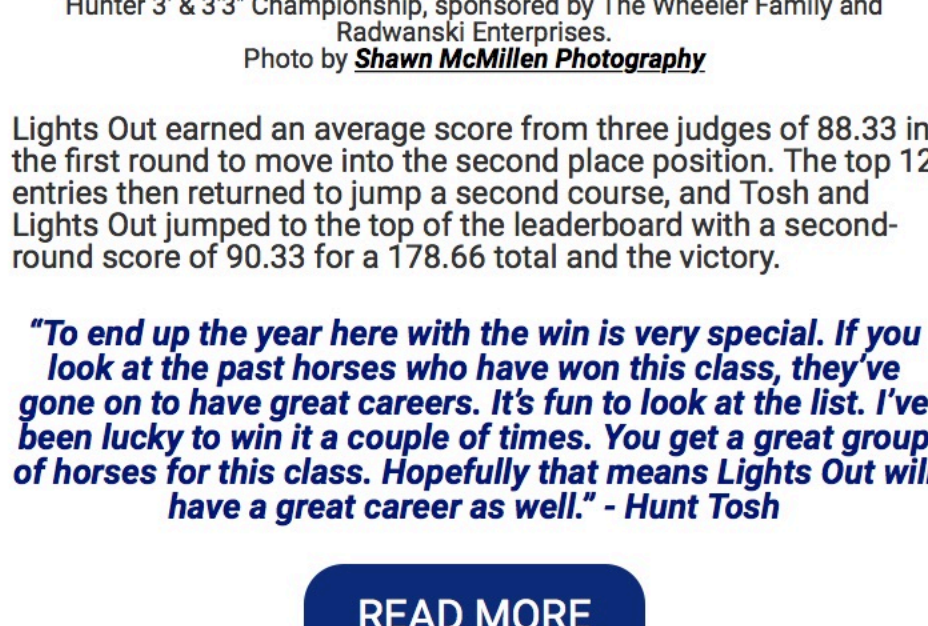
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## Hunt Tosh and Lights Out Shine Brightly in \$25,000 North American Green Hunter 3' & 3'3" Championship

The win in the \$25,000 North American Green Hunter 3' & 3'3" Championship, sponsored by The Wheeler Family and Radwanski Enterprises, went to Lights Out, ridden by Hunt Tosh and owned by Ceil Wheeler.

Tosh, of Milton, GA, and the six-year-old bay gelding by Lights On earned the win from a field of 33 of the best young horses in the country, qualifying to compete in the championship based on their results in the six Green Hunter 3' and 3'3" sections offered at the 2017 Capital Challenge Horse Show.

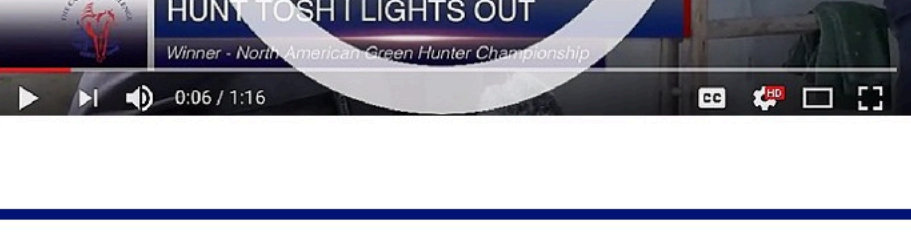


Hunt Tosh and Lights Out, winners of the \$25,000 North American Green Hunter 3' & 3'3" Championship, sponsored by The Wheeler Family and Radwanski Enterprises.  
 Photo by [Shawn McMillen Photography](#)

Lights Out earned an average score from three judges of 88.33 in the first round to move into the second place position. The top 12 entries then returned to jump a second course, and Tosh and Lights Out jumped to the top of the leaderboard with a second-round score of 90.33 for a 178.66 total and the victory.

*"To end up the year here with the win is very special. If you look at the past horses who have won this class, they've gone on to have great careers. It's fun to look at the list. I've been lucky to win it a couple of times. You get a great group of horses for this class. Hopefully that means Lights Out will have a great career as well."* - Hunt Tosh

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### WORDS FROM THE WINNER

Hear from Hunt Tosh following his win in the \$25,000 North American Green Hunter 3' & 3'3" Championship!



Grand Champion Green 3' & 3'3" Hunter  
 Sponsored by David Belford & Christopher Payne of New Hope LLC

Kamera Shy, ridden by Catherine Ellis and owned by Heathfield Hunters LLC



Grand Champion Hunter  
 Sponsored by Rob Bielefeld, RSB Farms & Chrystal Knight

A Million Reasons, ridden by Scott Stewart and owned by Dr. Betsee Parker



Grand Champion Hunter  
 Sponsored by Kitty Barker and Eight Oaks

Boss, ridden by John French and owned by Laura Wasserman



Grand Champion Green Hunter 3'6"

Mayfield, ridden by Nick Haness and owned by Strasburg Morin Inc.

*"She's a different horse to ride. I don't know if she's everybody's ride. You just have to leave her alone a little bit. She's only 15.3, but she rides like she's 17.3. She's not the most adjustable. She goes more like an old-fashioned hunter than most."* - Scott Stewart on A Million Reasons

A Million Reasons and Scott Stewart also received:

**The Tribute Award**  
 sponsored by Scott Stewart and Ken Berkley of Rivers Edge

**The Leading Hunter Rider Award**  
 sponsored by Kate Gibson and Shadyside Farm

**EMO Professional Trip of the Show**  
 Sponsored by EMO Agency Scoring a 92.5

**Additional Featured Award Recipients**

**Sidelines Magazine Style Award**  
 Hemingway, ridden by Sandy Ferrell and owned by Stephanie Bulger

**EMO Green Hunter 3' & 3'3" Trip of the Show**  
 Sponsored by EMO Agency Hemingway, ridden by Sandy Ferrell and owned by Stephanie Bulger - scoring a 91.5

**Professional WCHR Under Saddle**  
 Sponsored by Molly Flaherty and Patty Peckham, and Arcadia Farm John French and Banksy, owned by Grace Russo

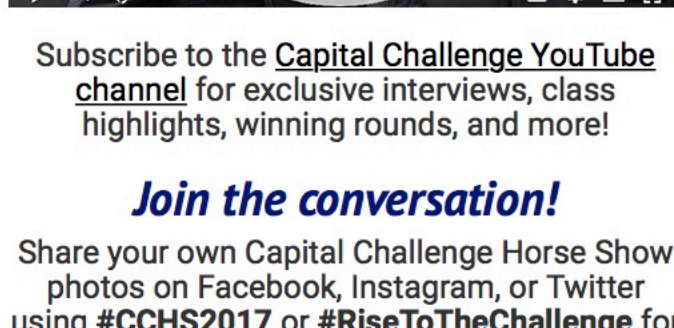
**Take2 Thoroughbreds of the Year**  
 Sponsored by the Take2 Second Career Thoroughbred Program, Adele Einhorn, and Andy Belfiore Hunter - Feather, owned by Scotty Sherman Jumper - Breda, owned by Maureen Allen

### INSTAGRAM OF THE DAY



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 The Show Place Arena >  
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 From the Capital Challenge official photographer, @ShawnMcMillenPhoto: "The AOs have started up today! Lee Kellogg SAdrian and Stuchi"

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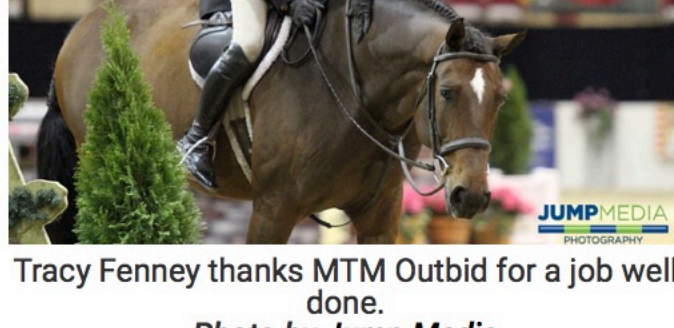
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### PHOTO OF THE DAY



Tracy Fenney thanks MTM Outbid for a job well done.  
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**Schedule for Thursday, October 5**  
 171. Amateur Owner 3'3" 18-35  
 172. Amateur Owner 3'3" 18-35, Handy Stake  
 175. Amateur Owner 3'3" 36 & Over  
 176. Amateur Owner 3'3" 36 & O, Handy Stake  
 65. Amateur Owner 3'6" 18-35, Handy Stake  
 69. Amateur Owner 3'6" 36 & O, Handy Stake  
 9. WCHR Amateur Owner 3'3" Challenge  
 2. WCHR Amateur Owner 3'6" Challenge  
 Not Before 5:30 PM.  
 131. Children's Jumper Classic  
 133. Adult Amateur Jumper Classic

**OUTDOOR ARENA 8:00 am**  
 79. Adult Amateur Hunter 5'1 & Over  
 80. Adult Amateur Hunter 5'1 & Over, Stake  
 81. Adult Amateur Hunter 5'1 & Over, U/S  
 76. Adult Amateur Hunter 36-50  
 77. Adult Amateur Hunter 36-50, Stake  
 78. Adult Amateur Hunter 36-50, U/S  
 73. Adult Amateur Hunter 18-35  
 74. Adult Amateur Hunter 18-35, Stake  
 75. Adult Amateur Hunter 18-35, U/S  
 13. World Champion Amateur Hunter U/S

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 Now in its 24th year, the Capital Challenge Horse Show sets itself apart with a distinct and unique focus on preeminent hunter and equitation competition. Held each autumn at the Prince George's Equestrian Center in Upper Marlboro, MD, the 2017 edition of the Capital Challenge Horse Show will take place September 29 – October 8. The ten days of competition will include prestigious equitation events and the World Championship Hunter Rider (WCHR) Finals with many of the country's best horses and riders competing in junior, amateur, and professional hunter divisions. Learn more at [www.capitalchallenge.org](#).

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