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Morgan Rosia Rides to Victory in EMO Insurance/USHJA 3'3" Jumping Seat Medal Final – East at Capital Challenge

Upper Marlboro, Maryland – Eleven new equitation champions were named on Saturday, September 28, during BIGEQ.com Equitation Weekend at the Capital Challenge Horse Show in Upper Marlboro, MD.

Prominent among Saturday's champions at the Prince George's Equestrian Center was Morgan Rosia of Germantown, MD, the winner of the third annual EMO Insurance/United States Hunter Jumper Association (USHJA) 3'3" Jumping Seat Medal Final – East.

In securing the victory, Rosia topped a field of 114 entries over three phases of competition, including flat and gymnastics phases held on Friday and a final, jumping phase held on Saturday.

Rosia came into Saturday's third and final jumping phase in second place with a score of 220, while Sophia Mitchell of Wrightsville Beach, NC, held the lead on a score of 220.6.

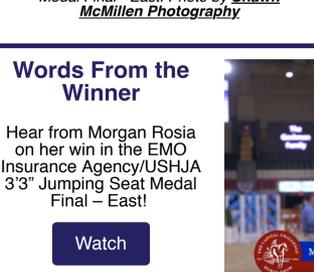


Morgan Rosia and Clearano Z. Photo by Shawn McMillen Photography

With riders contesting Saturday's class in reverse order of their Friday standings, Rosia was the penultimate rider to jump, and she shot to the top of the overall leaderboard after earning a jumping phase score of 81.90 from judges Jimmy Torano and Steve Wall. That score, multiplied by a coefficient of two and combined with her score from Friday, gave Rosia an overall score of 383.80.

At the end of the round, three riders sat set within two points of each other including Rosia on her score of 383.80, Nicole Dorwart with 383.00, and Texie Loyd on a score of 381.90. With the narrow margin separating them, additional testing was required, but the shortened work-off course would ultimately not change the outcome as Rosia clinched the victory, and Dorwart of Etters, PA, claimed the reserve championship honor, while Loyd of Windermere, FL, finished in third.

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Morgan Rosia earned the win in the 2019 EMO Insurance/USHJA 3'3" Jumping Seat Medal Final - East. Photo by Shawn McMillen Photography

Words From the Winner

Hear from Morgan Rosia on her win in the EMO Insurance Agency/USHJA 3'3" Jumping Seat Medal Final – East!

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Capital Challenge Age Group Equitation Champions



12 and Under Equitation

Champion: Campbell Hudkins of Farmington, CT
Reserve Champion: Alexa Lignelli of New York, NY



16-Year-Old Equitation

Champion: Olivia Broder of Oyster Bay, NY
Reserve Champion: Rylee Shufelt of Albuquerque, NM



13- and 14-Year-Old Equitation

Champion: Kyla Sullivan of Wallingford, CT
Reserve Champion: Sophia Roberts of Wilmington, OH



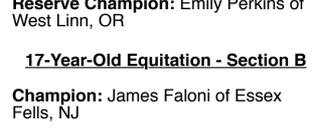
16-Year-Old Equitation - Section B

Champion: Ellie Ferrigno of Newtown, CT
Reserve Champion: Maggie Hill of Jackson, WY



13- and 14-Year-Old Equitation - Section B

Champion: Grace Debney of Hampden, MA
Reserve Champion: Augusta Iwasaki of Calabasas, CA



17-Year-Old Equitation

Champion: Jordan Allen of West Bloomfield, MI
Reserve Champion: Emily Perkins of West Linn, OR



15-Year-Old Equitation

Champion: Gwyneth Babington of Blue Bell, PA
Reserve Champion: Cate Crawford of Huntington Valley, OH

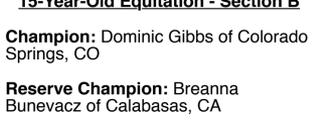


17-Year-Old Equitation - Section B

Champion: James Faloni of Essex Fells, NJ
Reserve Champion: Kaitlyn Lovingfoss of Santa Clarita, CA

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15-Year-Old Equitation - Section B

Champion: Dominic Gibbs of Colorado Springs, CO
Reserve Champion: Breanna Bunevacz of Calabasas, CA



North American Junior Flat Equitation Championships

Champion: Dominic Gibbs of Colorado Springs, CO
Reserve Champion: Austin Krawitt of Okotoks, AB

Behind-the-Scenes Video

Benny Cash has been polishing boots for 53 YEARS! Check out his boot polishing tips from here at Capital Challenge in this behind-the-scenes video!



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The Daily Update



02 Winner's Circle

North American Jr. Flat Championships topped by Dominic Gibbs of Colorado.



03 Age Group Champions

Record equitation entries competed over two days with nine champs pinned.



Morgan Rosia Tops EMO/USHJA 3'3" Medal

Morgan Rosia made her first medal finals one to remember. After meeting her partner Clearano Z the day before the EMO Agency Inc./USHJA 3'3" Jumper Seat Medal Finals – East began, Rosia rode him to top honors after three phases and a work-off to clinch the title over 113 other competitors. "I'm so surprised and shocked. I just got on this horse Thursday for the first time. But he was so good for me all week," she said. "I couldn't have asked any more from him."

"I'm super excited!" Rosia, of nearby Germantown, MD, came into Saturday's jumping phase standing second after the flat and gymnastics phases held on Friday. She was just 6 points behind leader Sophia Mitchell.

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About the Capital Challenge Horse Show

Now in its 26th year, the Capital Challenge Horse Show, presented by the World Equestrian Center, sets itself apart with a distinct and unique focus on preeminent hunter and equitation competition. Held at the Prince George's Equestrian Center in Upper Marlboro, MD, the 2019 edition of the Capital Challenge Horse Show is taking place now through October 6. The 10 days of competition include prestigious equitation events, jumper divisions, the World Championship Hunter Rider (WCHR) Finals, the \$25,000 3' and 3'3" Green Hunter North American Championships, and more, with many of the country's best horses and riders competing in junior, amateur, and professional divisions. For more information, visit www.capitalchallenge.org.

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