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# **Bertram Allen Soars to World Cup** Victory at Toronto's Royal Horse Show

Toronto, ON - Ireland's Bertram Allen claimed a resounding victory in the Longines FEI World Cup™ Jumping Toronto on Saturday night, November 9, in front of a full house to close out the Royal Horse Show, held as part of the 97th Royal Agricultural Winter Fair in

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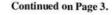
Ireland's Bertram Allen won the \$210,000 Longines FEI Jumping World Cup™ Toronto riding GK Casper to close out the Royal Horse Show on Saturday night, November 9, at the Royal Horse Show in Toronto, ON. Photo by Ben Radvanyi Photography

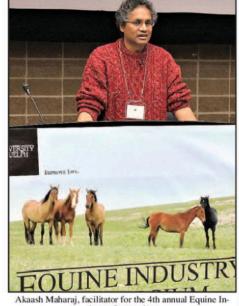
# Are we masters of change or slaves of change?

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Opening remarks at the 4th annual Equine Industry Symposium held on November 17 on the University of Guelph campus were presented by this year's facilitator Akaash Maharaj, who challenged the audience by asking if we are masters of change or slaves to change. If we want to become masters of change we must create incentives. We must lead by example, show those in the horse industry and those at a large what change we want to see and how we want that change to happen. Reward those who follow and create consequences for those who choose not to follow.

The theme of change was embodied by the three international speakers. The first speaker, zooarchaeologist Dr. Sandra Olsen, captivated the audience with her knowledge and research of horses during ancient times. As horses traveled to different locations through trade, importation, trib-





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### World Cup

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Toronto, ON.

Canadian course designer medalist Michel Vaillancourt set a course that challenged some of the world's best show jumping athletes and their horses in the sold-out Coca-Cola Coliseum, capacity with a crowd of 6,631 in attendance. When four riders jumped clear to advance to the tie-breaking jump-off, speed became the name of the game and youth shined through. The times became faster and faster until the final challenger, Allen, 24, brought the crowd to its feet with a thrilling jump-off performance riding GK Casper in a time of 34.70 seconds to overtake Belgium's Jos Verlooy, 23, who had stopped the clock in 35.41 seconds aboard Igor.

"This is a super show," said Allen, who was making his Royal Horse Show debut. "I didn't have my best week until tonight, but it all came together. It's one of the biggest classes that GK Casper has jumped and his first World Cup. It was hard, but I knew if I got the first round behind me, I didn't have to worry about the jumps as much in the second round. I could really give

"He's always been a fantastic jumper, but it has taken him longer to get to this height," con-

nine, but this is his first season

In addition to hoisting the memory of Canadian Olympic endary mount, awarded for the win, Allen also claimed valuable qualifying points for the 2020 Cup™ Final in Las Vegas, NV. Allen, who finished third in the World Cup™ Final when it was last held in Las Vegas in 2015, now has his sights set on a return

van't Ruytershof x Nabab de my junior career. It was very spe-Janssen and Eurohorse.

"The atmosphere is incred- my team to be invited here." ible at this show, and that gives you extra motivation to do well," 'Let's do a tour in America.' I actually regret it now!"

today. I am very happy with my second place.'

Taking third on the podium, 18-year-old Brian Moggre was Holsteiner stallion (Canto 16 x opening round and again set the "These riders really put on a per-

Hot off his victory one week ago seconds landed him in third place in Toronto.

"Toronto is a spectacular "When I got the first email saying that I was on the wait list, I the next three years. was hoping every day that I was going to get in. This is a wondera lot to me and to everybody on

As the only other jump-off challenger, 2012 Olympic team The Royal is about the best of the said Verlooy, who won team gold gold medalist Ben Maher, 34, piand individual bronze medals at loted Tic Tac to fourth place for the 2019 European Champi- owner Jane Clark with a clear onships earlier this year with round in a time of 36.32 seconds. Igor. "At the beginning of the Rounding out the top five, The show that these riders put on year, I called Bertram, and I said, Rowan Willis, 39, of Australia and Blue Movie posted the fasted four-fault performance in the Joking aside, Jos continued, opening round to edge out Eric "My horse is a great horse, and I Lamaze, 51. The 2008 Canadian was really looking forward to Olympic Champion had a heartsixth place riding Chacco Kid for the Chacco Kid Group.

Of the stunning four-horse tinued Allen of his 11-year-old the first rider to jump clear in the jump-off, Vaillancourt noted, addition, Lamaze's 2016 Rio

Quantum) owned by Ballywalter standard by jumping clear in the formance that was second to of the 97th Royal Agricultural royalfair.org/horse-show. Farm. "Most horses start their jump-off riding MTM Vivre le none. It's so nice to put on a show first season off doing this at about Reve, a 10-year-old Westphalian in front of a crowd that is knowl- horses from around the globe Royal has been provided by the gelding (Ustinov x Chellana) edgeable and understands the competed for \$980,000 in prize Government of Canada, Governowned by Major Wager LLC. sport. They really appreciate the greatness that the competitors and Olympic individual silver Hickstead Trophy, named in in the Longines FEI Jumping have shown tonight. For that World Cup™ Lexington, the alone, I'm perfectly happy with Champion Eric Lamaze's leg- young American's time of 35.83 the results and feel this course was worthy of a World Cup qual-

The Royal Horse Show has which was packed to maximum Longines FEI Jumping World city and this horse show is in- been selected as the only Canacredible," said Moggre, who dian venue to host a Longines hails from Flower Mound, TX. FEI Jumping World Cup™ North American League qualifier for

"To have our relationship continue with the FEI World Cup Despite giving it his best ful show that I would love to be for the next three years, carrying effort, Verlooy finished second invited back to. My horses seem us into our 100th anniversary, is with Igor, an 11-year-old Belgian to like it as well. It is my last fantastic for the sport, it's fantas-Warmblood gelding (Emerald show of 2019 and last show of tic for Toronto, and it's fantastic for The Royal," said Charlie Reve) owned by Graziella cial to do that here, and it meant Johnstone, CEO of the Royal Agricultural Winter Fair. "I think it really has to do with the quality of what we're putting in the ring. best, whether that's in food, agriculture, or equine sport. I think we proved this weekend that we can put on a world-class show. this evening was outstanding, and we'll do it even better next year!"

> Canadian Olympic Champion Eric Lamaze was honoured as both the Leading International Rider and the Leading Canadian breaking rail at the final fence for Rider, both presented by GroupBy, after making a triumphant return to The Royal following an eight-year absence. In Olympic individual bronze medal partner, Fine Lady 5, owned by Andy and Carlene Ziegler's Artisan Farms and his own Torrey Pines Stable, claimed the Leading Canadian Horse title, presented by Lothlorien Farm.

> > U.S. Olympian Margie Goldstein-Engle claimed the Leading Lady Rider Award, presented by Martha W. Jolicoeur P.A. - Douglas Elliman, in a presentation that celebrated her top performances throughout The Royal's international show jumping division.

> > The \$210,000 Longines FEI Jumping World Cup™ Toronto closed out the CSI4\*-W Royal Horse Show, held as part

Winter Fair. More than 1,000 money during the 10-day CSI4\*- ment of Ontario, and the City of W Royal Horse Show. For more Toronto. information,

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Following a blistering jump-off performance, Bertram Allen celebrated victory in the \$210,000 Longines FEI Jumping Worl Cup™ Toronto on Saturday night, November 9, at the Royal Horse Show in Toronto, ON. Photo by Ben Radvanyi Photography



Eric Lamaze was honoured with both the Leading International Rider and Leading Canadian Rider titles, presented by GroupBy, as well as the Leading Canadian Horse Award for Fine Lady presented by John Grange (left) and Ariel Grange (right) of Lothlorien Farm.

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Left to right: Course Designer Michel Vaillancourt, Brian Moggre, Bertram Allen, Jos Verlooy, and Royal Agricultural Winter Fair CEO Charlie Johnstone at the press conference following the \$210,000 Longines FEI Jumping World Cup™. Photo by Ben Radvanyi Photography