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William H. Weeks, Boyd Martin, and W. James McNemey, Jr.

Brian Moggre, Boyd Martin and Abigail Wexner receive USET highest honours

The three most prestigious USET Foundation awards we presented to Brian Moggre, Boyd Martin and Abigail Wexner at the 'Take Me To Tokyo' gala in Wellington, Florida. The 2020 Lionel Guérand-Harmès Trophy, presented annually to a junior/young rider in one of the Olympic disciplines who demonstrates the team's values of sportsmanship and horsemanship, went to the 19-year-old Brian Moggre of Flower Mound, Texas, who rose to fame after winning both the 2019 \$100,000 Longines FEI Ocala world cup qualifier and the \$225,000 Longines FEI Lexington world cup qualifier at only 18 years of age. The 2020 Whitney Stone Cup, annually going to an active competitor who displays consistent excellence in international competition, as well as exemplifying high standards of sportsmanlike conduct, while serving as an ambassador for the United States and equestrian sport, went to Olympic eventer Boyd Martin. Finally, the USET Foundation honoured Abigail Wexner with the 2020 R. Bruce Duchassols Distinguished Trustee Award, recognizing her distinguished service to the USET Foundation Board of Trustees, where she has been a member of the board for 12 years and one of the lead donors. Wexner is now chairing the Raising the Bar Campaign along with Jim McNemey and Jacqueline B. Mars. As part of the campaign, Wexner has established the Wexner Olympic Endowment as a source of support for US athletes and teams in Olympic years.

Riders return prize money to the organisation

Several riders return the prize money to the organisation of Pacific Coast CDI's* in California. The prize money will go to the next competition which will take place in the autumn. The event was one of the last CDI's in the world before the Coronavirus pandemic caused major damage on the international competition schedule. Jennifer Hoffmann, who returned to California after a long time in Europe, came up with the idea of returning the prize money. She won a few thousand dollars herself by winning the Prix St. Georges and the Intermediate I. Hoffmann says "I felt I wanted to do something to show my appreciation. I am very grateful to the organization. I will continue in the future to do what I can to promote our shows in California." Nick Wagman came second in the Grand Prix and third in the Special. He says "We have rejected the prize money to help the organization with the expenses. It was a sign of gratitude for organizing and trying to get a new competition off the ground. We really want it to be a success."

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Abigail S. Wexner

2020 Amanda Pirie Warrington Grant Award

The U.S. Equestrian Team Foundation has awarded the 2020 Amanda Pirie Warrington Grant to Mia Farley, a current member of the U.S. Equestrian Federation Emerging Athlete Eventing 25 Program. As the recipient of the grant, Farley, who trains with the O'Connor Event Team, will receive up to \$5,000 to help offset expenses associated with her training over the next year. The grant is valid for this year or next, if necessary, due to COVID-19 restrictions. "It is an honour [to receive this grant]," said Farley, of San Clemente, California. "The fact that they recognized me and what [I accomplished] last year is huge. This is a big deal for me and really special. I have talked to a couple people [about how to use it], and the most beneficial thing would be to possibly go overseas and get some experience and see how it all works." ■

Brian Moggre