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Upper Marlboro, MD

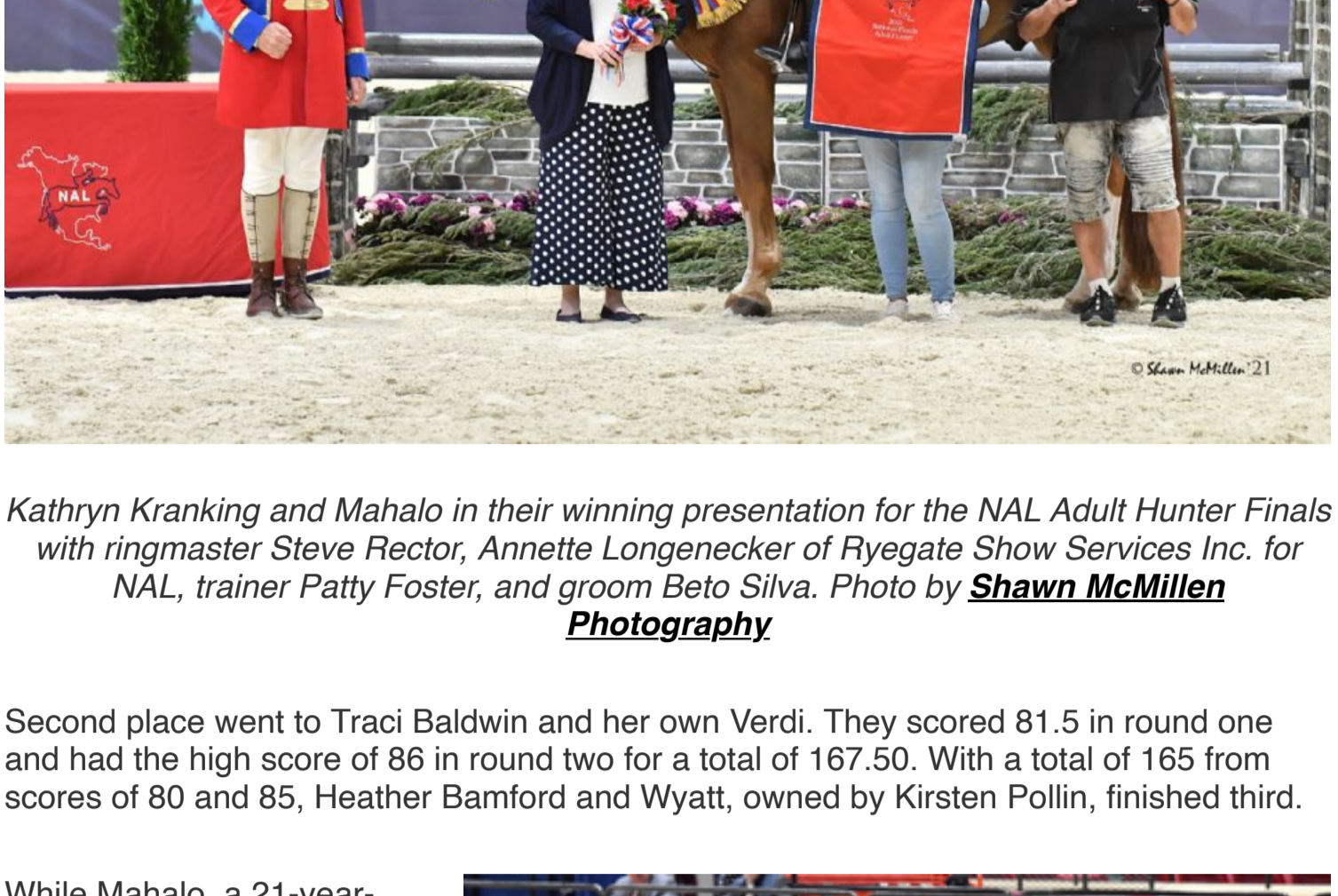
Results & Orders

Live Stream

Kathryn Kranking and Mahalo Say Hello as Winners of the NAL Adult Hunter Finals

October 5, 2021 – Upper Marlboro, MD – Kathryn Kranking of New Market, Maryland, and Mahalo were crowned the winners of the \$10,000 North American League (NAL) Adult Hunter Finals on Tuesday, October 5, at the 2021 Capital Challenge Horse Show, held at Prince George's Equestrian Center in Upper Marlboro, Maryland.

Riders qualified for this year-end final by accumulating points in the NAL Adult Hunter competitions throughout the year. In the first round, Kranking and Mahalo led the pack of 28 horse-and-rider combinations with a high score of 87. They followed up in the second round with an 84 for a total of 171 for the win.



Kathryn Kranking and Mahalo in their winning presentation for the NAL Adult Hunter Finals with ringmaster Steve Rector, Annette Longenecker of Ryegate Show Services Inc. for NAL, trainer Patty Foster, and groom Beto Silva. Photo by **Shawn McMillen Photography**

Second place went to Traci Baldwin and her own Verdi. They scored 81.5 in round one and had the high score of 86 in round two for a total of 167.50. With a total of 165 from scores of 80 and 85, Heather Bamford and Wyatt, owned by Kirsten Pollin, finished third.

While Mahalo, a 21-year-old Warmblood gelding, is a hunter ring veteran with major wins, including victory in the \$500,000 Diamond Mills Hunter Prix with Samantha Schaefer in 2011, Kranking has only been riding him for a year. The win was extra special for Kranking, as Mahalo is the first horse she has ever had to herself.

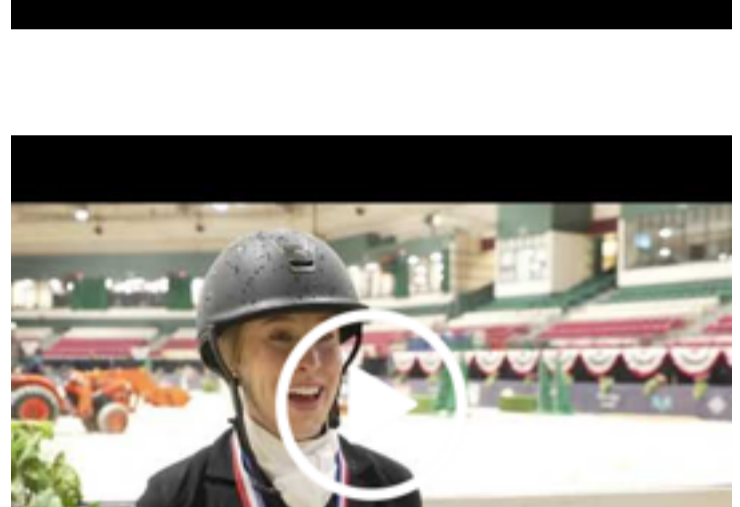


Kathryn Kranking and Mahalo. Photo by **Shawn McMillen Photography**

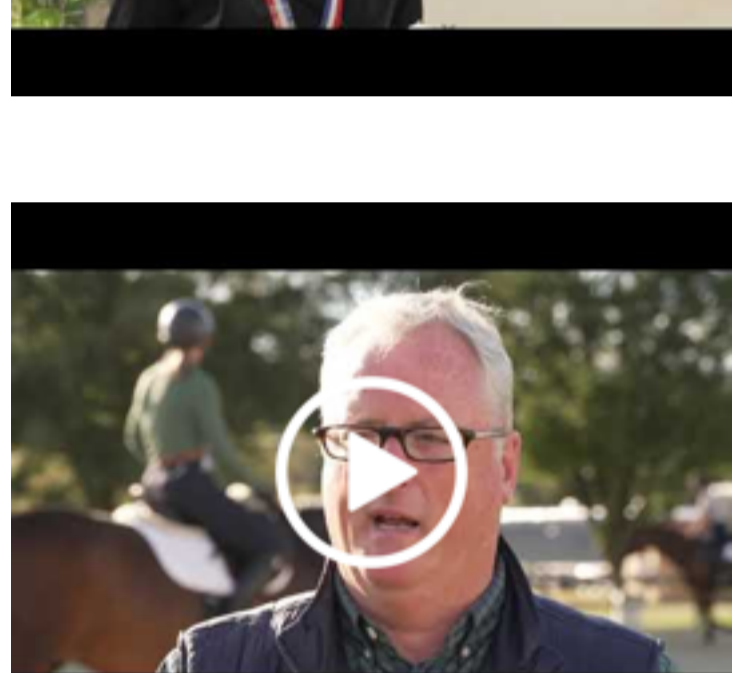
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See the winning ride for Kathryn Kranking and Mahalo



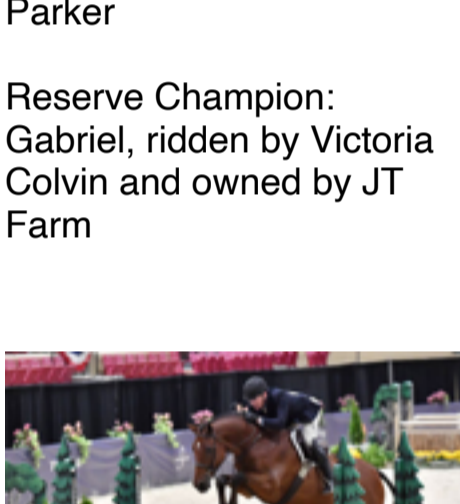
Watch Kathryn Kranking explain about her winning ride and her partnership with Mahalo



Learn about Capital Challenge's journey through 2020 to 2021 from show manager Oliver Kennedy



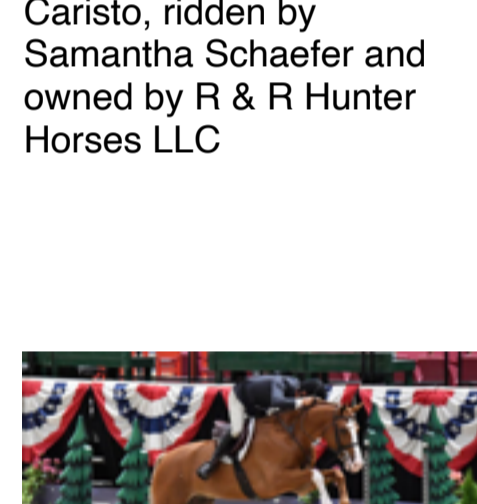
Professional Hunter Champions Gallery



High Performance Conformation Hunter
Sponsored by New Vintage Farm & RPW Show Horses LLC

Champion: For Always, ridden by Scott Stewart and owned by Dr. Betsee Parker

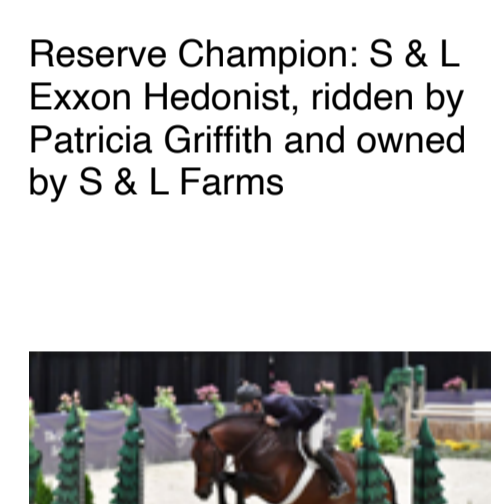
Reserve Champion: Gabriel, ridden by Victoria Colvin and owned by JT Farm



Green Conformation Hunter

Champion: Gratitude, ridden by Christopher Payne and owned by Still Water Farm LLC

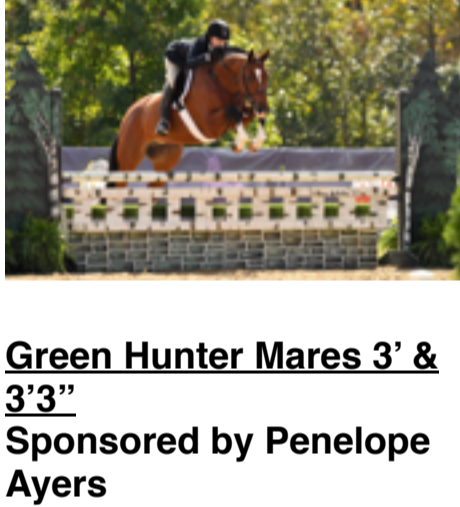
Reserve Champion: Caristo, ridden by Samantha Schaefer and owned by R & R Hunter Horses LLC



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Champion: Lafitte de Muze, ridden by Amanda Steege and owned by Cheryl Olsten

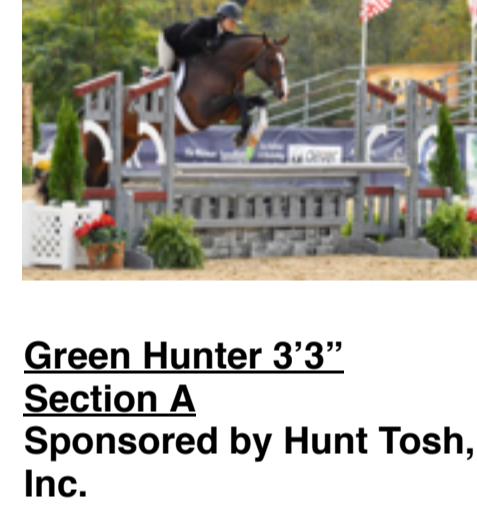
Reserve Champion: S & L Exxon Hedonist, ridden by Patricia Griffith and owned by S & L Farms



Green Hunter 3'9"
Sponsored by Lannie Lipson

Champion: Cabrio, ridden by Scott Stewart and owned by Bikoff Equestrian LLC

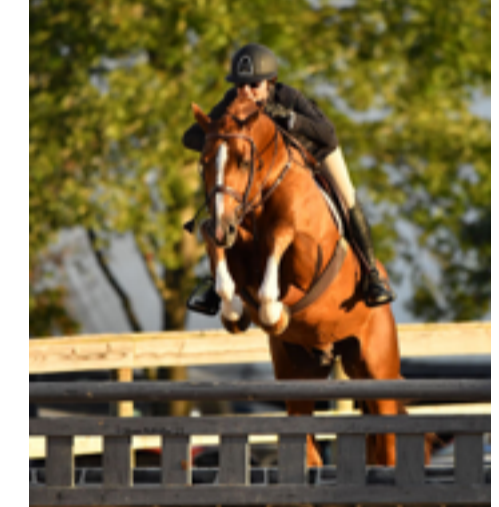
Reserve Champion: Autograph, ridden by Hunt Toshi and owned by Ceil Wheeler



Green Hunter 3'6" Section A
Sponsored by Peter Pletcher & PJP Farm

Champion: Babylon, ridden by John French and owned by Marnell Sport Horses

Reserve Champion: Laskano, ridden by Jimmy Torano and owned by Isalou, Inc.



Green Hunter 3'6" Section B
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Champion: Reign, ridden by Christopher Payne and owned by Still Water Farm LLC

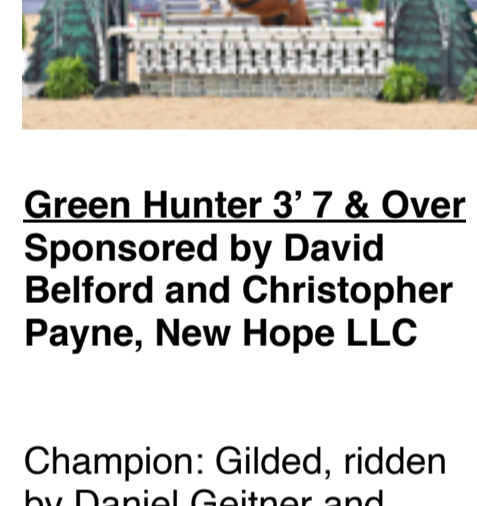
Reserve Champion: Blink, ridden by Jennifer Bauersachs and owned by Lee Kellogg Sadrian



Green Hunter Mares 3' & 3'3"
Sponsored by Penelope Ayers

Champion: Waverly, ridden by Holly Orlando and owned by R&R Hunter Horses LLC

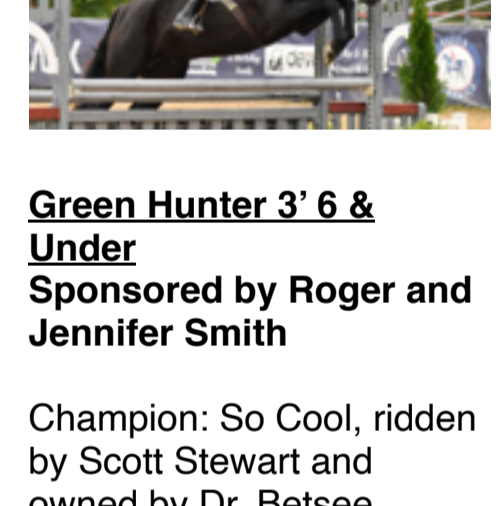
Reserve Champion: Arosa B, ridden by Amanda Steege and owned by Samantha Kramig



Green Hunter 3'3" Section A
Sponsored by Hunt Tosh, Inc.

Champion: Doctor's Orders, ridden by Victoria Colvin and owned by Brad Wolf

Reserve Champion: Augustine, ridden by Jennifer Bauersachs and owned by Lee Kellogg Sadrian



Green Hunter 3'3" Section B
Sponsored by Hunt Tosh, Inc.

Champion: Corragio, ridden by Cassandra Kahle and owned by Redfield Farm

Reserve Champion: Dialouet, ridden by Scott Stewart and owned by Rivers Edge



Green Hunter Colts & Geldings
Sponsored by Boggs Hill/Mr. and Mrs. Tim Goguen

Champion: Varsity, ridden by Jennifer Hannan and owned by Jane Olson Fisher

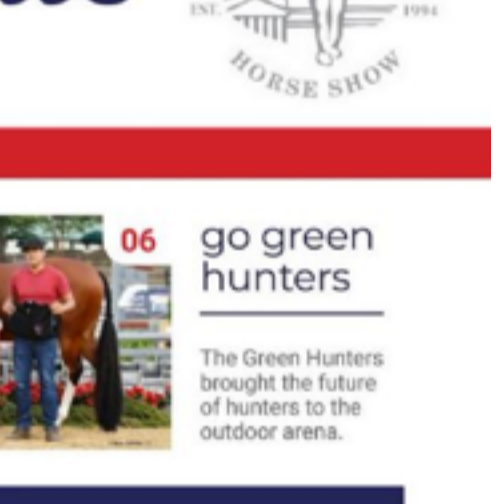
Reserve Champion: Good Vibes, ridden by Havens Schatt and owned by Leanne McMenamin



Green Hunter 3' 7 & Over
Sponsored by David Belford and Christopher Payne, New Hope LLC

Champion: Gilded, ridden by Daniel Geitner and owned by Sandra Bierman

Reserve Champion: MTM Last Word, ridden by Tracy Fenney and owned by MTM Farm



Green Hunter 3' 6 & Under
Sponsored by Roger and Jennifer Smith

Champion: So Cool, ridden by Scott Stewart and owned by Dr. Betsee Parker

Reserve Champion: Axel, ridden by Christopher Payne and owned by New Hope LLC

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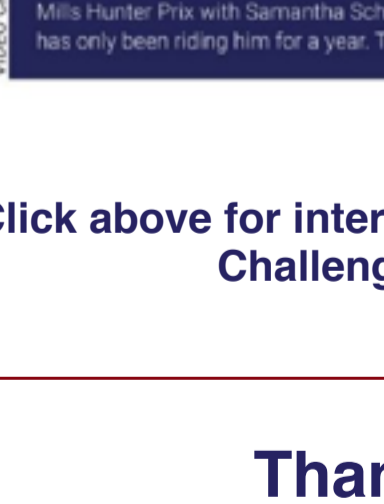
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06 go green hunters

The Green Hunters brought the future of hunters to the outdoor arena.

Greetings from the NAL Winner's Circle



MAHALO

“My goal was to go in and ride like I did the first round and have fun. Mahalo does his job, so if I ride like I have all year, I know we would be fine.”

- Kathryn Kranking

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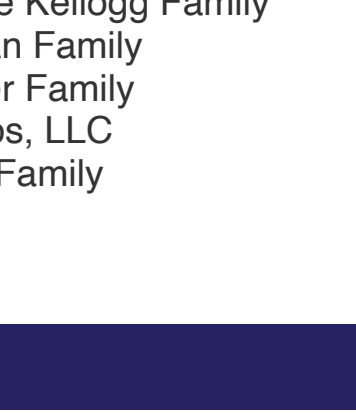
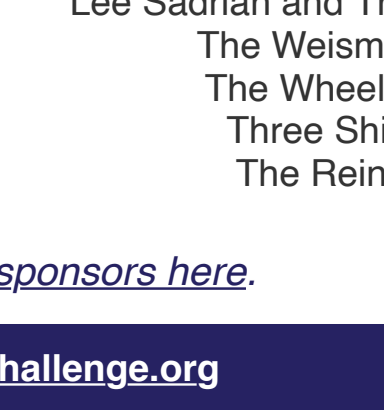
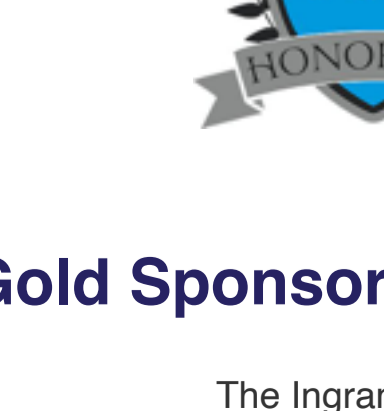
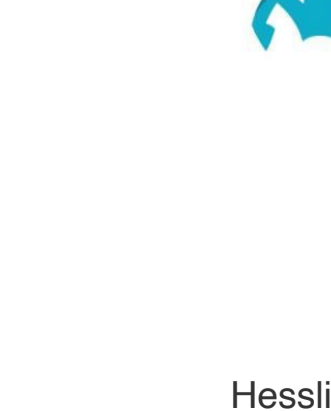
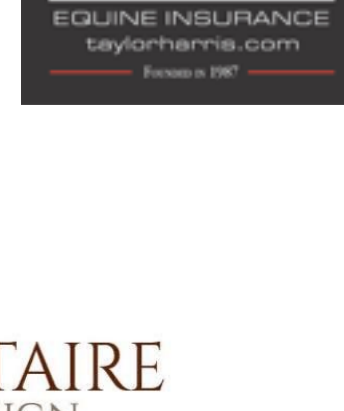
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Kranking, as Mahalo is the first horse she has ever had to herself.

“He is my first horse that I’ve ever had so my first confirmed the 20-year-old Kranking. I’ve been riding my whole life. I’ve been with Rolling Acres for the past 10 or 11 years, and I’ve basically been cazon riding for them for 10 years. I’ve just ridden whatever I can get. It was really special to have a horse for a whole year and have that relationship with him because I’ve never really had that before. It shows that consistency really builds a great relationship. I’m immensely lucky to have him, he’s incredible. I’d never thought I’d ever get here!”

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