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# Seaman, Ingram, and Karet Are Grand **Champions at Capital Challenge Horse Show**

Upper Marlboro, MD – It was another full day of competition at the 2021 Capital Challenge Horse Show on Thursday, October 7, at Prince George's Equestrian Center in Upper Marlboro, Maryland. Three Grand Champions were crowned as well, with Callie Seaman and Silver Lining winning the Amateur-Owner 3'6" honor, Martha Ingram and Airport 48 taking the Amateur-Owner 3'3" title, and Laura Karet with Per Se capturing the Adult Amateur victory.

### **Seaman Always Sees Her Silver Lining**



Callie Seaman and Silver Lining in their winning presentation as Grand Amateur-Owner Hunter 3'6" champions. Photo by Shawn McMillen Photography

With three firsts and a third place in the Amateur-Owner Hunter 3'6" 18-35 division, presented by The Hallman Family & MerryLegs South LLC, Callie Seaman of New York, NY, and her own Silver Lining easily won the division championship and also took home the Grand Amateur-Owner Hunter 3'6" Champion honor, presented by Finally Farm. They were presented with the Dr. Harold M.S. Smith Trophy, donated by Dr. Suzanne Smith & Dr. Peter Craig. Kaitlin Porath and her own Breaux were reserve champions in the division.

Seaman has had Silver Lining for three years. She renamed him after purchasing him because he turned out to be the silver lining in a bad situation. Seaman had severely broken her leg, and the talented grey horse was her motivation to heal and be stronger. The pair showed in the 3'3" division in 2020 and made the move up in 2021.



Callie Seaman and Silver Lining. Photo by Shawn <u>McMillen Photography</u>

The seven-year-old westphalian gelding by Los Angeles is "going on 30," said Seaman. "You rarely ever see any greenness in him. He really loves his job and does it. He is reliable and always going to do his job."

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#### **Ingram Pilots Airport 48 to Grand Title**



Martha Ingram and Airport 48 were awarded the Grand Amateur-Owner 3'3" Hunter Championship. Photo by Shawn McMillen Photography

Taking the Grand Amateur-Owner 3'3" Champion title, presented by Missy Luczak-Smith was Martha Ingram of Nashville, TN, on Airport 48. They placed first, second, third, and third in the 18-35 division for the championship, while Catherine Cowie and her own Traveller, also winners of the \$2,500 WCHR Amateur-Owner 3'3" Challenge, presented by Milestone LLC/Havens Schatt, were reserve champions.



Martha Ingram and Airport 48. Photo by Shawn McMillen Photography

The veteran Airport 48, an 18-year-old Holsteiner gelding, has been with the Ingram family for more than six years, but she only started riding him in 2018, when they competed in and won the North American Adult Equitation Championships.

"He is a really, really special horse for not just me but for my family," said Ingram. "My dad showed him in the amateur hunters very well and did the derbies when he was a little bit younger. He's just a superstar. To be able to now do him in the hunters is amazing."

Ingram said that his looks and his attitude contribute to a winning combination. "He is beautiful, and he has the will to win," she said. "He is always wanting to please, and he is so pretty going around the ring. He has a great stride on him, a great jump, and a great expression. He is so versatile."

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# Karet Keeps It In Context With Grand Win on Per Se

The Grand Adult Amateur Hunter Champions were Laura Karet and Per Se. Photo by Shawn <u>McMillen Photography</u>

Laura Karet of Pittsburgh, PA, rode Per Se, a seven-year-old Brandenburg gelding (Sandro's Adel) owned by Glade Run Farm LLC, to the championship in the Adult Amateur Hunter 50 & Over division, presented by Ocean Echo and their ribbons of first in the stake class, second in the under saddle, and third in the over fences class earned them the Grand Adult Amateur Hunter Champion victory, presented by Steve Martines. The reserve champion in the 50 & Over division was Hollywood Park, ridden and owned by Lynn Walsh. Karet and Per Se shared the EMO Adult Hunter Trip of the Show with Meghan Rohrbaugh Bear on Waverly, as both received a score of 90.



For their grand champion win, Karet and Per Se were presented with the Equus Entries Challenge Trophy, donated by Equus Entries & Sue and Ralph Caggiano. Karet was named the Best Adult Amateur Rider, presented by Phoebe Weseley & River Run Farm LLC.

This is Karet's first time winning a grand hunter championship, and it is also their first year showing together at Capital Challenge.

Laura Karet and Per Se. Photo by Shawn <u>McMillen Photography</u>

"He's come a long way this year," said Karet. "This is a really nice way to cap off the year. I was so proud of him this weekend because he was so brave and straightforward. This was his first time doing anything like this. He got into this rhythm, went off, and did his thing!"

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### **Winners Gallery**



The champion in the Amateur-Owner 3'6" 36 & Over division, presented by Mr. and Mrs. Ernest M. Oare was Galactic, ridden and owned by Tonya Johnston. Photo by Shawn <u>McMillen Photography</u>



The Amateur-Owner Hunter 3'3" 36 & Over champions were Lee Kellogg Sadrian and Blink. Photo by Shawn McMillen **Photography** 



The championship in the Adult Amateur 18-35 division, presented by Lainie Wimberley & Brigadoon Show Stables, Inc. went to Lindsey Tomeu and Nightfall, owned by Popish Farms LLC. Photo by Shawn McMillen Photography



Laurie Barna and her own Cinestar won the championship in the Adult Amateur 36-49 division. Photo by Shawn McMillen Photography

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Watch the winning round in the \$2,500 WCHR Amateur-Owner 3'3" Challenge for Catherine Cowie and Traveller





















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