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World Equestrian Center Highlights From Ocala Winter Spectacular V and Wilmington Winter in the **Midwest VIII**



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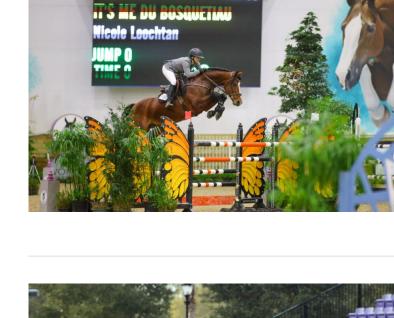
owned by Alise Carrico and Thinks Like A Horse, secured victory in the \$100,000 Alltech Grand Prix at WEC -Ocala. "He has been very consistent. He's

Aaron Vale (USA) and Cristo Beech,

been jumping a lot of clear rounds so he's been getting some more chances in the jump-off." Photo by Andrew Ryback Photography

Nicole Loochtan (USA) and her own It's Me du Bosquetiau topped the podium

in the \$30,000 WEC – Wilmington



Grand Prix. "The course was very technical. The jumps came up very quickly off the turns, and there were a lot of related

lines. You had to really be on it to make it all work out." Photo by Winslow Photography Tiffany Cambria and Malibu Ken, owned by Kym K Smith, earned the top

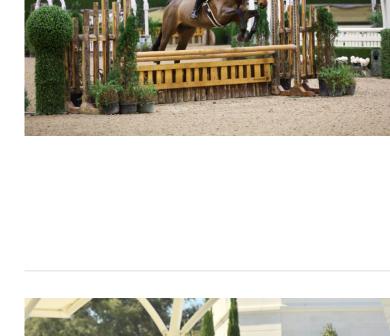
prize in the \$20,000 Golden Ocala Golf and Equestrian Club 3'6"-3'9" Hunter



Derby at WEC - Ocala. The duo received impressive scores of 92 and 90.5. "We bought him from Daniel Bedoya, who brought him over from Europe as a jumper. I ended up trying the horse for his now owner, and we fell in love with him. He was still a little bit green. We

decided to stick him in the hunter ring so he could focus on straight lines and learn, but he just took to it." Photo by Andrew Ryback Photography For the second week in a row, Kristjan Good secured the win in the \$15,000 USHJA National Hunter Derby 3' Open

at WEC – Wilmington, this time aboard Quirocks, owned by Jennifer Lecluse.



The pair earned scores of 89 and 94. "[Quirocks] is newer to me. This is our second year showing him, and he has been doing the 3'6" greens all year. He was champion in the division here this week. He had a rail in the derby last week so this was his redemption

Photo by Winslow Photography Lisa Goldman-Smolen (USA) and Sovereign, owned by Barbara Disko, were victorious in the \$15,000 Buckeye Nutrition Futures Prix at WEC - Ocala.

"I was able to watch the few riders go

looked like it rode a bit long, and then the six looked pretty steady. It was a bit of an advantage to watch right before I

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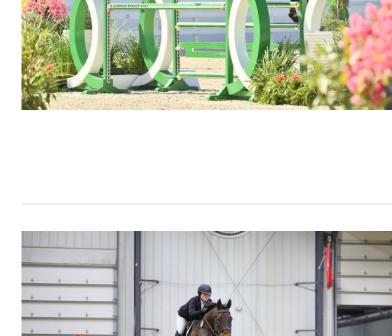
Claire Austin (USA) and Michael Kirby's

week."

went in."

Shires

ahead of me, and the course ended up looking to be a bit more challenging than I anticipated. The four-stride line



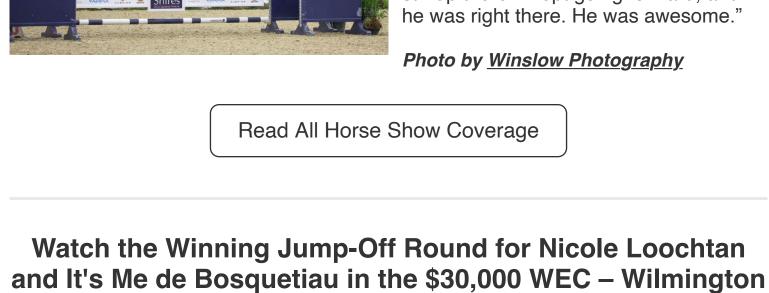
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K T Miel won the \$10,000 Futures Prix at WEC - Wilmington. "I wanted to do the inside turn like Nicole [Loochtan], but we were really

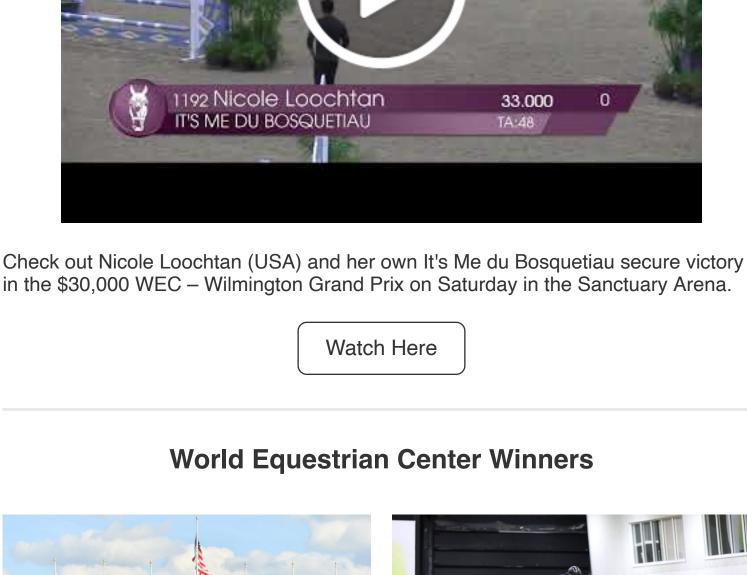
moving. I tried to go in between the

small gap to fence six, and I lost my stirrup there. I kept going forward, and he was right there. He was awesome."

Photo by Winslow Photography



Grand Prix



Izzy Beisel (USA) and Vegas H were Kristen Vanderveen (USA) and Bull victorious in the \$10,000 WEC -Run's Faustino de Tili took home the Wilmington Welcome Stake. Photo by blue ribbon in the \$24,000 C. Jarvis Winslow Photography



Insurance Welcome Prix in Ocala. Photo

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Veterinary Hospital 3' Open Hunter

Derby at WEC – Ocala. **Photo by** Andrew Ryback Photography



the \$15,000 USHJA National Hunter

Derby 3' Non-Pro in Wilmington. Photo

by Winslow Photography

This week's Wilmington Sunday Spotlight shines on Joshua Graves of Hugo, MN. Originally from Cleveland, OH, the young professional has worked his way up the ranks while earning two college degrees and managing horse shows on the road.

Sunday Spotlight: Joshua Graves and Isabel Harbour

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shines on talented amateur rider Isabel Harbour of Alpharetta, GA. Harbour has been competing at WEC - Ocala since the inaugural opening during the 2021 Winter Spectacular Show Series. Throughout her time at WEC – Ocala, she has earned numerous top placings during Hunter Derby Fridays. Read on to learn more about her riding career and

Isabel Harbour and Agave competing at WEC – Ocala. Photo by Andrew Ryback **Photography**

<u>World Equestrian Center – Ocala</u>

Winter Spectacular VI: February 8-12 Winter Spectacular VII: February 15-19

Winter Spectacular IX: February 28-

Winter Spectacular X: March 8-12

Winter Spectacular XI: March 15-19

Winter Spectacular XII: March 22-26

Winter Spectacular VIII: February 22-26

2023 Winter Spectacular

March 5

Graves recently found his calling with Arbor Hill Farm in Hugo, MN, and changed his status to professional after graduating college. We caught up with Graves in between rings to learn more about his riding journey. This week's Ocala Sunday Spotlight

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<u>Wilmington</u>

some of her top horses.

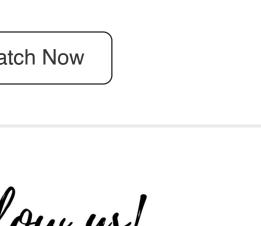
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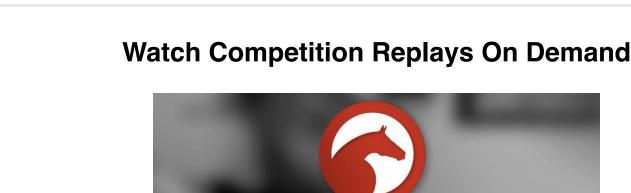
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