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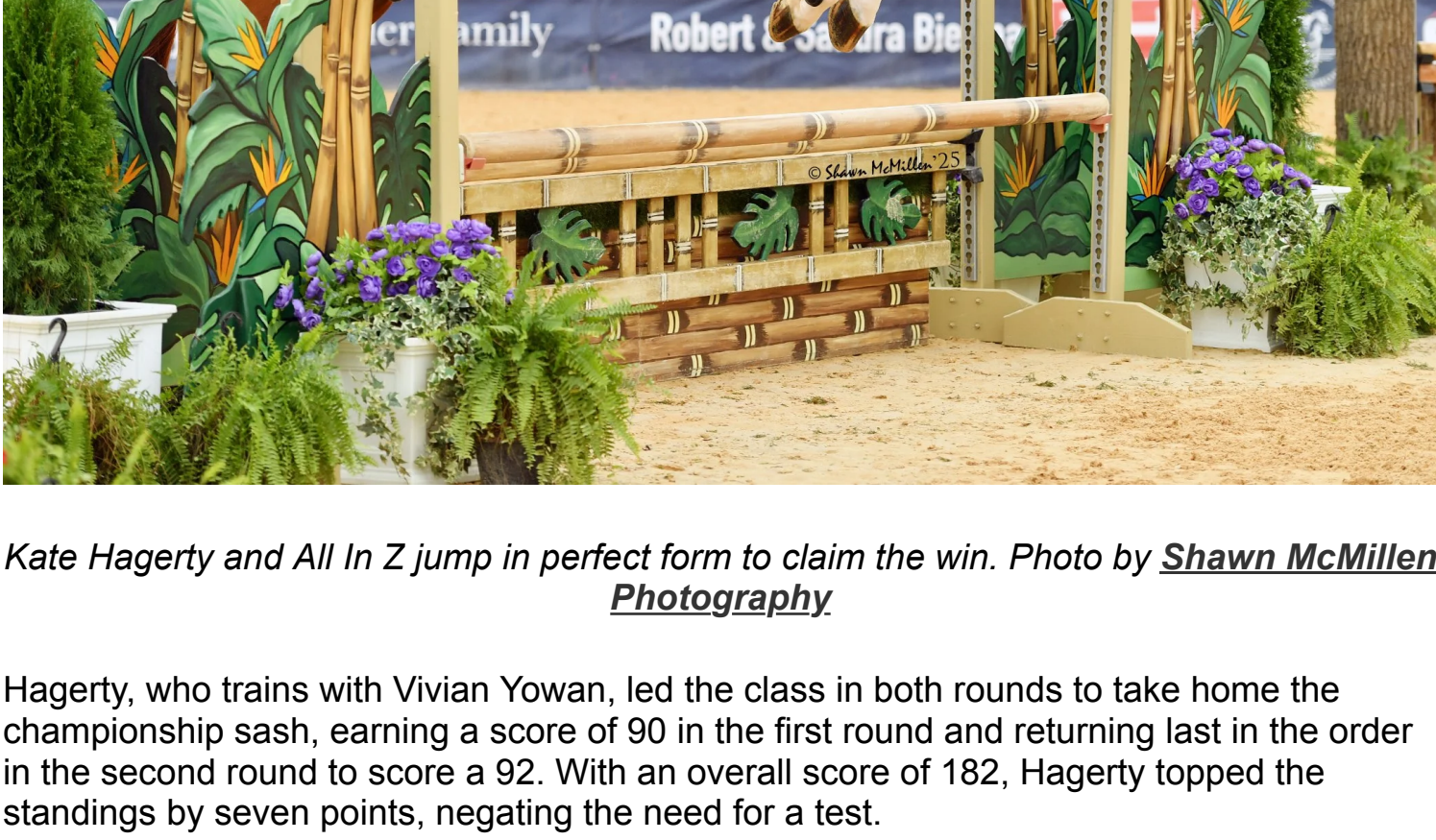
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Kate Hagerty Continues a Legacy in North American Adult Amateur Equitation Championships

September 25, 2025 — Upper Marlboro, MD — Kate Hagerty, of Terrebonne, OR, rose to the challenge in the North American Adult Amateur Equitation Championships on Thursday, September 25, 2025, piloting All In Z to the win on the second day of the 2025 Capital Challenge Horse Show (CCHS) Equitation Showcase, presented by BIGEQ.com. Forty-one riders contested the first course designed by Joe Carnicom at Prince George's Equestrian Center in Upper Marlboro, MD, with the top 10 scored riders advancing to the second round.



Kate Hagerty and All In Z jump in perfect form to claim the win. Photo by [Shawn McMillen Photography](#)

Hagerty, who trains with Vivian Yowan, led the class in both rounds to take home the championship sash, earning a score of 90 in the first round and returning last in the order in the second round to score a 92. With an overall score of 182, Hagerty topped the standings by seven points, negating the need for a test.

"It feels good. There's definitely a lot of pressure, but I did exactly what I wanted to do. I just wanted to have a good second round," said Hagerty, adding that this class will help prepare her and All In Z, owned by the Hagerty family, for the USEF Jumping Talent Search Finals in Gladstone, NJ, next week.

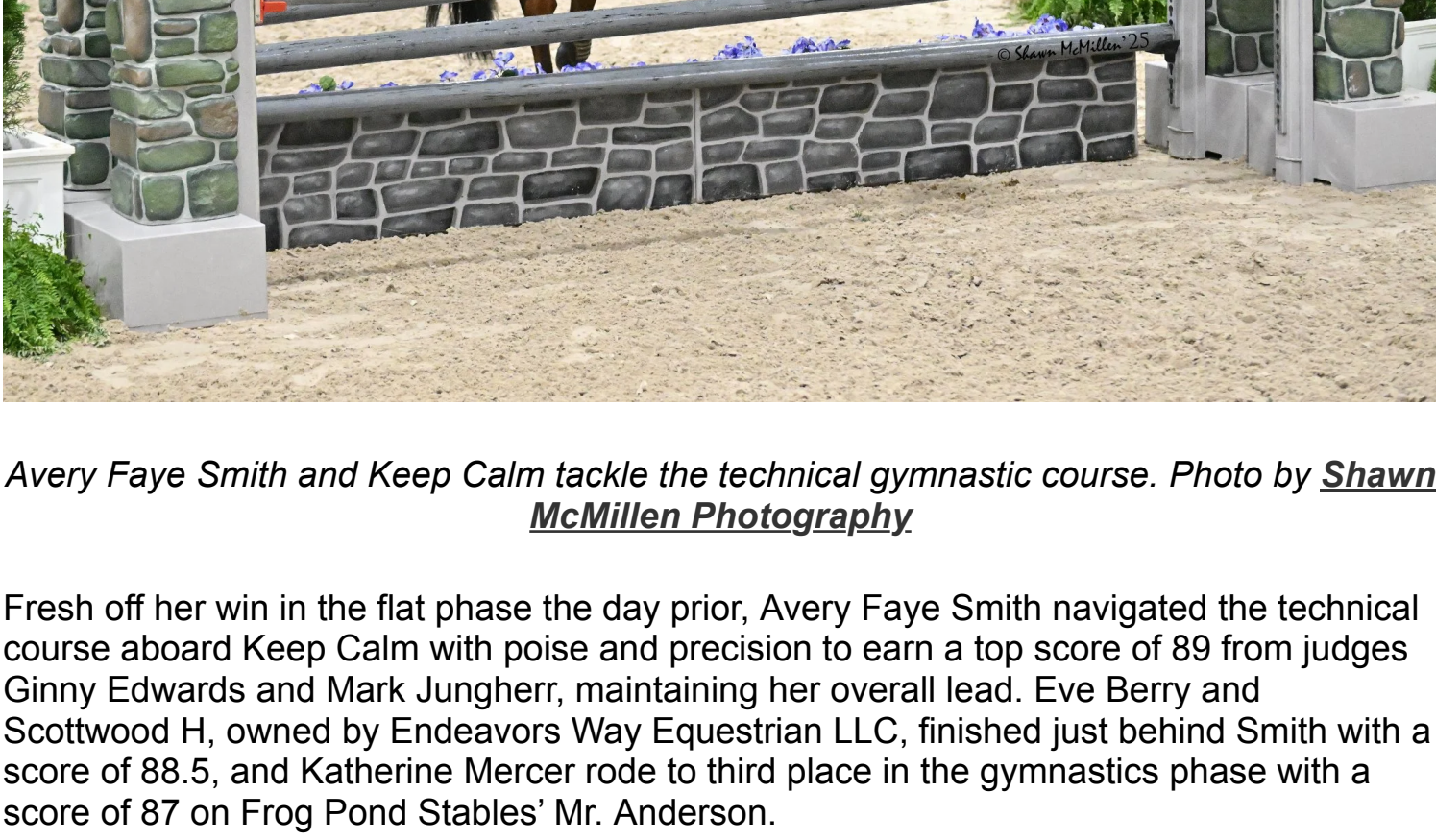
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Kate Hagerty breaks down her rounds and talks about her blossoming partnership with All In Z after winning the North American Adult Amateur Equitation Championships.

Avery Faye Smith Holds Her Lead

In The Show Place Arena, 201 riders returned for the second day of the Marshall+Sterling Insurance/United States Hunter/Jumper Association (USHJA) 3'3" Jumping Seat Medal Final - East, set to tackle the gymnastics phase. The course, designed by Meghan Rawlins, Ken Krome, and Joe Carnicom, featured 11 obstacles and challenged the riders to trot into a one-stride line, take a bounce on a bending line, and canter through two-stride and one-stride combinations, with single fences between each of these questions.



Avery Faye Smith and Keep Calm tackle the technical gymnastic course. Photo by [Shawn McMillen Photography](#)

Fresh off her win in the flat phase the day prior, Avery Faye Smith navigated the technical course aboard Keep Calm with poise and precision to earn a top score of 89 from judges Ginny Edwards and Mark Jungherr, maintaining her overall lead. Eve Berry and Scottwood H, owned by Endeavors Way Equestrian LLC, finished just behind Smith with a score of 88.5, and Katherine Mercer rode to third place in the gymnastics phase with a score of 87 on Frog Pond Stables' Mr. Anderson.



Avery Faye Smith accepts her second blue of the week with Sue Bopp of Marshall+Sterling Insurance. Photo by [Shawn McMillen Photography](#)

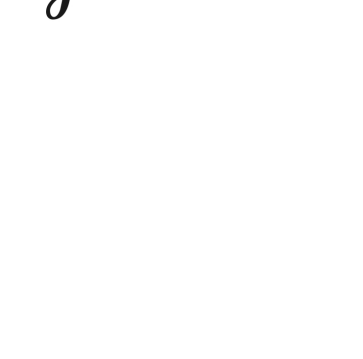
Smith and Berry maintain their first and second placings in the overall standings, while Eliana Klane and Kalina M, owned by Missy Clark, are third overall.

The 2025 Capital Challenge Horse Show Equitation Showcase returns on Friday, September 26, for the final phase of the Marshall+Sterling Insurance/United States Hunter/Jumper Association (USHJA) 3'3" Jumping Seat Medal Final - East and Section A equitation division champions will be awarded for the 15, 16, and 17-year-old age groups.

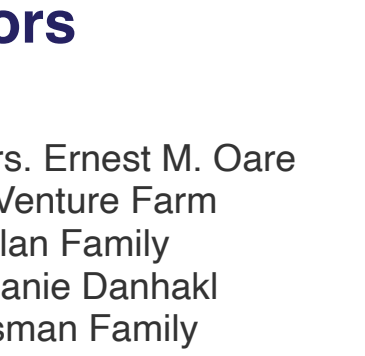
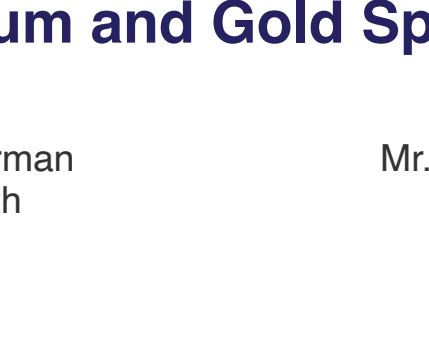
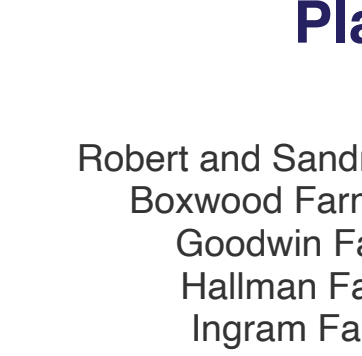
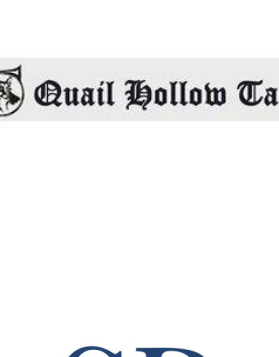
About the Capital Challenge Horse Show

The Capital Challenge Horse Show, an official USEF Heritage Competition, has a distinct and unique focus on preeminent hunter and equitation competition. The 2025 edition of the Capital Challenge Horse Show will take place from September 24-October 5. The 12 days of competition include prestigious equitation events, jumper divisions, the World Championship Hunter Rider (WCHR) Finals, the Green Hunter North American Championships, and more, with many of the country's best horses and riders competing in junior, amateur, and professional divisions.

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