

UPPERVILLE

Colt & Horse Show



THURSDAY JUNE 7, 2018

Lucador Named Grand Champion Hunter with Scott Stewart at Upperville Colt & Horse Show

The professional hunter divisions at the 2018 Upperville Colt & Horse Show (UCHS), presented by St. Bride's Farm, concluded on Wednesday with Scott Stewart taking home the top honor of Grand Champion Hunter with Dr. Betsee Parker's Lucador. They were presented with the Sallie J. Sexton Challenge Trophy, donated by Sallie's family, after acquiring the greatest number of points in one or more of the rated hunter divisions. Additionally, Stewart also claimed the Leading Hunter Rider award and the Charlie Weaver Memorial Perpetual Trophy, donated by Pamela Vance, Brian Simonson and his friends and family, for his top finishes throughout the start of the 2018 UCHS. As part of his prize, Stewart received a Journeymen custom bridle leather belt and name plate.

Stewart, who is based out of his own Rivers Edge Farm in Flemington, New Jersey, campaigned the 10-year-old Oldenburg gelding in the High Performance Conformation Hunter division, sponsored by Mr. and Mrs. Ernest M. Oare, where the pair won five out of the division's six classes for the championship tricolor and the Weather Permitting Perpetual Trophy, donated by Mr. August A. Busch, Jr. and Cismont Manor Farm, for the second year in a row. Lucador's championship cooler was graciously donated by Mr. and Mrs. Sydney D. Hall.

In conjunction with the Leading Hunter Rider award, Stewart's partner and trainer Ken Berkley was presented the Leading Hunter Trainer award and the Eggie Mills Memorial Trophy, donated by Mr. and Mrs. Jimmy Drunagel and friends.

Prior to Wednesday's awards presentations, Stewart also secured the High Performance Hunter championship with Dr. Parker's Cameo, where the division and championship cooler were sponsored by the Gochman family. The pair claimed the Beau Mac Perpetual Award, donated by Mr. Charles R. McGinnes, after winning two of the over fences classes and the under saddle class, and placing third in the handy round. Reserve champion went to Samantha Schaefer and Madeline Schaefer's In The Know.

The Huntland Conformation Hunter Challenge Series, sponsored by Dr. Parker and Huntland, was won by Chris Wynne, who also won the award in 2017, of Breckenridge Manor in Virginia Beach, Virginia, and his own Gus for accumulating the most points in the Green and High Performance Conformation Hunter divisions throughout the Lexington Spring Premier, Lexington Spring Encore, Keswick Horse Show and Upperville Colt & Horse Show.



Chris Wynn and Gus



Scott Stewart and Cameo



Ken Berkley (L) and Scott Stewart (R)



Scott Stewart and Lucador

Erynn Ballard Brings Home 1.40m Open Jumper Blue with Zorran

Erynn Ballard and Zorran

Sloane Coles and



It was down to the wire during the 1.40m Open Jumpers at the Upperville Colt & Horse Show as Canada's Erynn Ballard tried to solidify her name at the top of the leaderboard. While Ballard had seven entries in the class the odds were in her favor, and early on she sat first and second. Yet Virginia's Sloane Coles gave her a run for the money, taking over the lead towards the end. Not to be outdone, as the last to compete with Ilan Ferder's Zorran, Ballard edged out Coles by one second for the blue ribbon.



Brazil's Marina Azevedo designed an inviting course on Wednesday that saw 34 athletes try to take home the winning prize. Nine managed to produce double-clear efforts and three of those were ridden by Ballard. She took home third place with Ferder's Fellini S. Their clear jump-off time of 38.776 seconds was beat a few rounds later by Coles, who was riding Chippendale's Boy DZ for Springledge LLC. Their time of 38.507 seconds was quick enough to take the lead for a few rounds, but they would eventually have to settle for second place when Ballard tackled the short course with Zorran. The pair picked up speed to the final fence and left out a stride to break the beam in 37.730 seconds and nab the victory.

Zorran and Ballard have only been paired together for two shows, but she knew she could take a shot on the 8-year-old Dutch Warmblood gelding. Although he is not a hot horse, Zorran opened up his stride and showcased his skill to continue Ballard's winning ways, which have recently helped her reach the top 100 on the FEI world rankings.

HORSE SHOW

\$35,000 Upperville Speed Stakes CSI4* Thursday at 1pm

Sponsored by: Valley Proteins, Inc.

\$30,000 Upperville National Grand Prix Thursday at 4pm

Sponsored by: Palm Beach Masters

\$40,000 Upperville Welcome Stakes CSI4* Friday at 5pm

Sponsored by: Tim Burch – BOWA, Jim Thompson – Washington Fine Properties/Middleburg and Wiseman & Associates

\$25,000 USHJA International Hunter Derby Saturday at 5pm

Sponsored by: Salamander Resort & Spa

\$216,000 Upperville Jumper Classic CSI4* Sunday at 3pm

Sponsored by: Lugano Diamonds and Mr. & Mrs. Michael A. Smith

SPECIAL EVENTS

Youth Art Party

- Tent Between Hunter Rings -Wednesday - Friday 2pm - 5pm Saturday 10am - 4pm Sponsored by: Fuog Interbuild

Middleburg Human Foundation Meet & Greet

Tuesday - Sunday 10am - 2pm

"Horses and Horsepower" Auto Show

- TA Randolph Field - *Sunday 9am - 2pm* Sponsored by: Jet Linx

Petting Zoo

- TA Randolph Field Tent - Sunday 9am - 2pm

Jack Russell Terrier Races Sunday – Prior to the Jumper Classic

Sponsored by: Mars Pet Care Brands

EVENING HOSPITALITY

Grandstand Tent / Tuesday-Wednesday 4:30pm -6:30pm

Tuesday Sponsored by: A Friend of Upperville Wednesday Sponsored by: AHT Insurance

National Grand Prix Reception

- TA Randolph Field Party Tent - *Thursday 4pm to 7pm* Sponsored by: King Construction Co LLC

Welcome Stakes Reception

- TA Randolph Field Party Tent - *Friday 5pm to 7pm* Sponsored by: Penelope Ayers

Hunter Derby Reception

- TA Randolph Field Party Tent -Saturday 5pm to 7pm Sponsored by: Washington International Horse Show









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HISTORY









