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LETTER FROM THE CHAIR



Michelle C. Dunn

Each September, I have the great opportunity to travel to the Spruce Meadows 'Masters' tournament and watch the world's top show jumpers compete. Saturday is the BMO Nations' Cup which sees countries from all over the world come together in the hopes of winning one of the most prestigious honours in show jumping. Sunday's big class is the \$3 Million CP International Grand Prix, which forms one leg of the Rolex Grand Slam of Show Jumping. Will this year's winner in Calgary, Philipp Weishaupt of Germany, go on to become the next Rolex Grand Slam winner? So far, Great Britain's Scott Brash has been the only person to do it, and he did so at Spruce Meadows where it was thrilling to see him accomplish that feat!

We are so fortunate here in Canada to be home to the best show jumping venue in the world, Spruce Meadows, and also have more than our share of other fabulous venues across the country. No wonder we attract so many top riders from outside our borders who love to compete here!

On the West coast, we are lucky to have Thunderbird Show Park, host of the only other Nations' Cup competition in Canada. Alberta, of course, is home to Spruce Meadows as well as Rocky Mountain

Show Jumping which continues to grow and improve with each year. In Ontario, the legacy from the 2015 Pan American Games lives on at the beautiful Caledon Equestrian Park, with everything necessary to be a world-class show jumping venue. In addition, Angelstone offers a top-shelf venue for exhibitors while Wesley Clover Parks in our nation's capital continues to develop and thrive under its new management.

Moving into Québec, the Blainville Equestrian Park was built north of Montreal to specifically serve the needs of top show jumpers, and has attracted competitors from throughout North America over the years. In Bromont, the legacy of hosting the equestrian events for the 1976 Montreal Olympic Games is still celebrated today with continued improvements each year. There are smaller venues throughout our country offering top competition as well, from the Royal Manitoba Winter Fair to the Windsor Horse Show and the lovely Coveside Classic venue in Nova Scotia.

To top it all off, our beloved Royal Agricultural Winter Fair in Toronto, this year celebrating its 95th anniversary, is ranked the #1 indoor event in North America by the athletes themselves, the North American Riders Group (NARG).

As Canadians, we have every opportunity to compete at the very best venues, which surely raises the bar for our exhibitors. Enjoy our wonderful facilities as you continue your show season, and never hesitate to compliment competition managers on their venues. Believe me, your words will not fall on deaf ears, and will be greatly appreciated by those who work hard to offer competitors a great showing experience!

Pamela E. Law

Pamela Law
Chair, Jumping Committee



Mario Deslauriers and Westbrook, owned by Luja LLC and Wishing Well Farm LLC.

CANADIAN SHOW JUMPING TEAM FOURTH IN \$400,000 BMO NATIONS' CUP

The Canadian Show Jumping Team, comprised of Ben Asselin, Mario Deslauriers, Eric Lamaze, and Ian Millar, placed fourth in the \$400,000 BMO Nations' Cup held Saturday, September 9, as part of the Spruce Meadows 'Masters' tournament in Calgary, AB.

A total of eight countries battled for supremacy in the 41st annual BMO Nations' Cup over a testing track set by two-time Olympic course designer Leopoldo Palacios of Venezuela.

As Canada's lead-off rider, 1984 World Cup Champion Deslauriers, 52, was making his return to the Canadian Show Jumping Team following a nine-year absence representing the United States. Based in New York, NY, Deslauriers was riding Westbrook, a nine-year-old grey Swedish Warmblood gelding (Jaguar Mail x Cardento) that was purchased in March by owners Luja LLC and Wishing Well Farm LLC. With a single mistake at fence number four, a skinny vertical that came down throughout the competition, Deslauriers posted an opening round score of four faults.

Local favourite Asselin, 23, of Calgary, AB, was called up to the Canadian Team on Thursday following the withdrawal of Kean White of Rockwood, ON, and For Freedom Z. With only two day's notice, combined with riding a new mount, Asselin ran into trouble down a line that snaked through the center of the International Ring, resulting in a first-round total of 16 faults.

2008 Olympic Champion Lamaze, 49, who is based in Wellington, FL, brought it back for Team Canada by delivering a clear round with Coco Bongo, a 12-year-old bay Rheinlander gelding (Caretino x Calido) owned by Andy and Carlene Ziegler's Artisan Farms LLC and Lamaze's Torrey Pines Stable.

Ten-time Canadian Olympian Ian Millar of Perth, ON, rode Dixson in the anchor position. With only one rail down at the middle element of the triple combination, Millar's four faults allowed Canada to drop Asselin's score, as only the best three scores are counted towards the team total.

At the end of the first round, Brazil sat at the top of the leaderboard with a perfect score of zero, despite losing its lead-off rider, Eduardo Menezes, who took a hard tumble off his mount, Quintol, at fence six and did not return for round two. Team Germany was close behind with a single time fault, while the United States and Canada sat tied on eight faults apiece for third position. Belgium and France were tied for fifth place with 13 faults apiece, while the defending champion, Switzerland, and Italy failed to make the cut for the second round with scores of 18 and 21 respectively.

Deslauriers opened the second round with a clear round for Canada, cheered on by the 86,222 spectators in attendance.

"It was just like the old days!" said Deslauriers, who last competed for Canada in the BMO Nations' Cup at Spruce Meadows in 2006, when it scored its first victory. "I was a little nervous in the first



Ben Asselin and Chalacorada, owned by Margaret Southern and Spruce Meadows Ltd.



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Eric Lamaze and Coco Bongo, owned by Artisan Farms LLC and Torrey Pines Stable.



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Ian Millar and Dixon, owned by Susan and Ariel Grange.

round but the second round felt better and more relaxed; I was right back at home. It was exciting making my return at Spruce Meadows, and all the crowd made it so special.”

Next up for Canada was Asselin, who last rode in the BMO Nations’ Cup at the ‘Masters’ tournament in 2014 when Canada hoisted the trophy for only the second time in the event’s 41-year history. He and Chalacorada, a 15-year-old dark bay Holsteiner mare (Chalan x Corrado I) owned by his grandmother, Margaret Southern, and Spruce Meadows Ltd., kept it to eight faults the second time out, but again their score would be dropped in the final tally.

Lamaze and his 2015 Pan American team gold medal mount left all the rails in place, but touched the tape on the open water to pick up four faults. At the age of 70, Millar then put his five decades of international show jumping experience to good use, guiding Dixon, a 14-year-old bay Belgian Warmblood gelding (Vigo d’Arsouilles x Olisco) owned by Susan and Ariel Grange, to a clear round.

Counting only four faults in the second round, Canada had a two-round total of 12 faults to finish in fourth place. A jump-off was necessary to determine a winner between the United States and Brazil, who were tied on eight faults apiece. Cool under pressure, Beezie Madden, who had already jumped one of only two double clear rounds on the day, delivered yet another clear in a time of 39.21 seconds with Darry Lou to put the pressure on Brazil. Pedro Junqueira Muylaert looked fast as he left all the rails in place riding Prince Royal Z MFS, but his time of 39.75 seconds left Brazil in the runner-up position, giving the United States its ninth BMO Nations’ Cup title.

Germany took third with a total of nine faults, while Canada finished just off the podium in fourth. Belgium took fifth with a total of 18 faults while France finished sixth with 30 faults.

“We were so close today, but that’s the way it is sometimes with show jumping; the result can hinge on a rail that stays in the cups here, or a foot in the water there,” said Canadian Show Jumping Team chef d’equipe Mark Laskin of Langley, BC. “If Mario, Eric, or Ian had had four faults less, we would have been jumping off for the win.”

The Canadian Show Jumping Team will make its final Nations’ Cup appearance of the year in the Longines FEI Nations’ Cup Final in Barcelona, Spain, from September 29 to October 1, 2017. Canada was one of two countries from the North American, Central American and Caribbean League to qualify for the Final, alongside the United States.

EVA HAVARIS RESIGNS AS EQUESTRIAN CANADA CEO

Equestrian Canada has announced the resignation of its Chief Executive Officer, Eva Havaris. Havaris stepped into the role of CEO in June of 2014. Her resignation is effective September 28, 2017.

CSI05* SPRUCE MEADOWS 'MASTERS' PHOTO GALLERY

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Canadian Olympian Beth Underhill and 1986 World Champion Gail Greenough



Eric Lamaze shows Coco Bongo some love!



Ben Asselin and Eric Lamaze



New Equestrian Canada Board Member, Craig Collins



Eric Lamaze and Fine Lady 5, fifth in the \$3 million CP International Grand Prix, presented by Rolex



Sue Bundy of BMO Financial Group and BMO-sponsored athlete, Ian Millar



Chef d'equipe Mark Laskin and EC Jumping Manager Karen Hendry-Ouellette



Ian Allison of Spruce Meadows and ten-time Canadian Olympian Ian Millar



Laura Tidball Balisky and her niece, Laura-Jane Tidball.



Mario Deslauriers was proud to be signing autographs for Team Canada again!



Lisa Carlsen and Parette were one of four Canadian pairs in the \$3 million CP International, presented by Rolex



Kean White and Corette, owned by Angelstone Partners and Javier Salvador Stables BV.



Eric Lamaze invited the media back to the barns to meet his horses.



Team Canada watches on in the BMO Nations' Cup. From left to right: Craig Collins, Mario Deslauriers, Ben Asselin, chef d'equipe Mark Laskin, and Eric Lamaze.



An unusual choice of mount for Ian Millar in the Parade of Nations!



Jenn Serek, who is based at Spruce Meadows, riding Wicked in the International Ring.



Carolyn Anderson and Woodstock won the 1.30m Oxford Cup in the All-Canada Ring.



Team Canada at the BMO autograph signing session. From left to right: Mario Deslauriers, Ben Asselin, chef d'equipe Mark Laskin, Eric Lamaze, and Ian Millar.



Calgary's Vanessa Mannix and her handsome stallion, Grand Cru.



Eric Lamaze and one of his personal favourites, Chacco Kid.



Lexi Ray and Acita 4, the Holsteiner mare she purchased earlier this year.

YOUNG GUNS! PROFILING LEXI RAY

By Emily Riden

In meeting Lexi Ray for the first time, one is quickly struck by the 18-year-old's poise, sweet personality, and evident intelligence.

The young rider's character traits are apparent not only in conversation, but also in the show ring, where they have helped her to claim top finishes in both the equitation and jumper rings during her burgeoning career.

Among the highlights have been back-to-back appearances at the FEI North American Junior and Young Rider Championships (NAJYRC). Competing in the Junior division on both occasions, Ray finished ninth individually in 2016 riding Carlisco and, at this summer's Championship held in Saugerties, NY, from July 18 to 23, was the top-placed Canadian competitor, enjoying a top ten finish with Acita 4.

Those two top ten placings marked the realization of one of the goals that Ray had set out to accomplish, but they are just the beginning for the young rider.

Bitten by the 'Horse Bug'

Ray of Campbellville, ON, began riding and showing at a young age but, coming from a non-equestrian family, it was the result of trial and error more than anything else. Ray had participated in many sports growing up, but none of them clicked. That was until her mom enrolled her in a one-week summer riding camp at Meadowlarke Stables in Mississauga, ON.

Little did Ray's mother know that one week of riding camp would turn into a decade of riding and competition, never mind that the family would purchase a property with a four-stall bank barn where they now keep several horses at home.

Once 'bitten by the horse bug,' there was no turning back for Ray. She began riding at a local stable where she competed in small schooling shows before purchasing her first horse, a Thoroughbred, and eventually transitioning to Chris Delia Stables in Burlington,

ON. Under Delia's tutelage, Ray's riding increasingly progressed and translated into more and more show ring success during the seven years spent training with him. Major highlights included Ray's win in the Ontario Hunter Jumper Association (OHJA) Final in 2014, the same year she was named the OHJA Leading Equitation Rider for her season-long success riding Big City.

Upward Transitions

Two years later, as Ray sought to advance her abilities and expand her competitive experiences, she made arrangements to train with Canadian Olympian Beth Underhill during the 2016 Winter Equestrian Festival (WEF) season in Wellington, FL. Ray has been training with Underhill ever since.

"It was a really good fit and it was time for a change, so I stayed with Beth and have been riding with her ever since," said Ray. "She knows me and my horse so well. She's really dedicated, and she brings out the best in me because she expects the best. We're both really committed, and we both want to win, so it's a good team as well."

Underhill echoes similar sentiments about her talented pupil, noting, "Lexi is a very gratifying student to teach and also a fine young rider ambassador for our sport. Her horses are dear to her heart, and she always thinks of their well-being first. She's very hands-on and perceptive of her horses' needs. I think that quality creates a very strong bond with her horses, and they always give their best for her."

Young Riders and Beyond

After training with Underhill for a year, Ray began looking for a horse that could help carry her up to the 1.50m grand prix level. In February of 2017, she found Acita 4, a ten-year-old Holsteiner mare (Acolord x Calando I) previously owned and campaigned at the five-star grand prix level by California-based Egyptian rider, Nayal Nassar.

"I just fell in love with her the first time that I rode her, and I think it's been a really good fit since then," said Ray, who has competed the mare, owned by herself and her parents, Robert and Tracy Ray, in open jumper classes, small grand prix, and most recently at the NAJYRC.

"I could tell the first day that I rode Acita into the ring [at NAJYRC] that she loved it," said Ray of the Championship event. "She always loves a big open ring like that so I knew that she was going to be a really good girl the whole week, and she was. She was amazing every day."

Ray and Acita 4 delivered a clear round on the opening day of competition before serving as the Canadian Junior Team anchor on Nations' Cup day.

"The Nations' Cup day was probably one of the toughest courses that I've jumped, and a lot of people were kind of saying the same thing," said Ray, who posted eight faults in the first round before coming back to deliver a clear second round performance. "I've never been the anchor on a team before, so I feel like that was a really good experience for me."

Ray and Acita 4 qualified for the two-round Junior Individual Final, where the pair incurred four faults in the opening round before delivering another clear, her third of the 2017 Championship, to secure a top ten finish.



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Lexi Ray, 18, hopes that Acita 4 will carry her into the grand prix ranks.



Cealy Tetley

Lexi Ray, right, and her coach, Canadian Olympian Beth Underhill, on the course walk at the 2017 North American Junior and Young Rider Championships in Saugerties, New York.

“Acita was so good; jumping clear and finishing on such a strong note was such a good feeling,” said Ray. “Especially after jumping so many rounds, for her to be so good and try so hard felt really rewarding.”

With a second top ten finish at NAJYRC added to her list of accomplishments, Ray is now focused on qualifying for the Under 25 National Final and 1.40m Open Jumper division at the Royal Horse Show in Toronto, ON, in November. She is also focused on her academic pursuits and has just entered her first year at Western University where she is studying Media, Information, and Technoculture (MIT) with a strong interest in journalism.

Her coach sums it up best by saying, “Lexi is a very thoughtful, intelligent young lady with a bright future. I think she is a tremendous talent and a rising star in our sport.”

CANADA BOUND FOR BARCELONA FOR NATIONS' CUP™ JUMPING FINAL

The Canadian Show Jumping Team members have been named for the 2017 Longines FEI Nations' Cup™ Jumping Final to be held from September 28 to October 1 at CSIO5* Barcelona, Spain, as follows:

Rider	Hometown	Horse	Owner
Yann Candele	Caledon, ON	Chaventyno Theodore Manciais	Legacy Stables LLC Ashland Farms & Torrey Pines Stable
Tiffany Foster	North Vancouver, BC	Brighton Tripple X III	Artisan Farms LLC & Torrey Pines Stable Artisan Farms LLC & Torrey Pines Stable
Eric Lamaze	Wellington, FL	Chacco Kid Coco Bongo	Chacco Kid Group Artisan Farms LLC & Torrey Pines Stable
Chris Pratt	Valencia, CA	Concorde Quorioso Pre Noir	The Epic Group LLC & Chris Pratt Madame Joelle Mestrallet
Kara Chad (Reserve)	Calgary, AB	Carona	Torrey Pines Stable

The Canadian Show Jumping Team will be led by chef d'equipe Mark Laskin and Karen Hendry-Ouellette, EC Manager of Sport - Jumping.

A total of 18 countries will be represented in the Longines FEI Nations' Cup Final. Canada was one of two countries to qualify out of the North American, Central American and Caribbean League, alongside the United States.

The first round of competition will be held on Thursday, September 28. The top eight teams then move on to the €1,250,000 Final on Saturday, September 30. The other eight teams will be invited to contest the €300,000 Longines Challenge Cup on Friday, September 29. All three days of show jumping action will be live streamed on FEI TV at <https://tv.fei.org>.

For more information on the 2017 Longines FEI Nations' Cup Jumping Final, visit www.csiobarcelona.com/en.



Eric Lamaze and Coco Bongo

CANADIAN SHOW JUMPING TEAM TAKES FOURTH IN SPANISH NATIONS' CUP

The Canadian Show Jumping Team, comprised of Yann Candele, Kara Chad, Jaclyn Duff, and Chris Pratt, finished fourth in the Nations' Cup of CSIO5* Gijon, Spain, on Saturday, September 2.

A total of nine countries was represented in the FEI Nations' Cup, presented by Banco Sabadell. Course designer Avelino Rodriguez Miravalles set a testing yet fair track in the historic grass arena that would see four double clear performances as the day progressed.

Chris Pratt, 48, got the competition off to a strong start for Canada by delivering a faultless opening round riding Concorde, a ten-year-old chestnut Dutch Warmblood gelding (Vaillant x Concorde) owned by The Epic Group LLC. Based in Valencia, California, Pratt's last Nations' Cup performance was also in Spain, when he was a member of Canada's fourth-placed team in Barcelona in 2011.

Jaclyn Duff, 30, of Edmonton, AB, was next in for Canada riding EH All or None, an 11-year-old bay Hanoverian gelding (Abke x Grannus) owned by Windermere Stables Limited. The pair has benefitted from being based in Europe with 2008 Canadian Olympic Champion Eric Lamaze this season, and produced a clear jumping effort only to stop the clock in 78.10 seconds, exceeding the time allowed of 78 seconds for a single time fault.

Kara Chad, 21, of Calgary, AB, and Bellinda, the travelling alternates for the 2016 Rio Olympic Games, rode third in the rotation for Canada. Chad and the 11-year-old bay Dutch Warmblood mare (Namelus R x Hors la Loi II) owned by Stone Ridge Farms Ltd. produced a beautiful clear effort to add nothing to Canada's first round score and reduce the pressure on anchor rider, Yann Candele.

Candele, 46, of Caledon, ON, provided the drop score for Canada. Things started to unravel when the white gate at fence eight came down, and another four rails before they were through the timers resulted in 20 faults for Candele and Chaventyno, an 11-year-old chestnut Oldenburg gelding (Chacco Blue x Aventyno) owned by Legacy Stables LLC.

Counting Duff's one time fault, Canada was sitting in second place at the end of the opening round behind France, who had maintained a clear scorecard. The Netherlands, Mexico and the home side of Spain were tied in third position heading into round two. Great Britain and Ireland trailed on 12 faults apiece, followed by Germany with 16. Egypt, who posted a first-round total of 18 faults, failed to be among the top eight teams to qualify for the second round.

Canada's fortunes changed in the second round when Duff was eliminated following refusals at the double combination and again at the 'b' element of the triple combination. Pratt picked up four faults at number three, an unusual oxer filled with brush, while Chad had eight faults after rails fell at the white gate at number eight as well as the penultimate fence. Candele had the comeback of the day, jumping clear with Chaventyno, but Canada was still



Chris Pratt and Concorde, owned by The Epic Group LLC



Jaclyn Duff and EH All or None, owned by Windermere Stables Limited



Kara Chad and Bellinda, owned by Stone Ridge Farms Ltd.

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Yann Candele and Chaventyno, owned by Legacy Stables LLC.

one fault shy of a podium finish. With one fault in the first round and 12 in the second, Canada ended its Nations' Cup bid in fourth place with a two-round total of 13 faults.

France, the reigning Olympic Champions, claimed victory with four faults, helped by a double-clear effort from anchor rider Nicolas Delmotte riding Ilex VP. The Netherlands, who currently hold the World Championship title, finished second with eight faults while the newly-crowned European Champions from Ireland edged ahead of Canada to take third with 12 faults.

"The first round was spectacular, with impressive performances from Chris, Jaclyn and Kara," said Karen Hendry-Ouellette, acting as chef d'équipe of the Canadian Show Jumping Team. "Going into the second round we were in a fantastic position. Everyone's hopes were high after the first round but we knew we couldn't take it for granted and it wouldn't be a walk in the park. We needed to go out and produce the same way we had in the first round. Unfortunately, even with Yann delivering a brilliant clutch ride, we missed the podium by one fault. Overall, the team camaraderie was fantastic, with everyone working together and supporting each other."

LONGINES SIGNS LONG-TERM TITLE PARTNERSHIP OF FEI NATIONS CUP™ JUMPING

Longines will become title partner of the FEI Nations Cup™ Jumping series as part of a long-term agreement with the Fédération Equestre Internationale (FEI).

The landmark agreement, which was brokered by FEI President Ingmar De Vos and Longines Vice President and Head of International Marketing Juan-Carlos Capelli, is the most significant in the history of the FEI. The initial long-term partnership between the global governing body of equestrian sport and the Swiss watch brand has another five years to run, but under the terms of the new agreement, the global partnership has now been extended.

Longines will also be title partner of the 2017 FEI Nations Cup™ Jumping Final at the Real Club de Polo de Barcelona (ESP), the iconic venue for the equestrian events at the 1992 Barcelona Olympic Games 25 years ago. The series, starting from 2018, will be known as the Longines FEI Nations Cup™ Jumping series.

"This new and extended agreement with Longines is the most significant in the history of the FEI and possibly even in the history of equestrian sport," said FEI President Ingmar De Vos. "It doesn't just secure the long-term future of our flagship team series, the FEI Nations Cup, it provides the whole industry with a previously unseen level of support. We are so grateful for what Longines does for the equestrian world and the trust that they place in the FEI as a partner."



FEI President Ingmar De Vos and Juan-Carlos Capelli, Longines Vice President and Head of International Marketing, celebrate the new long-term title partnership of FEI Nations Cup™ Jumping and extension of the global agreement as FEI Top Partner in Gothenburg, Sweden, on August 27.

SAVE THE DATE!

11th Annual Jump Canada Hall of Fame Induction Ceremony and Gala, Presented by BMO Financial Group
Sunday, November 5, 2017 · Liberty Grand · Toronto, ON



Chef d'équipe Mark Laskin leads the Canadian Show Jumping Team in the Opening Ceremony followed by, from left to right, Jonathon Millar, Wesley Newlands and Francois Lamontagne.

CANADIAN SHOW JUMPING TEAM SEVENTH IN SAMORIN, SLOVAKIA

The Canadian Show Jumping Team fielded a group of developing riders for the Nations' Cup event held Friday, September 1, at CSIO3* Samorin, Slovakia. Francois Lamontagne of Saint-Eustache, QC, team anchor Jonathon Millar of Perth, ON, Wesley Newlands of Toronto, ON, and Brian Walker, residing in Wellington, FL, finished seventh among the 11 countries battling for victory.

Making his Canadian Show Jumping Team debut, pathfinder Walker, 33, posted a clear round riding Carlson 93, a nine-year-old bay Hanoverian gelding (Contendro I x Stolzenberg) owned by the Carlson 93 Syndicate LLC, to get the opening round off to a strong start for Canada.

Newlands, 29, also donning the iconic Canadian Show Jumping Team red coat for the first time, was next in for Canada. With Wieminka B, a 14-year-old grey Dutch Warmblood mare (Cardento x Topas) owned by Weslands Farm, Newlands delivered another clear round for Canada to keep the scorecard at zero.

Lamontagne, 33, was making his second Nations' Cup appearance, having previously represented Canada in 2012 in Buenos Aires, Argentina. Riding Chanel du Calvarie, his nine-year-old chestnut Belgian Sport Horse mare (Lucciano x Kashmir van Schuttershof), Lamontagne also kept all the rails in place over the track set in the expansive grass arena to give Canada its third clear round.

Jonathon Millar, 42, riding in the anchor position as a veteran member of the Canadian Team, could not improve upon his country's perfect score, but opted to jump with Bonzay, an 11-year-old Dutch Warmblood gelding (Numero Uno x Heartbreaker) owned by Isotropic Networks Inc. The pair's 12 faults were dropped, as only the best three scores are counted towards the team total in Nations' Cup competition.

Coming back for the second round, Canada sat atop the leaderboard, tied for first place with Brazil who had also kept a clear scorecard. Italy was lying third with four faults, while France, Japan, Germany and the United States were tied for fourth place with eight faults apiece. The home team from Slovakia as well as Austria, the United Arab Emirates, and Morocco failed to qualify for the second round.



Courtesy of CSIO Samorin

Brian Walker and Carlson 93, owned by the Carlson 93 Syndicate LLC.



Courtesy of CSIO Samorin

Wesley Newlands and Wieminka B, owned by Weslands Farm.



Courtesy of CSIO Samorin

Francois Lamontagne and his own Chanel du Calvarie.



Courtesy of CSIO Samorin

Jonathon Millar and Bonzay, owned by Isotropic Networks Inc.

Canadian fortunes changed drastically in the second round, however, when all four team members posted a score of eight faults. Forced to count a total of 24 faults in the second round, Canada dropped down to seventh place in the final standings.

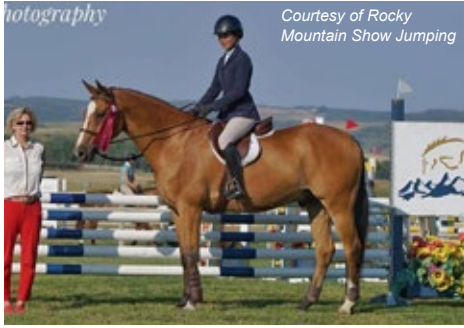
Tied on eight faults apiece, Brazil and Germany jumped off to determine the winner. Marlon Zanotelli was clear with Celena VDL to secure victory for Brazil after Germany's Jorne Sprehe faltered for four faults riding Stakki's Jumper. Italy finished third with a two-round total of 12 faults.

"We were outstanding today in the first round of the Nations' Cup in Samorin, and were leading the class going into round two," said Canadian Show Jumping Team chef d'équipe Mark Laskin of Langley, BC. "Our riders rode with accuracy, confidence, and calmness, which belied their lack of experience in Nations' Cup competition.

"Unfortunately, the second round didn't go as well for us, but this is a developing group and the purpose of this tour is for our riders to acquire Nations' Cup experience," continued Laskin. "Hopefully, they will have learned the lesson and will be better next time."

For more information on the CSIO3* Nations' Cup at Samorin, visit <http://www.xbionicsphere.com/en/jumping-events>.

CANADIAN SUCCESS STORIES



Courtesy of Rocky Mountain Show Jumping

AVA WONG

The win in the Jump Canada Medal held on July 14 at the Mid-Summer Classic I, hosted by Rocky Mountain Show Jumping, in Calgary, AB, went to Ava Wong. Wong, 13, of Calgary, AB, won the class riding Aron, her 17-year-old bay gelding. Second place went to Stephany Powers of Okotoks, AB, and Lando, a ten-year-old bay gelding owned by Alicia Timm.



Courtesy of Rocky Mountain Show Jumping

AUSTIN KRAWITT

Austin Krawitt of Okotoks, AB, earned two CET Medal victories in Calgary, AB, this summer, topping the class at both the Mid-Summer Classic II on July 22 and the Rocky Mountain Show Jumping Classic I on August 6. Krawitt, 15, earned his two wins riding Scirocco 91, an 11-year-old gelding owned by Foxstone Venture



Courtesy of Rocky Mountain Show Jumping

MICHAELA RALPH

Michaela Ralph, 18, of Calgary, AB, won the Jump Canada Medal at the Mid-Summer Classic II, also hosted by Rocky Mountain Show Jumping, held in her hometown on July 23. Ralph's victory came aboard her bay gelding, Cheers. Second place honours were awarded to Paige Day of Lethbridge, AB, riding SH Portugal.



Courtesy of Rocky Mountain Show Jumping

BRYNN DOKTER

Brynn Dokter of Heritage Pointe, AB, won the Jump Canada Medal held on August 5 at the Rocky Mountain Classic I in Calgary, AB. A total of ten entries contested the class with Dokter, 16, earning the win aboard Fleur LW, her own seven-year-old chestnut warmblood mare. Second place in the equitation class was awarded to Hannah Gould of Calgary, AB, and her mount, Duvel.



Courtesy of Concours Hippique du Parc Été

MÉLISSA DE GASPÉ-GAUVIN

Victory in the CET Medal class held on August 12 at Councours Hippique du Parc Été in Blainville, QC, went to Mélissa de Gaspé-Gauvin of Brossard, QC. Sixteen-year-old Gaspé-Gauvin earned the win aboard Vrenata-G, a 12-year-old bay mare owned by Lucille Moisan Gauvin. Finishing in second was Leticia Torres of Westmount, QC, riding Carpe Diem.

Courtesy of Rocky Mountain Show Jumping



ANYA BEREZNICKI

Calgary's Anya Bereznicki claimed a hometown victory in the CET Medal held on August 13 at the Rocky Mountain Classic II. From a field of 13 entries, Bereznicki earned the highest score to take the win aboard Diazella, her nine-year-old bay selle francais mare. Fellow Calgary native Oliva Stephenson finished in second riding Lacorado

BRIA GAINNEY

Bria Gainney of Kelowna, BC, won the Jump Canada Medal on August 17 at the Rocky Mountain Classic III in Calgary, AB. The 17-year-old rider topped a 12-horse starting field to take the win aboard Enonymus, an eight-year-old bay Dutch Warmblood gelding owned by Emma Dunne. Anya Bereznicki of Calgary, AB, finished in second riding Diazella.

Courtesy of Rocky Mountain Show Jumping



CLAIRE GOLDBERG

Claire Goldberg, 14, won the Jump Canada Medal held on August 19 at the CSI3* The Champions at Angelstone Tournament in Erin, ON. Goldberg of Ottawa, ON, earned the win aboard Berlena, an 11-year-old bay mare owned by Goldberg. Finishing in second place among the eight entries was Carly Corbett of Oakville, ON, riding Whistle Jacket.

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IAN MILLAR

Ian Millar, 70, of Perth, ON, won the \$86,600 Kubota Grand Prix, held on Saturday, August 19, during the CSI3* The Champions at the Angelstone Tournament in Erin, ON. The ten-time Canadian Olympian bested a 21-horse starting field and a five-horse jump-off to take the victory aboard Dixson, a 14-year-old bay Belgian Warmblood gelding (Vigo d'Arsoilles x Olisco) owned by Susan and Ariel Grange. As the only duo to produce a double clear effort, Millar and Dixson secured their victory with a time of 39.75 seconds. U.S. Olympic gold medalist Leslie Howard and her mount, Donna Speciale, had Millar's time beat in 35.57 seconds, but a rail down would relegate the American pair to second place. Finishing third was Kean White of Rockwood, ON, and his mount, Corette.

LUDOVIC RICHER

The win in the CET Medal held on Sunday, August 20, during the CSI3* The Champions at Angelstone Tournament in Erin, ON, went to Ludovic Richer of Montreal, QC. The 17-year-old took the win aboard Grand Slam 3E, a 15-year-old Canadian Sport Horse gelding bred by KingRidge Stables and owned by Richer. Second place was awarded to Sam Walker of Nobleton, ON, riding Caipi.

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ERIN UGOLINI

Erin Ugolini, 18, topped a competitive field of 23 entries to win the Jump Canada Medal at the CSI3* The National at Angelstone Tournament in Erin, ON, on August 26. The Caledon, ON, native took the win aboard her 11-year-old gelding, Bombay. Second place went to Sam Walker of Nobleton, ON, riding Caipi while Mackenzey Nadeau of Carleton Place, ON, and Ferraro K, owned by Brookstreet Stables, rounded out the top three.

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DANNIE MURPHY

Dannie Murphy of Charlottetown, PEI, continued a successful summer of victories with a win in the CET Medal held on Sunday, August 27, at the CSI3* The National in Erin, ON. Murphy, 18, and her mount Quinn, a bay gelding owned by Looking Back Farm, topped a starting field of 18 total entries for the win, while Anna Bremermann of Oakville, ON, finished in second riding Count Bellini.



TIFFANY FOSTER

Two-time Canadian Olympian Tiffany Foster, 33, sped to victory in the €4,600 CSI3* 1.45m Top Series, presented by TVH, at the Brussels Stephex Masters in Belgium on August 30. The North Vancouver native and her mount Brighton, an 11-year-old dark bay Dutch Warmblood gelding (Contender II x Quick Star) owned by Artisan Farms LLC and Torrey Pines Stable, were one of nine combinations from the original 40-horse starting field to successfully negotiate the first-round track set by Italian course designer Uliano Vezzani. In the jump-off, Foster breezed past the competition with a clear round time of 33.72 seconds, which was more than four seconds faster than second place finisher Yves Vanderhasselt of Belgium, who clocked in at 37.92 seconds riding Jeunesse.

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MIRANDA BURRUANO

Eighteen entries contested the Jump Canada Medal on Labour Day Monday, September 2, at the CSI2* The International hosted by Angelstone in Erin, ON, with the win going to Miranda Burruano, who currently resides in Orchard Park, NY. The 17-year-old rider, who trains with Ainsley Vince at Linden Ridge, earned the win on Quixote, her 11-year-old Oldenburg gelding. Leanna Lazzari of Mississauga, ON, finished in second riding Walhalla.

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HOLLY THOMPSON

Holly Thompson of Russell, ON, earned a CET Medal victory on September 3 at the CSI2* The International at Angelstone Tournament in Erin, ON. Thompson, 17, delivered the top scoring round on Rockport, her nine-year-old bay Holsteiner gelding. Sophia Tauro of Schomberg, ON, and King Bee finished in second place among the seven-horse starting field.

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MACKENZIE NADEAU

Mackenzie Nadeau of Carleton Place, ON, won both the CET Medal Ontario Regional Final and the Jump Canada Medal at the Autumn Classic, held at the Caledon Equestrian Park in Palgrave, ON, from September 13 to 17. Aboard Ferraro K, a 15-year-old Dutch Warmblood gelding owned by Karen Sparks' Brookstreet Stables, 18-year-old Nadeau turned in the top score in the Jump Canada Medal and also won both the flat and gymnastics phase and the jumping phase of the CET Medal Ontario Regional Final to top a starting field of 15 entries. Nadeau's victory in the Ontario Regional Final secured her spot in the 2017 Running Fox CET National Medal Final at the Royal Horse Show in Toronto, ON, in November. Joining Nadeau in qualifying for the CET National Medal Final out of the Ontario Region are Holly Thompson of Russell, ON, Shae-Lynn Beiersdorfer of Ottawa, ON, and Mackenzie Wray of Loretto, ON.

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KIM FARLINGER

Kim Farlinger continued her successful summer of showing at the Caledon Equestrian Park with victories in both the \$10,000 Open Welcome and the \$25,000 Grand Prix, presented by RAM Equestrian, at the Autumn Classic held from September 13 to 17 in Palgrave, ON. Farlinger claimed both wins aboard Stanley Stone, a 12-year-old Dutch Warmblood gelding (Karandasj x Ekstein) owned by Sher-Al Farm, Inc. In the \$25,000 Grand Prix, the duo was one of 11 entries from the 38-horse starting field to advance to the jump-off, and when they entered the ring as the penultimate challengers, the lead was held by Kelly Soleau-Millar of the United States and Itty Bitty, who were clear in a time of 38.50 seconds. Farlinger and Stanley Stone were able to better it, taking the win in a time of 37.54 seconds.



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CARLY STEVENS

Carly Stevens punched her ticket for the Running Fox CET National Medal Final at the Royal Horse Show in November by winning the CET Prairie Regional Medal Final on August 19 at the Rocky Mountain Classic III in Calgary, AB. Stevens, of Foothills, AB, finished seventh in the flat phase and won the jumping phase before claiming the overall winning title aboard Corona OS, her ten-year-old bay Dutch Warmblood gelding. Joining Stevens in qualifying for the CET National Medal Final in Toronto were second through fourth place finishers Mikayla Brabant of Chestermere, AB, Lia McHardy of Calgary, AB, and Anya Bereznicki of Calgary, AB, respectively.

EQUESTRIAN CANADA SECURES \$115,000 IN NEXT GENERATION FUNDING

Equestrian Canada (EC) has secured \$115,000 for Canada's up-and-coming athletes through 2017-18 Next Generation Initiative Funding.

The Next Generation Initiative Funding is granted by the National Partners group, comprised of Sport Canada, the Canadian Olympic Committee (COC), the Canadian Paralympic Committee (CPC), and Own the Podium (OTP), and was approved for equestrian by Canada's Minister of Sport and Persons with a Disability, Carla Qualtrough.

Of the \$115,000 in total funding, \$70,000 was granted for next generation athletes in the Olympic discipline of show jumping, while \$45,000 was directed to rising athletes in the Paralympic sport of para-dressage. With the addition of this Next Generation funding, EC has received a total of \$715,000 in Own the Podium funding for the 2017-18 fiscal year.

The funding will be used to help Canada's rising stars excel on the world stage by providing opportunities to participate in training camps, work with technical advisors, and receive access to human and equine sport medicine and sport science services, including massage therapy, medical and veterinary care, and mental performance coaching.

For more information on equestrian athlete development, visit www.equestrian.ca/programs-services/athlete-development.

FUNDRAISING INITIATIVE LAUNCHED IN SUPPORT OF HORSES IMPACTED BY HURRICANES IRMA AND MARIA

The Caribbean Equine Relief Fund is a joint fundraising and equine relief effort launched by Equestrian Canada (EC), US Equestrian, the Pan American Equestrian Confederation (PAEC), and the Cayman Islands Equestrian Federation to serve horses impacted by Hurricanes Irma and Maria. The group is also in contact with the International Equestrian Federation (FEI) to see what can be done in the best interests of horse welfare in the region.

The mission behind the initiative is to save, protect and care for the equine victims of these two massive hurricanes.

“We intend to take direct action as well as to partner with other animal and equine welfare organizations to deliver the most broad, effective, sustainable and cost-effective response possible within our available funding,” stated Mark Samuel, Chair of FEI Group IV and Co-Organizer of the initiative along with Eve Van den Bol, President of the Cayman Islands Equestrian Federation. “We are calling upon our equine communities to come together and step forward, as they are able, in support of these horses and horse people in dire need. Time and finances are critical resources at this moment.”

Hurricane Irma and Hurricane Maria have devastated many of the islands in the Eastern Caribbean, and denuded many of them of their natural vegetation. On several small Islands in the Caribbean, stables and barns have been completely destroyed. Many of the horses have lacerations and puncture wounds from flying objects and other debris. Infections are rampant. Many horses are loose, with no access to security, comfort, shelter or proper food. Their owners have lost everything.

On Barbuda, the local Humane Society has reported that, “The situation on Barbuda is grim, much worse than photos and videos can depict. The vast majority of the animals are loose, horses and donkeys are on the landing strip and dogs are naturally starting to pack, fight and kill ruminants and pigs. Horses and dogs are being fed currently but this will be difficult to maintain. A donation of feed for horses would be most welcome and will shortly become an urgent need.”

In Tortola, British Virgin Islands, an owner of a riding school with 12 horses said that what remained of her barn littered the hillside, and that if she actually had any horse feed left, there was nowhere to store it to keep it dry. According to one local vet, many of the horses at the track were loose or tied up to railings as the stabling is gone, and there is an urgent request for horse feed.

US Equestrian, EC, the Pan American Equestrian Confederation (PAEC) and the Cayman Islands Equestrian Federation (CIEF) have banded together and are jointly spearheading an effort to fund, source and ship horse feed and vital equine medical supplies to those Caribbean Islands that have been devastated by Hurricanes Irma and Maria. The US Equestrian had previously established an Equine Disaster Relief fund in response to Hurricane Harvey, and has now extended the appeal to join in this joint Caribbean Equine Relief effort.

One 40-foot container can feed about 40 to 50 horses for two to three weeks, but it costs as much as \$15,000 to fill and ship each one, and almost all of the islands affected by Hurricanes Irma and Maria have horses on them.

There is an urgent need for hay and feed, potable water, vet supplies, veterinary care, fencing, and portable stalls. Meanwhile, the damage to buildings and infrastructure will take years to repair. The horses on St. Thomas, St. Croix, Puerto Rico, Tortola, Barbuda and other islands are in dire need of help. While the human toll is massive, we cannot forget our equine partners whose situation is both dire and immediate.

Please consider a donation today in support of the Caribbean Equine Relief Fund. Donation vehicles are available through both US Equestrian and EC. Both accounts serve the same fund, and 100% of the money raised will go towards the cost of providing feed and medical supplies to the horses, ponies and donkeys that are in need. The organizations expect to be taking direct action as well as to be working closely with the **Humane Society International (HIS)** and other equine welfare organizations, as needed, to provide support to efforts on the ground.

Canadian residents and/or credit card holders may donate by visiting www.equestrian.ca/donate.

U.S. residents, U.S. credit card holders or those eligible for a U.S. tax receipt may donate via the US Equestrian **Equine Relief Fund page**. US Equestrian is a 501(c)(3) and donations will be tax-deductible for US tax purposes to the extent allowed by law.

For more information, please contact Robert Westgarth at rwestgarth@equestrian.ca.

LONGINES WORLD RIDER RANKINGS



TOP 20 CANADIAN RIDERS *as of August 31, 2017*

22.	Eric Lamaze	2320	319.	Jaclyn Duff	575
44.	Tiffany Foster	1773	340.	Ali Ramsay	530
73.	Keean White	1500	368.	Nicole Walker	485
130.	Vanessa Mannix	1105	413.	Jenn Serek	415
131.	Ian Millar	1101	416.	Amy Millar	410
154.	Chris Surbey	983	424.	Rebecca McGoldrick	405
191.	Yann Candele	869	424.	Kara Chad	405
281.	Erynn Ballard	645	476.	Ben Asselin	350
294.	Mario Deslauriers	625	506.	Isabelle Lapierre	325
304.	Jonathon Millar	600	528.	Chris Pratt	305

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