



Beezie Madden Scores Second Speed Contest With Win in \$35,000 Keystone Classic



Beezie Madden, the two-time Olympic Gold Medalist and reigning Longines FEI World Cup Champion, scored her second victory in as many days on Jiva, owned by Abigail Wexner, at the Pennsylvania National Horse Show winning the \$35,000 Keystone Classic Speed Stake, sponsored by the World Equestrian Center on Friday evening. The pair also won the \$35,000 1.45m Harrisburg Sprint, sponsored by the Tanzola Family, the day before and as a result were crowned Open Jumper Speed Champions, receiving the Showday Farm Challenge Trophy, donated by Mr. and Mrs. Charles Ziff.

Madden defeated Thursday nights Pennsylvania Big Jump Champion, Kelli Cruciotti by one second, going double clear in a time of 54.29 seconds. The two have been sharing the top two spots as Cruciotti also came in second to Madden in the Harrisburg Sprint.

"My horse was fantastic tonight," said Madden. "Kelli has been fantastic all week. We traded places. The other speed class I won and she was second. Then last night, I was second. If it keeps going this way that will be fine with me."

In the one round contest against the clock, the field of 28 horse and rider combinations yielded seven clear rounds over the Michel Vaillancourt-designed course. Cruciotti, going third in the lineup, rode the first clear in a time of 55.29 seconds on Zidante, owned by Serenity Farm. Canada's Nicole Walker scored the second clear on Excellent B in 58.99 and Ireland's Darragh Kenny nearly took over the lead on Carlo, owned by Ann Thompson, going clear in 56.54 seconds which eventually gave them third place. Recent World Equestrian Games U.S. Team Gold Medalist Adrienne Sternlicht left the rails up on Quidam MB in 60.89 seconds and U.S. Olympic Gold Medalist Leslie Howard, who was just inducted into the PNHS Hall of Fame, went clear on Donna Speciale, owned by Laure Sudreau, in a time of 57.93 for fourth. Susan Horn (CAN), with KS Coradina, owned by Kingsfield Farm, was clear in 60.49 seconds and with only two left to jump, it looked like Cruciotti might claim a repeat victory. However, the final two were powerhouses, Madden and four-time Olympian McLain Ward on Tradition De La Rogue. Ward was no threat as he had an early rail, but Madden found the faster path on of the 9-year-old Belgian Warmblood mare.

"The course walked differently than it rode, so the ones at the beginning got a little surprised by that and so going at the end was a big advantage," said Madden. "I think I saved time on the last line going in five strides to the last oxer and I think my horse has natural foot speed as well." Cruciotti agreed. She believed that going later was the key to victory.

"I went early in the order so we didn't get to watch any. We just did the plan we thought we could execute the best," said Cruciotti. "I'm thrilled with my horse. Any time you can be second to Beezie, it's like winning. I can't be disappointed at all, it's been amazing."

Therapeutic Champions Are Crowned on Foundation Friday

The 3rd PNHS Foundation Therapeutic Riding Championships were showcased as part of "Foundation Friday". In 2017, The PNHS Foundation awarded 36 grants supporting therapeutic riding and equine rescue totaling \$40,000.

Riders performed at the walk and trot before judge Renee Poff and were evaluated on their horsemanship and equitation. Riders in the assisted class were allowed to have leaders for their mounts and sidewalkers if needed. Riders in the Unassisted class performed without help.

The Assisted class was won by Charles Turnbaugh on Nimble George from Cumberland County 4 H Boots and Hooves Equine Club. Second place went to Ashlyn Noss on TZF Toby's Sandy from Leg Up Farm and third place went to Richard Klingensmith on My Impressive Touch from Manito Life Center.

The Unassisted class was won by Brianna Bevans on Zephyr from Pegasus Therapeutic Riding Academy. Second place went to Aiden Gill on My Impressive Touch from Manito Life Center and third place was Aaliyah Overton on TZF Toby's Sandy from Leg Up Farm.

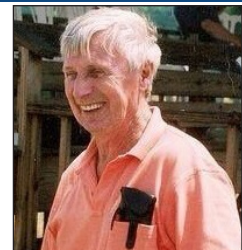
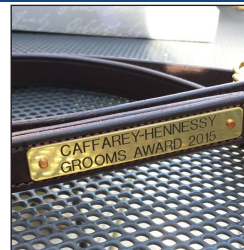
Two-time Olympic gold medalist Beezie Madden and 2015 winner of the \$100,000 Longines FEI World Cup™ Jumping Las Vegas, Peter Lutz were on hand to present the awards to the riders in center ring. "I was thrilled to be a part of this ceremony," said Lutz. "I commend the PNHS for hosting these very special championships. These riders are truly inspirational and the horses are heroes."



Caffarey-Hennessy Perpetual Grooms Award



Each year a dedicated group of grooms from the past and the present generously donate to the Moira Caffarey - George Hennessy Memorial Perpetual Grooms Award. This outstanding trophy is awarded each year to the groom of the winning horse in the Grand Prix de Penn National. This year's winning groom will earn an abundance of goodies worth more than \$3,000. Thank you to all who donate to this award and to the hardworking grooms who always put their horses needs above their own.



Tentative Time Schedule

8:00a	134	Amateur Owner Hunter 18-35
8:50a	135	Amateur Owner Hunter 18-35
9:45a	144	Amateur Owner Hunter 36 & Over
10:40a	145	Amateur Owner Hunter 36 & Over
11:30a		Set for Jumpers
12:30p	231	NAL Children's Jumper Final
2:00p	232	NAL Adult Jumper Final
3:45p	233	NAL Low Jr./Amateur Jumper Final
7:15p		PNHS Hall of Fame Ceremony
7:30p		\$132,000 Grand Prix de Penn National



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Leslie Burr Howard

With a slew of grand prix victories and titles to her name, 'Leapin Leslie' has been a top rider, trainer, stable owner and competitor throughout her long career. She was a member of U. S. squads that won the team Gold Medal at the 1984 Olympic Games in Los Angeles and the team Silver at the 1996 Olympic Games in Atlanta. Leslie entered her first show at age 6, began training with George Morris at age 14, and won the 1972 ASPCA Maclay Finals at Madison Square Garden at age 15.

In 2017, Leslie celebrated her 50th consecutive year competing at the PA National Horse Show and was the Leading Open Jumper Rider in 2007. In October, 2015, Leslie won the \$85,000 Grand Prix de Penn National aboard "Gentile Van Spievelde" - a victory that had eluded her for over three decades - and she was named Open Jumper Champion.



Jack Stedding

Jack Stedding was one of the top hunter professionals in the U.S. He spent most of his life as a trainer at various farms in Maryland and started some of this country's best riders and finest horses. Jack was inducted into the Maryland Horse Shows Association Hall of Fame in 2000. He was also inducted into the Virginia Horse Shows Hall of Fame and the National Show Hunter Hall of Fame.

Among his students were Scott Evans, Nancy Falkner, Sandy Ferrell, Quentin Judge, Mary Lisa Leffler, Jennifer Marshall, Streett Moore, Elizabeth Solter and Tommy Serio.

Jack passed away on October 23, 2017, at age 75 after a long illness. He is survived by his son Jack W. Stedding, Jr., and Jack's wife Josee.

Sponsor Spotlight



In 1990 Sharie Loychuk combined her love of horseback riding and clothing design to create a line of equestrian riding apparel. It would offer the performance fabrics and design geared for the sport. After sourcing technical fabrics, the perfect leather and sketching out some sound designs it was time to sell the concept and start a company. Her focus was to produce modern, fitted, and comfortable riding apparel that would meet the rigorous demands of the sport.

Since then the ARISTA EQUESTRIAN brand has continued to be tested and perfected while simultaneously bringing exciting new colors and styles to the rider.

On July 01, 2017, Arista was purchased by Jocelyn Kivort of New York. Jocelyn is a rider and a huge Arista fan, and has been a successful Arista retailer for the past 12 years. Jocelyn is joined by Sharie Loychuk, who designed the original Arista collections, and Frann MacLean, who has 9 years of experience selling and marketing Arista products.



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Bellini is Grand



For Martha Ingram and Lyons Creek Bellini, the Pennsylvania National Horse Show is full of first-time memories, and Friday was no exception. The pair took home the Grand Championship for Amateur Owner 3'3" Hunters. In recognition of their performances over the two days of competition in the 3'3" Amateur Hunter Riders 18-35 division, the pair were named Champion on their way to being named Grand Champion. This is the first time Ingram won a Championship at the PA National in all the years of competing at the event.

Ingram and Lyons Creek Bellini, a 12-year-old Polish Warmblood gelding owned by parents John and Stephanie Ingram, won the division by virtue of winning the last class. "It all came down to the last," said Ingram. "He knows when it's game time. It could have gone either way, but he really turned it on." The Ingrams purchased Lyons Creek Bellini in 2015 from Hunter Holloway, and since then the pair has won consistent ribbons, but never a Championship at the Pennsylvania National Horse Show.

"This horse show is so special for Bellini and me," said Ingram. "I tried him and bought him here. Now to have won this Championship with him, I am so happy!"

Missy Luczak-Smith had a similar tale to tell about her mount Askaro. "I tried Askaro here four years ago," said Luczak-Smith. "At the time I was at my horse limit. My husband had said that we were at the cutoff point. If I want a new horse, you have to sell one. So, I didn't tell my husband and bought him. And the rest is history. I told my husband a few months later and he was actually glad I owned him."

The purchase of Askaro has paid off, as Luczak-Smith and the beautiful 15-year-old gelding won the 3'3" Amateur Hunter, Riders 36 and Over Championship, another first for Luczak-Smith. "This is my first championship here," she said. "Last year he was Reserve Champion which was great fun. I just love showing at this horse show. I have been showing here since I was a teenager. It is such great fun and win or lose it is so nice to do this with your friends. I think I channeled my inner Martha [Ingram] today."