# HAPPENINGS



## **SATURDAY - OCTOBER 14, 2023**

# **Tentative Time Schedule**

#### HARRISBURG COLISEUM

102	USEF Medal Equitation Training Session	6:00 AM
	Set Course - Hunters	11:00 AM
72	Small Pony O/F	11:15 AM
	Small Pony Hunter Champion	
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12:45 PM Medium Pony O/F Medium Pony Hunter Champion Medium Pony Hunter Champion Grooms Award

2:15 PM Large Ponv O/F Large Pony Hunter Champion Large Pony Hunter Champion Grooms Award

Pony Hunter Winners Stake O/F 3:30 PM EMO Agency Pony Hunter High Five Award 4:15 PM Hollow Brook Wealth Mngmt Jr Sportmanship Award Grand Pony Hunter Champion Grand Pony Hunter Champion Grooms Award PNHS Pony Rider Sportsmanship Award Best Junior Rider, Pony

5:30 PM Set Course - Jumpers USEF Prix Des States & Ind. Phase III 6:15 PM USEF Prix Des States Overall Awards

#### **KEYSTONE ARENA**

73	Small Pony U/S	7:00 AM
78	Medium Pony U/S	7:15 AM
83	Large Pony U/S	7:30 AM
	Set Course	7:45 AM
103	Eq. 13 & U Medal Finals Warm Up O/F	8:30 AM
104	Eq. 14 yr Olds Medal Finals Warm Up O/F	8:45 AM
105	Eq. 15 yr Olds Medal Finals Warm Up O/F	9:45 AM
106	Eq. 16 yr Olds Medal Finals Warm Up O/F	11:45 AM
107	Eq. 17 yr Olds Medal Finals Warm Up O/F	3:00 PM

**Open Schooling for Medal Horses** 

6:00 PM





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# West Proves Best in \$15,000 USEF Prix des States Team Championship, Presented by Turnham Green



The Zone 10 team composed of Ariana Marnell aboard Away Semilly, Emmeline Adamick on Igelo, Cameron Trimino on Firewall and Della White on Giggs secured the win in Friday night's \$15,000 USEF Prix des States Team Championship, presented by Turnham Green.

The West Coast natives were each making their Prix des States debut, and together, they made it a winning one with a total of only eight faults in the two-round, modified Nations Cup format competition. The silver

medal with 21 faults went to the Zone 4 team of Mustafa Shah, Ellie Aronson, Amy Krebs and Olivia Sweetnam. Rounding out the podium on 24 faults was the Zone 7 team of Carlee McCutcheon, Ava Myers, Tessa Downey and Stella Wasserman.

"Even though I mostly show on the East Coast now, I was really excited to be back with my West Coast people, and I'm really happy for Zone 10!" said Marnell, who produced one of two double-clear rounds for the team. "It's been a long time [since Zone 10 won], but I think we deserve it; the horses were great. Everyone rode great. This was my first time ever riding on a team, but I like pressure, so it was fun for me. I was like, 'Bring it on! I'm ready!"

Adamick, 17, from San Francisco, CA added, "I just had so much confidence in our team and the ability to do well. I didn't feel the normal pressure that comes with riding on a team. Everyone wants to do well for each other."

The course for the evening's class was set by Nicholas Granat and featured 15 jumping efforts and a tight time allowed of 68 seconds. For the Zone 10 team, all of whom were experiencing their first Prix des States and many of whom were navigating their first time in the Harrisburg Coliseum, the track required them to adapt to the high-energy environment in a compact, indoor setting.

"The past two days, I've learned not to hug the wall just for the sake of hugging the wall," said Adamick. "This is my first time at Harrisburg as well as my first time riding this horse in an indoor ring. So, it was all very new. When I got here the first day, I definitely was a bit hesitant, considering my horse is pretty big, but I went in confidently. His speed ended up helping us with the tight turns and getting down the lines."



Redemption proved sweet for Trimino, 16, who had multiple rails in the first round of competition but then returned to add only four faults in the second round.

"I thought the course today flowed really nicely," said Trimino, who hails from Orange County, California. "The first round didn't go as we had planned, but I knew that being on a team, I had to be strong and go back in there and fight for a good round. I think I did that. I'm really proud that I was able to get back in there after a tough first round and be able to get it done."

White, 18, from Newport Beach, CA, put down two fault-free rounds to guarantee the gold medal.

"I made sure to have a good rhythm in the beginning so I could get down the lines," said White. "[Giggs] really does better when I'm faster. So, starting out with a lot, I think that really helped us out. I was definitely super nervous yesterday, but we had a pretty good round; then today was way better."

Trimino concluded, "I think on behalf of all of us, we're really grateful for everyone who's put on this show, all the work that's gone into all of this. Our trainers, our grooms, our parents, everyone involved with getting the show put together. We couldn't be here sitting with our medals without all the behind the scenes and all of the support that no one actually gets to see."

# Looking for something to remember your time at the Pennsylvania National Horse Show?

Be sure to check out this year's wide selection of PNHS merchandise!

From a large range of clothing to souvenirs, there's a little bit of something for everyone at the PNHS merchandise shop, located in the main lobby next to the horse show office.







#### **CELEBRATION OF THE HORSE**

Saturday, October 14 from 1-4 p.m. The afternoon is free for the whole family and will feature arts and crafts, face painting, horse-draawn wagon rides, behind-thescenes tours of the horse show and more!







Established in 1999, the PNHS Foundation is a 501(c)(3) organization that provides support for therapeutic riding programs, equine rescue efforts and the education and training of persons in equestrian endeavors.

In 2022, the Foundation awarded more than \$50,000 in grants to non-profit recipients both locally and across the nation. Foundation grants provide scholarships for therapy students, care for therapy and rescue horses, allow for the purchase of equipment for horses and riders and more.

## Ariana Marnell and Babylon are Best Junior Hunters



Prior to this week, Ariana Marnell's Babylon had earned a Grand Hunter Championship at all but one of the four major indoor final horse shows. On Friday, October 13, Marnell and Babylon clinched what had previously alluded them: the Grand Junior Hunter Championship at the Pennsylvania National Horse Show in Harrisburg, PA.

On their way to the grand championship, Marnell and Babylon first earned the division championship in the Small Junior Hunter 16-17, sponsored by Hesslink Williams LLC. The duo not only swept all three of the division's over fences classes, they did so while never earning a score lower than 92

"My weekend was amazing from the start," said Marnell. "In his first class, Babylon got a 94, which made me so happy. I was really excited that this week went so well. He's now been grand at all four indoors. That's awesome. I'm just really proud of him, and I'm happy that I rode well and could do that for him. I think he really deserves to win."



In addition to notching top results in the junior hunters with Marnell, Babylon has been ridden to great success and acclaim by Marnell's trainer, John French. French has had the ride on "Crumbles" since the now 8-year-old Oldenburg gelding was 3 years old, and Marnell is quick to credit French with the horse that Babylon is today.

"He definitely goes with some pace, and then you get there and give him his head and neck; that's when he jumps best," explained Marnell. "[He likes] a little bit of a gap. We were kind of joking this week, since John really taught him from the beginning, he doesn't know how to miss or chip. He doesn't know how because John never misses!"

While Marnell hails from Las Vegas, NV, and often has to commute back and forth to the East Coast, she has spent the past three weeks out east enjoying extra riding and time with her horses.



"This is such a nice thing that I've been able to take some lessons and get to spend time just hanging out with my horses and taking them on trails," said Marnell. "Both of the horses this week are staying at a layover farm. Their day ended with about a half-hour trail ride around there. I think it's really good for them, and I like spending that time with them."

In addition to their championship tricolors, Marnell and Babylon's score of 94 earned them the EMO Agency Junior Hunter High Five Award as the highest-scoring junior hunters.

Finishing as the reserve champions behind Marnell and Babylon in the Small Junior Hunter 16-17 division were Eleanor Rudnicki and Knowingly.

Also earning division championships in the 3'6" Junior Hunters, presented by Bikoff Equestrian, were Paige Walkenbach on Ever So Often, Clara Propp and Arabesque and Caroline Signorino and Drumroll.