

# In the News



Sarah Ward-Rupp's Holsteiner Bling Bling

A slew of respected horsemen, including **Jack Towell**, **Liza Boyd**, **Daniel Geitner**, **Carol Kent**, **Danny Robertshaw** and **Ron Danta**, were on hand at the **Carolinas Show Hunter Hall of Fame** ceremony at the **Aiken Charity I Horse Show** on Friday, May 3, 2019. This year's inductees included **Carol Kent**, **Jeanne Smith**, **Thomas Earl "Red" Frazier, J.**, **Arthur "Bucky" Reynolds II**, **Don Stewart Jr.**, **William "Billy" Haggard**, **Dreamboat**, **High Hearts**, **Lestat** and **Sarah Ward-Rupp's Holsteiner Bling Bling**. The 19-year-old gelding didn't make the award ceremony, but happily accepted his **Elma Garcia Award** back at **Flyover Farms** where he's retired.



Eric Glynn, Alexandra Welles and Andrew Welles

**Andrew Welles LLC**, founded in 2010 by international show jumping athlete **Andrew Welles**, recently announced **Eric Glynn** as its newest full-time, professional team member. Eric, hailing from Ballindine, Ireland, made an exceptional addition to the team during the 2019 Florida season and will continue to offer high-level instruction and training alongside Andrew. With the addition of a new training facility in Wellington, Florida, **Andrew Welles LLC** looks forward to bringing younger riders up to the U25 and grand prix level.

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SCAD and Jay Duke  
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**Jay Duke** selected the **Savannah College of Art and Design (SCAD)** team as the winner of the inaugural **Jay Duke Horsemanship Award** on May 4 at the **Intercollegiate Horse Shows Association National Championships** in Syracuse, New York. A **Canadian Equestrian Team** veteran and renowned clinician throughout North America, Jay created the **Horsemanship Award** to honor a team that demonstrated exceptional horsemanship throughout the 2019 **IHSA National Championships**. The **SCAD** team earned a two-day clinic at its Savannah, Georgia, facility during the 2019/2020 season. In addition to being a popular clinician, Jay also created an innovative **Virtual Lesson Program**, offering subscribers access to his library of exercises and tips and video support. Find out more at [JayDuke.com](http://JayDuke.com).



Left to right: Julie Fershtman, Armand Leone Jr. and Jessica Choper  
Photo courtesy of University of Kentucky

**Armand Leone Jr., MD.** and **Jessica E. Choper of Leone Equestrian Law** spoke on the topic of "**Legal Issues in Hosting an Equine Clinic at Your Farm**" on May 1 at the **34th Annual National Conference on Equine Law** presented by the **University of Kentucky College of Law** in Lexington, Kentucky. "We tried to provide not only a legal but also a practical analysis for things attorneys can do to help their clients before they get into trouble in that kind of situation," Armand said. "We tried to cover the things you should anticipate when you're hosting a clinic — dogs, kids, having an EMT available, among other things. I think it was informative and useful for the attorneys in attendance." Find out more about **Leone Equine Law** at [equestriancounsel.com](http://equestriancounsel.com).



The Grooms Award

**Back on Track USA** is a new sponsor of the **Grooms Award!** **The Grooms' Award, Ltd.** is a not-for-profit 501(c)3 charitable organization, recognizing professional grooms at a handful of major horse shows each year. Grooms are such an integral part of the horse's care and they can never be thanked enough for their hard work and dedication to their animals and the sport itself. **Bo Lofvander**, CEO of **Back on Track® USA** remarked, "We believe that the groom is key to the health and happiness of the horse, and that they should be rewarded for their efforts. We are proud to sponsor **The Grooms Award** and support their efforts to recognize grooms." For more information or to donate, visit [groomsaward.org](http://groomsaward.org). **The Grooms Award, Ltd.** is also on Facebook and Instagram. #groomsrock

The **Show Jumping Hall of Fame** recently held its annual induction ceremony at the **Devon Horse Show** in Pennsylvania. Among the four new inductees were Olympic veteran and current **U.S. Chef d'Equipe Robert Ridland**, long-time announcer and horse show manager **Peter Doubleday**, Olympic rider and coach and the first president of the **USET Colonel John W. "Gyp" Wofford**, and **Bold Minstrel**, the only horse to win medals for the U.S. at the **Pan American Games** in two different disciplines.



Taku  
Photo by TVR/Sydney Williams

**Their Voice Rescue**, a no-kill rescue established in April 2017 by show jumper **Paige Johnson**, is celebrating its one-year anniversary of helping dogs in need, giving them a voice and helping them find their forever homes. **TVR** opened its doors in March of 2018, and has helped 44 dogs, and currently has 20 dogs available, looking for their new families. **Their Voice Rescue** is housed on a 50 acre rescue with rolling hills and plenty of places for dogs to run and play. **TVR** accepts dogs of any age, breed or size and is a nonprofit 501(c)3, supported by volunteers and donations. To learn more, visit [www.theirvoicerescue.org](http://www.theirvoicerescue.org).