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OFFICIAL VETERINARIAN OF THE

ADEQUAN® GLOBAL DRESSAGE FESTIVAL 2022

Vilhelmson-Silfvén and Devanto Top CDI4* Competition Presented by Palm Beach Equine Clinic

Seven-time Olympian Tinne Vilhelmson-Silfvén and Devanto had a successful first week of competition at the Adequan® Global Dressage Festival (AGDF) in Wellington, FL. The duo claimed victory in both the Grand Prix CDI4* on Thursday, January 13, and the Grand Prix Special CDI4* on Saturday, January 15, each presented by Palm Beach Equine Clinic.



Tinne Vilhelmson-Silfvén and Devanto in their winning presentation with with judge at C Cesar Torrente, Amy Swerdlin, and Scott Swerdlin, President, of Palm Beach Equine Clinic. **Photo by Jump Media**

Vilhelmson-Silfvén and Lövsta Stuteri's 13-year-old Holsteiner gelding received a new record score of 73.425% in Saturday's Grand Prix Special. The pair did their first CDI together at AGDF exactly a year ago, and this class marked their eighth CDI test.

"It's a gift to get a ready-made horse," said the 54-year-old Vilhelmson-Silfvén. "But that's not to say it's easier, because you really have to make them your own. You have to learn how they work, and they have to understand how you work. You have to give them time to understand you. I get to understand how a horse like Devanto – with all this power – how he reacts, if he reacts, if he's too tense, or if he's overambitious. He's very sensitive, and I like that."



Tinne Vilhelmson-Silfvén and Devanto were victorious in the Grand Prix CDI4* as well as the Grand Prix Special CDI4*, both presented by Palm Beach Equine Clinic. **Photo by Jump Media**



Watch Tinne Vilhelmson-Silfvén's winning Grand Prix Special test.

Second place on both Thursday and Saturday went to Susan Dutta (USA) aboard her own and her husband Tim's Figeac DC.

Palm Beach Equine Clinic is the Official Veterinarian of the Adequan® Global Dressage Festival in Wellington, FL. Week 1 of the 12-week series featured the Grand Prix CDI4* and Grand Prix Special CDI4* presented by Palm Beach Equine Clinic. You can view results, live stream replays, and more at globaldressagefestival.com.

Palm Beach Equine Clinic in Ocala: Dr. Gretchen Syburg, DVM

During the winter season, Dr. Gretchen Syburg represents Palm Beach Equine Clinic in Ocala, FL, and provides a wide range of services to clients in Marion and Levy counties. While in Ocala, Dr. Syburg primarily focuses on sports medicine for performance horses, although she also has a large number of emergency medicine and basic internal medicine cases. Dr. Syburg provides care for horses competing at both HITS Ocala and World Equestrian Center – Ocala.



Dr. Gretchen Syburg offers a wide range of services in Ocala, FL, during the winter show season. **Photo courtesy of PBEC.**

"I cherish the relationships that I build, not only with my equine patients, but also with clients," described Dr. Syburg. "Being a horse person, I really understand the deep connections that my clients have with their horses. Having owned horses myself, I can relate to the trials and tribulations of horse ownership.

"I appreciate being able to see all our collective efforts come to fruition when my clients are able to compete their horses or achieve their goals," continued Dr. Syburg. "I admire the moments when clients are grateful for their horse's health above all else; it truly is a team effort and I love being able to see the reward of a horse in optimal health."



Dr. Gretchen Syburg performing an eye exam. **Photo courtesy of PBEC.**

Dr. Syburg is originally from southeastern Wisconsin where she grew up on her family's farm and quickly learned that she had a passion for caring for animals. At a young age, Dr. Syburg realized that she wanted to become an equine veterinarian.

She completed her undergraduate degree at Carroll University in Waukesha, WI, and obtained her degree in veterinary medicine from the Ontario Veterinary College at the University of Guelph in Canada. After school, Dr. Syburg completed an internship at the Alamo Pintado Equine Medical Center in California where she gained experience in stem cell therapy and sports medicine cases.

Dr. Syburg is available to work with patients competing at World Equestrian Center – Ocala and HITS Ocala. If you are in Ocala this winter, contact Dr. Syburg for your veterinary needs.

Congratulations to WEF 1 Champion, Catharine Kramer

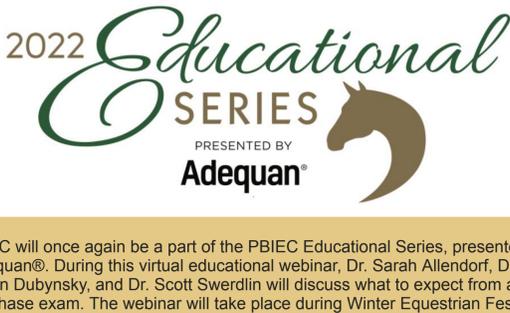


Catherine Kramer and Mercy Me captured the tricolor ribbon during WEF 1 in the Amateur-Owner Hunter 3'6" 18-35 division, sponsored by Palm Beach Equine Clinic. **Photo by Sportfot**

Catherine Kramer and her own Mercy Me claimed top honors in the Amateur-Owner Hunter 3'6" 18-35 division, sponsored by Palm Beach Equine Clinic, during the Winter Equestrian Festival (WEF) in Wellington, FL. The pair earned two firsts, two thirds, and a fifth place ribbon to receive the championship.

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Join Us Virtually To Learn What You Should Expect From a Pre-Purchase Exam

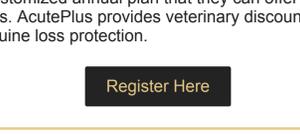


PBEC will once again be a part of the PBIEC Educational Series, presented by Adequan®. During this virtual educational webinar, Dr. Sarah Allendorf, Dr. Bryan Dubynsky, and Dr. Scott Swerdlin will discuss what to expect from a pre-purchase exam. The webinar will take place during Winter Equestrian Festival (WEF) 3 on Thursday, January 27, 2022. Mark your calendar today!

Educational Series sessions will be held virtually each Thursday at 6 p.m. EST. Admission is free. Pre-registration is required.

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AcutePlus is a veterinarian wellness membership plan offered through Palm Beach Equine Clinic. The program is designed to give veterinarian practices a way to create a customized annual plan that they can offer directly to their clients and patients. AcutePlus provides veterinary discounts, equine protection, and equine loss protection.

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Join the Team at Palm Beach Equine Clinic

Marketing Manager

The open position includes work that encompasses a wide variety of tasks pertaining to marketing, sponsorship, and clinic assistance, including, but not limited to:

- Marketing content strategic planning
- Website management
- Social media management
- Simple graphic design
- Sponsorship coordination and management
- Externship, internship, and visiting veterinarian management
- Assist President with tasks as needed

To apply for this position, please send a résumé to Scott Swerdlin at scott.swerdlin@equineclinic.com.

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Night Hospital Technician

Equine Hospital Technicians are vital to the clinic and ensure patients are constantly monitored and receive immediate care. Other tasks include:

- Provide medical treatments and therapy to all hospitalized patients
- Assist doctors, interns, and fellow technicians with work ups and procedures performed within the hospital
- Punctual, hardworking, and teamwork-oriented individuals are a must in the field
- A Veterinary Technician Certification or License is an advantage but not a requirement

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