



April Competition Highlights



Natalie Dean and Acota M finished third in the High Amateur Jumper Classic during WEF 12. Photo by Boss Mare Media



Sophia Ahearn and Brienne claimed third place in the Medium Amateur Jumpers at WEF 12 to end the circuit on a high note. Photo by Kind Media





Jennifer Bliss and Franki secured the WEF Circuit Championship in the 3/4-Year-Old Pre-Green Hunters. Photo by <u>Sportfot</u>

Samantha Wight and Atevla earned ninth place in the CSI2* 1.25m on Thursday at LGCT of Miami Beach. Photo by Kind Media



Wesley Newlands piloted Maestro van het Binnenveld to second place in the CSI2* 1.45m on Friday during LGCT of Miami Beach. Photo by Kind Media



Natalie Dean rode Kamilla D to a quick clear round and eighth-place finish in the CSI5* 1.45m on Friday at LGCT of Miami Beach. Photo by <u>Boss Mare Media</u>



Natalie Dean and Chance Ste Hermelle were one of the few pairs who produced a clear round in the CSI5* 1.50m on Friday during LGCT of Miami Beach. Photo by Boss Mare Media



Samantha Wight and Ivysinaa produced a great clear round in the CSI2* 1.30m Final on Saturday at LGCT of Miami Beach. Photo by <u>Ashley Neuhof Photography</u>



Wesley Newlands and Django du Lys finished in seventh place in the CSI2* 1.30m Final on Saturday during LGCT of Miami Beach. Photo by Kind Media



Erynn Ballard piloted Gakhir to 12th place in the €300,000 Longines Global Champions Tour Grand Prix of Miami Beach to close out a successful week. Photo by Jump Media



Erynn Ballard and Gwintosca HBC earned second and third place in the 1.30m Jumpers during the ESP Spring 3 show. Photo by Sportfot



Erynn Ballard and Comedie de Talma secured second place in the \$10,000 Bainbridge Companies 1.40m Open Stake at the ESP Spring 3 show. Photo by Elegant Equus Photography



Erynn Ballard and Cecile 30 finished second and third in the 1.35m Jumpers during the ESP Spring 3 show. Photo by Elegant Equus Photography



Erynn Ballard piloted Monty Python de L'Amitie to the top prize in the 1.35m Jumpers at the ESP Spring 3 show. Photo by Elegant Equus Photography







Lexi Ferder and Oquido Van Het Eikehof had a fantastic clear round in the 1.30m Jumpers during the ESP Spring 3 show. Photo by <u>Sportfot</u>

Natalie Dean and Cocolina won a High Amateur/Junior Jumper class and finished second in the classic at the ESP Spring 3 show. Photo by Boss Mare Media



Natalie Dean rode Acota M to second place in a High Amateur/Junior Jumper class and also finished third in the classic during the ESP Spring 3 show. Photo by Boss Mare Media

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Five Questions With the Ilan Ferder Stables Team

Meet Karime Perez



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How did you get involved with horses?

I started riding 11 years ago when I was 10 years old. My parents decided to buy a house in Valle de Bravo, Mexico, and in doing so we inherited a Thoroughbred. We got it because my mom was negotiating the price of the land. When the seller refused to offer her a discount she asked for his horse, and he accepted. My dad contacted a local trainer to teach my brother and me how to ride. That's when my love for the equestrian sport was born.

What is one of the most important things you have learned while training with IFS?

I think every day you learn something new and there is always something to improve on. One of the most important things I have learned while training with the IFS team is to ride the track at the same pace. I also learned to always be aware of how I am going, where I am going, and my position on the horse.

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What was your favorite memory from WEF 2022?

My favorite moment of WEF 2022 was when I was clean in the Hermès Under 25 Grand Prix Series on the derby field.

What is your favorite horse show and why?

Of all the competitions in the world, my favorite is undoubtedly Aachen because of all the history the area has. My favorite horse show where I have competed is La Silla in Monterrey, Mexico, because the facility is very impressive. Also, the design of the tracks test both the skill of the rider and horse. It is the place where my horses jump the best.

Who is your favorite horse and why?

It is very difficult to choose just one horse because each horse teaches you different things, gives you unique challenges, has different qualities, and gives you different kinds of satisfaction. If I had to choose one, it would be Camina K. She is an 11-yearold bay mare with a lot of character.



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Ilan Ferder Stables (IFS) is an international show jumping training and sales business based in Wellington, Florida. Owned and operated by Israeli Show Jumping Team veteran Ilan Ferder, IFS offers world-class prospects that are ready to win and has sold numerous riders their next champion. IFS is also home to Canada's Erynn Ballard, one of the top-ranked female show jumping athletes in the world.