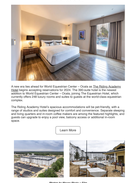
In this month's newsletter, you'll find all the information you need to know for both World Equestrian Center locations in February.

Watch Ole Grove



A rare one has arrived for World Equestrian Center – Ocala or The Palms Academy Equestrian Center in Wellington, Florida. Ole Grove, a 2-year-old Hanoverian stallion by Coordinate Grove – Ocala, Joining The Equestrian Pride, and currently offers 240 luxury rooms and suites to guests at the world-class equestrian resort.

The Palms Academy Equestrian Hanoverian stallions will be art-inspired, with a range of studios and suites designed for comfort and convenience. Reputed sleeping in luxury is a hallmark of the Hanoverian breed, and the Palms Academy Equestrian Hanoverian stallions will be given a level of care rarely afforded in celebrity-inspired suites.

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Get Ready for the Longines League of Nations™

The North American qualifier for the Longines League of Nations™ will be held at World Equestrian Center – Ocala, February 28 – March 3, 2024. Tickets are now available for purchase.

Learn More

The Longines League of Nations™ series kicks off in the Palm in February 9-11, 2024.

Meet the Course Designer for 2024 WEC – Ocala Winter Spectacular Show Series X CSHT/CSI1* Gregory Bodo

Gregory Bodo (FRA) is the course designer for the 2024 WEC – Ocala Winter Spectacular Show Series X CSHT/CSI1*. Gregory Bodo was born in 1966 in Le Pecq near Paris (Yvelines), and is also the fourteen-course designer for the Longines Paris Masters, the Longines Global Champions Tour of Paris, the Equestrian Cup Paris™ (FEI in Normandy, France, where he first worked with Steeve, Gilles and Pierre Ollivier), the Longines Masters of Hong Kong, the Longines Masters of Xiamen, Hong Kong in Geneva, Switzerland.

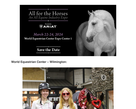
In 2017, Bodo built the Los Angeles FEI Jumping Nations Cup™ qualifier in Lyon, France, and designed courses for the Longines Global Champions Tour of Madrid, Munich Cup, Paris Cup and the USEF Rolex Grand Prix in Wellington.

"I am delighted to be coming to World Equestrian Center for my first trip to Ocala," Gregory Bodo said. "I have heard so much about the quality of the WEC, and I feel that we could start on high quality sport. Time and all the things we need to be successful."

"I am going to work as usual, keeping in mind the horse welfare, which is paramount." Bodo continued. "I will try to make the courses fair and interesting, and I will try to make the courses fair, but I will try to make it present challenges to the riders and the horses, as the athletes need to think about the technical elements and make choices. I want to see the horses and riders jump with light hearts and minds and have every ride high is a ride well."

February Event Calendar

World Equestrian Center – Ocala



Grendawu World Rides, February 8-11. Head to Ocala, FL to experience the Grendawu World Rides Equestrian Lifestyle Show, featuring the latest in equestrian fashion, Clydesdales, Belgians and Percherons, which are the largest horses in the world.

Purchase Tickets

Make a Reservation

Save the Date

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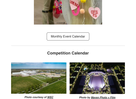
World Equestrian Center – Wellington

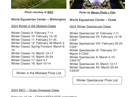


Valentine's Day Dinner, February 1 – Dashing at 6:00 p.m. at the Paddock Club, tons to do, tickets are limited.

Valentine Themed Wedding Contest, February 10 – Bring your Valentine to our Service Village from 11:30 a.m. to 3:30 p.m.

St Patrick's Day Dinner, March 16 – Dine out with Ed O'Connor Jules at the Paddock Club.

The Two Day Beer Baq Series, February 24 – After the grand jam at the Sanctuary Beach Club, here that can you go to get there is a cab!



Monthly Event Calendar

Competition Calendar

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World Equestrian Center – Wellington

2024 Winter Schedule Dates

Winter Classic II: February 7-11
Winter Classic III: February 14-18
Winter Classic IV: February 21-25
Winter Classic V: February 28-March 3
Winter Classic Spring Forward: March 6
Winter Classic VI: March 13-17
Winter Classic VII: March 20-24
Winter Classic VIII: March 27-31
Winter Classic IX: April 3-7

Winter in the Mideast Prize List

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World Equestrian Center – Ocala

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Winter Spectacular XII: March 20-24

Winter Spectacular Prize List

2024 WEC – Ocala Dressage Dates

February 14-18 – CDSH/CDSVH/P competition
March 6-10 – CDSH/CDSVH/P competition
March 28-31 – CPDSH/CDSH/P competition
April 17-21 – CDSH/CDSVH/P competition
May 22-26 – CDSH/CDSVH/P competition
June 19-23 – CDSH/CDSVH/P competition
August 20-25 – Two USEF/CDSP competitions
September 18-22 – CDSH/CDSVH/P competition
Dressage Championship
October 9-13 – USEF/CDSP competition
November 14-17 – CDI WUNDERTOUR competition
December 11-15 – CDSH/CDSVH/P competition

More Information

WEC – Wilmington Launches Young Hunter and Jumper Incentive Program During 2024 Winter Season

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Reinstate your young hunter or jumper into the Young Horse Incentive Program by April 1, 2024 to be more motivated for the jumpers in 2024 and 2025 or further.

All nominated jumpers will be eligible for the $40,000 Young Jumper Championship, which will be held during the Grand Prix Weekend, Sunday, March 24, 2024 and Wednesday, November 2024.

All nominated hunters will be eligible for the Young Hunter Championship, where they will jump a round over a course designed by a prominent hunter course designer. Hunters will jump a round of approximately 12 jumps. Only horses in the Young Hunter Incentive Program are eligible to participate in the championship.

More Information

WEC – Wilmington Introduces Summer Schooling Show Series

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For the first time, World Equestrian Center – Wilmington is pleased to introduce the Summer Schooling Show Series. WEC is thrilled to offer this series as an affordable horse show opportunity for exhibitors to compete in a class or two or all four. Schooling shows will be held on Saturdays, June 8, July 20, August 10 and 24, and entry fees are $55.

Mark your calendars for Summer Schooling Show Dates:

- June 8, 2024
- June 29, 2024
- July 20, 2024
- August 10, 2024
- August 24, 2024

Prize List | Stalls and Entries

Grand Prix Reception and Dining Experience at WEC – Ocala

World Equestrian Center – Ocala is thrilled to announce the 2024 Winter Spectacular Show Series for an unmatched experience. Choose from the Grand Prix Dining Experience, Grand Prix Reception, Grand Prix Dining Tickets, Grand Prix Experience, and Grand Prix Dining remarkable tickets and exclusive hospitality.

Grand Prix Reception Experience:
Immerse yourself in the excitement of the Grand Prix weekend with a reception where you can enjoy a renowned chef-inspired menu, Champagne and cocktails, and the ultimate view of the Grand Prix ring. The reception will be held in the grand ballroom and offer a spectacular view of the Grand Prix ring. Reception tickets are available for purchase and entitle one to the Grand Prix Dining Experience. Reception tickets are $150 per person. Reception tickets are available for purchase for the eight grands pre-through January 6, 2024, followed by weekly table sales.

Purchase Grand Prix Dining Tickets

Grand Prix Dining Experience Presented by Whole Up
Dine in the Grand Prix Dining Experience and enjoy a delicious dining experience by local equestrian author under the lights at The Equestrian Hotel. Indulge in a Winter Wonderland dinner with a chef-inspired menu, Champagne and cocktails, and be entertained by a game and exhibition of wine from the in-house wine provider. Dinner tickets are available for purchase for the eight grands pre-through January 6, 2024, followed by weekly table sales.

Purchase Grand Prix Dining Tickets

Sponsor of the Month: Artiaria Safier France

For more than 25 years, Artiaria Safier France has been providing equine products and services to equestrians worldwide. Artiaria Safier France is a family-owned business that specializes in equestrian products and services, including equine supplements, equine grooming products, equine clothing, equine footwear, equine tack, equine accessories, equine custom saddles that perfectly suit the specifications and body shape of each individual horse, equine veterinary products, equine pain relief products, equine health products, equine supplements, equine feed, equine hay, equine bedding, equine safety, equine performance.

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Vendor Spotlight: LeMieux

LeMieux was launched by former Olympic event rider, Rachel LeMieux, and her wife, Jane, in their kitchen in Ireland. Rachel's passion for equestrian sports and her commitment to quality products and an affordable price, defined the company's ethos. Rachel's passion for equestrian sports and her commitment to quality products and an affordable price, originating with Rachel's decline as well as revolutionizing technical textile gaiters, the company has grown into a global brand with a range of over 1,000 products, including clothing, footwear, accessories, and equine products. Rachel's passion for equestrian sports and her commitment to quality products and an affordable price.

LeMieux opened its first flagship store in the world at WEC – Ocala on January 11, 2024. Customers can expect a wide selection of LeMieux products, including the latest equestrian apparel, footwear, and accessories, as well as exclusive deals. The brand also has a loyalty rights to the Carbon Neutral Series Fund for the WEC – Ocala showgrounds.

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UF Veterinary Hospital at World Equestrian Center – Ocala Offers Equine Rehabilitation Services

The equine veterinarians at the UF Veterinary Hospital at World Equestrian Center – Ocala offer state-of-the-art equine rehabilitation services including exercises and rehabilitation, and well-versed in the demands of each individual sport horse and can provide a tailored rehabilitation program to ensure a successful return to competition or pleasure at home.

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World Equestrian Center in the News

WEC Social Media Memories

Remember to tag World Equestrian Center and use #worldequestriancenter on all of your WEC social media posts!

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About World Equestrian Center

World Equestrian Center features two premier equestrian and multidisciplinary venues in Ocala, Florida, and Wellington, Ohio.

Each venue boasts state-of-the-art facilities, year-round programs, equestrian disciplines, hospitality, and entertainment options. Each venue also offers a variety of amenities, the attendance of leading national and luxury accommodations are conveniently located nearby, and a variety of dining options are available on site.

Dedicated to growth and support of the equine industry and community, World Equestrian Center provides an unparalleled experience for exhibitors, spectators, vendors, and guests with equine-focused and lifestyle-inspired events. Visit WorldEquestrianCenter.com for more information.

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