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Gochman and Schutt Take the Spotlight with Grand Amateur Hunter Titles at WIHS

Upper Marlboro, MD – Amateur-Owner Hunter riders highlighted the third day of competition on Wednesday, October 21, at the 2026 Washington International Horse Show (WIHS) presented by MARS Equestrian™. Sophie Gochman swept her division and took home the Grand Amateur-Owner 3’6” Hunter Championship with Daydream. Brittany Schutt and Charming Boy were the second big winner of the day after they captured the Grand Amateur-Owner 3’3” Hunter Championship.

Sophie Gochman and Daydream Dominate Amateur-Owner 3’6 Hunters

Making a victorious return to WIHS, Sophie Gochman of West Palm Beach, FL, piloted Daydream to the Grand Amateur-Owner 3’6” Hunter Championship to start off the day.

The pair produced the win in both the classic and handy round of the Amateur-Owner 3’6” 18-35 division and took second in the stake class. Their winning performances earned them the division championship while Gochman was also reserve champion with her 12-year-old Hanoverian gelding, Colter.

The win was one in a list of many for the 10-year-old Belgian Warmblood mare by Mosito van het Hellehof, owned by Gochman Sport Horse LLC, who was champion of the same division in 2025 with Sophie’s sister, Mimi Gochman. Mimi also was reserve champion with Colter in 2025.

Sophie Gochman returned to the winner's circle with Daydream, who was champion last year with Gochman's sister Mimi. ***Photo by Erin Gilmore Photography***

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Brittany Schutt Makes Her Mark with Charming Boy in Amateur-Owner 3’3” Hunters

Rounding out hunter competition in The Show Place Arena, Brittany Schutt of Hume, VA, and her own seven-year-old Hanoverian gelding, Charming Boy, stood proudly in the Delta Winners Circle as the Grand Amateur-Owner 3’3” Hunter champions.

The win was one of Schutt’s biggest milestones to date as she made her amateur debut at WIHS during her first indoor season.

“I've never really had the nice horses to be able to do this at this level,” Schutt remarked. “It’s been a privilege all year to be able to be out there and be competitive.”

Brittany Schutt is making dreams come true with Charming Boy, a horse she started as a five-year-old. ***Photo by Erin Gilmore Photography***

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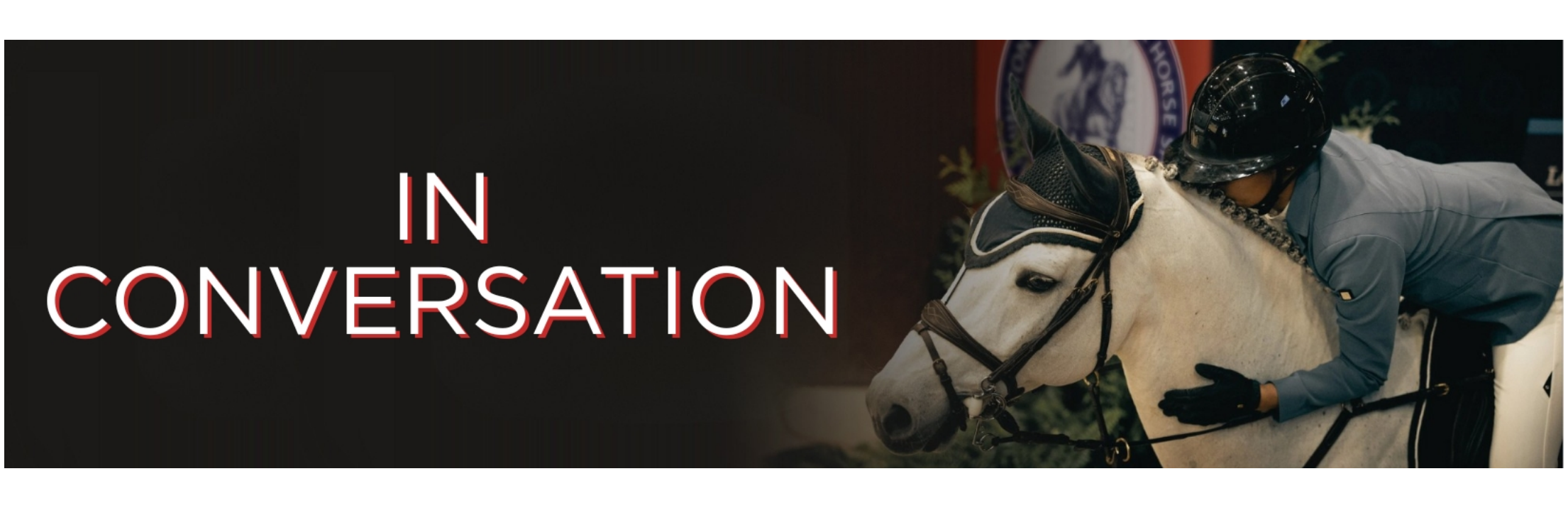
Exciting evening entertainment at the 2026 WIHS begins on Thursday, October 23, but the day begins with junior hunters, followed by 1.20-1.25m Junior/Amateur Jumpers and the next class in the CSI2* division. Opening Night A Salute to Service starts with the international jumpers in the $63,000 Welcome Stake and the $63,000 Stars and Stripes Speed Stake. The entertaining Racing Presidents from the Washington Nationals Major League Baseball team will run the jump-off course for the opening class of the night. Don’t miss a minute – buy your tickets now at www.wihs.org/tickets.



IN CONVERSATION

Kama Godek talks about her CSI2 victory*

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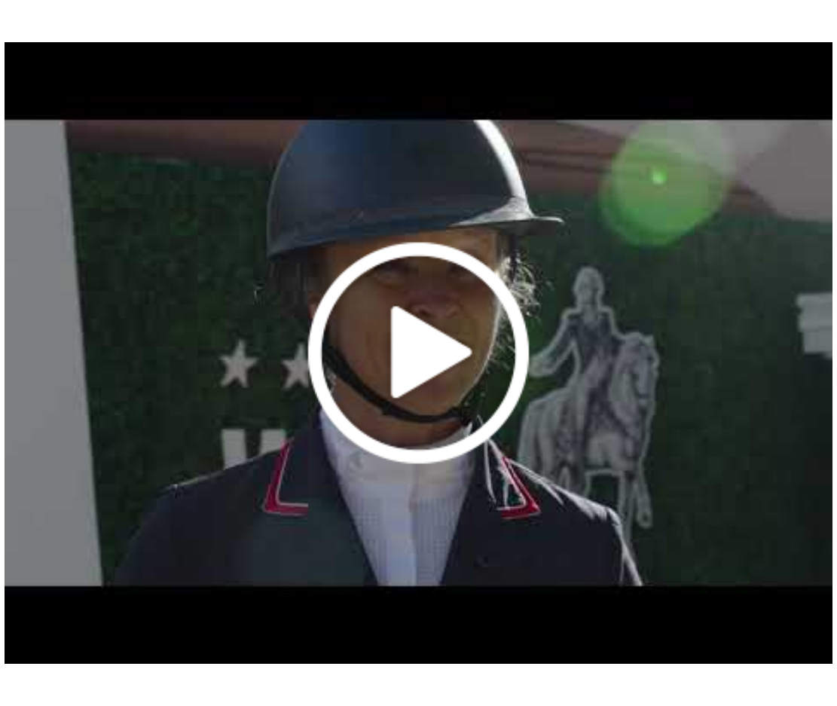

See highlights from the Grand Amateur-Owner Hunters at WIHS

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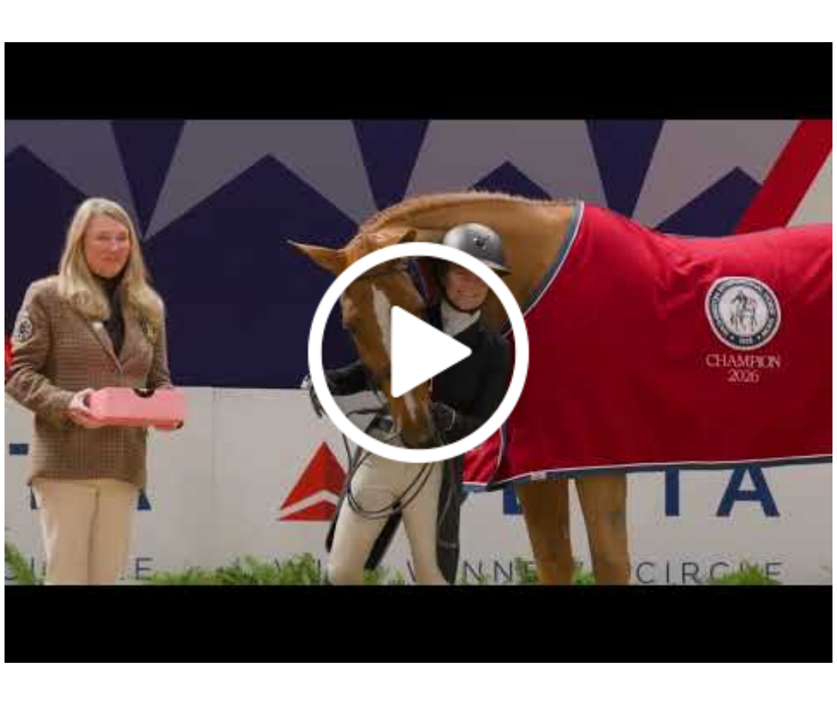

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Grand Champion Amateur-Owner 3'6" Hunter
Leading Amateur-Owner 3’6” Rider
Amateur-Owner 3’6” 18-35
Champion: Daydream, Sophie Gochman, Gochman Sport Horse LLC
Reserve Champion: Colter, Sophie Gochman, Sophie Gochman

Grand Champion Amateur-Owner 3’3” Hunter
Leading Amateur-Owner 3’3” Rider
Bucky Reynolds Memorial Award
Amateur-Owner 3’3” 36 & Over
Champion: Charming Boy, Brittany Schutt, Brittany Schutt
Reserve Champion: Casallo, Maryann Zeira, Maryann Zeira

Amateur-Owner 3’6” 36 & Over
Champion: Union City, Brittany Schutt, Brittany Schutt
Reserve Champion: MTM Plus One, Katie Robinson, Robinson Ridge LLC

Amateur-Owner 3’3” 18-35
Champion: Ocean Road, Grace Wilson, GW Equine LLC
Reserve Champion: Remedy, Stella Propp, Aquitaine Equine

$2,500 1.20-1.25m Junior/Amateur Jumper Two Phase Winners
Grace Lowe and Vogue TW

$7,500 CSI2* Two Phase, presented by SHF Enterprises LLC
Kama Godek and Bella Campina PS

PHOTO OF THE DAY

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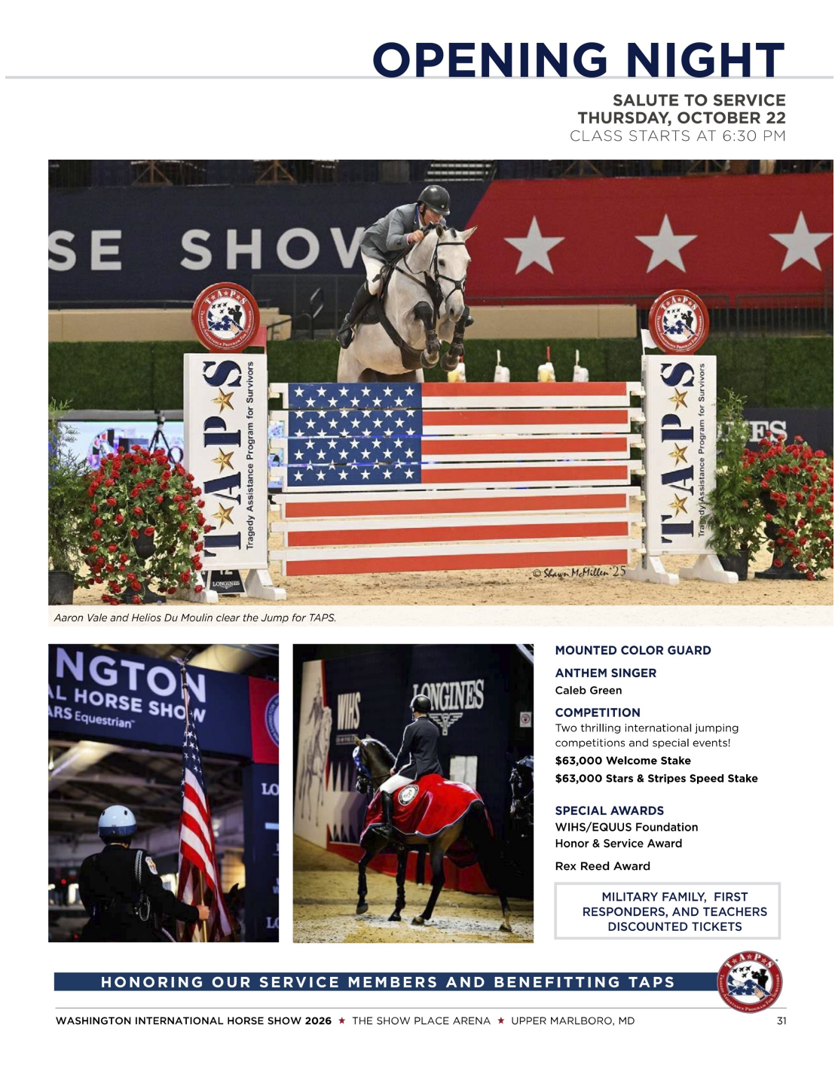
Buy your tickets today for the evening sessions on Ticketmaster.

Want to keep up with the action from anywhere? Watch the 2026 WIHS livestream on USEF Network throughout the week and on FEI TV for the week’s five-star classes.

Daytime admission is free throughout the week. Parking is free at all times.

Don't Forget Your Tickets!



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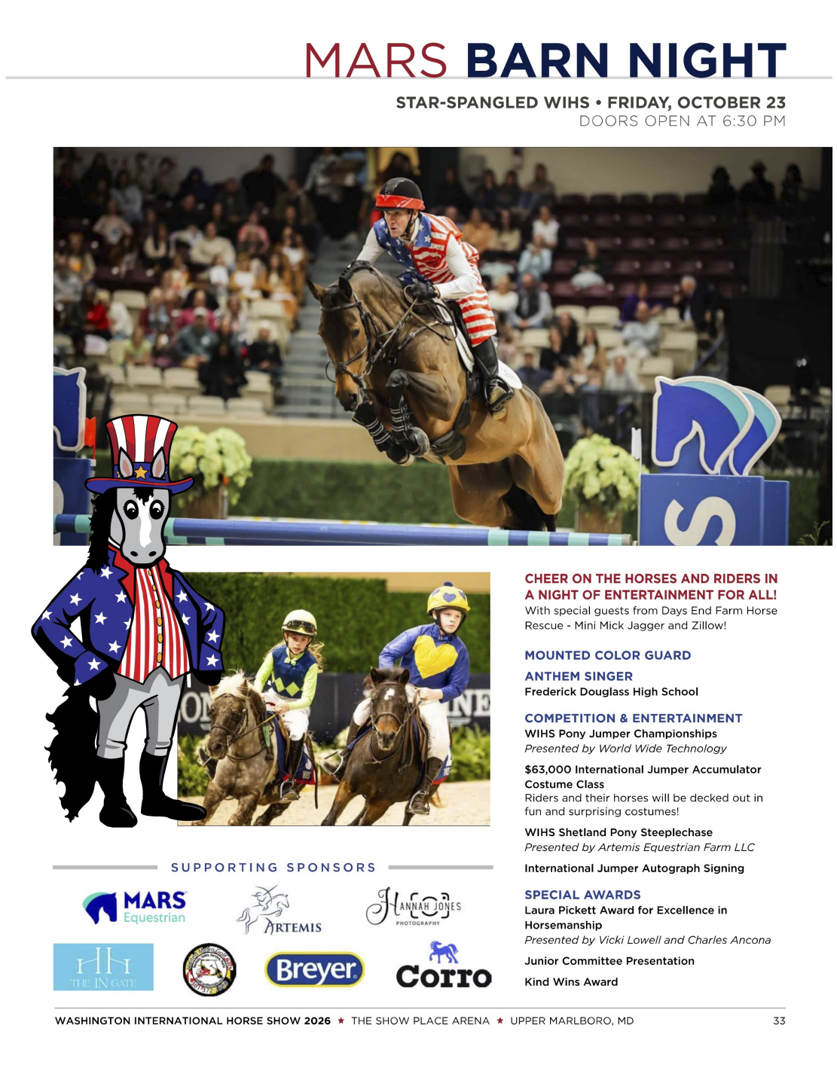

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CHEER ON THE HORSES AND RIDERS IN A NIGHT OF ENTERTAINMENT FOR ALL!
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Riders and their horses will be decked out in fun and surprising costumes!
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Presented by Artemis Equestrian Farm LLC
International Jumper Autograph Signing
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Laura Pickett Award for Excellence in Horsemanship
Presented by Vicki Lowell and Charles Ancona
Junior Committee Presentation
Kind Wins Award

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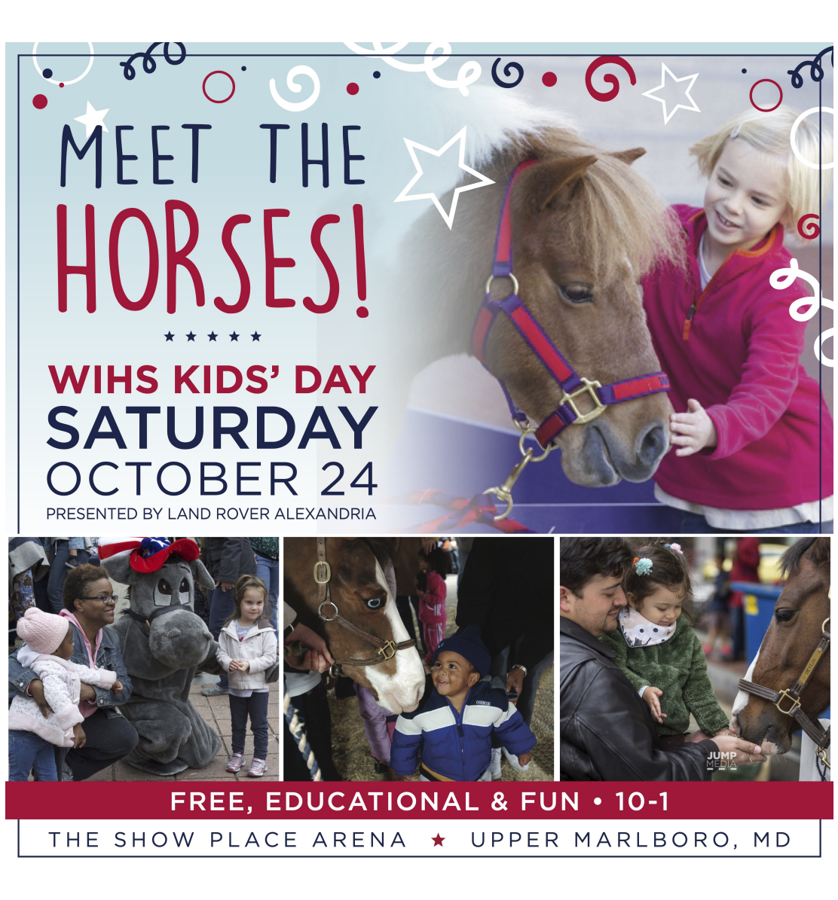

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Read the 2026 WIHS Souvenir Program

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