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**Show Jumping Hall of Fame Announces Jumper Classic Series Winners
*Top Finishers Invited to Compete at Year-End Championships***

Lexington, KY – November 8, 2017 – The Show Jumping Hall of Fame (SJHF) has announced the winners of the 2017 SJHF Jumper Classic Series for the East and West Conferences.

The SJHF Jumper Classic Series is designed to give amateur-owner and junior riders an opportunity to compete at higher levels and serves as a proving ground for many riders who aspire to someday represent the United States in international competition. Any horse show offering a class that meets all the criteria set forth in the SJHF Jumper Classic Series specifications and has prize money of at least \$1,000 is eligible to be part of the Series. The Series are held under Grand Prix rules and specifications.

In the **SJHF Jumper Classic Series East Conference**, Kelsey Thatcher of Bluffdale, UT took top honors in the Amateur-Owner Division with a total of 930 points aboard *Everything*. Lacey Gilbertson of Lake Forest, IL, and *Baloppi* took second place with a total of 800 points, while David Oberkircher of Collegeville, PA and *Castelino Van De Helle* finished in third place with 650 points.

Anna Beth Athey of Enid, OK, won the SJHF East Conference Junior Division with a whopping total of 1,409 points aboard *Cantero Da Lagao*, while Madison Goetzmann of Skaneateles, NY and *Prestigious* was close behind, finishing in second place with 1,340 points. Coco Fath of Fairfield, CT, earned a total of 1,270 points with *Huckleberry* to take third place.

The **SJHF Jumper Classic Series West Conference** also proved highly competitive with Emma Waldfogel of Palo Alto, CA, and *Bowmore VDLZ* clinching the SJHF Amateur-Owner Division with a total of 550 points for the season. Less than 100 points behind her with 458 points was Sydney Hutchins of Westlake Village, CA, who took second place aboard *Zorlando*, while Molly Talla of Newport Beach, CA took third place with a total of 436 points with her mount *Complete Luck*.

Shota Ogomori of Torrance, CA, and *5 SIG Iron Man* clinched the SJHF West Conference Junior Division with 440 points, while second placed Natalie Dean of Palo Alto, CA, earned 392 points throughout the season with *Mary Poppins*. Giavanna Rinaldi of St. Charles, IL, took third place aboard *Always Me* with a total of 318 points.

The Show Jumping Hall of Fame Jumper Classic Series is sponsored by National Horse Show Association of America, Kentucky Horse Park, Hampton Classic Horse Show, SmartPak and United States Hunter Jumper Association.

The National Horse Show is a weeklong championship event featuring "AA"-rated hunters, open jumpers, junior/amateur jumpers, and the ASPCA Alfred B. Maclay Finals. The National Horse Show is held at the Kentucky Horse Park in Lexington, KY, site of the 2010 Alltech FEI World Equestrian Games™. Further information is available at www.NHS.org.

The Hampton Classic is the prestigious culminating event of the Hamptons' famed summer season. Top jumper and hunter riders from around the world compete for some of the richest prize money in the nation. The Classic features six show rings, a Boutique Garden with more than 70 vendors, a wide selection of dining options and a Farmer's Market, all on its 60-acre show grounds. The Classic hosts more than 100 classes of competition for horses and riders of all ages and abilities. More details are available at www.hamptonclassic.com.

The Kentucky Horse Park is the leading tourist attraction for all things "horse" and one of the world's best equine competition facilities and only park open to the public. The Kentucky Horse Park hosts a handful of events each year such as the Land Rover Kentucky Three-Day Event, Kentucky Summer Horse Show and BreyerFest. For more information, visit www.kyhorsepark.com.

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For more information about the Show Jumping Hall of Fame, including Show Jumping Hall of Fame Jumper Classic Series, please visit the Show Jumping Hall of Fame website at www.showjumpinghalloffame.net.