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## Grace Debney Named Show Jumping Hall of Fame *Rider of the Month* for January

Lexington, KY – February 8, 2022 — Grace Debney of Hampden, MA has been selected as Show Jumping Hall of Fame *Rider of the Month* for January.

Debney competes in the Junior Division of the **Show Jumping Hall of Fame Jumper Classic Series' East Conference Presented by ROOD & RIDDLE**. She won the award with consistent performances at the Winter Equestrian Festival (WEF) in Wellington on her mount, Chapka De Moyon. They started the year with a win in the WEF Premiere and followed that with a 12<sup>th</sup> place finish at WEF 1 and a 3<sup>rd</sup> place finish at WEF 3. She and Chapka De Moyon finished January atop the standings in the Junior Division of the Hall of Fame Series' East Conference Presented by ROOD & RIDDLE.



Grace Debney and Chapka De Moyon © KindMedia

The Show Jumping Hall of Fame conducts the Show Jumping Hall of Fame Jumper Classic Series. The Series hosts separate divisions for junior and amateur riders in two Conferences and follows Grand Prix rules and specifications. Each month the Series honors the one rider who earns the most points on one horse in Series competition that month. The Series provides an opportunity for amateur and junior riders to compete at higher levels and serves as a proving ground for many who aspire to ride in international competition.

The Show Jumping Hall of Fame was organized to promote the sport of show jumping and to immortalize the legends of the men, women and horses who have made great contributions to the sport. The Show Jumping Hall of Fame is located at the Kentucky Horse Park in Lexington, Kentucky. Plaques honoring those who have been honored with induction into the Hall of Fame can be seen at the Horse Park's Rolex Stadium. Mementos and artifacts from the sport's history are on display as part of the Show Jumping Hall of Fame collection at the United States Hunter Jumper Association (USHJA) Wheeler Museum at the Horse Park.

The Show Jumping Hall of Fame Jumper Classic Series is sponsored by Blenheim EquiSports, The Hampton Classic Horse Show, Kentucky Horse Park, National Horse Show Association of America, Rood & Riddle Equine Hospital and United States Hunter Jumper Association (USHJA).

Blenheim EquiSports is an equestrian event management company based in San Juan Capistrano, CA, producing horse shows in San Juan Capistrano, CA and Las Vegas, NV. These competitions include USEF "Premier" rated hunter-jumper shows; Longines FEI Jumping Nations Cup<sup>TM</sup> USA; a Longines FEI Jumping World Cup<sup>TM</sup> North American League Qualifier; USHJA International, National, & Pony Hunter Derbies & Finals; the Whitethorne Equitation Challenge, Medal Finals, and so much more.

The <u>Hampton Classic</u> 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 hosts more than 100 classes of competition in six rings for horses and riders of all ages and abilities. The Classic also features 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 <u>Kentucky Horse Park</u> 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.

The <u>National Horse Show</u> is a championship event featuring "AA"-rated hunters, open jumpers, junior/amateur jumpers, and the ASPCA Alfred B. Maclay Finals. It is held in the Alltech Arena at the Kentucky Horse Park in Lexington, KY. This year's National Horse Show, October 26-November 6, offers over \$350,000 in prize money and is an FEI CSI4\*-W designated event.

Rood & Riddle Equine Hospital was founded in 1986 with its original facility in Lexington, KY. The practice grew in both size and reputation and added locations around the country. Rood & Riddle now boasts facilities in three centers of world-class equine activity – Lexington, KY, Saratoga Springs, NY, and Wellington, FL. Rood & Riddle prides itself on being a worldwide leader in equine healthcare with some of the most innovative techniques on the market. The Rood & Riddle name is known and respected internationally for its treatment services, including specialized surgical and medical care.

The <u>United States Hunter Jumper Association (USHJA)</u>, as the official hunter/jumper affiliate of the United States Equestrian Federation, is a competition-based sport organization that serves our members through educational programs, awards and recognition, communication and rules. They provide a wide array of programs for all hunter/jumper levels and are mindful of the well-being of our equine partners. Additional information is available at <a href="www.ushja.org">www.ushja.org</a>

For more information about the **Show Jumping Hall of Fame**, including the Show Jumping Hall of Fame Jumper Classic Series, please visit the Show Jumping Hall of Fame website at <a href="https://www.ShowJumpingHallofFame.net">www.ShowJumpingHallofFame.net</a>.