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Kristen Vanderveen Takes Top Honors in Thursday's \$37,000 Hampton Classic Speed Stake CSI5* at the 2022 Hampton Classic Horse Show

Bridgehampton, NY – September 1, 2022 – Americans were the ones to beat as Hampton Classic course designer Alan Wade of Ireland challenged 47 horse-and-rider combinations representing 11 countries with a winding two-phase course for Thursday's **\$37,000 Hampton Classic Speed Stake CSI5***. In the end, Kristen Vanderveen and *Bull Run's Prince of Peace* came out on top with a fault-free time of 30.500 seconds.



Kristen Vanderveen and Bull Run's Prince of Peace won the \$37,000 Hampton Classic Speed Stake CSI5.*

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The Hampton Classic, **August 28-September 4**, is one of the world's most prestigious horse shows, offering more than \$1 million in prize money during a full schedule featuring competitors at every level from young children in leadline to Olympic, World, and World Cup Champions. The Classic also has competitions for riders with disabilities.

“It’s great to be back at the Hampton Classic,” Vanderveen said. “My plan was actually to go all-out on my second horse, *Faustino*, but today it paid off to stay a little conservative. *Prince of Peace* is also a really fast horse, so I didn’t have to go all-out with him.”

Vanderveen thought her conservative riding on *Prince of Peace* might have left the door open for one of the quick horses dominating the last few entries in the order to catch them, but even through the last line, *Prince of Peace*’s big stride gave her the edge.

“He’s quite the character,” she said of Bull Run Jumpers Six LLC’s 13-year-old Holsteiner gelding. “He’s taken me a bit of time to figure out. He’s got a quirky personality, so he’s a little special in the barn. He always likes to have his groom with him; we call it ‘needing his support human.’ But he’s won many classes over the years and been great. He’s done speed classes and grands prix, and it’s nice to have a horse that I can use in both divisions.”



Kristen Vanderveen presenting with Bull Run’s Faustino De Tili for her award © KindMedia

Aaron Vale gave it his best effort with fast-footed *Elusive*, a 13-year-old Dutch Warmblood gelding owned by Thinks Like A Horse, but ultimately finished in second place with a time of 30.680 seconds. Keeping the top finishers’ times all within tenths of a second, Molly Ashe Cawley and Louisburg Farm’s 11-year-old Zangersheide mare *Beriden* took third in 30.830 seconds.

Five-time U.S. Olympian McLain Ward maintains his lead in the **\$30,000 LONGINES Rider Challenge** with a total of 160 points. With his second-place performances in both of Thursday’s FEI

classes, Vale has shot into second place in the Challenge with 120 points. Ireland's Richie Moloney sits in third with 105 points.

In the hunter rings, *Adonis* and *What A Wonder* shared the **Jenni Kayne Low Adult Amateur Hunter Co-Championship** for their impressive rounds in the California split. *Adonis* is owned by Kent Farrington LLC and ridden by Jennifer Smith of Wellington, FL; *What A Wonder* is owned by Olivia Woods and ridden by Stacey Woods of San Antonio, TX.

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Each year approximately 50,000 people come to watch the nation's best equestrian athletes compete at the Hampton Classic. The Classic is rated USEF 'Premier-6' for both hunters and jumpers with FEI 2* and 5* classes. Ireland's Alan Wade serves as Grand Prix Ring course designer.

The Hampton Classic features more than 200 competitions in six spectacular show rings, the Agnetta Currey Boutique Garden with more than 70 vendors, and a wide selection of dining options, all on its world-class 60-acre show grounds. Offering more than \$1 million in prize money, the Classic is highlighted by the **\$410,000 Hampton Classic 5* Grand Prix** on Sunday, September 4.

The Hampton Classic's FEI competition begins Thursday, September 1, with the **\$10,000 Citarella Open Jumper CSI2*** and **\$37,000 Hampton Classic 5* Speed Stake** and continues throughout the weekend with seven 2* and 5* classes. FEI competition also includes Friday's **\$37,000 Wölffer Estate 2* Jumper Classic** and **\$74,000 Douglas Elliman 5* Grand Prix Qualifier**, Saturday's **\$74,000 Hampton Classic 2* Grand Prix** and **\$74,000 5* LONGINES Cup** and the culminating **\$410,000 Hampton Classic 5* Grand Prix** on Sunday, September 4.

The Hampton Classic continues to support several charitable organizations including Stony Brook Southampton Hospital, the Kevin Babington Foundation and Sag Harbor Food Pantry. Everyone who comes to the Classic on Tuesday and Wednesday with three or more non-perishable food items for the Sag Harbor Food Pantry will have their entire car admitted free.

Daily admission to the Classic is \$20 per carload (cash at the gate only). Admission is free on Monday; seniors and military are also admitted free on Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday. Grandstand tickets for the \$410,000 Hampton Classic Grand Prix on Sunday, September 4, are \$55 per person for reserved

bucket seating. Grandstand tickets are electronic only; E-Tickets are provided thanks to support from Green is the New Blue.

The Hampton Classic is pleased to continue its relationship with ShowNet by offering its services FREE to all exhibitors. Services include: Orders of Go; Live Ring Status; and Live Results.

For those who can't make it to the show grounds, complimentary live webcasts of all Grand Prix ring competitions air on the Hampton Classic website, produced by ClipMyHorseTV and courtesy of LONGINES. ClipMyHorseTV is also producing a live webcast of all Anne Aspinall ring competitions, available for free on the Hampton Classic website, thanks to Pacaso. In addition, WVVH-TV, Hamptons Television, broadcasts up to five hours of competition and highlights each day during the Classic. These broadcasts can also be seen online at www.wvvh.tv.

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