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## Laughter Fills the Air During News 12 Long Island Kids Day at the 2024 Hampton Classic Horse Show

Bridgehampton, NY – August 31, 2024 – A day of excitement and laughter was the theme at the children's tent during the News 12 Long Island Kids Day at the Hampton Classic on Saturday with special educational activities and live entertainment for kids of all ages.

Young children from Long Island and the New York metropolitan area enjoyed free admission, complimentary pony rides, and other activities including games, music, magic, and crafts.

"News 12 Long Island Kids Day is one of our favorite days here at the Hampton Classic," said Shanette Barth Cohen, the show's Executive Director. "Seeing the smiles on the faces of all those children and how much they enjoy being here at the horse show makes it a great day for everyone."

The Classic's News 12 Long Island Kids Day offered free pony rides for young children courtesy of <u>Steppin' Out Petting Zoo & Pony Rides</u>, who brought some of their petting zoo which includes sheep, goats, chickens, ducks, rabbits and llamas.





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Other great family attractions included performances by <u>All Star DJ</u> and returning circus performers <u>Keith Leaf</u> & The Lovely Laura; creative activities with <u>Macaroni Kid Hamptons</u>, <u>Noble Adventures Magazine</u> and <u>Turtle Rescue of the Hamptons</u>; magic and mystery with <u>The Amazing Zola</u>; ping pong, cornhole and more yard games in the <u>Macrae Skye</u> Fun Zone; and facepainting by the Amazing Rubini and <u>Fancy Faces by Kathy</u>. There were also healthy snacks available courtesy of <u>Scott's Protein Balls</u>.



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Each year approximately 50,000 people – including many A-list celebrities – come to watch the nation's best equestrian athletes compete at the Hampton Classic. Rated USEF 'Premier-6' for hunters and jumpers with designated FEI 2\* and 5\* classes, the Hampton Classic features more than 200 competitions in six spectacular show rings, the Agneta Currey Boutique Garden with more than 70 vendors, and a wide selection of dining options, all on its world-class 60-acre showgrounds.

FEI competition began Thursday, August 29, with the \$10,000 Citarella Open Jumper CSI2\* and \$32,000 CSI5\* Speed Stake and continues throughout the weekend with eight 2\*/5\* classes featuring courses designed by Nick Granat. FEI competition also included Friday's \$32,000 Wölffer Estate 2\* Jumper Classic and \$70,000 Douglas Elliman 5\* Grand Prix Qualifier, Saturday's \$32,000 Open Speed Class CSI2\* and \$70,000 CSI5\* Winning Round. The Classic culminates with the \$75,000 Hampton Classic 2\* Grand Prix and the \$400,000 Longines Hampton Classic 5\* Grand Prix on Sunday, September 1.

Other competition highlights include the \$30,000 Open Jumper Challenge, \$10,000 Stomp Capital 1.40m Open Jumper, \$10,000 Lugano Diamonds Junior/Amateur Welcome Stake, \$10,000 Hermès Equitation Championship, \$10,000 Junior/Amateur-Owner Hunter Classic, \$25,000 Agneta & Brownlee Currey High Junior/Amateur Jumper Classic, and the new \$50,000 Kristen Baran Hunt Team Stake.

Outside the show rings, families can enjoy unique shopping; hands-on activities, pony rides and petting zoo animals at the Kids Exhibition Tent; and many more fun activities.

Daily admission to the Classic is \$20 per carload. Grandstand tickets for the Longines Hampton Classic Grand Prix on Sunday, September 1, are \$60 per person (including fees) for reserved bucket seating. Grandstand tickets are electronic only.

For those who can't make it to the show grounds, complimentary live webcasts of all Grand Prix and Aspinall Ring competitions air on the Hampton Classic website. Produced by ClipMyHorse.TV, the Grand Prix Ring livestreams are sponsored by Longines and the Aspinall Ring livestreams are sponsored by ClipMyHorse.TV. 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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