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**Lignelli Gallops to Victory in \$10,000 Stomp Capital 1.40m Open Jumper at 50<sup>th</sup> Annual Hampton Classic Horse Show**

***Short Stirrup and Children's Hunter Champions Step into the Winner's Circle***

**Bridgehampton, NY – August 26, 2025** – During the class's final moments, Tuesday's **\$10,000 Stomp Capital 1.40m Open Jumper** at the 50<sup>th</sup> annual **Hampton Classic** came down to two podium finishers from the 2025 Gotham North/North American Youth Jumping Championships presented by USHJA: 20-year-old double-gold medalist Skylar Wireman (USA) and 18-year-old double-silver medalist Alexa Elle Lignelli (USA). In the end, Lignelli galloped faster than Wireman and longtime class leader Jessica Mendoza (GBR) to secure the win in 60.386 seconds aboard *XO Onermie*.

Celebrating 50 years of world-class equestrian competition in 2025, the Hampton Classic Horse Show takes place in Bridgehampton, NY, **August 24-31**, featuring FEI CSI5\* and CSI2\* show jumping and USEF Premier hunter competitions with more than \$1 million in prize money. The highlight of the week is the \$400,000 Longines Hampton Classic 5\* Grand Prix, one of the world's premier show jumping competitions, on Sunday, August 31.



*Alexa Elle Lignelli (USA) and XO Onermie won the \$10,000 Stomp Capital 1.40m Open Jumper © KindMedia*

Thirty-three entries representing nine countries presented over Nick Granat's 14-effort speed course in the \$10,000 Stomp Capital 1.40m Open Jumper on Tuesday afternoon. Ninth to go in the order, Mendoza and her first mount, *Bullseye III Z*, set the time to beat at 60.749 seconds. It wasn't until the final few rides that anyone came within a second of that time, with Lignelli and Skyline Sporthorses LLC's 11-year-old Belgian Warmblood mare ultimately coming out on top in 60.386 seconds.

"I haven't had this partnership with my horse for a long time, but I feel like I've known her forever," Lignelli said. "Today, we really focused on the track and holding my body up and letting her jump to me. It was really about being tidy everywhere and letting her do her thing. We've had a lot of success together, so I really trust her.

"Jessica always goes fast; she always sets the bar high," she continued. "I view her as a benchmark that I need to meet. It was really great to watch her go earlier and have help from my trainers to take the win."

Following Lignelli at the end of the order were Wireman and her 19-year-old Holsteiner gelding *Citoki*, who stopped the clock in 60.626 seconds to slip into second place. Mendoza and AS Farms USA Inc.'s 10-year-old Zangersheide gelding landed in third.



*Lignelli and XO Onermie © KindMedia*

"I'm so passionate about representing the U.S. in this sport," Lignelli said. "It's something I've dreamed about since I was little. I have a great string of horses right now that I have confidence in, and I'm confident about my team and everyone that surrounds me. My parents have given me everything I could wish for in creating these opportunities, but it's hard work all around."

Other jumper highlights included the **\$3,000 Equisite 1.30m Junior Jumper**, which saw 37 entries challenge Granat's 14-effort two-phase course in the morning. Adriana Forte of Water Mill, NY, brought home the win for her 29.131-second time aboard First Blue LLC's *Indekann HK*. Campbell Brown of Fayetteville, AR, rounded out the podium with two MMK Equestrian LLC mounts, riding *Luca Van't Eigenlo* (0/0/29.316) and *Harmonie L* (0/0/29.387) to second and third place, respectively.



*Adriana Forte and Indekann HK won the \$3,000 Equisite 1.30m Junior Jumper © KindMedia*

The **\$5,000 1.30m Open Jumper presented by Lutz Manfredi** immediately followed with 31 horse-and-rider combinations taking on another 14-effort speed course designed by Granat. Ireland's Nicky Galligan piloted Blue Trim LLC's *G* to the top of the leaderboard in 68.018 seconds, and his fellow competitors were not far behind. Wireman finished second in 68.222 seconds aboard her *Conchita Z*. Three-time Olympic veteran Alberto Michan (ISR) and Copperline Farm LLC's *Ushuaia Van Het Bellehof Z* took third in 68.316 seconds.

Several hunter champions were also crowned on Monday and Tuesday, including **Grand Short Stirrup Hunter Champion** *Beyond The Bunny*, a 13-year-old Welsh Pony Cross gelding owned by GHF Hamptons LLC and ridden by Cameron Beal of New York, NY, to the **Short Stirrup 9 & Under Section B Championship**. They earned the Conway Cabbage Award sponsored by Denise Maynard for their efforts.

Joining them in the champion's circle were Theodore Falco (New York, NY) with Omri Adut's *Hopscotch* in Section A, as well as Lillian Schaefer (Merrick, NY) with her *C.E.O.* and Lucas Orduna (Water Mill, NY) with Maximiliano Orduna's *Wellington* in the Short Stirrup 10-12 age group (Sections A and B, respectively).





*Cameron Beal and Beyond The Bunny won the Grand Short Stirrup Hunter Championship © KindMedia*

Lacey Powers of Royal Palm Beach, FL, and Elizabeth Marano's *Cruz* brought home top honors in the **\$2,500 Children's Hunter Horse Classic presented by Stephanie Bulger & MeadowView Farm**, earning the Seconds At Last Trophy for their performance. The **Children's Hunter Horse 15-17 Championship** went to Katherine Imperial of Garden City, NY, and her *Union Jack* for their outstanding efforts, while Vivienne Vanderwilt of Greenwich, CT, and her *Grappa MH* secured the **Children's Hunter Horse 14 & Under Championship** and associated Alamo Trophy sponsored Scarlett Lee Aylsworth.

In the **\$2,500 Children's Small/Medium Pony Hunter Classic**, Alexandra Talmage's *Stars Above* claimed the win with Lily Amit of Brooklynn, NY in the irons. Everly Snider (Palm Beach, FL) and her *Farmore State Of The Art* won the **Children's Small Pony Hunter Championship**, with Evie Rohn (Sag Harbor, NY) and Stella Saukulak's *Shazam* taking home the **Children's Medium Pony Hunter Championship**.

*Never Mind*, owned by Wright Start Outsourcing LLC and ridden by Kendall Foley of New Rochelle, NY, secured victory in the **\$2,500 Children's Large Pony Hunter Classic**. For the overall **Children's Large Pony Hunter Championship**, Leah Burman (Old Brookville, NY) and Amelia Burnside's *Almost Midnight* shone the brightest.



*Evie Rohn and Shazam won the Children's Medium Pony Hunter Championship © KindMedia*



*Kendall Foley and Never Mind won the \$2,500 Children's Large Pony Hunter Classic © KindMedia*

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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 Horse Show. Rated **USEF 'Premier-6'** for hunters and jumpers with designated **FEI 2\* and 5\*** jumping 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 begins on Thursday, August 28, with the **\$5,000 Citarella Open Jumper CSI2\*** and **\$32,000 CSI5\* Two-Phase** and continues throughout the weekend with seven 2\*/5\* classes. FEI competition also includes Friday's **\$32,000 Wölffer Estate 2\* Grand Prix Qualifier**, **\$116,100 Douglas Elliman 5\* Grand Prix Qualifier**, Saturday's **\$62,500 5\* Winning Round**, and culminates with the **\$70,000 Hampton Classic 2\* Grand Prix** and **\$400,000 Longines Hampton Classic 5\* Grand Prix** on Sunday, August 31.

Other competition highlights include the **\$30,000 The Wellington Jumper Challenge**, **\$10,000 Stomp Capital 1.40m Open Jumper**, **\$40,000 CME Group 1.45m National Grand Prix**, **\$10,000 Hunt & Go Stake presented by The Baran**, **\$10,000 Hermès Equitation Championship**, **\$25,000 Agneta & Brownlee Currey 1.45m Junior/Amateur Jumper Classic**, and **\$30,000 Longines Rider Challenges**, which are now being offered as two separate bonuses: \$10,000 for the FEI 2\* division and \$20,000 for the FEI 5\* division.

Outside of the show rings, families can enjoy unique shopping in the Agneta Currey Boutique Garden and on Stable Row; hands-on activities, pony rides and petting zoo animals at the Kids Exhibition Tent; and many more fun activities during Kids Day (Saturday, August 30).

Daily entry to the Hampton Classic is \$25 per carload which includes grandstand seating on all days except Grand Prix Sunday. Admission is free on Monday. Admission is also free on Tuesday, Wednesday, and Thursday for Seniors, members of the Military and those who bring three or more non-perishable food items for local food pantries.

Tickets for **reserved grandstand seats** for Grand Prix Sunday, August 31, are \$55 per seat and are available on the [Hampton Classic website](#). Tickets for the Classic's new **Judge's Box Lounge**, which offers an elevated experience for watching Grand Prix Ring competition on Thursday-Sunday, August 28-31, are also available. Lounge tickets are priced at \$200 for Thursday, \$300 for Friday or Saturday, and \$600 for Grand Prix Sunday and are available on the [Hampton Classic website](#).

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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