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Highlights From Summer VIII at World Equestrian Center - Ocala



Aaron Vale and Major Capture the \$75,000 Lugano

Diamonds Grand Prix

Aaron Vale (USA) and Major pulled off their third win this summer circuit in the



on Saturday, July 31. Vale and the 14year-old Danish Warmblood gelding, owned by Don Stewart and Sleepy P Ranch LLC, topped eight jump-off contenders for the win. Second place went to Jordan Petersen (USA) and Diamant's Legacy, and Sharn Wordley (NZL) rounded out the top three with Gatsby. "I rode everything exactly how I wanted to," Vale said of his course. "Everything that I planned and walked happened just how I imagined it."

\$75,000 <u>Lugano Diamonds</u> Grand Prix

An additional \$5,000 was awarded to Kyle Dewar and Clever Van De Helle, who jumped the fastest four-fault round of Saturday night's \$75,000 Lugano Diamonds Grand Prix, in 72.341 seconds. The non-award winning entry that received the Luck of the Draw \$5,000 prize was Tricia O'Connor and KT Adonis.

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Brady Mitchell returned to the winner's circle on Friday, July 30, winning the \$12,500 WEC - Ocala 3'6"-3'9" Hunter Derby aboard his own Landmann. Scores

Brady Mitchell and Landmann Top \$12,500 WEC – Ocala

3'6"-3'9" Hunter Derby



Megan Young and Comanche, owned by Lee D. Cesery, topped the \$10,000 WEC -Ocala 3' Hunter Derby.

secured Mitchell's third victory in the class this season. "Landmann is an eightyear-old that I imported to be a top equitation horse," Mitchell said of his winning mount. "However, the more that I do the hunters with him, the more I think it would be worth putting him in some aluminum shoes and do this full time." Mitchell also claimed second place aboard Casting Call, a seven-year-old Westphalian gelding owned by Float On Equestrian LLC.

of 95 and 91.5 for a combined 186.5

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Jamie Taylor (USA) captured the win in the \$15,000 WEC – Ocala Welcome Prix on Thursday, July 29, aboard Cocoliche

of Greenhill Z, an 11-year-old

Zangersheide gelding owned by Ali

Nilforushan. The pair bested nine doubleclear efforts to take top honors. In second

Jamie Taylor Wins the \$15,000 WEC – Ocala Welcome Prix **Aboard Cocoliche of Greenhill Z**



place was Tracy Fenney (USA) and MTM Dolce Vita, and rounding out the top three was Jordan Petersen (USA) and Diamant's Legacy. "He is a very careful horse but when you run him at something he gets so catty," Taylor said of her mount. "So, I figured I would go as fast as I could and try to win."

Darragh Kerins (IRL) and Delight M-G C

Belgian Warmblood mare, owned by Nrg Farm LLC, were the quicker of only two

and Alejo Maddalena (USA) took third

"She is a spectacular jumper and gives

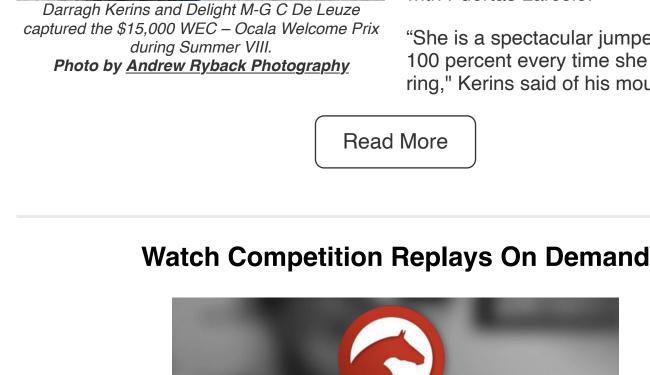
with Puertas Larcelo.

De Leuze topped the \$15,000 WEC -Ocala 1.45m Jumper Classic on Sunday, August 1. Kerins and the 12-year-old

Ireland's Darragh Kerins and Delight M-G C De Leuze

Secure \$15,000 WEC – Ocala 1.45m Jumper Classic Win

double-clear rounds. Sharn Wordley (NZL) took second aboard Mick Jagger, just one-tenth of a second behind Kerins,



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100 percent every time she steps into the ring," Kerins said of his mount.

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