Once bustling with activity, the Park now stands in a quiet state of calm. The tents have been packed away, the arenas lie empty, and the barns are silent. Yet, the air is thick with the echoes of the past two weeks as we all bask in the memories of the extraordinary experiences we were so fortunate to share with you.

The Aiken Charity Horse Shows are truly a celebration of the best of Equestrian sport both in and out of the show arena. When Bruce Duchossois originally developed a plan to host horse shows at the Aiken Horse Park, he did so with a commitment to the tradition of yesteryear. The days when all levels of competition were celebrated with pomp and circumstance, including the Ringmaster's horn signifying the start of every class, and the pinning of ribbons followed by victory gallops! Hospitality coupled with a welcoming atmosphere were also key components of Bruce's dream, not to mention his rule to end each day early enough so everyone could spend time downtown having a cocktail with friends and then dine at one of Aiken's many restaurants. We have made every effort to honor and perpetuate all those details that allow the Aiken Charity Horse Shows to remain true to Bruce's vision and special for all of you.

We are extremely grateful to everyone who joined us as exhibitors, support staff, family and friends, sponsors and spectators, volunteers, Horse Show management, staff, and officials. The Aiken Charity Horse Shows would not be possible without you.

Our partnership with Mental Health America, Aiken County Chapter, as this year's Charitable partner, was an honor. We are proud to raise awareness and funds for suicide prevention resources, both locally and beyond. By encouraging open conversations about mental health, we hope to have contributed to making a lasting impact.

While we are packing leftover ribbons and prizes, we cannot help but take one last look at this past year's show. We hope your memories from this year are as fond as ours.

Until Next Year

ACHS I April 30 - May 4, 2025

ACHS II May 7 - May 11, 2025

BIG SHOUT TO J.P. Godard and his staff for managing this exceptional show!

ACHS 2024 Finale

2024 Aiken Charity Horse Show

Special Awards

Leading Hunter Rider

Presented The William Howard Trophy donated by Daniel Geitner & Tara Bostwick

Kate Conover

Leading Lady Hunter Rider Kate Conover

Leading Jumper Rider

Presented In Memory of Danny Barrio donated by Daniel Geitner & Vick Russell

Grant Seger

Overall Grand JR/AO Hunter Style Award David Connors

Best Junior Rider on a Horse

Presented The Goshen Hill Trophy donated by Caroline Moran Maddie Tosh

Best Child Rider on a Pony

Presented the CC Mills Trophy donated by Sandra Thomas

Ella Tarumianz

Randy Mullins Sportsmanship Trophy

Presented to Harrison Ford donated by JP Godard & Megan Godard

Week I Jumper Style Award

Presented to Camille Maynard sponsored by Aiken Saddlery

Week II Jumper Style Award

Presented to Grant Seger sponsored by Aiken Saddlery

USHJA Open National Hunter Derby

Presented The Janet Peterson Memorial Trophy
donated by Daniel Geitner
Kate Conover & Pavlova, owned by John & Stephanie Ingram, LLC

Aiken Charity RBD Hunter Classic

Presented The RBD Premier Hunter Classic Trophy donated by Caroline Moran

Kate Conover & Circa, owned by Glade Run Farm, LLC.

Chesterfield Cup Grand Prix

Presented The Chesterfield Cup
donated in memory of Len Cherry by Tom Bossard
Brooke Kemper & Seaview Demonstration, owned by CM Sporthorses, LLC.

RBD Classic Cup USHJA International Hunter Derby

Presented The RBD Classic Cup Trophy, donated by Jack Wetzel

Liza Boyd & Crooner Brimbelles Z, owned by Crooks Show Jumping, LLC

Week I Champion 3'3 Hunter

Presented the Granite Hill Trophy - Donated by Dale Pederson
Okapi and Samantha Schaefer owned by Lanie De Boer

Inaugural Cup Grand Prix

Presented The Inaugural Cup Trophy, donated by Jack Wetzel
Grant Seger & Frieda, owned by Grant Seger

Overall Grand Hunter

Presented The Mr. & Mrs. Brownlee Currey Trophy donated by Mr. & Mrs. John Ingram

Trust and Kate Conover owned by Glade Run Farm, LLC

Overall Grand Conformation Hunter

Presented The Que Sera Trophy - Donated by Jack Wetzel

Trust and Kate Conover owned by Glade Run Farm, LLC

Overall Grand Green 3' & 3'3 Hunter

Presented The Joey Darby Trophy - Donated by Caroline Moran Estero and Hunter Kay owned by Ann Rice Ervin

Overall Grand Green 3'6 & 3'9 Hunter

Presented The RBD Perpetual Trophy - Donated by BJ Meeks
Cera Charisma and Brady Mitchell owned by Rein Family LLC

Overall Grand Baby Green Hunter

Presented The Holly Go Lightly Trophy - Donated by Lynn Carter

Marcella and Amanda Steege owned by Francesca Kennedy

Overall Grand Performance 3'3 Hunter

Presented The Larry Glefke Perpetual Trophy - Donated by Mr. & Mrs. Mike Glefke

Dinner At 8 and Nick Haness owned by Glade Run Farm, LLC

Overall Grand Performance 3'3, 3'6, 4' Hunter

Presented The Pluser Trophy - Donated by Jack Wetzel

Dinner At 8 and Nick Haness owned by Glade Run Farm, LLC

Overall Grand Amateur Owner Hunter

Presented The Kim's Song Trophy donated by Missy McCutcheon

Bordeaux and Brittany Warren owned by Glebe Ventures, LLC

Overall Grand A/O Hunter 3'6

Presented The Gershwin Trophy donated by Kim Quinn

Just Apple and Margot Peroni owned by Margot Peroni

Overall Grand A/O Hunter 3'3

Presented The Hello Kitty Trophy donated by Michael Bombar
Bordeaux and Brittany Warren owned by Glebe Ventures, LLC

Overall Grand Junior Hunter

Presented The Libertas Trophy donated by Tara Bostwick

Cerano and Maddie Tosh owned by Ceil Wheeler

Overall Grand Junior Hunter 3'6

Presented The Blackforest Trophy donated by Shawna Dietrich
Cerano and Maddie Tosh owned by Ceil Wheeler

Overall Grand Junior Hunter 3'3

Presented The Dutton Trophy donated by Sandra Thomas

Con Figaro and Harley Hott owned by Harley Hott

Overall Grand Adult Amateur Hunter (18-35, 36-49, Masters)

Presented The Bruce Duchossois Trophy donated by BJ Meeks
Notorious and Stephanie Bulgar owned by Stephanie Bulgar

Overall Grand Low Adult Hunter

Presented the Chummy Trophy donated by Jack Wetzel

Back In The Game and Rebecca Baker owned by Fantasy Farms

Overall Grand Pony Hunter

Presented The Farnley Love Child Perpetual Trophy donated by Sandra Thomas
Heaven's Gift and Elle Boyd owned by Glade Run Farm

Overall Grand Green Pony

Presented The White Horse Trophy donated by Sandra Thomas Mastermind TM and Brialee owned by Jordan Ayres

Overall Grand Children's Hunter

Presented the Huntsman Trophy, donated by Sandra Thomas
Sugarbrook Pink & Blue and Linley Johnson owned by Finally Farm, Inc

Overall Grand JR/AO Jumper (1.20, 1.30, 1.40)

Presented The Next Door Trophy donated by Barb Gould

Beast Mode and Addison Benio owned by Addison Benio

Overall Grand Adult Amateur Jumper (1.0, 1.10)

Presented The Teri Lundgren Trophy donated by Jack Wetzel

Jever Blue and Katherine Smith owned by Marie Smith

Week I Jumper Style Award

sponsored by Aiken Saddlery

Camille Maynard

Awarded to the jumper rider who in the opinion of the jumper judge, jumper announcer, and jumper ingate staff, exhibits exemplary sportsmanship, performance success, and overall presentation of horse and rider. Locally owned and operated since 1979, <u>Aiken Saddlery</u> has served horsemen and their equine and canine partners with quality and variety variety that has been provided to the Aiken horse community for the past 40 plus years. Aiken Saddlery is proud to actively support the people and organizations in the Aiken community. Thank you for shopping local!

Week I Grooms Draw

sponsored by Aiken Educational Services

Alfredo Pulido

of Crooked Willow Farms

<u>Aiken Educational Services</u> specializes in supporting students to achieve academic excellence throughout their elementary, middle and high school careers and help them gain acceptance into the college of their choice.

We work with students enrolled in a traditional educational setting, along with those who follow a flexible schedule and devote daily time to special interests such as equestrian, gymnastic, and tennis training.

Randy Mullins Sportsmanship Trophy

donated by JP Godard & Megan Godard

Harrison Ford

Awarded to the trainer who in the opinion of the show officials and staff, exhibits exemplary sportsmanship, performance success, and overall presentation of horse and rider.

Leading Hunter Rider

The William Howard Trophy, donated by Daniel Geitner and Tara Bostwick

Kate Conover

Given to the professional hunter rider who has accumulated the most points in the professional rated hunter divisions over the 2 weeks.

Week II Grooms Draw

sponsored by Aiken Educational Services

Inocente Gonzalez of Ashmeadow Farm

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Week II Jumper Style Award

sponsored by Aiken Saddlery

Grant Seger

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We had the pleasure of presenting this beautifully framed photo from this year's \$100,000 Conceal Grand-Prix Eventing Showcase at Bruce's Field, presented by Taylor, Harris Insurance Services, to Gordon Lawson, AHPF Board Director and CEO of Title Sponsor, and year round Park Sponsor, Conceal.

Gordon, his wife Lauren, and Kate Boggan, AHPF Director of Marketing, were in the arena for the presentation.

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2024 Aiken Charity Horse Show Featured Classes

\$10,000 Leg Up Experience Welcome Stakes

Sponsored by Solitude Andalusians & Debra Phelon Grant Seger & Yoghi FLP, owned by Fox Lair Performance, LLC.

The <u>Leg Up Experience</u> is a 501c3 nonprofit program dedicated to serving populations struggling with the effects of trauma. In small groups of 4-6 participants, we educate about the nature of the horse, teach how to connect, and communicate with a horse, and engage in groundwork exercise. Through our one-time, full day interactive experiences with horses, our clients say they feel connected, hopeful, inspired, motivated, and understood. Contact Julie Robins at (803) 295-2442 or visit legupexperience.org for more information.

Debra Pelon, owner of Solitude Andalusians, Julie Robins founder & director of the Leg Up Experience, and Chief Charles Barranco of Aiken Public Safety and graduate of the Leg Up Experience program, were all present for the awards photos

\$10,000 USHJA Junior & Amateur National Hunter Derby Maddie Tosh & Ulysses, owned by Betsee Parker

\$10,000 USHJA Open National Hunter Derby

The Janet Peterson Memorial Trophy, donated by Daniel Geitner Kate Conover & Pavlova, owned by John & Stephanie Ingram, LLC.

USHJA Pony Hunter Derby

In Loving Memory of Sandra Thomas

Adeline Boyd & Stonewall Bright Light, owned by GC Ponies, LLC.

\$25,000 Aiken Charity RBD Hunter Classic

Sponsored by **DFG Stables**

The RBD Premier Hunter Classic Trophy, donated by Caroline Moran Kate Conover & Circa, owned by Glade Run Farm, LLC.

<u>DFG Stables</u> is the premier full-service training, sales, and show facility for hunters and jumpers in Aiken, SC. A family affair, Daniel and Cathy Geitner successfully operate one of the largest, most successful hunter/jumper barns in the Southeast.

\$50,000 Chesterfield Cup Grand Prix

The Chesterfield Cup, donated in memory of Len Cherry by Tom Bossard Brooke Kemper & Seaview Demonstration, owned by CM Sporthorses, LLC.

\$10,000 Harry Potter Welcome Stakes

Sponsored by Hansen Horses Southfields Aiken Will Simpson & Keminko N, owned by Will Simpson Stables, Inc.

\$10,000 Green Hunter Classic Kate Conover & Courtside, owned by Shadow Ridge Farm

\$25,000 RBD Classic Cup USHJA International Hunter Derby

Sponsored by <u>MeadowView</u> Farm

The RBD Classic Cup Trophy, donated by Jack Wetzel
Liza Boyd & Crooner Brimbelles Z, owned by Crooks Show Jumping, LLC.

Everyone at MeadowView is so happy to be here at the Aiken Charity Horse Show... our favorite horse shows. Over the years, Bruce always enjoyed specialty classes for the hunters, and it's a wonderful way to support bringing the tradition forward to Bruce's field with the International Hunter Derby. Louise Riggio and her daughter Stephanie spent many years with Bruce showing horses together in the amateur owner divisions and are proud to be part of keeping his dream alive at the Aiken Horse Park.

\$50,000 Inaugural Cup Grand Prix

The Inaugural Cup Trophy, donated by Jack Wetzel
Grant Seger & Frieda, owned by Grant Seger

Mental Health America, Aiken County board member, Shannon Ellis, joined us for the awards presentations.

2024 Aiken Charity Horse Show Through the Lens

Bubbles with Bubbles! Camille Maynard and son Colby celebrating a successful lead line class.

The Peeps Foundation's newest rescue, enjoying some tasty grass at Bruce's Field

3'6 Green Hunter Winner - Circa with Nick Haness owned by Glade Run Farm LLC

Celebrating the life of Larry Glefke

3'6 Performance Hunter Winner - Montauk with Kate Conover owned by Glade Run Farm LLC

Barn #18 - Mahony-Miller dedication, with Florence (Flo) Mahony, Will Roberts, and TeriAnn Mahony Miller

The best dressed of the 2024 ACHS Kentucky Derby Party

Horse Park Foundation, ringside during the \$25,000 Aiken Charity RBD Hunter Classic

Week II Kick Off Party, sponsored by Aiken Saddlery, Equihemp, and Keyflow Feeds

Grand Adult Hunter Grand Champion- Notorious and owner/ rider Stephanie Bulger

May 2nd birthday celebrators, Becky Gochman and Mark Rein alongside John Yozell at the dedication of barns #7 & #8, The Yozell Family and Glade Run Farm barns respectively

ACHS 2024 Best Trade Stand - Fairfax & Favor A blue ribbon to chase away the foggy morning

Sharing is caring! Cheerios make for the best post jumper trip snack! Winner of the Open 1.30M Classic - CHS Krooze and Holly Shepherd, owned by Loretta Patterson

3'3 Performance Hunter Winner - Private Practice with Nick Haness owned by John and Stephanie Ingram LLC

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2024 ACHS CHARITABLE PARTNER

At Mental Health America of Aiken County, we serve as an advocate and a community resource by promoting positive mental health in Aiken County. We are a community-based nonprofit that advocates for those living with mental illness and promotes the overall mental health of all. Our programs and initiatives promote mental health and prevent mental illness through advocacy, education, research, and services. Through grassroots efforts, we collaborate with affiliates, volunteers, and supporters to advance and promote our mission.

Learn More

2024 ACHS JUMP SPONSORS

Thank you for making our jumper ring so bright and vibrant!

AIKEN SADDLERY

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BRAEMER ROAD

Braemer Road, home to head trainer Courtney Goldstein, is located in Savannah, GA, and specializes in training hunter, jumper and equitation disciplines. Braemer Road provides topnotch care and quality education for horse and rider.

DAYBREAK FARM

Daybreak Farm is a full service hunter & jumper facility in Aiken, SC offering top quality board, training, showing and sales owned by trainer Stephanie von Bidder. Stephanie is a USHJA certified trainer and earned her USEF 'r' judges license in 2014.

GGT FOOTING

As the old saying goes, building a solid foundation sets you up for success in the future. GGT-Footing is proud to be the foundation for all equestrian disciplines to build their arenas on. Trusted nationwide by thousands of equine professionals, GGT-Footing is the number one name in arena footing.

BARB GOULD FIND AIKEN HOMES & FARMS

Barb Gould is an avid horsewoman and one of Aiken's leading real estate specializing in equestrian properties, land, and downtown homes. With more than 20 years of experience in the field in multiple markets, Barb has the knowledge and expertise to ensure you will find your dream home or farm in Aiken, SC.

CAROLINA ARENA EQUIPMENT

Carolina Arena Equipment is the manufacturer and supplier of the DragNfly and DragNfly PRO arena maintenance groomers. Whether you have conventional, synthetic, or natural footings, only one groomer does it all, the DragNfly!

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DEIRDRE STOKER VAILLANCOURT

Deirdre Stoker Vaillancourt with Meybohm Realtors, is one of the most informed and connected real estate agents operating in the Aiken area. Deirdre not only finds you a home in the community, she makes you feel AT HOME in the community.

PARK AVENUE OYSTER BAR & GRILL

Park Ave Oyster Bar & Grill is a neighborhood seafood restaurant in Aiken's Historic Downtown. We focus on serving the highest quality seafood with a casual bistro vibe. Our raw bar features local and boutique oysters as well as peel & eat shrimp, shellfish salad, tuna tartar & more. The kitchen showcases top-quality land and sea dishes with creative and fresh seasonal preparations.

TAYLOR, HARRIS INSURANCE SERVICES

Taylor, Harris Insurance Services was founded in 1987 to provide specialized insurance for all types of equine risk. We are proud of our worldwide reputation for responsive and courteous service.

GREEN IS THE NEW BLUE

Green Is the New Blue is an environmental nonprofit that strives to reduce the environmental impacts of equine-related events and activities. We encourage others to incorporate green practices into daily operations.

SHARER DALE

The Sharer Dale team has a combined experience of 100 years working in real estate. We are a full-service real estate team with the ability to market a variety of property types from luxury, recreational, vacant land, rentals, to small and large properties!

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