

Chesler-Ortiz Scores National Championship Triple Crown for Four & Five Year Olds



What used to be a Georgetown, Ontario 'hog farm' is now the idyllic country setting for Halton Place Farm where now, not a squeal is heard. However, the horse nays were the 24/7 sounds throughout the summer tournaments. Set on two hundred hectares, the showground comes alive every summer for the equine competition season. During the Canadian Country Classic this past week 74 of the best young horses in Canada met to contest the Canadian Young Jumper Development Series Finals. Canadian International course designer Danny Foster tested their agility, scope, carefulness and style to ultimately find the best of the best at the top of the leader board.

Summer seemed to have come to an end with a beautiful day. The sun was shining and the temperatures a bit on the cool side which made a perfect setting for the Championships. There were 9 in the 4 year olds, 28 in the 5 year olds, 17 competing as 6 year olds and 20 in the 7/8 year old division. Every one came to try and win one of the three championships up for grabs in each of the different divisions. Each age group had the Ontario, Eastern, and Canadian Championships in their sights and hoped to take home a red ribbon. The competition in each group was fierce. The field of competitors included Olympians Jay Hayes and Hugh Graham, Canadian Team Riders Frankie Chesler Ortiz, Yan Candele and Erynn Ballard, Venezuelan Team Rider Juan Ortiz, Columbian Team Rider Roberto Teran, French International rider Johannes Letimonier and many local favorites including Margie Gayford, Carly Campbell Cooper and Hyde

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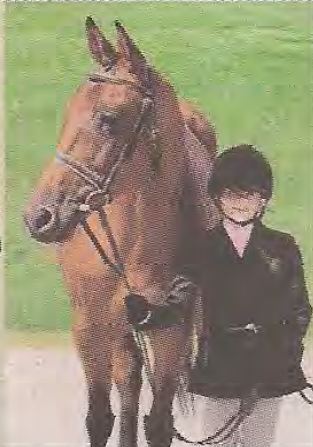
The first day of competition hosted the Ontario Finals. The score was taken by adding together the horses' results from the five best Ontario competitions throughout the year including the class here, the four year old Ontario honors went to Stevie Wonder a Canadian Warmblood bay gelding by Stolzenberg owned and bred by Mill Creek Stables of Cambridge, On. The five year old Ontario honors went to Eli, a Canadian Warmblood gelding by El Bundy also owned and bred by Mill Creek Stables. Both horses were ridden by Frankie Chesler Ortiz and to say the

least this young lady had quite a week.

Adding to Stevie Wonder's Ontario win were the honours of the Eastern Canadian Championships, the National Championships as well as the Best Canadian Bred. Chesler-Ortiz went on to pilot Sher-Al Farm's five year old Dutch gelding Masquerade by Calvino Z to the Eastern and National Championship awards. When asked what was next for these young horses Frankie said, "these are all real quality young horses and I am proud of each and every one of them. They will be going to the 2010 Winter Equestrian Festival in Wellington, Florida the 'World Series of Horse Shows' where I expect these superstars to continue their winning ways".

ON Standardbred Adoption Society Horse Of The Month

Chelsea Blue is a 12 yr. old mare. She trail rides and has started jumping and showing. At August OSAS show, she was 1st in dressage and placed in equitation, showmanship and barrels. Is kind and easy going, sound with no vices. Suitable for intermediate pleasure, eventing or dressage.



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