## **BLUE RIBBON WINTER FESTIVAL WRAP UP**

The Blue Ribbon Winter Festival was held at the Extraco Center in Waco, Texas, last week and many exhibitors got the new show year off to a good start. On Thursday, the \$5000 Texas Green Hunter Super Stake was won by Unforgettable owned by Nourah Caskey and ridden by Susan McMorris (pictured below). Second also went to Susan on Rio Vista Farm's RVF Carlyle and third went to Brioso owned by Susan Schwartz and ridden by Stacie Goodson.



On Friday the \$5000 USHJA National Derby was held and Britt McCormick (pictured below) came away with the blue on Anna Robson's Cornetto Royal. Anna also took the blue in Saturday's Junior Hunter Classic on Cornetto Royal. Second in the Derby went to What A Wonder owned by Olivia Woods and ridden by Stacey Woods. The yellow ribbon went home with Would You Mind, owned and ridden by Nada Wise.



On Saturday the Amateur Owner Hunter Classic was held and Lisaro (pictured below), owned and ridden by Ashley Hixon, received the top place. Second went to Limbo owned and ridden by Stacy Woods and third went to Indy owned and ridden by Sara Doster.



Frankie Owens dominated the Jumper ring taking the top spot in both the \$5000 Frostbite Jumper Classic and the \$10,000 Winter Festival Jumper Classic. Frankie won both classes on Ambienta S owned by DS Holdings and pictured below. Second in the \$10,000 Classic went to Cecotto's AS, owned by North Shore Farm and ridden by Annie Kartsotis, and third went to Zig Zag PCH, owned by MTM Farm and ridden by Natalee Haggan. In the \$5000 Classic second went to Just You, owned by Derek Reed and ridden by Caitlin Burns, and third was Bliss III, owned by Alyssa Phillips and ridden by Angela Bowles.



On Sunday the \$3000 NAL/WIHS Hi Child/Adult Jumper Classic capped off the week with Mystique owned and ridden by Sara Stashluk taking home the blue. Second went to Gorsehill Lola, owned and ridden by Bryn Stryk, and third went to Oskar, owned and ridden by Alyssa Phillips.

Remember circuit awards sponsored by Kastel Denmark will be presented at the conclusion of the 2 weeks in Waco. We hope to see you this week at the Winter Warm Up show.

A special thanks to Don Stine for the great photos above. To view your own show photos, go to <u>www.donstine.com</u>.



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