

The new year got off to a great start with the Blue Ribbon Winter Show, January 20-24, at the ExtraCo Events Center in Waco, TX, with nearly 300 horses. The Texas Pre Green Series had its first stake class of 2016 and Jordan Gilchrist, pictured below on Rio Vista Farm's RVF Casswell, took home the blue. Second went to Lisaro owned and ridden by Ashley Hixon and third went to Ragtime's Bellissima owned by Izabella Millimet and ridden by Jim Henson.



On Friday, the \$5000 USHJA National Hunter Derby had 19 entries. Finishing in first place was Anna Binder, pictured below, and Promise Me. Second place went to Tommy DiVecchia on Maggie DiVecchia's Hippogriff. The third place ribbon went to Frankie Owens on DSH Anka, owned by DS Holdings.



In Friday's \$5000 Jumper Classic, the winner was Angela Grzywinski riding her horse, Novelle. (Pictured below.) Second went to Gabriella Z, owned by Lazy Creek Ranch Holdings and ridden by Erin Nelson, and third was NTEC Cicero owned by Kai Handt and ridden by Kristi Doyle.



The \$10,000 Jumper Classic was held Saturday evening with a competitive group trying their luck over the 14 effort course of Patrick Rodes. Five horse/rider combinations made it back for the jump off with Frankie Owens, picture below, taking home the blue on DS Holdings' MTM Twenties Girl. Frankie also grabbed second on DS Holdings' Capricello 2. Third went to Erin Nelson on Gabriella Z.



The Children and Adult Jumpers were very competitive over the weekend. The \$3000 NAL/WHIS Child/Adult Jumper Classic was held on Sunday with Emily Allen taking the top spot on her horse, I-Mai Tai OHF (pictured below). Second went to Portala and Kathryn McClellan and third was Flagmount's Celtic Rose with owner/rider Cassidy Snyder.



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We hope to see everyone back this week for the Winter Warm Up with Kastel sponsoring great jackets for circuit champions. See you there.

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