



## The Virginia Festival of Champions

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### *FVF Sailor Man* wins the \$25,000 George L Ohrstrom Jr. Grand Prix

Yesterday's \$25,000 George L Ohrstrom Jr. Grand Prix, designed by world renowned course designer Ken Krome, was the highlight of the Lexington Spring Encore.

With 9 horse and rider teams qualifying for the jump off round, the excitement mounted with every ride.

The first horse and rider team to tackle the jump off course was Hadden Frost of White Hall, Maryland and Ilan Ferder's *Insider BH*. The pair's clear round in a time of 43.749 seconds, well within the jump off time allowed of 50 seconds, would set the new time to beat.



Tiffany Cambria of Upperville, Virginia and GT Syndicate's *Crownies HZ*, followed in the jump off order, but four jump faults in a time of 42.570 seconds would see them finish in ninth place.

Addison Reed of Mechanicsville, Virginia and Reed Training & Sales' Goliath, winner of the Lexington Spring Premiere \$10,000 [Nutrena](#) Welcome, were the next to tackle the jump off round. Their fault free time of 38.274 seconds took the lead and set the new time to beat.

Ann De Michele of Haymarket, Virginia and Cantatu, LLC's *Canmore 2* were next in the jump off and their fault free time in 42.556 seconds would see the pair finish in fourth place.

Rolling Acres' *ZaZa Z* and Marylisa Leffler, winners of the \$10,000 [Nutrena](#) Welcome Stake on Thursday followed De Michele and *Canmore 2* in the order of go and turned in a fault free round in a time of 37.709 seconds to the delight of the crowd, taking the lead.

Their lead was short lived when Christina Webb of Bahama, North Carolina, and Fox View Farm's *FVF Sailor Man* took to the course immediately after them.

The pair flew through the course and beat Leffler and *ZaZa Z*'s lead by .71 seconds with their own time of 36.999.

"I watched Marylisa's round and I watched Addison and Goliath go before me too. Marylisa did 8 strides between jumps 1 and 2. I had a good gallop and did 7 strides. I kept my eye on the jumps and turned back super early to the combination since I knew I had to find a forward distance there. That turn was tight and there was no room for error. I jumped it on a bend and just kept galloping," Webb commented.

"I show against Marylisa a lot. She is an amazing rider, trainer, and a very nice person. All I can say is, 'Thank goodness you went before me and I got to watch'," she laughed.

Course designer Ken Krome commented, "That was an exciting jump off. *Sailor* is fast and has a great record. She [Webb] picked up a gallop and was another gear beyond anyone else; she never touched the reins. She really put it out there and challenged everyone after her," he said. "It was just a fantastic jump off with every rider trying to outgun the previous one. The crowd was great and was cheering everybody on," he said.

Tiffany Cambria of Upperville, Virginia and Sabrina Hellman's *Independence* followed in the jump off order, but four jump faults in a time of 41.387 seconds saw them finish in eighth.

Reed and Gail Thompson's *Doirin Clover Boy* were next. Despite their jump off round time of 36.303 seconds, a rail down would see them finish in sixth overall.

Thaisa Erwin of Middleburg, Virginia, and Michael Smith's *Vanturo*, sat in the enviable last to go position. Four jump faults in a time of 39.878 seconds would see them finish in seventh place.

Final results had Webb and *FVF Sailor Man* for the win, followed by Marylisa Leffler and *Zaza Z* in second. Addison Reed earned a third-place finish with *Goliath* as well as a sixth with *Clover Boy*. Ann De Michele placed fourth with *Canmore 2* and earned a tenth place with Cantatu, LLC's *Qi L* for their fastest four fault first round in a time of 77.904 seconds. Haden Frost and *Insider BH* placed fifth. Erwin also placed eleventh with her own *Jack* and Webb also picked up a twelfth-place ribbon with Fox View Farm's *Caillou VL*.

"The course was great," said Webb. "You could turn and keep galloping. We've had rain for two days and the footing is amazing. The jump off today was super-fast and horses and riders really put it to the test. No one took a bad step. We're all so thankful that the Virginia Horse Center installed this arena with such great footing," she added. "Problem is now we're all spoiled when we show at other locations," she laughed.

Krome commented, "I think the weather actually made the footing better. All that moisture really tightened it up and the horses were just jumping fantastic," he said. "I set a nice open track and let the horses gallop and jump and the riders took advantage of that. We had a good number clear and a fantastic jump off. It was exciting," he said.

"I feel like the quality of riders here is better than last year. I feel like the riders and the horses are all doing better. My goal this week was to build everyone's confidence through every course we built each day of the show. Obviously, this was the biggest course of the week. From the first class to the Welcome to the Grand Prix, we've upped the jumps every day and they've all improved and gone well. Hopefully, we've set them up for the rest of the spring shows," Krome said.

*Sailor Man* is a homebred and Webb has owned him his entire life. "He is my pet. He has special place in the barn and in my heart and he's spoiled rotten; mostly by me," she laughed.

"The Lexington Spring Premiere and Encore are my favorite horse shows," said Webb. "I couldn't show last week because I was away with my family."

"*Sailor Man's* first grand prix was here in 2014 when they were held in the indoor. Maryann Steiert Charles rode him, and he won! To be able to do it again made it very special," she said. "It's pretty amazing that he has been at this level for so long and still winning grand prix," she added. "I think that's why I spoil him so much, because I get to ride him," she laughed.

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Christina Webb and *FVF Sailor Man*



Laura Gaither Ulrich, Pedro Camacho and Jenna Nelson join Christina Webb and *FVF Sailor Man* in the winner's circle.



*FVF Sailor Man* and Christina Webb lead the victory gallop in the DeDe Arena after winning the \$25,000 George L. Ohrstrom Jr. Grand Prix.

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## Carlzon wins \$1,000 3'6" Jr/AO Hunter Classic

*Carlzon*, owned and ridden by Katie Triantos of Mclean, Virginia won the \$1,000 3'6" Jr A/O Hunter Classic over a course designed by Nancy Wallis of Lambertville, New Jersey.

"We call him '*Fluffy*' and bought him a year and a half ago to be my high Junior Jumper. Last August we decided he was a bit too slow, but he did jump really well. I showed him in the Baby Greens and when I was in Florida last winter, I rode another person's horse in the Junior Hunters to get points. That's when we

decided I should ride Fluffy in the Juniors," said Triantos. "Ashley rode him in the first 3'6" Pre-Greens and then I showed him at 3'6". Mary and I switch off with him, but we're definitely keeping him for the rest of the year," she added.

"Despite the rain we've had the last couple of days, the crew did a great job working with the arena. The course was designed well, and it really worked with us under the circumstances," continued Triantos.



Triantos and *Carlzon* earned a combined score of 166.5 and second place winner *At Last*, owned and ridden by Alissa Berry of Verona, Virginia finished with a 166.

*Nightcap*, owned and ridden by Madison Stewart of King George, Virginia, placed third with their overall score of 157. Kendall Austin of Virginia Beach, Virginia, rode her own *Pick Six* to a fourth-place finish with their score of 154 and fifth place was awarded to *Out of Office*, owned and ridden by Elle Hogan of Chevy Chase, Maryland for their score of 152.

*Important*, owned and ridden by Sydney Callagy of Virginia Beach, Virginia placed sixth with a score of 151.5 and *Heartthrob*, owned and ridden by Laura Schroff Scaletti of Ashburn, Virginia, earned a seventh-place ribbon for their combined score of 150.

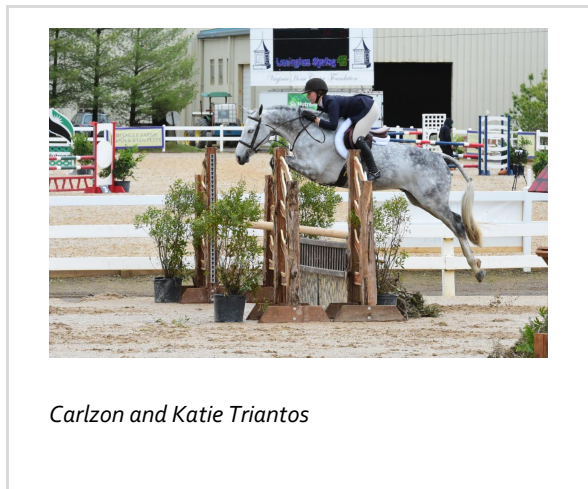
*Ipache*, owned and ridden by Grace Walker of Rileyville, Virginia finished in eighth place followed by *ayado*, owned and ridden by Alexandra Finder of Washington, D.C. who earned ninth overall.

Katie Triantos' *Candidate*, ridden by Caitlyn Hill of Baltimore, Maryland finished in tenth place and St. Elmo's Fire, owned and ridden by Sydney Mannon of Brentwood, Tennessee took home eleventh. *Santinos*, owned and ridden by Lauren Satola of Fulton, Maryland, wrapped up the class with a twelfth-place finish.

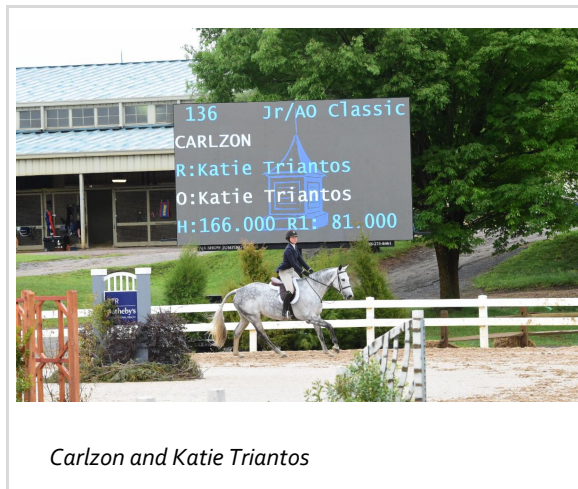
Triantos has been showing at the Virginia Horse Center for years. "I probably started when I was in Children's Ponies at 11 or 12. I love this show and its one of our favorites every year. The town and the Grand Prix and Derbies are all so much fun and it's really well run," she said.

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*Carlzon and Katie Triantos*



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