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Jessica Springsteen and Davendy S Race to Win \$35,000 Douglas Elliman 1.45m CSI 5* at Winter Equestrian Festival

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Wellington, FL - March 22, 2017 - Jessica Springsteen (USA) and Davendy S topped the \$35,000 Douglas Elliman 1.45m CSI 5* on March 22 at the Winter Equestrian Festival (WEF) in Wellington, FL. The pair outraced Amanda Derbyshire (GBR) and Lady Maria BH, who finished in second place, and Kristen Vanderveen (USA) and Bull Run's Faustino, who settled for third place.



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The eleventh week of WEF features CSI 5*/2* competition at the Palm Beach International Equestrian Center (PBIEC) on March 22-26, 2017. The feature 'Saturday Night Lights' event is the \$500,000 Rolex Grand Prix CSI 5* on Saturday, March 25, at 7:30 p.m., preceded by the \$130,000 SunCast® 1.50m Championship Jumper Classic Final at 6:30 p.m. On Sunday, March 26, is the \$50,000 Engel & Völkers Grand Prix CSI 2*, while the George Morris Excellence in Equitation Championships will host the nation's best junior riders on Friday, March 24, at 4:30 p.m. in the Van Kampen Covered Arena at Equestrian Village at PBIEC. The week's highlights can be viewed on live stream [HERE](#). The 12-week WEF circuit continues through April 2, 2017, awarding over \$9 million in prize money.

Guilherme Jorge (BRA) is the course designer in the International Arena at PBIEC for WEF 11. Jorge set the track filled with related distances for 54 starters over the 1.45m course, held in a two-phase competition, and saw 22 double clear rounds. With the exception of Springsteen, the top six competitors finished the second phase within one second of each other.

Springsteen and Stone Hill Farm's Davendy S sprinted around the second phase of the course, crossing the timers in 24.609 seconds, over a second and a half ahead of Derbyshire and Lady Maria BH, who left a stride out in the final line to take over the leading time just four trips earlier in 26.302 seconds. Vanderveen and Bull Run's Faustino recorded a third-place time of 26.532 seconds.

"I knew if I jumped the water, it would give me a better line to start the second phase," explained Springsteen. "The other area I focused on was taking my time back to the last line because it was a really tight turn and a lot of people ran into problems there. I wanted to make sure she got her eye on it."

Out of her current mounts, Springsteen has owned Davendy S for the longest. Over their three years together, the pair has gained a reputation for being strong contenders in the speed classes and won the same class during week seven of the 2017 winter circuit.

Praising her mare, Springsteen said, "She was so good! She always shines in these speed classes, so I was definitely planning on going for it. She was really with me in every turn and at every fence, so I'm really happy with her. Every time she goes in the ring she wants to win and loves to go fast. I just try to keep her confidence up and make her happy!"



Jessica Springsteen and Davendy S in their winning presentation with Mark Norman of Douglas Elliman Real Estate and ringmaster Steve Rector.

The International Arena had three other classes on Wednesday. The first class of the day, the \$8,000 Illustrated Properties 1.40m CSI 2*, found a winner in Lucy Davis (USA) and Old Oak Farm's Boucherom. The \$1,000 Illustrated Properties 1.40m CSI 5* followed with Ben Maher (GBR) taking the top honors aboard It's Real Love Vd Smis Z, owned by Poden Farms. Darragh Kenny (IRL) and Important de Muze, an entry owned by Kerry Anne LLC, concluded the day with a win in the \$6,000 Illustrated Properties 1.40m.

Week eleven of the Winter Equestrian Festival continues in the International Arena on Thursday featuring the \$35,000 Ruby et Violette WEF Challenge Cup Round 11. The Antares High Performance Working Hunters will determine championship and reserve honors in the E.R. Mische Grand Hunter Arena. For full results, please visit www.PBIEC.com.

Final Results: \$35,000 Douglas Elliman 1.45m CSI 5*

1. DAVENDY S: 2003 Belgian Warmblood mare by Kashmir van Schuttershof x Pachat II
JESSICA SPRINGSTEEN (USA), Stone Hill Farm: 0/0/24.609

2. LADY MARIA BH: 2006 Holsteiner mare by Cartani x Corrado I
AMANDA DERBYSHIRE (GBR), Gochman Sport Horses LLC: 0/0/26.302

3. BULL RUN'S FAUSTINO DE TILI: 2005 Belgian Warmblood stallion by Berlin x Darco
KRISTEN VANDERVEEN (USA), Bull Run Jumpers Five LLC: 0/0/26.532

4. THALIS DE LA ROQUE: 2007 Selle Français mare by Kannan x Quand Viens Tu
ERIC LAMAZE (CAN), Torrey Pines Stable: 0/0/26.66

5. SLIEVEANORRA: 2002 Irish Sport Horse gelding by Voltaire x Flagmount Diamond
RICHIE MOLONEY (IRL), Equinimity LLC: 0/0/26.93

6. CHAVENTYNO: 2006 Oldenburg gelding by Chacco-blue x Aventyno
YANN CANDELE (CAN), Legacy Stables, LLC: 0/0/27.228

7. SHERKAN D'AMAURY: 2006 Selle Français gelding by Kannan x Quick Star
KENT FARRINGTON (USA), Kent Farrington, Haity Mc Nerney, and Daniel Crown:
0/0/27.314

8. JULE VAN DEN TINNENPOT: 2009 Belgian Warmblood mare by Calvaro x Major De La Cour

BEN MAHER (GBR), Poden Farms: 0/0/27.567

9. CARUSCHKA 2: 2004 Oldenburg mare by Caspar x Continue

EDUARDO MENEZES (BRA), E2 Stables: 0/0/27.69

10. COLLIN: 2007 KWPN gelding by Colandro x Amethyst

LUIZ FRANCISCO DE AZEVEDO (BRA), Luis Francisco de Azevedo: 0/0/27.941

11. THORNHILL KATE: 2005 Irish Sport Horse mare by Courage II x Clover Hill

LAURA CHAPOT (USA), Laura & Mary Chapot: 0/0/28.192

12. INDRA VAN DE OUDE HEIHOEF: 2008 Belgian Warmblood mare by Casantos x Action-breaker

SHANE SWEETNAM (IRL), The Blue Buckle Group: 0/0/28.685

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