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**Katherine Strauss Named Show Jumping Hall of Fame
Rider of the Month for October**

Lexington, KY – November 4, 2015 – Katherine Strauss of Southampton, New York, has been named Show Jumping Hall of Fame *Rider of the Month* for October.

Strauss competes in the Junior division in the East Conference of the Show Jumping Hall of Fame Jumper Classic Series. She earned the award after winning with her horse *All In* at the Washington International Horse Show. Their strong showing in October cinched them the 3rd place spot in the final year-end standings for the Junior division.

The Show Jumping Hall of Fame Jumper Classic Series is sponsored by The National Horse Show Association of America, SmartPak, and Stadium Jumping, Inc. The Series honors one rider each month as the *Rider of the Month*. The honor goes to the one rider who earns the most points on one horse in Series competition that month.

“I would like to congratulate Katherine Strauss on being named our October *Rider of the Month*,” commented George Morris, President of the Show Jumping Hall of Fame. “Being named *Rider of the Month* is a fitting honor after her wonderful performances and we wish her continued success.”

The Show Jumping Hall of Fame Jumper Classic Series hosts separate divisions for junior and amateur-owner riders in two Conferences - the East Conference and the West Conference. Series standings are used to help determine junior and amateur-owner entries for the National Horse Show and Las Vegas National Horse Show.

The Show Jumping Hall of Fame conducts the Show Jumping Hall of Fame Jumper Classic Series, held under Grand Prix rules and specifications. The Show Jumping Hall of Fame Jumper Classic Series is designed to give amateur-owner and junior riders an opportunity to compete at higher levels and serves as a proving ground for many riders who aspire to someday represent the United States in international competition.

Any horse show offering a class that meets all the criteria set forth in the Show Jumping Hall of Fame Jumper Classic Series specifications and has prize money of at least \$1,000 is eligible to be part of the Series.

The Show Jumping Hall of Fame was organized to promote the sport of show jumping and to immortalize the legends of the men, women and horses who have made great contributions to the sport. The Show Jumping Hall of Fame is located at the Kentucky Horse Park in Lexington, KY. Plaques honoring those who have been honored with induction into the Hall of Fame can be seen at the Horse Park's Rolex Stadium. Mementos and artifacts from the sport's history are on display as part of the Show Jumping Hall of Fame collection at the United States Hunter Jumper Association (USHJA) Wheeler Museum at the Horse Park.

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The National Horse Show is a weeklong championship event featuring "AA"-rated hunters, open jumpers, junior/amateur jumpers, and the ASPCA Alfred B. Maclay Finals. It is held in the Alltech Arena at the Kentucky Horse Park in Lexington, KY, site of the 2010 Alltech FEI World Equestrian Games™. Further information is available at www.NHS.org.

Stadium Jumping, Inc. is a full-service horse show management and production company. Horseman, visionary and entrepreneur Gene Mische co-founded Stadium Jumping with a vision for the future of show jumping in the United States. For over four decades, the Morrissey family has managed all Stadium Jumping show operations keeping the same goal in mind, to produce top-quality events that will enhance and progress the sport of show jumping. Stadium Jumping, Inc. manages some of the top-rated horse shows in the country. Additional information is available at www.stadiumjumping.com.

For more information about the Show Jumping Hall of Fame, including Show Jumping Hall of Fame Jumper Classic Series, please visit the Show Jumping Hall of Fame website at www.showjumpinghalloffame.net.