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Meagan Nusz Named Show Jumping Hall of Fame *Rider of the Month* for October

Lexington, KY–November 8, 2011– Meagan Nusz of Woodlands, TX, has been named the Show Jumping Hall of Fame *Rider of the Month* for September.

Nusz competes in the East Conference Amateur-Owner division of the Show Jumping Hall of Fame Jumper Classic Series aboard *Banana D'ive z*. The month of October was successful for the duo, as they earned a pair of first place honors in Series classes at The Pennsylvania National as well as sixth place at The Washington International Horse Show, earning a total of 375 points.

The Show Jumping Hall of Fame Jumper Classic 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.

“We are proud to honor Meagan with our October *Rider of the Month* Award,” said George Morris, President of the Show Jumping Hall of Fame. “Her success is a testament to her ability, and we wish her continued success.”

The Show Jumping Hall of Fame Jumper Classic Series saw competition at 3 events during the month of October, and will see classes at more than 100 horse shows.

The 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 Alltech National Horse Show.

In the overall standings through October, Charlie Jacobs and *Leap of Joy* led in the amateur-owner standings in the East Conference while Christina Kelly and *Camirage* led in the junior division. In the West Conference, Steven Turilli and *Raphael IV* led in the amateur-owner standings while Alexandria Smith and *Calira* led in the junior division.

The top three horse-and-rider combinations in each division are as follows:

<i>Rider</i>	<i>Horse</i>	<i>Points</i>	<i>Hometown</i>
East Conference amateur-owner division standings:			
Charlie Jacobs	Leap of Joy	645	Buffalo, NY
Emilie Martinsen	Gucci	640	Denmark
Tracey Weinberg	Larone	575	Lovettsville, VA

East Conference junior division standings:

Christina Kelly	Camirage	1,075	Nicholasville, KY
Christina Kelly	HH Narcos Du Marais	640	Nicholasville, KY
Katie Dinan	Belle Dame D	600	New York ,NY

West Conference amateur-owner division standings:

Steven Turilli	Raphael IV	300	Lonetree, CO
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Olivia Chowdry	Constantin 28	225	Golden, CO
Paris Sellon	Orlando LA	220	Los Angeles, CA
Caroline Lynn	Kalvinretto	220	Paradise Valley, AZ

West Conference junior division standings:

Alexandria Smith	Calira	615	Calgary, Alberta CAN
Alicia Gasser	Don Francisco	455	Scottsdale, AZ
Paige Coles	Outtrigger	410	Wellington, FL

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 2011 Show Jumping Hall of Fame 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 conducts the Show Jumping Hall of Fame Jumper Classic Series, held under Grand Prix rules and specifications.

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) National Hunter Jumper Sport Museum at the Horse Park.

The Show Jumping Hall of Fame Jumper Classic Series is sponsored by the Lake Placid Horse Show Association, Stadium Jumping, Inc., and Taylor Harris Insurance Services.

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.