

Megan Clark and Maggie Casper Are Hard to Beat in the Hunter Ring During the First Week of the Circle City Equestrian Horse Shows

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Indianapolis, Indiana – July 16, 2011 – The Indianapolis State Fair Grounds was packed full of exhibitors Saturday; all with their eyes on the numerous prizes up for grabs during the first week of competition at the Circle City Equestrian Horse Show. The Junior Hunter division was one of the earlier championships to be awarded today in the Pepsi Coliseum ring.

Megan Clark, of Indianapolis, Indiana, rode Lauren Sogard's entry Concerto, a ten-year-old Dutch Warmblood gelding, to the Junior Hunter Championship and the Junior Hunter Classic win Saturday morning.

While the winning duo has only been together a short while, they certainly led the way in the giant indoor ring. "He just came to our barn a couple months ago," beamed Clark. "I've been showing him ever since then."

The Pepsi Coliseum is not only a good experience for any horses and riders who may be going to indoors this coming fall, but an exciting venture for those who do not usually show in such a large and impressive facility. "The courses were really nice today, and the jumps were really pretty," explained Clark. "It was something nice for the Junior Hunters."

Concerto, a seasoned veteran of the hunters, equitation, and ever-popular hunter derbies, had no problem walking into the large venue at the Circle City Equestrian Horse Show. "He's really good indoors," smiled Clark. She will keep showing Concerto in the Junior Hunters throughout the remaining summer months, and looks forward to their continued partnership together.

The Amateur Adult Hunters also awarded their championship today in the Pepsi Coliseum. Maggie Casper, of Carmel, Indiana, rode her own mount Star Light, a Westphalian gelding, to the blue ribbon in multiple adult classes this week.

Casper originally competed with Star Light in the Junior Hunters. However, since her start in college last fall she has mainly shown in the Amateur Adult Hunters. "I will have had him for three years this fall," explained Casper.

"He's really fun to ride. Sometimes a little spooky, but he's been really good this week," beamed Casper. Casper plans on showing during the second week of the Circle City Equestrian Horse Show, as well as throughout the remainder of the summer.

The IHJA Medal Finals will be the highlight of the day tomorrow in the Pepsi Coliseum here at the Circle City Equestrian Horse Shows. Stay tuned for results as horse and rider combinations vie for the blue ribbon in the state medal finals.

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