



# THE CHRONICLE of the Horse

## DAILY UPDATE

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### Braswell Masters Flatwork

*Boggio, O'Mara, Wierens, and Colvin Win Division Champs*

The Capital Challenge Horse Show opened up competition Saturday at the Show Place Arena. It was the first day of the Capital Challenge Equitation Championship Weekend, presented by Bigeq.com, and numerous division championships were pinned.

Late in the day Molly Braswell of Ocala, FL, dominated the North American Junior Flat Equitation Championships and managed to be the last rider on the rail to win the class over Lauren Fabiano and Samantha Smith.

Braswell rode Tenacious, a stunning ten-year-old gelding owned by Ann Braswell, to the Junior Flat Championship. Braswell has been riding Tenacious since he was five years old, and the gelding helped her to her biggest win this year - the ASPCA Maclay class at the Devon Horse Show. "He's the most comfortable and the most beautiful. It's more of a feat to win on him because he's younger. It's more of a big deal to win on him," she said. Braswell rode a different horse in every class on Saturday trying to choose who to ride in Sunday's North American Junior Equitation Championships.

Braswell likes the unique Flat Championship class because is a fun and competitive class only found at Capital Challenge. "I think it's nice because



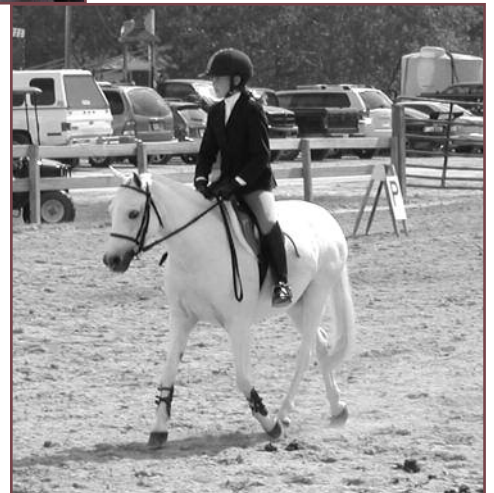
it gives you a bit of a challenge on the flat," she remarked. "I like riding without stirrups, so that was fun for me. I think flatwork is a really good thing to get your horse supple and ready to jump. On Tenacious, it's my favorite thing!"

Braswell has ridden in the Flat Championships for many years. In the early years of the show the Flat Championships were run like a dressage test. In 2003 it was still held in that format, and it was during that year in which Braswell competed on a pony named Time For Roses.

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*Molly Braswell was all smiles after winning the North American Junior Equitation Flat Championships on Saturday. Pictured right is Molly on Time For Roses in the 2003 Flat Championship class.*

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## Equitation Champions Continued

Braswell feels that Capital Challenge is a good way to start the indoor season. "It's great to see where you are when getting ready for the other finals, against other riders, if you have the right horse, if you need to be tighter in the tack, practice lines, that sort of thing," she said.

Earlier in the day she also picked up the reserve championship in the 16 Year Old Equitation division, sponsored by Frank Madden Show Stables. The champion was Chase Boggio of Canton, GA. Boggio rode Massimo, a horse his family purchased in January. He explained, "We got him in Europe last November. I've been showing him in the equitation since then to get some mileage on him. He's eight years old. We got him from Jos Lansink in Belgium and he was doing some 1.40m classes, but he wasn't careful enough for that. They thought he would make a good equitation horse, so we went over and tried him and bought him. He'll keep doing the equitation, and I also do him in the hunter derbies sometimes."

He described of Massimo, "He's got a really powerful jump and a really big

stride. He's very adjustable; you really don't have to worry if you get a little close or a little long. For being so inexperienced, he really knows the job already."

Boggio won last year's North American Equitation Championship, so he cannot compete in the class again this year. "I'm looking forward to not having to deal with the stress of that. I can sit back and watch," he said with a smile.

Meg O'Mara, of Rumson, NJ, won the championship in the 15 Year Old division, sponsored by Over the Hill Farm and Bill Schaub. She rode War Eagle, a horse she has ridden since February of this year. The reserve champion was a tie between Hasbrouck Donovan, who placed first and fifth over fences and fifth under saddle, and Schaefer Raposa, who was second over fences and second on the flat.

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Chase Boggio pictured here on Massimo. Photo by Jennifer Wood Media, Inc.



## Today's Events

*INDOOR RING 8:00am*  
*North American*  
*Equitation Championship*

*Taylor Harris Insurance Services*  
*National Children's Medal Finals*

*North American Adult Amateur*  
*Equitation Championship*

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# Emily Rizzo Earns Tricolor in THIS WarmUp

The championship in the Taylor Harris Insurance Services (THIS) National Children's Medal Equitation warm up division was awarded to Emily Rizzo, 16, of Wellington, FL. Rizzo rode Zidano, a young five-year-old gelding her trainer, Geoff Teall, found in Germany.

Capital Challenge was only Zidano's fourth horse show away from home and for Rizzo the experience was just as new.

She said, "I've only been jumping for a little while. I used to play polo. This is the first time at a bigger show that I've won." Rizzo got the bug for jumping after riding a pony on vacation who wouldn't walk on bridges, but would jump over the water instead. She said, "It was fun, and it made me want to jump so bad!"

Rizzo's first and last time riding in an indoor was not a good experience so she worked on keeping Zidano focused and straight. The young rider loves riding the young gelding saying, "He's so smooth. I get on every other horse and they're so uncomfortable. Geoff says I'm spoiled, and I am."

She said, "I was very happy with how he went today. For the most part, it's relaxing to know that he's there for me if I need him." Going into the THIS National Children's Medal Finals Rizzo admitted she doesn't want to let the championship win go to her head. She plans on focusing, and enjoying her ride on Zidano.

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Emily Rizzo and Zidano warm up for their final class in the NCM Warm Up division.  
Photo by Michelle Bloch

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She said of War Eagle, "He's extremely fun, really slow, and has a really long stride. I can leave out strides and show his scope. His jump is really slow. He sets my leg in a good position."

O'Mara first competed at Capital Challenge six years ago when she showed in the Small/Medium Children's Pony Hunters, and she said that it is one of her favorite shows. "I love it because the weather is finally getting cooler. I love the indoor so much; it's one of my favorite rings to ride in," she expressed.

The 17 Year Old division, sponsored by Frank Madden Show Stables, was the opening division of the day and Samantha Harrison of La Canada, CA, was the winner. She placed second and third over fences and

was first on the flat. There was another tie for reserve champion, with Kelsey Bernini, who was first over fences and fourth on the flat, and Amber Henter, who was second over fences and second on the flat.

The champion in the 13/14 Year Old division was Naomi Wierens, who won both over fences classes. Lauren Fabiano was the reserve champion and she received second over fences.

Victoria Colvin was the 12 Year Old champion after she swept the blue ribbons. Madelyn Keck, who picked up second place ribbons over fences and under saddle, won the reserve championship.

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# RESULTS

Saturday, October 2

## 141. 12 & Under Equitation O/F

- 1 Victoria Colvin
- 2 Ashton Alexander
- 3 Kelli Cruciotti
- 4 Mackenzie McGehee
- 5 Lauren Fischer
- 6 T.J. O'Mara
- 7 Madison Charlton
- 8 Kira Zelman

## 142. 12 & Under Equitation O/F

- 1 Victoria Colvin
- 2 Madelyn Keck
- 3 Kelli Cruciotti
- 4 Kira Zelman
- 5 Lauren Fischer
- 6 T.J. O'Mara
- 7 Hannah Grimm
- 8 Taegan Long

## 143. 12 & Under Equitation Flat

- 1 Victoria Colvin
- 2 Madelyn Keck
- 3 Mackenzie McGehee
- 4 Lauren Fischer
- 5 Ashton Alexander
- 6 Madison Charlton
- 7 Kelli Cruciotti
- 8 Kira Zelman

## 13 & 14 Year Old Equitation

**Champion** Naomi Weirens

**Reserve** Lauren Fabiano

## 144. 13 & 14 Year Old Equitation O/F

- 1 Naomi Weirens
- 2 Lauren Fabiano
- 3 Alexa Rose Boggio
- 4 Kristen Mohr
- 5 Geoffrey Hesslink
- 6 Jessica Donatelli
- 7 Megan Macpherson
- 8 Maggie Ridenour

## 145. 13 & 14 Year Old Equitation O/F

- 1 Naomi Weirens
- 2 Alexa Rose Boggio
- 3 Megan Macpherson
- 4 Geoffrey Hesslink
- 5 Kristen Berian
- 6 Lauren Stuller
- 7 Molly Peddicord

- 8 Lauren Fabiano

## 146. 13 & 14 Year Old Equitation

- 1 Lauren Fabiano
- 2 Megan Macpherson
- 3 Brooke Price
- 4 Kristen Mohr
- 5 Maggie Ridenour
- 6 Isabel Eastment
- 7 Alexa Rose Boggio
- 8 Geoffrey Hesslink

## 15 Year Old Equitation

**Champion** Meg O'mara

**Reserve** Hasbrouck Donovan

**Reserve** Schaefer Raposa

## 147. 15 Year Old Equitation O/F

- 1 Meg O'mara
- 2 Schaefer Raposa
- 3 Shawn Casady
- 4 Kilian Mcgrath
- 5 Hasbrouck Donovan
- 6 Genevieve Zock
- 7 Morgan Geller
- 8 Beverly Catlett

## 148. 15 Year Old Equitation O/F

- 1 Hasbrouck Donovan
- 2 Genevieve Zock
- 3 Sylvia Detoledo
- 4 Morgan Geller
- 5 Alicia Gasser
- 6 Kilian Mcgrath
- 8 Jennie Redmond Edwards

## 149. 15 Year Old Equitation Flat

- 1 Meg O'mara
- 2 Schaefer Raposa
- 3 Morgan Geller
- 4 Kilian Mcgrath
- 5 Hasbrouck Donovan
- 6 Haley Harrison
- 7 Sylvia Detoledo
- 8 Shawn Casady

## 16 Year Old Equitation

**Champion** Chase Boggio

**Reserve** Molly Braswell

## 150. 16 Year Old Equitation O/F

- 1 Chase Boggio
- 2 Taylor Ann Adams
- 3 Victoria Birdsall

- 4 Allison Fithian
- 5 Theodore Boris
- 6 Brittany Hurst
- 7 Demi Stiegler
- 8 Colin Quinlan

## 151. 16 Year Old Equitation O/F

- 1 Chase Boggio
- 2 Theodore Boris
- 3 Molly Braswell
- 4 Taylor Ann Adams
- 5 Victoria Birdsall
- 6 Elizabeth Kenny
- 7 Gabbi Langston
- 8 Colin Quinlan

## 152. 16 Year Old Equitation Flat

- 1 Molly Braswell
- 2 Emma Kennedy
- 3 Clementine Yost
- 4 Hayley Barnhill
- 5 Leighona Bernstein
- 6 Brooke Kennedy
- 7 Taylor Ann Adams
- 8 Gabbi Langston



Saturday, October 2

# RESULTS



## 17 Year Old Equitation

**Champion** Samantha Harrison

**Reserve** Amber Henter

**Reserve** Kelsey Bernini

## 153. 17 Year Old Equitation O/F

- 1 Amber Henter
- 2 Kelsey Bernini
- 3 Samantha Harrison
- 4 Kelley Levine
- 5 Samantha Ramsay
- 6 Abby O'mara
- 7 Julia Nagler
- 8 Chelsey Zulia

## 154. 17 Year Old Equitation O/F

- 1 Abby O'mara
- 2 Samantha Harrison
- 3 Cassandra Kahle
- 4 Erin Hickey
- 5 Julia Nagler
- 6 Olivia Dorey
- 7 Amber Henter
- 8 Samantha Ramsay

## 155. 17 Year Old Equitation Flat

- 1 Samantha Harrison
- 2 Kelsey Bernini
- 3 Samantha Smith
- 4 Amber Henter
- 5 Samantha Ramsay
- 6 Abby O'mara
- 7 Hallier Brimberry
- 8 Karen Polle

## 156. Adult Amateur Equitation O/F

- 1 Sara Green
- 2 Darby Mazzarisi
- 3 Rachel Boggus
- 4 Allyson Blais
- 5 Kristi Siam
- 6 Lee Avera
- 7 Jacqueline Lubrano
- 8 Adrienne Dixon

## 157. Adult Amateur Equitation O/F

- 1 Sara Green
- 2 Darby Mazzarisi
- 3 Jacqueline Lubrano
- 4 Melissa Feller
- 5 Rachel Boggus
- 6 Elsa Horrigan

7 Ashley Gray Billman

8 Allyson Blais

## 158. Adult Amateur Equitation Flat

- 1 Sara Green
- 2 Jacqueline Lubrano
- 3 Kristi Siam
- 4 Adrienne Dixon
- 5 Rebecca Hunt
- 6 Darby Mazzarisi
- 7 Allyson Blais
- 8 Emily Auer

## 159. This Children's Medal Equitation

### W/U O/F

- 1 Emily Rizzo
- 2 Samantha Gumbin
- 3 Geoffrey Hesslink
- 4 Kira Zelman
- 5 Madelyn Keck
- 6 Maggie Savoie
- 7 Kelli Cruciotti
- 8 Molly Peddicord

## 160. This Children's Medal Equitation

### W/U O/F

- 1 Molly Peddicord
- 2 Geoffrey Hesslink
- 3 Porter Allen
- 4 Ashton Alexander
- 5 Samantha Gumbin
- 6 Catherine Regan
- 7 Kelli Cruciotti
- 8 Hannah Stabler

## 161. This Children's Medal Equitation

### W/U Flat

- 1 Catherine Regan
- 2 Madeleine Swem
- 3 Emily Rizzo
- 4 Kelli Cruciotti
- 5 Molly Peddicord
- 6 Maggie Ridenour
- 7 Brooke Price
- 8 Gina Calicchio

## 162. Open Equitation 3'6"

- 1 Chase Boggio
- 2 Alicia Gasser

- 3 Kylee Arbuckle
- 4 Mahala Rummell
- 5 Naomi Weirens
- 6 Genevieve Zock
- 7 Elizabeth Boylan
- 8 Lexi Selldorff

## 163. Open Equitation 3'

- 1 Maggie Boylan
- 2 Mary Mead
- 3 Virginia Fout
- 4 Isabel Eastment
- 5 Jennifer Wallen
- 6 Mahala Rummell
- 7 Jordynn Shaffer
- 8 Emily Auer

## 164. Capital Challenge No.Am. Flat Eq.

### Championships

- 1 Molly Braswell
- 2 Lauren Fabiano
- 3 Samantha Smith
- 4 Meg O'mara
- 5 Kelsey Bernini
- 6 Samantha Harrison
- 7 Clementine Yost
- 8 Morgan Geller
- 9 Madelyn Keck
- 10 Megan Macpherson



Victoria Colvin was named champion of the 12 Year Old Equitation



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