



Progressive Show Jumping Legs Up for Carolina Spring Circuit



By Madison Carmichael

Progressive Show Jumping (PSJ), owned and managed by Rick and Cathy Cram of Aiken, SC, has all hands on deck as the second edition of the Carolina Spring Circuit (CSC) kicks off on April 3 at the South Carolina Equine Park (SCEP) in Camden, SC. “The numbers are up this year as we have had a more typical winter in SC”, offers Cathy. “Last year Rick and I attended the \$100,000 USHJA International Hunter Derby Finals at the Kentucky Horse Park and more recently we visited horse shows in Ocala and Wellington, encouraging potential exhibitors to experience our shows in both Camden and Aiken.” The Crams understand the importance of meeting face to face in that it enables everyone to directly share past concerns as well as focus on future improvements. With both the SCEP and Highfields Event Center facilities having made multiple improvements within the past year, Cathy believes the direct interaction was really helpful to answer peoples’ questions so that they felt positive about their decision to return or to

try these new locations for the first time.

The newest draw to this year’s Circuit is perhaps the addition of a second United States Hunter Jumper Association (USHJA) International Hunter Derby Class and the increased prize money that accompanies it. “We have doubled the prize money from \$10,000 to \$20,000 in each class, which will be held Friday, April 6 at SCEP in Camden and Saturday, April 21st at Highfields Events Center in Aiken respectively.” The CSC also offers more prize money opportunities in the professional divisions than most horse shows. There are Hunter Classics offered in all Rated Divisions, \$2,500 Working Hunter Divisions and two \$15,000 Jumper Prixs in Camden along with two \$25,000 Grand Prixs in Aiken. The Circuit is pleased to have numerous returning as well as new sponsors and beneficiaries. KershawHealth, Gaston Livery Stable and Women Beyond Cancer will each have festive benefit functions throughout the series. For further information on attending these events, please visit www.psjshows.com.

2012 Progressive Show Jumping USEF Schedule



ACS

Aiken Challenge Series

January 4-8 & 11-15

February 8-12

February 29 - March 4 & 7-11

USEF AA 3 Star

USHJA Hunter Derbies

Circuit Awards

\$10,000 Jumper Derby each week

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Carolina Spring Circuit

One Month in the Carolinas!

April 4-8 & 11-15

April 18-22 & 25-29

USEF AA 3 & 4 Star

WCHR Week 3

Circuit Awards Weeks 2 & 4

\$20,000 USHJA International

Hunter Derbies Weeks 1 & 3

\$25,000 Grand Prixs &

Young Jumpers Weeks 3 & 4

Over \$750,000 in Cash & Prizes

Highfields Event Center ~ Aiken, SC
South Carolina Equine Park ~ Camden, SC