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## Para Dressage CPEDI 1\*/2\*/3\* Competition Kicks Off at AGDF 9

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Wellington, FL - March 10, 2017 - Week nine of the 2017 Adequan® Global Dressage Festival (AGDF), features CPEDI 1\*/2\*/3\* Para Dressage, presented by Mane Stream courtesy of

Rowan O'Riley, Mission Control, Adequan®, and Nutrena. Competition started on Friday at The Stadium at the Palm Beach International Equestrian Center (PBIEC), in Wellington, FL.

The CPEDI continues tomorrow, March 11, with a full schedule of classes beginning at 10 a.m., including Para Individual Championship tests. The 2017 AGDF hosts seven CDI events, two CPEDI competitions, and national shows through March 25.



Katie Jackson and Royal Dancer

Katie Jackson (USA) and Royal Dancer, a 2005 Westphalian gelding owned by Kai Handt, finished with a win in the Para Team Test Grade V – CPEDI 3\* with a score of 67.872%.

Jackson has only been riding Royal Dancer for about two weeks. "He's been super fun to get to know," said Jackson. "With every ride, we are getting more comfortable with each other. He's incredible, and I'm really lucky that I get a chance to ride him."

In regards to the pair's future, Jackson commented, "We've got lots of areas to improve on, which is exciting when we see our score continue to go up. The plan for now is that I'm going to be competing him in the region, and we are already qualified for nationals in September in Tryon."

Jackson concluded by expressing her gratitude for her team, and all of the sponsors of this week's CPEDI 1\*/2\*/3\* Para Dressage Competition.

Second place in the Para Team Test Grade V – CPEDI 3\* went to Mary Jordan (USA) and Rubicon 75, a 2005 Oldenburg gelding (Royal Hit x Edelkarin x Absinthe) owned by Jordan, with a 67.829%.

Angela Peavy (USA) and Royal Dark Chocolate, a 2008 Oldenburg mare owned by Rebecca Reno, clinched a victory today in the Para Team Test Grade IV - CPEDI 3\*, with a score of 72.250%.



Angela Peavy and Royal Dark Chocolate

Peavy competed at the 2014 Alltech FEI World Equestrian Games, as well as the 2016 Rio de Janeiro Paralympic Games.

Placing second to Peavy in the Para Team Test Grade IV - CPEDI 3\* was Pamela Hardin (USA) and Quarterjack, a 2005 Brandenburg gelding (Quaterman x Medea ii x Rohdiamant) owned by Hardin, with a score of 67.417%. Third place was awarded to Laura Hall (CAN) and Boo Sinclair, a 2006 KWPN gelding (Sir Sinclair x Onward O'Crimson) owned by Dr. Heather Boo, with a 65.750%.



Katie Jackson, winner of the Para Team Test Grade V, with judge Carlos Lucas Lopes (POR) and Rowan O'Riley of Mane Stream.

Other classes of the day included the Para Team Test Grade II - CPEDI 3\*, won by Laurietta Oakleaf (USA) and Niekele Fan Busenitz, a 2004 Friesian stallion (Sape 381 x Wemke H x Fetse 349) owned by Oakleaf, with a 67.879%. The Para Team Test Grade I - CPEDI 3\*, awarded a win to Jody Schloss(CAN) and Lieutenant Lobin, a 2004 Danish Warmblood gelding (Lobster x Farine) owned by Schloss, with a 69.524%.

Competition continues tomorrow March 11 with a full schedule of classes including Para Individual Championship CPEDI 3\* tests. For more information and to see a full list of results, please visit <a href="https://www.globaldressagefestival.com">www.globaldressagefestival.com</a>.

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