The Test Results Are In & TheraPlate Equestrians Win At FEI World Equestrian Games Tryon 2018 Test Event



Tryon, North Carolina (April 30, 2018) – The FEI World Equestrian Games Tryon 2018 Test Events for Dressage, Driving, and Para-Dressage disciplines concluded this past April 19-22 at the Tryon International Equestrian Center in North Carolina. At each discipline's award ceremony, the equestrians standing on the podiums each had one thing in common – their TheraPlate Revolution therapy platforms.

As the Official Therapy Plate of U.S. Equestrian, TheraPlate therapy platforms utilize dynamic movement to improve fitness, relieve pain and maximize performance for horses of all disciplines. TheraPlate has numerous proven benefits as it gently, yet rapidly helps horses reach ideal body conditions with zero impact. As a vital tool in the arsenals of top equestrians around the world, TheraPlate Brand Ambassadors Chester Weber, Kasey Perry-Glass, Adrienne Lyle and Sydney Collier all took home top placing ribbons representing the U.S.

Charging into first place in the FEI CAI 2* Four-in-Hand competition, Chester Weber drove his team through successful dressage, marathon and cones phases for a total score of 159.38 points. This year Weber earned his unprecedented 15th U.S. Equestrian Federation Four-in-Hand National Champion title as he continues to refine his 2018 World Equestrian Games team. As a former World Equestrian Games silver medalist, Weber has great pride in representing his country through international combined-driving. He stated, "It means a lot to me to represent the U.S. Ever since I was a young guy starting driving, I always wanted to have a blazer with a [USA] patch on it and drive on the U.S. team. I think we hope to come here in the fall and try and secure a team medal for the U.S. It would mean a lot to me."

Weber equipped his Live Oak facility with a TheraPlate to aid his elite team with the hefty demands of combined-driving competitions. "TheraPlate is excellent for warm up and cool down for all my performance horses," Weber said. "The increase in circulation that TheraPlate provides helps reduce the chance of swelling and inflammation. TheraPlate is an excellent addition to our care and conditioning program."

In the FEI CDI 3* competition presented by Adequan, Kasey Perry-Glass on Diane Perry's 2003 Danish Warmblood gelding Goerklintgaards Dublet returned from an eight-month hiatus from the show ring to top the leaderboard. Perry-Glass and "Dublet" earned a score of 73.935 percent in the Grand Prix and 75.830 percent in the Grand Prix Special for a duo of blue ribbons. Perry-Glass and Dublet last took center stage helping the 2017 U.S. Nations Cup Dressage Team win gold in Rotterdam, Netherlands and silver in Aachen, Germany.

Perry-Glass also shared in her commitment to integrating TheraPlate sessions into her training regime, stating, "I think the TheraPlate is a great benefit to have in your barn. I use it on Dublet and several of my other horses consistently. I try to choose really good products that I think benefit my horses. We've actually taken it to the show with us. I feel it's important that whenever you can fit it into your program, you should."

Fellow TheraPlate Brand Ambassador, Adrienne Lyle followed quickly behind Perry-Glass in the show ring by taking the reserve ribbon in both tests. Lyle piloted Elizabeth Juliano's 2003 Oldenburg mare Horizon to a 71.957 percent in the Grand Prix and 71.660 percent in the Grand Prix Special. Lyle additionally rode Harmony's Duval to victory in his debut Grand Prix, scoring above 70% both days in the national show. Lyle is based in Wellington, Florida with U.S. Equestrian Development Coach Debbie McDonald. They installed their own TheraPlate at the facility, utilizing it for many benefits, including as a pre-workout for young prospects through schoolmasters.

In the para-dressage CPEDI3* Individual Test Grade I class, long-time TheraPlate Brand Ambassador Sydney Collier took a top three placing with her 2011 Oldenburg gelding Fherrigamo. Collier, a North American Junior Young Rider Championship Individual Gold Medalist, has been using TheraPlate for both herself and her equine partners. She said, "The TheraPlate is an incredible tool. It helps me warm up my muscles. I have circulation issues in my left side so it's often way colder than my right side. The first time I ever stepped on the TheraPlate within two or three minutes my left side was completely warm which was just something that never really happened using anything else." The Tryon Test Event provided a final tune-up for riders in preparation for the 2018 World Equestrian Games on September 11-23 to be held at Tryon International Equestrian Center. TheraPlate congratulates its Brand Ambassadors on their achievements and company representatives look forward to cheering on Weber, Perry-Glass, Lyle and Collier in the fall. TheraPlate takes pride in helping equine athletes reach ideal body conditions and is honored to be a part of the training programs of competitive horses around the world. For more information on the technology behind TheraPlate Revolution therapy platforms and to put one in your own barn, visit <u>www.theraplate.com</u>, call 800-920-3685 or email <u>theraplate@gmail.com</u>.

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Photo 1: Kasey Perry-Glass and Dublet soaring into first place. (Photo courtesy of JRPR, no photo credit necessary)

Photo 2: Chester Weber and his team take the win during the FEI Tryon Test Event (Photo courtesy of Haide.se)

Photo 3: Adrienne Lyle and Harmony's Duval enjoy their TheraPlate to stay at the top of their game. (Photo courtesy of JRPR, no photo credit necessary)