



## WACHOVIA SECURITIES AMERICAN GOLD CUP

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### **Wachovia Securities American Gold Cup Offers Fun For the Entire Family! *World's Best Horse Show Jumpers Compete In Cleveland***

CLEVELAND, OHIO—August 14, 2007—In addition to exciting international horse show jumping, the Wachovia Securities American Gold Cup offers something for everyone with musical entertainment, children's rides and games, and fine shopping boutiques. The five-day Olympic-caliber equestrian event, which was moved to Cleveland from Philadelphia last year, will attract visitors from around the country to the Chagrin Valley, September 19 through 23, at the Cleveland Metroparks Polo Field in Moreland Hills, Ohio.

“This world-class event returned to Cleveland last year after a 35-year absence and was a major success, attracting top national and international competitors, as well as local show jumpers and fans to Northeast Ohio,” said Michael Morrissey, CEO of Stadium Jumping, Inc., organizer of the American Gold Cup. The event is popular with spectators because it is exciting and easy to understand. In show jumping, each horse and rider combination jumps a course of obstacles; the rider with the least jumping penalties (for knock downs) within the fastest time is the winner.

### **World Class Competition**

Various levels of show jumping competition will be held throughout the week with evening performances on Friday and Saturday. The Wachovia Securities American Gold Cup is also an International Equestrian Federation (FEI) World Cup™ qualifying event. Riders in Sunday's \$100,000 Wachovia Securities American Gold Cup finale (2 p.m.) also earn qualifying points toward the right to compete at the 2008 FEI World Cup Jumping Final in Sweden.

### **One Ticket Includes Something For Everyone – Family Fun, Live Music, Shopping and More**

In addition to exciting daily show jumping action, admission to the Wachovia Securities American Gold Cup features the following additional attractions included with daily admission:

- **Live musical entertainment** is performed adjacent to the beautiful boutique area where unique shops offer clothing, gifts and equestrian items. On Friday, September 21, from 4:30 to 6:30 p.m. popular folk singer/songwriter **Alex Bevan** will perform prior to the evening's 7 p.m. competition. On Saturday from 4:30 to 6:30 p.m., **The Girls**, a nine-member band featuring the harmony of three teenage vocalists, will entertain spectators prior to the evening action. Sunday's music will be performed by Lake County's own folk singer/songwriter **Steve Madewell** from 11:00 to 1:00, prior to the \$100,000 Wachovia Securities American Gold Cup, grand prix show jumping's premiere event.

- **City Year Kids Fun Fair, Saturday, September 22** will take place from **11 a.m. until 3 p.m.** An inflatable slide and obstacle course, carousel rides, and horseless show jumping head the list of activities for parents and their children. Strolling performers will offer magic and balloon shaping, while face painting, character appearances and crafts will also be offered.

Proceeds from the day benefit the nonprofit City Year Cleveland ([www.cityyear.org](http://www.cityyear.org)), which unites a diverse corp of young adults ages 17 to 24 for a demanding year of full-time community service and civic leadership.

- On **Sunday, September 23, from 10 a.m. until 1 p.m** the Gold Cup will celebrate the **125<sup>th</sup> Anniversary of the Cleveland Metroparks Zoo**. In addition to rides and attractions, zoo staff will be on hand with interesting displays. Following the celebration, the \$100,000 Wachovia Securities American Gold Cup, will get underway at 2 p.m.
- Youngsters try their hand at marble making, quill pen writing, playing hoops and other pioneer games and crafts at the Geauga County Historical Society exhibit on Saturday and Sunday.

### **American Gold Cup History**

The first American Gold Cup was held in conjunction with the Chagrin Valley PHA Horse Show in 1970 at the historic Cleveland Metroparks Polo Field, site of the nation's first show jumping grand prix. The following year it relocated to Florida and became the forerunner of today's American Invitational in Tampa, before settling near Philadelphia where it remained until last year.

### **Tickets**

Advance tickets will go on sale in August at the guest relations counter at Eton Chagrin Boulevard in Woodmere, Crocker Park in Westlake and Schneider Saddlery in Bainbridge. Tickets are \$10 for adults, \$5 children 12 to 3 and seniors; Sunday tickets are \$15 for adults, \$5 children and seniors. Ringside seats are \$50 each, good all day for one day (Friday, Saturday or Sunday). Reserved boxes of six seats for the week are priced at \$750. All tickets are available in advance by calling (440) 834-8615 or at [www.AmericanGoldCup.net](http://www.AmericanGoldCup.net).

The Cleveland Metroparks Polo Field is located at Route 87 and Chagrin River Road in Moreland Hills, just three miles west of Chagrin Falls. For more details visit us on the net at [www.AmericanGoldCup.net](http://www.AmericanGoldCup.net).

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## FACT SHEET

**WHAT:** The Wachovia Securities American Gold Cup is a premier five-day horse show jumping event that attracts top international, professional and amateur competitors. More than \$230,000 in prize money is awarded in 20 different classes. The \$125,000 Wachovia Securities American Gold Cup is made up of Friday evening's \$25,000 Wachovia Securities Welcome Stake, a qualifying competition for Sunday's \$100,000 Wachovia Securities American Gold Cup.

**WHEN:** Wednesday, September 19 through Sunday, September 23, 2007

**WHERE:** Cleveland Metroparks Polo Field in Moreland Hills, Ohio (3841 Chagrin River Road, Moreland Hills 44022 -- Ohio Route 87 and Chagrin River Road) just west of Chagrin Falls and approximately 18 miles southeast of Cleveland.

**WHAT IS HORSE SHOW JUMPING:** Show jumping is engaging and fast-paced, as horse and rider combinations race around a twisting course of jumps. The goal is to be fast without knocking any rails down. In the case of a tie, the horse with the least penalties in the fastest time on the scoreboard clock wins! In top-level competition obstacles reach widths of 6 feet and heights over 5 feet.

**HISTORY:** In 2006, the Wachovia Securities American Gold Cup was warmly welcomed by spectators and media as it returned home to Cleveland after a 35-year absence.

**BENEFICIARY:** The Gold Cup benefits City Year Cleveland ([www.CityYear.org](http://www.CityYear.org)).

**PUBLIC TICKET PRICES/SEATING OPTIONS:** General admission bleacher seating Wed: Free; Thurs – Sat: \$10 adults and \$5 seniors/kids 12-3; Sunday: \$15 adults and \$5 senior/kids 12-3; Ringside box (seats 6, \$750 for week); Individual ringside seats are available Friday, Saturday or Sunday for \$50 each day.

**COMPETITION SCHEDULE:** (*Shopping boutiques and eateries open daily during the event*)

### WEDNESDAY, SEPTEMBER 19

11:00 am	\$6,000	Steffee Surfaces 1.40m Speed Stake
	\$6,000	1.45m Jumper Stake

### THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER 20

10:00 am	\$5,000	Cleveland Equine Clinic Junior/Amateur-Owner Jumper - High
	\$2,500	C. Jarvis Insurance Agency Junior/Amateur-Owner Jumper - Low
	\$1,500	Adult Amateur Jumper
	\$10,000	Northern Ohio Live Magazine 1.45m Jumper Stake

### FRIDAY, SEPTEMBER 21

8:00 am	\$2,500	SUCCEED Digestive Conditioning Program Junior/Amateur-Owner Jumper Stake - Low
	\$5,000	Equestrian Properties Junior/Amateur-Owner Jumper Stake - High
	\$6,000	1.40m NAL Speed Stake
	\$1,500	Kellison & Company Adult Amateur Jumper
	\$1,000	Children's Jumper
Noon – 4:00 pm		Meet the Experts Ringside presented by Buckeye Nutrition and EquiFit, inc.
4:30 pm – 6:30 pm		Alex Bevan, popular folk singer, performs
7:00 pm	\$25,000	Wachovia Securities Welcome Stake

### SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 22

11:00 am – 3:00 pm		City Year Kids Fair, Kiddie Rides, Cowboy Ben, & Family Festival
10:00 am	\$1,000	Best Sand Corporation Children's Jumper
	\$10,000	Junior/Amateur-Owner Jumper Classic - Low
	\$5,000	Fair Weather Farm/TCP NAL Adult Amateur Classic
	\$2,500	NAL Children's Jumper Classic
	\$25,000	1.50m Jumper Classic
4:30 pm – 6:30 pm		The Girls, nine member band, performs
6:00 pm	\$10,000	1.40m Hit N' Hurry
	\$15,000	SJHOF Junior/Amateur-Owner Jumper - High

### SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 23

10:00 am – 1:00 pm		Cleveland Zoo Celebration, Rides, Cowboy Ben, & Family Festival
11:00 am – 1:00 pm		Steve Madewell, folk singer/songwriter, performs
1:30 pm		Opening Ceremonies
2:00 pm	\$100,000	Wachovia Securities American Gold Cup, FEI World Cup™



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## GUIDE TO SHOW JUMPING

### **What is Show Jumping?**

Show jumping is easy to understand. The challenge is simple and straight-forward: A horse-and-rider must jump 15 to 20 obstacles over a timed course. Should a horse fall, balk/refuse to jump or knock down any portion of an obstacle (fence), penalty points called faults are assessed. Riders and horses must negotiate the course at the correct angle, height and speed to clear fences without incurring faults, and at a speed faster than the maximum "time allowed."

### **The Riders**

Show jumping is one of the few sports where men and women compete as equals, and ages ranging from 13 to 60. The goal of many of the riders is to compete internationally as a member of the United States Equestrian Team, and ultimately in the Olympics.

### **The Horses**

Jumpers can be any size or breed, but they must possess athletic ability to perform well. Many of the jumpers have been imported from countries where they were bred specifically to jump and heredity and bloodlines have contributed to their ability. In recent years horses been bred to jump in this country.

### **American Gold Cup Classes and Divisions**

Competition at the Wachovia Securities American Gold Cup is divided into divisions (usually composed of three different classes and courses) based on the ability of the rider and/or horse. The divisions include **Children's Jumpers** for riders 18 and under and **Adult Amateur Jumpers** for nonprofessionals over 18 years competing over jumps up to 3'9" in height; **Junior/Amateur-Owner Jumper Low Section** (with jumps up to 4') or **Junior/Amateur-Owner Jumper High Section** (with jumps up to 4'6") for riders 18 and under and/or nonprofessional adults who own their own horse.

The divisions that usually feature professional riders include the **1.40m (meter)** and **1.45m Section** with jumps up to 4'9" tall and maximum 5'3" wide; and the **1.50m Section** with jumps up to 4'11" tall and maximum 5'3" wide.

Championships are awarded in all divisions to the horse/rider with the most accumulated points for class placings.

### **The Course**

The course designer's goal is to set a challenging course that only a small percentage of horses will complete with no faults. Course designers alter their courses according to the level of competition. They seek color and variety in their jumps. The first one or two jumps are often simpler in nature so that the animal can build confidence as he proceeds to the more difficult obstacles ahead.

The course is a test of the horse and the rider, making specific demands in timing, judgment and jumping ability. The course designer can present a variety of challenges by varying the distances between the fences, the type of combinations, (two or more related fences) and by changing the placement of the fences to alter the direction in the course track.

Fences are positioned in the arena with the distance between them measured to calculate the maximum time allowed for the riders to complete the course without incurring time penalties.

## **Walking the Course**

Riders preview their upcoming class in advance by walking the course and the path they intend to ride. This is the only time the riders get to look at the course in the ring. The horse sees the course only when he and his rider enter the ring to compete.

Each rider knows the length of his horse's stride (an average horse stride at the canter is 12 to 14 feet). The riders pace off the distance between fences and determine how best to adjust their own horse's stride to jump without faults.

## **Scoring**

Horse and rider must jump the fences in a designated sequence. The goal is to cover the course with no faults within the time allowed. Style is not considered and does not affect the scoring in jumper competitions. There is a penalty for exceeding the time allowed to complete the course, and one fault is given for each second, or part of a second, over the time allowed. The horse with the fewest faults (penalties) is the winner.

When any part of the fence is knocked down the pair receives 4 faults. If a horse steps in or on the edge of the water jump they will receive 4 faults. The first time a refusal to jump occurs, the penalty is 4 faults; 4 faults are given for the second refusal and the third refusal constitutes elimination. At the top levels of riding, scoring is slightly different and elimination occurs after the second refusal. If either the horse or rider falls then the duo will be eliminated.

A rider may elect not to continue on course and leave the ring, resulting in elimination. This is called a "voluntary withdraw" and may be the result of a problem with the horse or because they have accumulated too many faults to place in the ribbons.

## **The Jumps**

The general types of jumps used in competition are straight or vertical fences and spread (wide) fences. The degree of difficulty is determined by its height, width, construction and placement in relation to other jumps on the course. Jump examples include verticals, oxers, walls, triple bar, combinations of two or three jumps, and the water jump.

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## A PRIMER ON INTERNATIONAL SHOW JUMPING

The Wachovia Securities American Gold Cup is host to one of a series of qualifying classes for the international FEI World Cup™ Show Jumping Finals. The internationally sanctioned competition begins Friday evening with the \$25,000 Wachovia Securities Welcome Stake, where the top placed riders will qualify for Sunday's \$100,000 Wachovia Securities American Gold Cup finale. The best in the Welcome Stake will return on Sunday, and are restricted to just one horse as they compete for the \$100,000 purse. The winner will earn \$30,000 and valuable points towards qualifying to compete at the FEI World Cup™.

The **Federation Equestrian International (FEI)** is the international governing body of equestrian sports, and show jumping is the best known of all the equestrian disciplines where men and women compete as equals in team and individual events. There are three premiere international competitions: The FEI World Cup™, the Olympic Games and the World Equestrian Games.

The **FEI World Cup™ Show Jumping Finals** is an annual international show jumping competition among the world's best riders. Riders earn qualifying points during a series of international events, including the American Gold Cup. The top riders in the World Riders' Ranking then qualify to compete in World Cup™ Final. The 2008 World Cup™ Show Jumping Finals will be held April 23-27 in Gothenburg, Sweden.

The **Olympic Games** take place every four years and the next Games will be staged in Beijing, China in 2008. The **FEI World Equestrian Games (WEG)**, sometimes called the World Championships, are held every four years in the even years between the Olympic Games. The next Games will be crossing the Atlantic for the very first time, to be held in Lexington, Kentucky in 2010.

## **WHO'S WHO OF NATION'S BEST COMPETE AT THE GOLD CUP**

There is no doubt that the international caliber of the American Gold Cup attracts some of show jumping's top athletes. Riders are a who's who of the equestrian world including many who have represented the United States in world competition and made us proud! Look for:

**Norman Dello Joio** of Wellington, FL, was an Individual Bronze Medalist at the 1992 Olympic Games in Barcelona, Spain, aboard Irish. Dello Joio is also famous for winning the 1983 FEI World Cup in Vienna, Austria aboard the stallion I Love You.

**Margie Engle** of Wellington, FL, represented the United States during the 2000 Olympics in Sydney aboard Hidden Creek's Perrin and was on the Silver Medal Team at the 2006 World Championships in Aachen, Germany. She is the national American Grandprix Association's (AGA) only ten-time Rider of the Year. Her total number of grand prix wins exceeds 100 with career earnings over \$3 million.

**Joe Fargis** of Southampton, NY is a two-time Olympic medalist. Fargis earned a Team and Individual Gold Medal at the 1984 Olympic Games aboard Touch of Class. In 1988, he went on to win a Team Silver at the Olympic Games in Korea, aboard Mill Pearl.

**Lisa Jacquin** of Collegeville, PA, accomplishments include a Silver Olympic Team Medal in 1988 aboard For the Moment, the 1991 AGA Horse of the Year.

**Chris Kappler** of Pittstown, NJ, won the Team Gold Medal and an Individual Silver Medal with Royal Kaliber at the 2004 Olympic Games. Kappler won the American Gold Cup in 2002 and 2003 on Royal Kaliber, and the 1996 Gold Cup with Seven Wonder.

**McLain Ward** of Brewster, NY was a member of the 2004 Gold Medal Olympic team in Athens aboard Sapphire. In 2006, he was on the Silver Medal Team at the World Equestrian Games in Aachen, Germany. He also made history by being the youngest rider to earn the national AGA Rider of the Year and Horse of the Year titles in 1998, after winning the AGA Rookie of the Year title in 1991. He went on to be named AGA Rider of the Year for 2002 and 2003.

**Other riders to watch include:**

**Christine Tribble-McCrea** of East Windsor, CT, is expected to return to defend her American Gold Cup title aboard a new horse, Promised Land. Leading up to the event, she has been competing in Europe and representing the United States in events aboard.

**Kent Farrington** of Greenwich, CT, has 50,000 reasons to want to win the \$100,000 Wachovia Securities American Gold Cup! As part of the new "Cleveland Challenge" there is a \$50,000 bonus to the rider who wins the Cleveland Grand Prix in July, and the September Gold Cup with the same horse in the same year. Farrington won the Cleveland Grand Prix aboard a new horse, Nirena and he's after the bonus in September! In his second season on the AGA tour he won the 2005 AGA Horse of the Year title aboard Madison.

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### LOCAL GOLD CUP RIDERS TO WATCH

Many top local riders and their horses will be competing and visiting the Wachovia Securities American Gold Cup winners circle in the Children's, Adult Amateur, Junior/Amateur-Owner High and Low divisions. We invite you to meet a few of our local equestrians and cheer for them:

Willoughby Hills resident **Alexis Antunez**, 15, got hooked on riding during a summer camp ten years ago and hasn't looked back. A student at DE Show Stables, she rides El Caro, a Dutch warmblood, and won the Children's Jumper at last year's Gold Cup. She enjoys the fun and work of riding. "The work, like tacking up my horse to helping out in the barn, has helped form who I am as a person in general, and makes the rewards worthwhile," said Antunez. Being the only family member who rides, Antunez knows that she's very lucky to have parents that give her support and encouragement.

Chagrin Fall's **Sharer Dale**, Vice President of RE/MAX Traditions, is admired because she has found a magic formula for combining her profession and her passion.

"I probably ride five days a week for three hours a day, but being 'in the saddle' is a small part of how riders spend their time at the barn," explained Dale. "I am fortunate to have some assistance both at the office, from my mother and business partner, Susan, with "daleteam", as well as all the help at the barn. They all help keep my horse life in better balance. It takes a lot of planning, organization and juggling! I think being a rider is all about multitasking and being able to go with the flow."

Another secret to Dale's success: "I have an office at the barn. It is private, discreet and peaceful. I do much of my work on my laptop. My responsibilities of "daleteam" are primarily marketing and being the rainmaker and I look after the Internet communications and Web site," she said.

In the competition arena, Dale, who rides with Betsy Lewis, is no stranger to the winner's circle. During the American Gold Cup, she will show three of her jumpers including Antares, her top horse. Named for one of the brightest stars in the galaxy, the bay gelding was purchased from Germany after she saw him on a video. "A-man," as Dale calls him, has a fondness for peppermints and jumping. He has won numerous High Amateur-Owner classes at Indianapolis, Lexington, Cleveland and Chicago.

The **Elghanayan family** of Chesterland may have two riders competing at the Gold Cup – professional rider/trainer and dad, Dariush, and his daughter, 13-year-old Alexandria. Dariush owns and operates DE Show Stables with his wife Anne, who along with their 10-year-old daughter, both ride horses.

For **Alexandria**, who has just started showing jumpers, her passion for riding is unmistakable, judging by the smile on her face when riding Noble Boy, her German riding pony. "The best part of the American Gold Cup is the excitement just before entering the show ring and in the adrenaline rush as I'm going over the fences," she said.

Riding has had a positive impact on her life as it helps her to deal with the pressures at school. "When riding, it's just me and the horse. Everything else just fades away." Elghanayan also enjoys the social aspect of her sport, making new friends at various competitions and meeting people outside of school that share her interest are part of the fun. Her future plans include owning a bigger horse and jumping higher fences.

**Dariush**, or "DE" as he is known in the horse world, began riding as a child. He was born in NYC, grew up in Tehran, and attended boarding school in Northern Ireland where he rode and showed. He moved to America in

1980 at age 16. When he travels to shows he tries to take many of his students. "Everyone helps with the chores, so, it's not only a horse show, but a little vacation out of town."

**Kate Fogarty**, 20, of Chardon was the co-winner of the Adult Amateur Championship at the 2006 American Gold Cup riding her horse, Tucker's Town. Kate, who rides with Susan Lloyd, began competing at the age of 10. Tucker's Town, 13, was an ex-racehorse and event horse before she owned him. As Kate recalled winning last year, she explained, "It was really exciting to do my own victory lap because we always watch professionals who win doing their victory lap with their coolers." Kate's life away from horses includes being a student at Case Western Reserve where she will be entering her third year this fall, studying accounting.

**Keeley Gogul** is last year's co-champion of the Adult Amateur Jumpers aboard Schoolhouse Rock. Keeley is trained by her husband, Jeff Gogul, who owns and operates his Flagship Ltd., based at the recently renovated Chagrin Valley Stables in Gates Mills. This 37-year-old mother is already introducing her 2-year-old child to riding. During the Gold Cup, Keeley will be competing, as well as another Flagship student, 17-year-old **Morgan Osborne**.

Teenager **Courtney Marous** of Chardon was introduced to riding by her aunt and father about 10 years ago. "You can't do this sport by yourself. Both my parents are extremely encouraging, always there for me, coming to every competition, and being supportive even when a show doesn't go well," she explained. "My mom gets so excited when I ride, she takes every jump with me from the sidelines; she's right there in the saddle with me."

Last year, she won ribbons at the American Gold Cup aboard her German-bred horse Smoke Screen in the Children's Jumper division. "The Gold Cup has a completely different feel from other shows," she said, "from the prestige and the ceremony surrounding each award presentation, to the competition against the nation's top jumper riders."

Marous, who rides with Elizabeth Porter, plans to continue riding even after she heads off to college. "I can't cut riding out of my life, I'd go through withdrawal. I've gotten to the point where it is not just a hobby, it's a life need that keeps me sane," she explained of the bond that develops between a horse and rider.

Cleveland's **Linda Radigan** has been busy showing and winning with her three jumpers this summer. She is 2002 graduate of Ohio Wesleyan University and is a learner judge, hoping to get her judges license. She's rides and manages her own horses and has ridden with Brian Shook of Michigan, Candice King of Florida and locally with Heidi D'Angelo. She shows in the low and high Junior/Amateur Jumpers with the colorful black and white horse, Spray Paint and Chevalier, as well as a new horse. Linda has also ridden successfully at the grand prix level.

For 18-year-old **David Roush** of Mayfield Hts., Euro Envoy ("Enzo"), his Irish Sport horse, symbolizes the value of support and the perseverance it takes to realize his potential.

He credits his current trainer Megan Udelson of Udelson Show Stables, with rekindling his passion for riding. "I called Megan and said that if she couldn't get me back into riding, no one could," he explained. He began training with Udelson and Melissa Murphy, started to compete locally, and soon realized that he needed a top jumper to advance to the "A" level of competition, including the American Gold Cup. They purchased Enzo in May 2007.

Enzo was just what Roush needed to propel him into the big leagues. They rode to a second and tenth place finish in the Children/Adult Division at the Chicago Lamplight show this past June, the first big show of his life. Sadly, Enzo coliced in August and is out for the season, but David has leased a jumper and is expected to compete at the Gold Cup.

"My parents (Marianne and David) could not be more supportive. I would not have Enzo if it wasn't for them. My mom comes to every show (she closes her eyes when I ride) and my dad comes whenever he can."

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## **HISTORY OF THE AMERICAN GOLD CUP**

The first American Gold Cup was held in Cleveland in 1970 as part of the Chagrin Valley PHA Horse Show's annual event. The show had already made history, hosting the nation's first show jumping grand prix in 1965. Then in 1970, they launched a new star. Saturday, July 25, the show hosted the Fifth Annual Cleveland Grandprix, and Sunday, July 26, was the inaugural presentation of the American Gold Cup. D. Jerry Baker designed the course which featured 18 obstacles including a closed ditch, two water jumps and a bank. The victor that day was Conrad Homfeld aboard Act 1.

The Gold Cup was held in Tampa, Florida's home of the NFL's Tampa Bay Buccaneers in 1971 and 1972. In 1973, the event was moved to Philadelphia's JFK Stadium, which was well suited due to the course requirements for Grand Prix competition and JFK's similarity to the Olympic stadiums in use at the time. This allowed D. Jerry Baker to design an outdoor course which provided a superb challenge to both rider and horse and brought sheer exhilaration to the spectators. In 1980, the Gold Cup was moved to the Devon Show Grounds outside Philadelphia, where it remained until 2005.

In 2006, the Gold Cup organizers moved the event back to its Cleveland roots under Wachovia Securities' title sponsorship. One of the main reasons for relocating the Gold Cup back to the Cleveland Metroparks Polo Field was the installation of a new international show ring at the Field by the Chagrin Valley PHA Horse Show in 2005. The Polo Field grounds now met international standards for competitions such as the Gold Cup.

Over the years, the American Gold Cup has provided exciting competition over courses designed by such talented Grand Prix designers as Pamela Caruthers, the late Bertalan DeNemethy, Robert Jolicouer, Allan Oliver, Robert Ridland and Frank Chapot. At this year's event, riders will compete over Steve Stephens' course. A Gold Cup winner himself (1971), Stephens was selected as the course designer for the 2008 Olympic Games in Beijing.

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## 2006 SUMMARY OF RESULTS

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### AMERICAN GOLD CUP CHAMPIONS - Horse / Rider / Owner

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**Children's Jumper** *Champion:* El Caro / Alexis Antunez O/R  
*Reserve Champion:* Lazuli / Rachel Udelson O/R

**Junior/Amateur-Owner Jumper – High**  
*Champion:* Larone / Tracey Weinberg / The Weinburg Brokerage Group  
*Reserve Champion:* Kachina / Louis Jacobs / Deeridge Farm

**Junior/Amateur-Owner Jumper – Low**  
*Champion:* Game Twist / Cara Cheska O/R  
*Reserve Champion:* Fernando / Rachel Mikrut O/R

**Adult Amateur Jumper** *Champion:* School House Rock / Keeley Gogul O/R  
*Champion:* Tucker's Town / Kathryn Fogarty O/R

**1.45m – 1.50m** *Champion:* Pavarotti / Todd Minikus O/R  
*Reserve Champion:* Diams III / Joe Fargis / Mary B. Schwab

**1.40m Speed** *Champion:* Whitney Van Berkenbroeck / Kate Levy O/R  
*Reserve Champion:* Ralvesther / Jimmy Torano / SCNC Inv. Inc.  
*Reserve Champion:* Acertijo / Francis Tres Roig / J. Adalberto Roig Jr.

### 2006 CLASS WINNERS

### Horse / Rider / Owner

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1.40 Speed Stake	Ralvesther / Jimmy Torano / SCNC Inv. Inc.
1.45m Jumper Stake	Diams III / Joe Fargis / Mary B. Schwab
1.40m Speed Stake	Acertijo / Francis Tres Roig / J. Adalberto Roig Jr.
1.45m Jumper Stake	Pavarotti / Todd Minikus O/R
Jr/A-O Jumper – High	Kachina / Louis Jacobs / Deeridge Farm
Jr/A-O Jumper – Low	Fernando / Rachel Mikrut O/R
Adult Amateur Jumper	Foul Play / Mindy Blackford O/R
Jr/A-O Jumper Stake – Low	Game Twist / Cara Cheska O/R
Jr/A-O Jumper Stake – High	Omona AW / Carolyn Kelly / LuLu Equestrian Ent.
1.40m NAL Speed Stake	Whitney Van Berkenbroeck / Kate Levy O/R
Adult Amateur Jumper	Tucker's Town / Kathryn Fogarty O/R
Children's Jumper	Rockin' Horses Timber / Ainjel Giannamore O/R
Wachovia Securities Welcome Stake	Madison / Kent Farrington / Alexa Weeks
Children's Jumper	El Caro / Alexis Antunez O/R
Jr/A-O Jumper Classic – Low	Game Twist / Cara Cheska O/R
NAL Children's Jumper Classic	Lazuli / Rachel Udelson O/R
1.50 Jumper Classic	Pavarotti / Todd Minikus O/R
NAL Adult Amateur Classic	Oriola / John Martino O/R
SJHOF Jr/A-O Jumper - High	Larone / Tracey Weinberg / The Weinburg Brokerage Group
Wachovia Securities American Gold Cup	Vegas / Christine McCrea / Candy Tribble



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## PAST WINNERS OF THE AMERICAN GOLD CUP

<b>Year</b>	<b>Rider/Horse</b>	<b>Owner</b>
1970	Conrad Homfeld/ <b>Act 1</b>	Mr. & Mrs. Michael McEvoy
1971	Steve Stephens/ <b>Houdini</b>	Edward Borbeau
1972	Rodney Jenkins/ <b>Balbuco</b>	William D. Haggard, III
1973	Rodney Jenkins/ <b>Idle Dice</b>	Harry R. Gill
1974	Rodney Jenkins/ <b>Idle Dice</b>	Harry R. Gill
1975	Rodney Jenkins/ <b>Idle Dice</b>	Harry R. Gill
1976	Melanie Smith/ <b>Radnor II</b>	Mr. & Mrs. Neil B. Eustace
1977	Michael Matz/ <b>Grande</b>	F. Eugene Dixon, Jr.
1978	Michael Matz/ <b>Jet Run</b>	F. Eugene Dixon, Jr.
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1980	Buddy Brown/ <b>Felton</b>	Ira Kapp & David Weismann
1981	Melanie Smith/ <b>Calypso</b>	Windrush Farm
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1983	Leslie Burr/ <b>Albany</b>	Debbie Dolan & Sagamore Farm
1984	Conrad Homfeld/ <b>Coastline</b>	Mrs. S.B. French
1985	Rodney Jenkins/ <b>The Natural</b>	Sheldon Gordon
1986	Barney Ward/ <b>Sedac</b>	Barney Ward
1987	Joe Fargis/ <b>Mill Pearl</b>	Jane Burr & Mr. & Mrs. Patrick Butler
1988	Peter Leone/ <b>Threes and Sevens</b>	Ri-Arm Farm
1989	Beezie Patton/ <b>Northern Magic</b>	Mr. & Mrs. Frank Fisher
1990	Anne Kursinski/ <b>Starman</b>	Meadow Grove Farm
1991	Terry Rudd/ <b>P.S. Gazpacho</b>	Mr. & Mrs. Paul Gansky
1992	Eric Hasbrouck/ <b>Kilmore Quay</b>	Pin Oak Farm
1993	Anne Kursinski/ <b>Top Seed</b>	Hillary Boone
1994	Anne Kursinski/ <b>Eros</b>	The Eros Group
1995	Anne Kursinski/ <b>Dynamite</b>	Alan Shore, Jr.
1996	Chris Kappler/ <b>Seven Wonder</b>	Marley Goodman
1997	Amanda Fuscas/ <b>Genesis</b>	Helen Krieble
1998	Sarah Watt/ <b>Arabian</b>	Leviticus Enterprises
1999	Michael Matz/ <b>Judgement</b>	Iron Spring Farm
2000	Schuyler Riley/ <b>Carolus H</b>	South Beach Stables
2001	Kimberly Prince/ <b>Bergerac</b>	K. Miracle /Overlook Rider
2002	Chris Kappler/ <b>Royal Kaliber</b>	Chris Kappler & The Kamine Family
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2004	Kimberly Prince/ <b>Marlou</b>	Windmill Ranch, LLC
2005	Patty Stovel/ <b>Shandor 41</b>	Shandor Syndicate
2006	Christine McCrea/ <b>Vegas</b>	Candy Tribble