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Bill Campbell, center, presents trophies to Citizen's Holly Chamberlain, Charly Quincoes, Alfredo Guerrero and Midge Ellison at The Villages.



Fross & Fross' Alfredo Guerrero, Nate Berube, Midge Ellison and Thom Fross won the 6-goal Aviv Clinics tournament.

Farm (Annabelle Gundlach, Facundo Obregon, Mariano Aguerre, Matias Gonzalez) for the final on April 17. It was the second time this season the teams met in a final. Old Hickory came out on top, 12-9, of the 18-goal USPA Butler Handicap, March 5.

This time, Postage Stamp jumped out to an early 2-0 lead after back-to-back goals from Gundlach. Orthwein and Matias Magrini matched the goals in the second, but a pair of penalty conversions from Obregon put Postage Stamp back in the lead. Postage Stamp continued to press, outscoring Old Hickory Bourbon, 2-1, in the third to take a 6-3 lead into the half.

Old Hickory Bourbon made the most of the halftime break, coming back in the fourth with renewed vigor. Ellis got the rally going with a goal, followed by a pair of goals by Santino Magrini to tie the score. Obregon found the uprights to give Postage Stamp back the lead, 7-6, late in the chukker. Santino Magrini tied the match again in the fifth and Orthwein gave Old Hickory a first-time lead going into the last chukker, 8-7. It was still anyone's game and both teams had opportunities but both teams' defenses clamped down, preventing anymore scoring. Old Hickory held on for the narrow win.

"I think our simple style and teamwork helped us get through some

tough games," Ellis said. "We were a well-mounted team and worked well for each other."

Santino Magrini, who scored three goals and tied the score twice, was named MVP, and Facundo Obregon's 10-year-old gray mare, Sapphire, was Best Playing Pony.

On the way to the final, both teams defeated Iconica (Maureen Brennan, Magoo Laprida, Juan Cruz Marcos, Mariano Gonzalez) and Bushwood (Mike Davis, Tommy Panelo, Kris Kampsen, Henry Porter).

CITIZENS VICTORIOUS IN CITIZENS BANK 6 GOAL

The Villages Polo Club in The Villages, Florida, held the Citizens First Bank 6-goal tournament, April 16-18. Four teams competed in the tournament with the winners of the Friday matches moving on to the final on Sunday.

Citizens First (Midge Ellison, Alfredo Guerrero, Charly Quincoes, Holly Chamberlain) met Fross & Fross (Thom Fross, Nate Berube, Paige Boone, Francisco Llosa) in the final. Fross & Fross began with a half-goal handicap and it hung on to it through the first two chukkers after the teams matched goals. Guerrero and Quincoes scored two goals apiece, but they were matched by goals from Fross,

Berube and Llosa. Citizens was kept off the scoreboard in the third while Fross converted back-to-back Penalty 2s for a 6½-4 score at the half.

Quincoes took the ball coast to coast, cutting the deficit early in the fourth, but Fross & Fross tightened its defense, not allowing Citizens to get any closer. Citizens kept pressing and at the four-minute mark of the fifth and final period, Quincoes brought Citizens within a half-goal, 6½-6. The Citizens defense kept Fross & Fross from responding and with under a minute left, Citizens was awarded a penalty. Quincoes' shot was knocked down by Berube but Guerrero pounced on the loose ball and connected with the goal. With 32 seconds left, Fross & Fross made a last-ditch effort to gain the lead. Llosa shot to goal but it went just wide as time ran out.

Holly Chamberlain was named MVP and Guerrero's Golden Coin, an 8-year-old bay mare, was Best Playing Pony.

"Everybody played really cohesively those last two chukkers, and that's what was really important," said Chamberlain. "We were far more collected as a team and we played much better defense together, and it really made it a lot of fun there late."

The following week, four goals by Berube gave Fross & Fross the win in the 6-goal Aviv Clinics tournament. Fross & Fross (Thom Fross, Midge Elli-



Giorgio Brignone and Alberto Ardisson congratulate La Karina's Conrad Kissling, Chris Falk, Carlitos Gracida, Brian Boyd and Benito Hernandez.



Agua Alta's Gian Carlo Brignone, Patrick Boyd, Milo Ardisson and Benito Hernandez won the Agua Alta Cup at Costa Careyes.

son, Nate Berube, Alfredo Guerrero) began with a one-goal handicap and Berube added to it in the first two minutes. United HealthCare (Mateo/Cruz Bilbao, Cameron Smart, Paige Boone, Francisco Bilbao) answered with Smart hitting the mark, but Guerrero had the last word, ending the first, 3½-1.

Berube scored again less than a minute into the second and Fross followed with a goal to increase the lead. Mateo Bilbao shot through a goal to end the second, 5½-2. Boone scored two in a row early in the third but Berube added another, ending the half with Fross & Fross on top, 6½-4.

United Healthcare kept pace in the second half, matching Fross & Fross goal for goal. Cruz Bilbao tallied early in the fourth, but his goal was answered by Guerrero. Berube scored in the fifth, but Smart responded. Time ran out before United HealthCare was able to get any closer, and Fross & Fross held on for the 8½-6 win.

Nate Berube took MVP honors and Midge Ellison's Rolex, a 9-year-old bay gelding, was Best Playing Pony.

In a consolation match, The Villages Insurance (Holly Chamberlain/Liv Berube, Kim Smith, Horacio Liza-so, Charly Quincoces) narrowly edged Arden's Fine Jewelers (Jamie Demerica-s/ Lou Pendas, Miguel Lis-Planells, Chavelo Briones, Francisco Llosa), 5-4½. The Villages led by a half goal

after the first but Lis-Planells' lone goal in the second turned the tables. Neither team reached the goal in the third and a Quincoces goal in the fourth was matched by Lis Planells to keep it close. Quincoces gave The Villages the lead early in the fifth but Demerica-s snatched the lead back. It looked like Arden's would take the win but Quincoces fired at the goal with one second to spare for the win.

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LA KARINA VICTORIOUS IN CONSTITUTION CUP

The 8-goal USPA Constitution Cup was held at Costa Careyes Polo Club in Jalisco, Mexico, March 27-April 3. Six teams played in the event, held concurrently with the 3-goal XXI Agua Alta Cup, which drew another six teams. The teams in each event were divided into two brackets.

Players from 12 to 72 traveled from New York, Argentina, Switzerland, California and all parts of Mexico to play at the club located on the Pacific Ocean. The opening night was hosted by Alberto and Kari Ardisson at their Agua Alta villa. A team draw was held and USPA team jerseys were distributed to the players as guests enjoyed La Dama, a new organic tequila.

In the final of the Constitution Cup, La Karina (Brian Boyd, Carlitos Gracida, Benito Hernandez, Chris Falk) faced FunFruit (Ricardo Cos, Ricardo Cos Jr., Diego Solorzano, Tomas Elliot). An injured Falk was replaced by Conrad Kissling, who had just arrived from Madrid. FunFruit began with a handicap goal but La Karina came to play and quickly took control. Ricardo Cos Jr. was accurate from the penalty line, scoring all but one of his Penalty 2s and 3s, but it wasn't enough as La Karina amassed an 11-4 lead. Carlitos Gracida led the La Karina scoring with six goals.

All the players in the tournament voted on the MVP awards. Benito Hernandez won MVP Pro and Ricardo Cos Jr. took MVP Amateur.

In the XXI Agua Alta Cup, the home team took the top prize. Agua Alta (Milo Ardisson, Gian Carlo Brignone, Patrick Boyd, Benito Hernandez) took on San Jorge (Jorge Suarez, Juan Galan, Joel Acosta, Miguel Chavez). The action went back and forth in the first half, with Agua Alta gaining a 6-4 lead at the half. Agua Alta was just getting going and held San Jorge to a single goal in the second half while tallying four more. Agua Alta prevailed, 10-5.

Hernandez led the scoring with six goals in the afternoon. Joel Acosta, high-scorer for San Jorge, was MVP Pro and crowd favorite Jorge Suarez was MVP Amateur.

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