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MUSEUM OF POLO 30TH ANNUAL HALL OF FAME GALA

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Polo players, patrons and fans from around the world gathered at the Museum of Polo on Friday, February 15th to honor the new inductees into the Hall of Fame. It was a monumental milestone for the Museum celebrating the 30th Anniversary of this annual Awards Gala.

The red carpet was rolled out and guests turned out in grand style to honor six pillars of polo; Daniel Gonzalez, Gerald Balding, Karlene Beal Garber, John B. Armstrong, and horses Mr. Polo and Conover.

Sponsored by Marc and Melissa Ganzi, Digital Bridge Hold-

ings LLC and Grand Champions Polo Club, the Gala Dinner was an elegant affair catered by Ken Rose Catering.

The evening's wine and spirits were provided by Robert S. Lipman, Margaret Lipman Orthwein, Lipman Brothers, Brown-Forman, Old Hickory Bourbon, Tito's Handmade Vodka, Bacardi USA, Line 39 Wine and Korbel Champagne.

The after-party took a country western twist and guests kicked up their heels to the music of the band King Tide sponsored by Wayne and Pamela Garrison.

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Gala Dinner sponsors Marc and Melissa Ganzi with Glen Holden.
(ph Alex Pacheco)



With Museum Chairman Marty Cregg serving as the emcee for the evening and Museum President Melissa Ganzi presenting the awards, the first honors of the evening were given for the Horses to Remember.

Leverett Miller and his wife Linda accepted the award for Conover, a great pony who was owned by Lev's grandfather Harry Payne Whitney in the early 1900s. Although owned by Whitney, Conover had been lent to Hall of Fame teammate Monty Waterbury who, as luck would have it, is the uncle of Lev's wife Linda. Lev was also a recipient of the Iglehart award in 2017 and is one of the Museum's founders.

The award for Mr. Polo was accepted by Mimi Gracida Boyle on behalf of Memo Gracida who owned and played the memorable chestnut gelding, a partnership that resulted in winning 8 US Opens together.



Top left: Leverett and Linda Miller accepting the award for **Conover**. Top right, Leverett and Linda Miller with Louise Hitchcock Stephaich, daughter of Hall of Fame legend Tommy Hitchcock, and Scott Riviere. Above right, Jeff and Caitlin Cregg, Museum Chairman Marty Cregg and wife Amanda. (ph Alex Pacheco) Right, Mimi Gracida Boyle with Award for **Mr. Polo**. (ph Krystal Zaskey Photography)



Left, Charlie Armstrong, Melissa Ganzi, Stewart Armstrong and sister Julia Jitkoff. Right, Stewart with wife C.C. Below right, Melissa Ganzi presenting award to Karlene Beal Garber. Below, The Garber and Beal families, and friends.
(ph Alex Pacheco and Krystal Zaskey Photography)



In the Iglehart category for outstanding lifetime contributions to the sport, Stewart Armstrong accepted on behalf of his father, John B. Armstrong. As the posthumous recipient John Armstrong is remembered as a trail blazer for polo in Texas, a champion of charity matches, and as a consummate sportsman and gentleman.

Karlene Beal Garber took the podium to accept her award. She was honored for her past and continuing work on behalf of the Polo Training Foundation and the Federation of International Polo and betterment of the sport for all. “I’m humbled and thrilled to be in the Museum of Polo and Hall of Fame,” said Garber. “It is the honor of a lifetime.”



The award for Gerald Balding, a superstar of the Golden Age of polo in the 1930s, was accepted by his daughter Gail Balding King. Gail calls Aiken home and her brother Ian and his wife Emma traveled from England to be here for the occasion. Ian was a very successful racehorse trainer in the UK, training for Paul Mellon, HRH Queen Elizabeth among others, and trained Mr. Mellon's Mill Reef to win the English Derby.



Left, Melissa Ganzi presenting award to Gail Balding King, daughter of Gerald Balding. Above, Balding King family - Catherine Balding, Laura Balding, Nick balding, Gail King, Kristopher King, Ian Balding, Lady Emma Balding, Thruston Pettus, Virginia Orthwein, David King. (ph Alex Pacheco and Krystal Zaskey Photography)



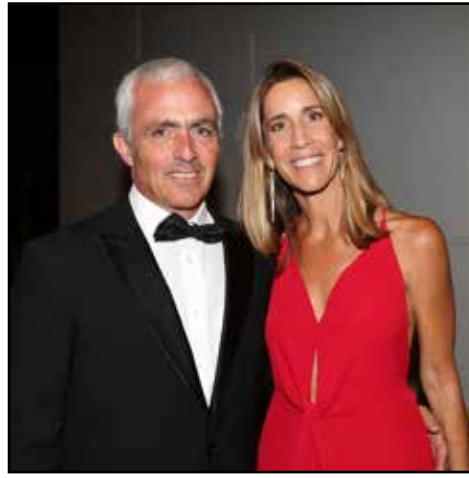
Daniel Gonzalez was the final honoree of the evening. Part of the American polo scene for over 35 years, Daniel was known both as a player and a coach. "For me, it is a great honor to be here because it is a part of something unbelievable. I am very happy to be inducted with all of the international polo legends. Not everyone has the chance to do that and I am very honored."



Above right, Melissa Ganzi presenting award to Daniel Gonzalez. Right, Daniel Gonzalez with his family. (ph Alex Pacheco and Krystal Zaskey Photography)

Other Hall of Famers and Iglehart Award winners in attendance were Mariano Aguerre, Tony Coppola, Reuben Gracida, Julian Hipwood, Glen Holden, Frederick P. Mannix, Leverett S. Miller, Jimmy Newman, Bill Sinclair, Charles Smith and Paul Von Gontard.

Right, Mariano and Tatiana Aguerre. Far right, Charles and Marcia Smith. Below, second row, Bill and Joanne Sinclair; Fred Mannix and Marc Ganzi; Julian and Patricia Hipwood. Below, third row Tony Coppola and Susan Shelly. Bottom left, Glen (Jeep) and Sharon Holden with Glen Holden, Sr. Bottom right, Jimmy Newman and Heidi Hamilton. (ph Alex Pacheco and Krystal Zaskey Photography)



The Museum of Polo is the only one of its kind in the world and the Hall of Fame Dinner Gala is the single most important fund-raising event to help support it. One of the most highly anticipated social events of the year, the chic affair attracts polo enthusiasts from around the U.S. and across the globe.



Above left, Paul von Gontard with Olsen Fenwick and Ginny Orthwein. Above right, Olexa Celine, Melissa Psitos and Kelly Headquist. Below left, Annabelle Gundlach and Leighton Jordan. Below, Joe DiMenna and Mariano Gonzalez. Bottom, Jim and Julie DeAngelis. (ph Alex Pacheco and Krystal Zaskey Photography)





Above, Alfredo Bigatti , Cande Oyharzabol Castro, Cecilia and Juan Bollini. Above right, Linda Brown, Museum Board Director Cliff Sifton and wife Terra Sifton. Below right, Timmy, Susie and Tim Dutta. Below, George DuPont, Ginny Orthwein, Diana and Kishan Khanna. Bottom left, We thank our volunteers, from left, Maria Feola, Museum Dir. Brenda Lynn, Tina Ayala, Monic Bourgeois and sponsor/volunteer Melinda Brewer and not pictured Paul DuPont and Claude Bourgeois. Bottom right, Mike Farah and Victoria Quinn. (ph Alex Pacheco and Krystal Zaskey Photography)





Top left, Slaney O'Hanlon, Aly Poor, Jen and James McLeavy. Top Right, Iñaki LaPrida and Grant Ganzi. Right center, Wade Byrd with fiancé Ellen McGarvey. Right, Nacho Figueras and Delphina Blaquier. Above, Lucas and Hope Arellano, Jack Whitman, Aidan Meeker. Right, Kishan and Diana Khanna and Nominating committee Chairman Peter Rizzo. (ph Alex Pacheco and Krystal Zaskey Photography)





Top left, Pat and Ursula Nesbitt. Top right, Mandy and Bob Stanton, Taryn and Avery Chapman, and Julio Arellano. Right, Ronnie and Pam Tongg. Far right, Jack Whitman and his mother Michelle. Bottom, Magoo Laprida, Alejandro Novillo Astrada, Pablo MacDonough, Juan Martin Nero. (ph Alex Pacheco and Krystal Zaskey Photography)





NEW AT THE MUSEUM

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Far left, Eric and Krystal Zaskey Monahan of Krystal Zaskey Photography. Left, Alicia Edwards, Peter Pacheco, Linda and Alex Pacheco. (ph Krystal Zaskey Photography)

Featured Club NEWPORT POLO CLUB

The Museum is proud to highlight Newport Polo Club for the “Featured Club” exhibit. In its original incarnation as Westchester Polo Club, it was established in Newport, Rhode Island by players from Westchester County, New York in 1876 who used Newport as a summer haven, keeping swank “cottages” there. As the scene of some of the most important early milestones of America’s polo history, Newport reigned as the international polo capital of the world until 1929 when World War I and the Great Depression ended the era of polo there. In 1992, the club was revived and

officially named Newport Polo Club, though it remains registered with the USPA under the historic Westchester name. Come learn more about the history and progress of this exemplary polo club.

The Museum is open Monday through Friday, from 10:00 a.m. until 4:00 p.m., and on Saturdays, during the Season only, from 10:00 a.m. until 2:00 p.m. Admission is free, donations are appreciated.



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Top right, David Cummings, Chairman of USPA Global Licensing, Inc. and Chip Campbell, Chairman of the USPA unveiling the new Gauntlet of Polo trophy. Top left, Scott and Barbara Walker with Michael Prince, President and CEO USPA Global Licensing. Above, Leighton Jordan, Chip Campbell, Olson Fenwick, Paul von Gontard. Right, Timmy Dutta, Oliva Uechritz, Bayne Bossom who were part of the winning Team USA in the Jr. Westchester Cup on April 21st. Far right, Chrys Beal and Charles Smith. (ph Courtesy Global Polo Entertainment)

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Far left, Louisa and Bob Jornayvaz with the trophy for the inaugural U.S. National Mixed Doubles Tournament held on April 5th and won by Valiente – Bob Jornayvaz, Pamela Flanagan, Adolfo Cambiaso and Mia Cambiaso. Left, the team captains for the WPL Triple Crown of Polo teams with WPL Commissioner Dale Smicklas. Below, from left, Marc and Melissa Ganzi. The Triple Crown of Polo Trophy. The Triple crown of Polo Draw. (ph Frederic Roy)



2019 HALL OF FAME CUP CHAMPIONS

SD FARMS

Congratulations to the 2019 winners of the Museum's Hall of Fame Cup, SD Farms (Timmy Dutta, Pelon Escapite, Juan "Tito" Ruiz Guinazu, and Peco Polledo) who edged out Old Hickory in an exciting overtime win 11 – 10. Best Playing Pony was "Ponderosa" for Miguel Astrada. The Hall of Fame Cup has been played for years as the consolation or subsidiary of the U.S. Open and this year was played Sunday morning April 21st, just prior to the Open final.

The first Hall of Fame Cup was played on February 19th, 2000 as a 22-goal tournament introduced by the newly formed South Florida league also known as the "Commuter" League of Wellington, Florida. It was won by Outback, a team that consisted of Sunny Hale (4 goals) at #1, Gonzalito Pieres (7), Adolfo Cambiasso (10) and team patron Tim Gannon (1). In 2005 The Hall of Fame Cup was moved up to a 26 goal tournament and was played as one of the three 26 goal tournaments played at International Polo Club to culminate the season. The White Birch Team won the Hall of Fame Cup and went on to sweep the 26-goal polo trifecta winning next the C.V. Whitney Cup and then the U.S.



Brenda Lynn presented the **Hall of Fame Cup** to Pelon Escapite, Timmy Dutta, Juan "Tito" Ruiz Guinazu and Peco Polledo for **SD Farms**. Below left, MVP Peco Polledo award presented by George DuPont. Below, BPP "Ponderosa" for Miguel Astrada. (ph Alex Pacheco)

Open Championship in an unprecedented feat.

The idea for the tournament was conceived by George DuPont,

Jr., the executive Director of the Museum of Polo and Hall of Fame to bring more awareness for the Museum. He created the Hall of Fame Cup Award using a specially

commissioned bronze by Rich Roenisch that is an actual edition of the same award presented to all Hall of Fame Members upon their induction into the Hall of Fame.



OUR TEAM BRINGS THE WESTCHESTER CUP BACK ON U.S. SOIL AFTER A 27-YEAR DROUGHT



Westchester Cup Coming to the Museum of Polo

Congratulations to our Team USA for winning the magnificent Westchester Cup and bringing it back to America! Jared Zenni, Mike Azzaro, Mariano Gonzalez and Geronimo Obregon played the game of a lifetime winning an overtime thriller 11 – 10. With this victory the cup comes home and will soon be on display at the Museum of Polo! We are working on the display now, so ... Coming Soon! (ph Alex Pacheco)

The last time the USA won was in 1992 when Rob Walton, Owen Rinehart, Adam Snow and John Gobin (*above*) defeated William Lucas, Cody Forsyth, Alan Kent and Howard Hipwood by the score of 8-7 at Guard Polo Club. **England** won the first two editions in 1886 and 1902, but then **the USA** had a stretch of 11 wins in 1909, 1911, 1913, 1914, 1921, 1924, 1927, 1930, 1936, 1939 and 1992. **England** has won 4 times since, 1997, 2009, 2013 and 2018. (©United States Polo Association/Helen Cruden.) (*Top right*) The first winning American team in 1909 “The Big Four” - Harry Payne Whitney, Devereux Milburn, Monty and Larry Waterbury, all Hall of Famers, as are Mike Azzaro, Rob Walton, Owen Rinehart and Adam Snow.

The Museum Goes to the Beach - In the World Polo League Beach Polo World Cup at Miami Beach, on April 28th the Museum of Polo was represented with a team participating in the the Neiman Marcus Cup. It was a charity game between Give Back For Special Equestrians (Jeremy Shockeey, Ines Rivero, Tito Gaudenzi) and the Museum of Polo Hall of Fame (Marc Ganzi, Sterling Jones, Louis Aguirre), Jones scored the winning goal (*below*) for a 1-0 victory for the Museum of Polo Hall of Fame. (ph Candace Ferreira)



FRIDAY, MAY 25, 2019

CELEBRATION TO HONOR GLEN HOLDEN

On Saturday, May 25th at Celebrity Ranch Polo Club, Temecula Valley, CA there will be a polo match to honor longtime Museum of Polo Board Member and Hall of Famer Glen Holden. At noon the Hollywood Women's Team will play the Beverly Hills Women's team followed by a 2:00 p.m. match featuring the American Polo Association vs. Santa Barbara Polo Club team. The festivities will include a Ladies' Hat contest and an Asado following the matches at 5:00 p.m.

Glen A. Holden, Sr. served as the United States Ambassador to Jamaica from 1989 – 1993. During that time, Glen also was a driving force in the world of polo. Inducted into the polo Hall of Fame in 2002, he was honored for the more than 40 years that he dedicated to the sport. He was the patron of his infamous team "Gehache" (Glen's initials G and H in Spanish) and won the U.S. Open Championship, the Pacific Coast Open and the Governor's Cup. His efforts secured the longevity of the Santa Barbara Polo Club and he was a long-time advocate of California polo,

serving as Pacific Coast Governor from 1976-1985. He led the way in the development of international polo, was a founding member of the Federation of International Polo and served as its president from 1997 through 2005. His generous contributions to polo causes are exemplified in the Holden International Fund to develop the polo skills of young players from around the world. He has served as a member of the Board of Directors for the Museum of Polo since 2010 and has been an enthusiastic supporter of the Museum and its mission to preserve the history and tradition of the sport.

We invite you to join us in the celebration of Glen Holden and his countless contributions to the sport of polo. Proceeds from the match benefit the Celebrity Children's charities and a contribution will be made to the Museum of Polo from the American Polo Association's Charitable Organizations.



Boxes are available for \$1,000 - \$1,200 or single tickets are \$100.00
Contact info: www.celebrityranchpolo-club.com



On April 11th we welcomed the **Villages Polo Team Booster Club** for a tour of the Museum.
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CONGRATULATIONS FIRST 2019 MUSEUM OF POLO HALL OF FAME CHALLENGE CUP WINNERS

Played on April 13, 2019 the first **Hall of Fame Challenge Cup** Winners in 2019 were Central Texas Polo Association (CTPA) - Tori Mast, Maika Panzarini, Brady Williams and Karl Hilberg who beat out South Padre Island Polo Club, Abigail Mcvaney, David Wertz Cami Mcvaney, and Cinderella Von Falkenhausen. The Best Playing Pony was “**Sonita**” played & owned by Brady Williams and the M.V.P. was Karl Hilberg. Brady Williams also received the award for sportsmanship. Presenting awards was South Padre Island Polo Club Owner Pud Nieto. The tournament sponsor was the Nieto family - Katy Nieto, Leslie Blasing, Walker Nieto, Pud Nieto (Owner.) We thank the Nieto family and South Padre Island Polo Club for kicking off the 2019 Season for this Museum benefit tournament.



Photo of winning team CTPA was not available. The above photo of CTPA team in red shirts on right is from prior week's match. *Photos by Dave Murrell, provided by SPIPC*



SPRING-SUMMER HALL OF FAME CHALLENGE CUP SCHEDULE

- Aiken Polo Club - June 9th**
- Skaneateles Polo Club - July 7th**
- Saratoga Polo Assoc. - July 14th**
- Newport Polo Club - Oct. 4th**



The Hall of Fame Challenge Cup is a fund-raising event to benefit the Museum of Polo. The Museum of Polo is YOUR Museum and you can help by playing in the Hall of Fame Challenge Cup tournaments. Clubs can host this tournament at any level above 2 goals. Proceeds from the entry fees go to the Museum of Polo & Hall of Fame to help aid in its mission to preserve the grand history and tradition of our sport. All clubs and their players are encouraged to participate. Contact Brenda at the Museum of Polo 561 969-3210 or by email: polomuseum@att.net. The Challenge Cup can also be played as a USPA-sanctioned event - Please contact the Tournament Director at the USPA at 1 (800) 232-8772 to apply.



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