



Minnesota Crookston Western Equestrian Wins High Point Team Honors Sunday at Wisconsin-River Falls

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RIVER FALLS, Wis. – The University of Minnesota Crookston western equestrian team completed the 2021 portion of their schedule by competing in a pair of meets at the University of Wisconsin-River Falls in River Falls, Wis. Saturday, December 4 and Sunday, December 5. The Golden Eagles won Reserve High Point Team honors Saturday and took High Point Team Sunday. In addition, [Zoev Haas](#) (Sr., Winnebago, Minn.) had a great day Sunday, taking home High Point Rider.

The Golden Eagles opened up Saturday with [Olivia Becker](#) (Sr., Deer Park, Wis.) placing sixth on Jackson in Open Reining. In Open Horsemanship, [April Becker](#) (Sr., Amboy, Minn.) took second on Chief in Open Horsemanship. [Belle Soren](#) (Fr., Spicer, Minn.) placed third on 3Lo, while [Ashton Wold](#) (Dr., Devils Lake, N.D.) and Becker each played fourth in their sections on Cayenne.

In Level II Ranch Riding, Bair had an outstanding ride to take first on Austin. In Level II Horsemanship, Bair took seventh on Willow, while [Beatrice Streifel](#) (Sr., Hawley, Minn.) claimed a fourth-place finish on Princess.

In Level I Horsemanship, [Ethan Kolpack](#) (So., Ontonagon, Mich.), [Abbecca Clark](#) (Sr., Austin, Minn.), and [Zoev Haas](#) (So., Farmington, Minn.) each had outstanding rides in their sections to place second. [Jessica Vinger](#) (Fr., Dodgeville, Wis.) placed fifth on Papi.

In Rookie B Horsemanship, [Savanna Weber](#) (Sr., Silver Lake, Minn.) took fifth on Trixie. [Zoev Oelitz](#) (Fr., Sioux Falls, S.D.) finished fourth on Clifford, while [Ellen Freund](#) (Fr., Cando, N.D.) and [Grace Meyers](#) (Dr., Fairmont, Minn.) each placed sixth in their sections.

In Rookie A Horsemanship, [Jenna Pedrow](#) (So., Blaine, Minn.) had a great ride to take first on Axel. In Beginner Horsemanship, Hannah Fitzsimmons (Dr., Barnum, Minn.) placed third on Jackson.

The Golden Eagles looked to build on their Reserve High Point Team showing heading into Sunday's show. In Open Reining, Klecker had a fantastic ride to take first on Cielo.

In Open Horsemanship, Wold took first on Ireland, while Becker placed second on 3Lo. Klecker finished sixth on Cayenne.

In Level II Ranch Riding, Bair had a great ride to place first on Axel. Streifel followed suit by taking second on Austin. In Level II Horsemanship, Bair had a strong ride to take second on Ajax, while Streifel followed her with a solid ride to take third on Princess.

In Level I Horsemanship, Clark led the way by taking third on Duality. Kolpack placed fifth on Princess. Vinger and Weber each placed sixth in their sections. Haas took seventh on Papi.

In Rookie B Horsemanship, Freund had a strong ride to take second on Gunner, while Meyer took fifth on Zee. In Rookie A Horsemanship, Pedrow completed a great weekend by taking first on Jackson, Opitz took third on Buddy. To complete the day, in Beginner Horsemanship, Fitzsimmons placed fourth on Taz.

The Golden Eagles next competition will be NCAA meets with South Dakota State University (Feb. 18) and defending NCAA National Champion University of Georgia (Feb. 19).

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