

Samantha Perry and Ramazotti Are Victorious in the \$10,000 NAL Children's Hunter Final

Samantha Perry and Ramazotti sailed through both rounds of the \$10,000 NAL Children's Hunter Final topping the scoreboard with a 162 combined score. A single point separated each of the three top finishers.

In her first year visiting the NAL Finals, Perry, 18, of Dublin, Ohio, and Ramazotti bested a field of 30 competitors who qualified for the year-end Finals. After round one, 12 horses returned for the second phase and Perry stood in third place with an 83, she scored a 79 in round two for the win.

Ramazotti is an 11-year-old brown gelding. Perry said, "This was my first time here (to Harrisburg). My goal was to win here. I wasn't nervous at all because I got to practice on a lot of different horses. My trainer set up a lot of really good scenarios in our indoor for me to practice over. I felt really ready. My mom and dad are one hundred percent behind me and they've gone to extremes to support me. The last thing my trainer said to me before I went in the ring was to ride my own plan, get it done, and have fun."

Trainer Jennifer Nadalin commented, "They're a really, really good team. An awesome team. He's a great horse, but he takes a certain ride."

Sydney Fadel and Arch Angel were leading after the first round, but came up short in round two to finish in second with 161. Stephen Foran and Canadian Sunset turned in the top second round with a score of 84, and their combined score of 160 placed them third.



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