

Jaclyn Jarrell and Barthez Win the \$5,000 NAL Low Junior-Amateur Jumper Classic Final in Las Vegas

Jaclyn Jarrell, 19, of Calgary, Canada, topped a 20-horse field and a seven-horse jump-off in 30.428 seconds to capture the win in the \$5,000 NAL Low Junior/Amateur Jumper Classic Final.

“We have done lots of shows in Calgary, but decided to come to Las Vegas to skip the snow—it is below zero there now and this is my first time here. I love this venue! I wanted to enter the NAL Final because we don’t have big classes at home other than mini prix that don’t give a lot of loot (for prizes) and hype, like this class,” said Jarrell.

Jarrell and her horse Barthez, a 9-year-old Belgium warmblood gelding started their career in the Children’s Hunter divisions but soon realized the hunter ring was not for him. Moving him up from the hunters to the jumpers lead to victory.

“Barthez is easy going and not spooky—this was a good height for him and the courses were all good and challenging. I was worried about the first line because he has focusing issues...we both have focusing issues and the first jump comes up quick. But in the jump-off that is his comfort zone when we can go flat out he’s on it. He is super neat and tidy and turns are not a problem; he has a big step,” Said Jarrell of her horse Barthez.



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