



(Shawn McMillen Photography Photo)

Amanda Flint rode Superbad to the top of the 6-year-old division at the Young Jumper Championships Midwestern League Finals.

He's back home at Oak Lane Farm, vacationing, and will be collected for breeding this fall. Campos and Koch have the YJC 6-year-old and 7- and 8-year-old classes in mind for him and would like to show him at the World Breeding Championships in Lanaken, Belgium.

"I am a big supporter of the Young Jumper program," Campos said. "We need to catch up with the Europeans, and we're doing a much better job. It's a newer program here in America, but it's growing a lot. I think it's the way to go."

► Superbad Is Good

Before the 6-year-old YJC Midwestern League Finals, Amanda Flint hadn't really put the pedal down on Superbad.

haven't had one as special as this one in a long time. The owners are supporting him, and I think he's going to go all the way."

Spirit was bred and is owned by Ann Koch and her Oak Lane Farm of Citra, Fla. "I saw him go in a round pen as a 2-year-old, and I was taken by how strong and agile he was. I asked her if I could ride him, so he came to my barn when he was 3," said Campos, of Ocala, Fla.

Campos showed Spirit lightly this year, at HITS Ocala (Fla.), Atlanta (Ga.) and Kentucky shows. "He's a stallion, and he was a bit tough in the beginning, just playful and full of energy. He had a little bit of a hard time concentrating, but once he started showing, he goes in the ring and there's a switch that goes on. He's all business," Campos said.

Spirit is done showing for the year.

"He thinks he can do anything."

—Amanda Flint

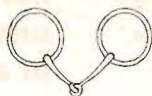
"He always wants to go fast. I hadn't really let him go fast before. But I decided why not—it was that particular class we were there for. He definitely has a talent for speed," she said.

In the jump-off, Theo Genn had set the pace with a quick round on Zenith Dance. "I thought, 'Well, I've got nothing to lose, I might as well try and beat him,' so we went in and were faster," Flint said. "The jump-off was a good jump-off for him; it had long running lines and just a few turns back to jumps. I think he's a very special horse, and he's going to do a lot."

Flint bought Superbad (Ludwig Von Bayern—Kora, Kolibri) last fall after she spotted him showing in the schooling jumpers at Hunter Farms (N.J.). "He'd only been to one or two shows, so we just campaigned him through the year thinking of the YJC Finals. It's kind of neat that he jumped up and won it," she said.

"I just liked the way he uses himself," she added. "He's super scopey, and he's been a bit of a project on the flat,

TIDBITS



- An encouraging number of American-bred horses competed at the YJC Midwestern League Finals. Seven of the nine 5-year-olds—and five of the 14 6-year-olds—were bred in the United States.

"In the past at Young Jumper Finals, I've competed a bunch, but they were mostly imported. It seems like there are more American-bred horses doing it now. I breed horses myself, so I always try to promote the American breeding," said Sergio Campos.

- Roc U.S.A.'s offspring did quite well at the Young Jumper Championships Midwestern League Finals. Not only did Rendezvous 22 win the 7- and 8-year-old division, but Rococo (Roc U.S.A.—Laky Kazuko, Slew The Slewler) was second in the 5-year-old division, and Morocco (Roc U.S.A.—Pinkys Pumpkin, Acaroid) was third in the 7- and 8-year-olds.

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but the jumps are always easy for him. He's a bit obstinate; he thinks he can do anything."

Superbad is already back at Flint's Resolution Farm in Tewksbury, N.J., with his shoes pulled and on vacation. "We'll do the 7-year-old classes next year and some small grand prix classes," she said. "I think the Young Jumper classes are a nice way to develop them for a jumper career."

Flint specializes in bringing along jumper prospects. She rode Marquis, by Superman, to win the 4-year-old IJF Eastern Regional in early September. She usually has selling them in mind but is considering keeping Superbad.

"We've turned down quite a few offers on that horse just because I think he's going to be something special. He has all the scope to jump international courses," she said.

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▲ **5-Yr.-Old** - 1. Spirit Of Alena, A. Koch & Oak Lane; 2. Rococo, L. Goldman; 3. Ammeretto, Equine Holdings LLC; 4. Ladonna, K. Kamine; 5. Rodrigo's Athena, T. Cerra; 6. Pepe, A. Ousouljoglou; 7. Casciendo, N. Haring; 8. Issadora, Northstar Equestrian LLC; 9. Leonard's Lyric, K. Heywood. ▲ **6-Yr.-Old** - 1. Superbad, A. Flint; 2. Zenith Dance, P. Quinn; 3. Cortender, A. Benito; 4. NKH Barbosa, NKH Ltd.; 5. Let's Roc, L. Goldman; 6. Holly Go Lightly, R. Young; 7. Julio, R. Rinehart; 8. Iron Mike, S. Campos; 9. Scarpazza, Glynwood Stables; 10. Osiris, R. Young. ▲ **7- & 8-Yr.-Old** - 1. Rendezvous 22, N. Whitehead; 2. Circa, K. Lindgren; 3. Morocco, L. Goldman; 4. Choco, N. Martin; 5. Gregory, Ben Inagh Investment; 6. Askaban, Riverview Farm LLC; 7. Chinedine PP Z, G. Dunleavy.