



WELLINGTON, Fla., Feb. 24 - Nicole Simpson & Vicomte D were second in the \$75,000 Palm Beach Equine Clinic/ Adequan Grand Prix held Sunday, February 24, to conclude week six, rated a CSI3* by the International Equestrian Federation (FEI), of the CN Winter Equestrian Festival, presented by Zimmeman Advertising, at the Palm Beach International Equestrian Center.

As the final challenger, only Nicole Simpson of Wellington, Fla., could catch Lamaze, but it became apparent that she was going for a slow and steady double clear with Vicomte D. Leaving all the rails in place and crossing the timers in 53.39 seconds, Simpson took second place for owner Jane Clark

"I knew I wouldn't beat Eric, so I just wanted to have a nice double clear. He says his time was beatable, but I didn't want to take any major chances or risks going into the Trials," said Simpson, 33, who began riding Vicomte D in November taking over the reins from Molly Ashe who was expecting her first child.