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# Catch Rider (Show Jumping Dreams ~ Book 28)



## Synopsis

Emily is finally figuring out that you don't need to own all the horses in the world to ride and compete as much as you want. Showing is expensive but she's started to make a name for herself as a catch rider, picking up rides at shows on other people's horses. It's got her noticed by Walter Grey, a prominent trainer on the jumper circuit and now he wants her to ride more of his horses. In fact, he wants her to come and train at his barn, an offer she can't refuse. But Emily's father wants to keep training her himself. He doesn't want to lose his daughter again, to have her slip away to another barn and trainer. So he offers her the one thing he knows she wants, Harlow. And now she'll have to choose between the horse she loves and the life that will further her career. And she has another choice to make too. Walter thinks she should quit the team. He promises her that he can fast track her to not only the individual Junior Olympics but the real Olympics too. But Emily isn't sure she wants to leave her new friends behind. She likes being part of something that is bigger than herself and she's come to realize that having friends you can count on is more important than going it alone. Her father thinks Walter should understand that but Emily doesn't want to believe that Walter could have anything but her best interests at heart. But is the big name trainer hiding a dirty secret? And will Emily abandon the horse she once loved just to get ahead?

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## Customer Reviews

I'm enjoying Ms. Svendsen's Show Jumping Dreams series. While they would certainly appeal to tweens&teens, as an older woman I'm enjoying them! Maybe I'm reliving my early years of my horses&showing. I also haven't seen one faux pas of the details about horses & showing! (Sadly there are many books about horses where the author is clueless to horses and showing!) Anyone who loves horses will enjoy these books!

another great book

This author writes from certain knowledge of the dynamic truth in the world of horses and all of the pleasant and truly unpleasant and often illegal aspects that surround the training and showing of horses at the upper levels of the circuit.

I liked the mystery in this book. Also the real life political trainer stuff.

Good reading.

Claire Svendsen nails it again! The real world of show jumping has a seamy underbelly and I am relieved to see that she doesn't shy away from the realities of the sport. Emily has come a long way in this series and I find myself wondering what will happen next. In the real world, Emily would have to make a difficult choice, and the world of the books seems headed in that direction. Cannot wait to see what happens next!

At the end of Heart Horse (Show Jumping Dreams ~ Book 27), Emily found Wizard in a padlocked stall and she sees a man that is guarding the horse...In the beginning of this book, Emily calls Jordan to let him know she found his horse. He tells her not to call the police because he is afraid the man might hurt Wizard. She sees the man pull up in a truck and trailer to load the horse. What can Emily do to keep him from disappearing with Wizard? Will Jordan arrive in time to help? What will the man do if he is confronted? ...Second Chance Farm gets new full-time help who works for

board... Some one unexpected has a successful ride on the new lesson horse... Something about Cat worries her, but Emily really does not know much about Cat; sometimes she really surprises Emily...Emily gets a telephone call one day and is surprised. Walter Grey is a prominent trainer on the jumper circuit and he is calling for her. Emily met him at a show a month earlier when she did a "catch ride" for one of his injured students. What does he want? And, why her? Does Walter have an ulterior motive for asking Emily to ride for him?Emily gets a chance to compete against the best; how will she do? Who is Emily's father jealous of? Why has his attitude changed? Will Emily ruin the one good thing in her life that is not about horses? At the end of the book, Emily asks herself a very important question...Kindle Unlimited Member

I read this book in one sitting and enjoyed it. The author focused some time on some of the other characters, introducing some questions for future books to delve into. The story itself was intriguing, and provides an accurate glimpse into life at one of the top shows in the country. As always, lots of great horse riding. We got to read some more about Emily's father. He's given up so much, and is trying so hard to make up for leaving Emily when she was young. But he gets more and more bad luck. He is quiet, and modest and focused, and hides what he's thinking. And mysterious, hunky Jordan is still there. The ending was surprising and a bit disconcerting. Great book. Looking forward to more.

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