Pablo Barrios & GC Quick Star 11. Photo by Sportfot.G&C Farm started out the 2012 season with a variety of success in the first four weeks of competition at the FTI Consulting Winter Equestrian Festival in Wellington.

After rest and relaxation over the winter, the horses are getting back in shape and working their way into the winner's circle as the competition progresses. G&C Farm is based in Wellington, FL, and owned by Gustavo and Carolina Mirabal of Venezuela. Pablo Barrios, who rides for G&C Farm and competes for Venezuela, is also based in Wellington.

Week four of the FTI WEF was an exciting one as Pablo Barrios guided G&C Quick Star 11 to her first win of the season out of 78 entries in the $6,000 Spy Coast Farm 1.40m II 2(b) class. Barrios also finished second out of 78 entries with G&C Con Air in the $6,000 Spy Coast Farm 1.40m II Sec. 1 for the week.

G&C Farm owner Gustavo Mirabal is pleased with the results that he has seen so far this season and looks forward to more great competition to come. "The horses are getting in shape because they had almost four months without jumping, so the first weeks have been a little slow, but this week was great," Mirabal noted. "Quick Star won, Con Air was second, Flash did really well in the grand prix. The horses are all going really well. Quick Star will jump next week in the Thursday class and Saturday night in the World Cup qualifier - she feels amazing!"

G&C Farm has also seen great results from owner Carolina Mirabal, who is competing with her horse G&C Leroy in the High Amateur-Owner Jumpers, and daughter Maria Emilia, who has done well in the Low Junior Jumpers aboard G&C Orlana. G&C is excited to welcome American rider Elizabeth Rae to the team as well. Rae is now training with Barrios and will ride in the Artisan Farms Young Rider Grand Prix Series throughout the circuit.

As the winter season continues, G&C Farm looks forward to their title sponsorship of the upcoming CSIO week (week 8) of the FTI WEF, which runs February 29 through March 4. G&C Farm is the presenting sponsor of the $75,000 FEI Nations Cup that week on Friday, March 2. G&C Farm will also continue their sponsorship of the $8,000 G&C Farm 1.45m Jumper division, of which some will be FEI ROLEX ranking classes as the season progresses.

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