AU English equestrian team wins at Cornell
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ITHACA, NY The Alfred University English equestrian team won its show at Cornell on Sunday, Feb. 20, as four AU riders qualified for regional competition.Alfred took first place of nine teams competing as senior Barbara Koziol (Syracuse, PA/Bishop Ludden) claimed two first-place ribbons and was named the show's High Point Rider. Koziol won in open equitation over fences and open equitation on the flat, qualifying for the Intercollegiate Horse Show Association (IHSA) Zone II, Region II championships in the latter event. Regionals are April 2 in Ithaca.Other event winners for AU were: freshman Megan Burke (Montrose, NY/Hendrick Hudson) in novice equitation over fences; senior Maire Cosgrove (White Haven, PA/Bishop Hoban) in open equitation on the flat; senior Natalie Grow (Hyde Park, NY/Our Lady of Lourdes) and senior Johanna Moore (Summit, NY/Morristown-Beard) in intermediate equitation over fences; sophomore Tesla Parker (Waitsfield, VT/Harwood Union) in novice equitation on the flat; and senior Erin Toone (Williamsville, NY/Williamsville South) in advanced walk-trot-canter.Cosgrove and Parker each qualified for regionals in their respective events.Senior Michelle Flannery (Syracuse, NY/Westhill) and sophomore Amelia Keyes (Webster, NY) were second in novice equitation over fences, with Flannery qualifying for regionals. Junior Katie LeSuer (Edinboro, PA/Cambridge Springs) was second in novice equitation on the flat; junior Kalcy O'Keefe (Rochester, NY/Penfield) was second in open equitation over fences; junior Erika Raye (Sussex, NJ/High Point Regional) was second in novice equitation on the flat; junior Kelly Rinebold (Ontario, NY/Wayne) was second in open equitation over fences; Moore was third in intermediate equitation on the flat; and freshman Kaylyn Slater (Phelps, NY/Midlakes) was third in advanced walk-trot-canter.The AU English equestrian team is in action next on Saturday, Feb. 26, when the Saxons will host a show at the AU Equestrian Center.