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# NATIONAL REINING HORSE ASSOCIATION 2016 FUTURITY



*The National Reining Horse Association 2016 Futurity was one for the record books. It was eleven days of action and excitement as the worlds' finest 3-year-olds made their debut in the big arena and the North American Affiliate Championship and other special events made for big runs and even bigger memories.*

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## Fappani Guides Spooky Whiz to the 2016 NRHA Open Futurity Championship

In 1997, Andrea Fappani left his mark in the NRHA history books by winning the Limited Non Pro Futurity championship riding Best By Tari (Taris Catalyst x Pocono Annie). He was the first European to conquer a Futurity championship in the most coveted reining show pen in the world!

In 2001, he came back to write yet another important chapter by claiming the NRHA Open Futurity Championship riding RR Star (Like A Diamond x RL Miss Kitty), owned by Lundin Farm, and then went on to claim the title in 2011 aboard Lil Joe Cash (Nu Chex To Cash x RS Lilly Starlight) for Russel Giles.

At the 2016 open finals, with only one contestant left

to go, the NRHA Four Million Dollar Rider once again proved his worth by reining Spooky Whiz, an own son of Spooks Gotta Whiz out of Myo Starlight, owned by Rancho Oso Rio LLC, to top honors.

The score to beat, when Fappani rode in the pen, was a 221 posted by All American Quarter Horse Congress Open Futurity champions Franco Bertolani and Dun It For Whizkey (Topsail Whiz x Dun It For Chex), owned by Cardinal Hill Training Center LLC and by NRHA Five Million Dollar Rider Shawn Flarida riding Whiz Gata

Prize (Topsail Whiz x Smart Little Prize) for owner Alberto Casasco of Argentina.

Fappani was determined to take home his third Futurity championship and rode the bay gelding through NRHA pattern #10 performing deep stops, fast spins and controlled transitions and his third title with a 225.5 score! "This is a pretty special horse. He's pretty solid,

we changed our program a little bit with him, and I

went pretty easy in the go-rounds even though I knew we had a horse that could do well in the finals even though I did not know how much he would step up. I asked him



Click the above picture to watch Fappani and Spooky Whiz's winning run.

and he did step up!” Andrea took home the guaranteed champion paycheck of \$150,000 with the gelding bred and nominated by Spence Bell.

Bertolani and Florida settled for reserve honors and each added \$109,854.78 to his earnings.

### Honstetter and Whizkey Chaser are Level 3 Open Champions

With a 222, Arno Honstetter rode Marilyn Overgaard’s Whizkey Chaser (Whizkey N Diamonds x Sparklin Chic), owned by Marilyn Overgaard and nominated and bred by Matthew Armenta, to a 222. “It was a good ride!” said Honstetter who added \$29,538.24 to his earnings for the win. “I made a few mistakes in the go rounds, which kept me out of the Level 4, and since I did not show much last year, I went back to the Level 3. I’m really happy with my ride tonight, he’s a lot of horse and really talented.”

Reserve honors went to Nathan Piper for a score of 219 on Ranch LLC’s Dun Gotyer Guns Up (Gunner x Always A Dunit), nominated and bred by John and Nancy Tague,

and by Gabriel Diano riding AC Quarter Horses LLC’s Oops Itsa Spooks (Spooks Gotta Gun x Tejons Finally Dunit),

nominated by Michelle

Miola and bred by Silver Spurs Equine. The co-reserve champions won \$19,866.15 each.

Claiming the Level 2 Futurity Championship and a paycheck worth \$19,261.05, with a 218.5, was Pedro Baiao riding Michael Garnett’s Hollywood Nites (Gunners Special Nite x Dun It For Chex), a palomino stallion owned by Michael Garnett, nominated by Cardinal Hill Training Center LLC and bred by Oldenburg Farm LLC. “I work for Martin Muehlstaetter and, since I was without a horse to show, he felt I could ride this one. Most of the work done on him is thanks to Martin and I cannot thank him enough!”

Reserve honors with a 218 score went to Fernando Salgado and Loveya (Gunnatrashya x Love Em N Lena), owned and nominated by Camela Essick. The duo added \$13,934.66 to their earnings.

It was a special night for Josh Murphy who rode his Got That Iowa Shine (Smart And Shiney x SLJ This Is My Juice), nominated by Mark Mahaffey, to a 215 and the Level 1 championship. The NRHA Professional also

reined CBK Hang A Wright (Hang Ten Surprise x HR Wright On Cash), owned and nominated by William & Corliss Kellogg, to reserve honors with a 214.5. Murphy won \$15,736.79.

NRHA Professional Scott McCutcheon earned the Prime Time Open Championship, along with \$1,736.36, riding Special Mi (Gunners Special Nite x Mi Mega), a stallion

nominated and owned by Jack Covington.

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### NRHA Celebrates 50th Anniversary with Special Non Pro Futurity Champions Presentation

Another highlight of the Futurity came when the National Reining Horse Association continued a year-long celebration marking its 50th anniversary year with a special presentation of past Non Pro Futurity champions. Billed as a showcase, the presentation on Dec. 1 included a red-carpet tribute to each of the 24 individuals who have won the Cinch NRHA Non Pro Futurity title



Click the above picture to watch Pedro Baiao and Hollywood Nites run







**From left to right: Mandy McCutcheon, Jim Morgan DVM, Randy Alderson, Charlie Wiederholt, Keith Crawford, Kelle Smith, Jesse Asmussen, Tish Fappani, Lee Vincent, Tom Krshka, Kristi Rose, Joshua Hattig, Samantha Griffin, Veronica Deans**

since the competition was established in 1976.

Held during the NRHA Futurity & Adequan North American Affiliate Championship at State Fair Park in Oklahoma City, Okla., the showcase attracted past champions from across North America. Fifteen winners were on hand to watch a video tribute and walk the red carpet to receive a red rose bouquet and pair of custom spurs created by NRHA Corporate Partner Montana Silversmiths. The gifts and flowers were presented by NRHA President Rick Clark and NRHA Commissioner Gary Carpenter.

Participating champions included Veronica Deans, who won in 2011; Samantha Griffin, 2004; Josh Hattig, 2001; Kristi Rose, 1998; Tom Krshka, 1992; and Lee Vincent, 1979. Two-time Non Pro Futurity champions walking the red carpet included Tish Fappani, 2010 and 2015; Jesse Asmussen, 2012 and 2014; Kelle Smith, 2003 and 2006; Keith Crawford, 1997 and 1999; Charlie Wiederholt, 1991 and 1998; and Randy Alderson, 1976 and 1977.

Also on hand was three-time champion Jim Morgan, DVM, the 1984, 1985 and 1986 winner. The program con-

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cluded with 8-time champion Mandy McCutcheon in the spotlight. Her titles span three decades and were won in 1993, 1994, 2005, 2007, 2008, 2009, 2012 and 2013. Both Morgan and McCutcheon also are members of the NRHA Hall of Fame. Several of the champions remain active in competition and qualified horses for the 2016 Cinch NRHA Non Pro Futurity Finals.

Past champions unable to attend include three-time champion Richard Greenberg, 1978, 1982 and 1983; Chad Clark, 2002; Nancy Flathers, 2000; Stephanie Blair, 1996; Chad Howard, 1990; the late Craig Howard, 1989; Jim Robin, 1987; Christian Tremblay, 1981 and Jim Dudley 1980.

## Medows and Chicsdreamofdiamonds are the 2016 Cinch NRHA Non Pro Futurity Champions

[Watch Medows and Chicsdreamofdiamonds winning run here!](#)

The Non Pro Futurity featured an exciting finals which filled the day in Oklahoma City. With an impressive ride,

Jack Meadows (right) piloted Chicsdreamofdiamonds (Magnum Chic Dream x Princess In Diamonds) as draw 31 out of a field of 32 to a score of 218.5. The duo claimed the title of Cinch NRHA Non Pro Level (L)4 Champion as well as the Youth Non Pro Championship.

"I can't thank this horse enough... she is a one-in-a-lifetime horse. She



was with me every step and I can't thank her enough. I knew she was capable of it, but I had to get her shown. We bought her over a year ago and she's been great every single ride," said the 19-year-old rider. "I won over \$80,000 on her half sister, Surprizentheprincess (Jerry Lees Surprise x Princess In Diamonds), and this horse is her equal. She has her looks, her mind and her talent!"

## Mandy McCutcheon is the L4 Non Pro Futurity Reserve Champion and the newest NRHA Million Dollar Owner

In the second section of the finals, NRHA Two Million Dollar Rider Mandy McCutcheon set the stage as draw one scoring a 218 aboard Customized My Gun (Gunner x Custom Made Dunit), which secured her the Reserve in the Non Pro L4 Futurity and a paycheck of \$29,873.60. Customized My Gun is owned, bred and nominated by McQuay Stables Inc. of Tioga, Texas.

Mandy also took home third place honors and a check worth \$23,862.82 after posting a 215 aboard Special At Nite (Gunnars Special Nite x Royal Chic Solano), a stallion nominated by Teresa Putman and owned by Mandy and Tom McCutcheon.

Mandy also made history at the Futurity by surpassing the Million Dollar Mark as an owner. Her earnings and Lindsey McCutcheon's \$5,501 earned in the L4 and \$4,018.68 won in the L3 riding Mandy and Tom McCutcheon's Stars At Midnight (Gunnars Special Nite x Chic Olena Starbuck), nominated by Turnabout Farm Inc. pushed her over the coveted mark.

And Gunnars Special Nite which stands at the McCutcheon ranch, had a great Futurity, too, siring 17 2016 NRHA Futurity Finalists that earned a total of \$190,000!

## Medows wins Youth Futurity Championship

Before arriving in OKC, Medows boasted \$136,952.67 LTE. His L4 championship win added \$43,984.63 to his earnings and he also took home \$1,416 for the Youth Non Pro Futurity championship.

Cade McCutcheon rode Duallin Guns (Mister Nicadual x Always Gotyer Gun-sup), a stallion bred, owned and nominated by McQuay Stables Inc. to the reserve championship in the Youth Futurity after posting a 213.

## Bentien and Gotta Twist It



## Up Take both L3 and L2 Non Pro Futurity Championships

Sandra Bentien (right) and her Gotta Twist It Up

(Spooks Gotta Whiz x Make It With A Twist), a Sire & Dam Offspring, scored a 215 to sweep the Non Pro L3 and L2 Futurity Championships. "This has been four years in the making and you pray you get something like this," said the rider from Auburn, California. "When Spooks Gotta Whiz won the Open Futurity for owner Michell (Kimball), Michell and I said that we would have to make some babies so that we could become proud grandmas! I bred, raised and trained this horse myself even though I received a lot of assistance from Casey



Deary in the last 4 weeks and I am thrilled!"

The Reserve in L3 and L2 divisions, with a 214 score, went to Ginger Schmersal riding Gold Digging Dunit (Pale Face Dunit x Dun It Reining). Gold Digging Dunit is owned and bred by B S Syndicate and was nominated and bred by Hickory Creek Ranch LLC.

## Taylor Zimmerman and Wimpys Little Jessie win the L2 Non Pro Futurity

Taylor Zimmerman and Wimpys Little Jessie (Wimpys Little Step x Jessie Dot Tari) scored a 213 to win the Non Pro L1 Championship. Wimpys Little Jessie

is owned, bred and nominated by Vaughn Zimmerman. "This is the first time that I have made the Level 4 finals

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and its just where I wanted to be!” said the young rider. Her grandfather, Vaughn, added: “Taylor had a horse that was not working for her so, when Bobby Avila Jr. recommended this horse, and my granddaughter told me she wanted her, you got to give it to her, that’s what it is all about!”

[Watch James Morgan and Shiney Workboots here](#)

Earning the Championship in the Prime Time Non Pro was James Morgan DVM riding his own horse, Shiney Workboots (Smart And Shiney x Reminic At Work), nominated and bred by David Silva, Sr., to a score of 212.5.

### Learning From the Legends at the NRHA Futurity

On Sunday, November 27, the kick off of National Reining Horse Association’s 50th anniversary special

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events began with “Learn from the Legends,” a free demonstration clinic with NRHA Hall of Fame riders, Bob Loomis and Clint Haverty.

As Loomis stood in the stands, taking questions posed by the audience, Haverty rode his horse Whodini, demonstrating training techniques, and at one point rode bridle-less, a pinnacle moment of the demonstration. The

“Learn from the Legends” brought a diverse crowd of horse enthusiasts to the 2016 NRHA Futurity & Adequan NAAC. For those who missed it, the entire clinic was aired on Facebook Live for people who wanted to watch via social media.



## CONGRATULATIONS TO AMY RUSHING AND WEST COAST MAGNUM: ADEQUAN NAAC SILVER SPURS EQUINE ROOKIE OF THE YEAR CHAMPIONS

The National Reining Horse Association hosts the Adequan® North American Affiliate Championships (NAAC) each year during the NRHA Futurity in Oklahoma City. The championships are for NRHA members and horses who have qualified through their respective Regional Affiliate Finals. Each final sends its eight highest placing riders, plus ties, to the Adequan® NAAC to compete for North American bragging rights.

Qualifiers from around the Nation also gather in Oklahoma City to vie for the prestigious NAAC Silver Spurs Equine

Rookie of the Year Championship. On Monday, November 28th, in a field of 56 qualified riders, Amy Rushing rode West Coast Magnum (Magnum Chic Dream x West Coast Sandy) to a 215, thrilling the crowd and taking home the championship. For Rushing, the win was especially sweet

considering that this is the first year she has been showing in reining competitions and on a leased horse.

“This year I leased this horse from Karen Elliott and I started showing him with the goal of earning the Rookie of the Year championship, but I didn’t



know if it was possible. I showed in Washington State, and we were able to qualify for the Idaho Show, where our regional finals were held, and we tied to win our class,” said Rushing who qualified at the Northwest Affiliate Regional Championship. “I’ve had a lot of great help from my husband, Ryan, who is an NRHA Professional, and he has been with me every step of the way. Without him, I don’t think I could have done it! We came here, I tried to think through each and every maneuver, and he answered when I called on him. He was a good boy.”

Amy started riding hunter jumpers at an early age and turned to reiners when she met her husband. “I actually have an old ranch mare who got me back in the show pen in the ranch riding classes two years ago. I’ve been waiting for a long time for the right horse to show here and finally the opportunity came up with West Coast Magnum. His owner, Karen (Elliott), this year, sadly, was unable to show due to hip problems and decided to take the year off, but she didn’t want her horse to sit around and not do anything. I am thankful to her for having given me this opportunity.”

Tying for reserve honors with a 214.5 were Johanna Lee Anstensen riding Slj Custom Style (Custom Legend x SLJ Stainless Style) and Daniela Picciotti riding Fancy Stepin Freckle (RC Fancy Step x Stopping Freckles).

The NAAC Rookie of the Year is sponsored by Silver Spurs Equine, LLC, of Scottsdale, AZ, owned by Michelle and Michael Miola. The husband and wife team have been the main sponsors for many years. “We’ve been sponsors for years, and the reason is because we want to promote the sport, and who better to promote it than our non pros, the backbone of the NRHA! We want to support and help them and do whatever we can for them,” said Michael Miola. “Our non pro riders bring so much excitement to the sport and all around them there is so much support, as can be seen here!”

### **Kylie Robinson and Wimpys Tonnob are NAAC Rookie Level 2 Champions**

With an impressive 218.5, Kylie Robinson rode her Wimpys Tonnob (Wimpys Little Step x Powder Playgirl) to the NAAC Rookie Level 2 Championship. The 10-year-old gelding has an impressive show record and boasts \$128,772.89 in NRHA

earnings.

“I only got my horse in June and my goal was to get here,” said the 14-year-old who qualified at the Northwest Affiliate Regional Championship. “I also would have liked a derby horse, but when we went to try some horses at Ruben Vandorp’s, he mentioned that this was the perfect youth horse. He was the first horse I tried, and he set the pace. He’s 10 years old but is just so solid and here we are!”

Claiming reserve honors were the NAAC Silver Spurs Equine Rookie of the Year Champions, Amy Rushing and West Coast Magnum.

### **Shannon Rafacz and Iboom win the NAAC Novice Horse Non Pro Level 2 Kara Gray Frye and Juice N Silk win the Level 1**

November 27 was action-packed at the 2016 NRHA Futurity & Adequan North American Affiliate Championship Show (NAAC).

Excitement built in the Adequan arena in Oklahoma City



as qualifiers rode for the NAAC Novice Horse Non Pro Level 1 and Level 2 titles. Multiple past NRHA Non Pro World Champion Shannon Rafacz won the Level 2 championship with a 219 score riding Iboom, a 5-year-old sorrel gelding by Boom Shernic and out of Bonitas Latin Chic.

“I’m pretty proud of my horse

who I got just before the NRHA Derby through the lease program. I bought him a week before this show and am really excited about the fact that the program worked out the way it was intended to,” said an enthused Shannon. “He’s been in our barn since he was 3, and then his owner went to college, so I tried him. I really love him, he has taught me a ton in six months, and we are truly two peas in a pod!”

The reserve championship honors in the Level 2, a half-a-



point behind the winners, went to the NAAC Novice Horse Level 1 Champions, Kara Gray



Frye and her 5-year-old chestnut gelding, Juice N Silk (Smart Like Juice). "It was a lot of fun, he was there for me today just as he was there for me all year!" said an emotional Kara following the awards presentation. "Because of an eye injury, that fortunately is healing up beautifully thanks to my vet, I was unable to ride him until yesterday! I bought him last year in May from Jill Walton - who did an amazing job with him - and he's really become solid.

He spent last winter with Mark Rafacz, I flew down several times to ride with Mark, and since then I've been riding him myself, so this is a dream come true!"

Claiming reserve honors in the Level 1 with a 216.5 was Shannon Kasten aboard Bill Kasten's Schoen Smart (Smart Starbuck x Schoen Melody), a 5-year-old American Quarter Horse gelding.

## SANTA'S WORKSHOP WAS A SUCCESS AT THE 2016 NRHA FUTURITY & ADEQUAN® NORTH AMERICAN AFFILIATE CHAMPIONSHIP!

Several young reiners attended the Santa's Workshop at the NRHA Futurity & Adequan® NAAC making their own ornaments and playing a holiday game. Santa's workshop was a complete success and kids enjoyed filling their clear ornaments with an abundance of items from colored pom pom balls and buttons to sequins and glitter.

Aside from the arts and crafts, children also played a game decorating each other as Santa Claus with cotton balls, glittery pipe cleaners and red and white paper steamers. At Santa's Workshop, children had the opportunity to decorate ornaments and play a holiday-themed game.



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# THE SILVER SPURS EQUINE \$50,000 TEAM CHALLENGE

The 50,000 Silver Spurs Equine Team Challenge saw 14 riders leave their mark in the Jim Norick Arena where the NRHA Futurity & NAAC Championship Show is held. The payout for the class was \$40,000 with a \$10,000 bonus to be split evenly between all team members on the winning squad.

In the head-to-head competition, the top two riders entered, based on 2016 earnings as of November 4th, were appointed the Team Captains: NRHA Four Million Dollar Rider Andrea Fappani and NRHA Million Dollar Rider Jason Vanlandingham. The two NRHA Professionals selected their teammates from all remaining entries, alternating back and forth, with the first choice determined by a coin flip.

Competition was tough from the moment the first horse performed NRHA Pattern #12. NRHA Professional Brian Bell, riding B-C Partnership's Turn Down For What for Team Fappani, opened the challenge and set the bar by posting a 221. Fappani answered back with an impressive ride aboard Tricked Out Spook, a Sire & Dam Offspring owned by Tricked Out Spook Partners. Once he left the pen, a 223.5 appeared on the score board but, last to go, Fappani tied himself to win on Platinum Vintage, the talented 6-year-old palomino stallion owned by Silver Spurs Equine. Additionally, Team Fappani beat Team Vanlandingham by 2 points to win the Team title.

"I feel great!" said Fappani following the awards

presentation. "I don't usually do ties, but it didn't make any sense to go back in the arena tonight! It was also my first time showing Tricked Out Spook. He's a horse I've watched since he was 3, and I've wanted to buy him but knew he wasn't for sale. He fits my style."

Regarding Platinum Vintage, who boasts close to \$221,500 LTE, the NRHA Four Million Dollar Rider only



had good things to say. "I've shown him quite a bit this year, we've been on the road a lot with him and he's been great. Because he is going to breed next year, we

wanted to bring him here just because there are a lot of people who don't get to come to the shows to see him. He didn't disappoint." Fappani took home \$21,695 for the win and the reserve championship. Brian Bell settled for third place honors and a paycheck worth \$7,376.

Michael Miola, owner of Silver Spurs Equine along with his wife Michelle, was thrilled with the turnout and the enthusiasm and cheering from the stands. "We wanted to step up and sponsor the Team Challenge because it draws people to Reining. It's all about the fans and they loved it tonight!"

## THE \$20,000 NRHA INVITATIONAL FREESTYLE REINING

Presented by the Oklahoma City Convention & Visitors Bureau, the \$20,000 NRHA Invitational Freestyle Reining, benefitting the Reining Horse Foundation, offered the public in the stands fun, excitement and great reining.

During the month of August, the public had the opportunity to vote on four NRHA members who competed in

the event. Of the 18 submissions, based on the number of "likes" on contestants' videos, four riders were selected from social media: Terri June Granger of Dothan, Ala-

bama; Robyn Schiller from Hollister, California; Amber Edmonds of Pepperell, Massachusetts; and Olivia Pakula from Scottsdale, Arizona. The top three scoring riders from the 2015





Congress Freestyle and from the 2016 RAM Invitational Freestyle Reining were also invited to compete: Pete Kyle of Amarillo, Texas; Drake Johnson from Wray, Colorado; Heather Johnson of Ringgold, Georgia, from the 2015 All American Quarter Horse Congress, and Bub Poplin of Fruita, Colorado, Shane Brown from Elbert, Colorado, and Steven Schwarzenberger of Longmont, Colorado, from the 2016 RAM Invitational Freestyle Reining.

Dressed as Zorro, NRHA Million Dollar Rider and freestyle reining legend, Rocky Dare, demonstrated freestyle reining aboard Wimpys Little Nite. Dare rode to the Zorro theme creating the trademark “Z” in the arena with his pattern. Wimpys Little Nite is by Wimpys Little Step and out of Dun It By Chick. The 6-year-old stallion is owned by Courtney Battison of Purcell, Oklahoma.

The competitors thrilled the crowd with Shane Allen Brown, riding Double Loaded Gun (Gunner x Anniegytyergun), sliding to a 221.5 to clench first place honors. Brown, dressed in a poncho and sombrero, rode to a combination of the Mexican Hat Dance and The Champs – Tequila. Double Loaded Gun is a 6-year-old stallion owned by Janice Symchych of Yampa, Colorado.

The reserve title went to Olivia Pakula who rode her own Vintage Sail (A Sparking Vintage x Light Paprika) dressed as Darth Vader to John Williams – Star Wars Intro



Theme and AC/DC – Back In Black for a score of 220.

Competitors kept the public glued to their seats until the very end. Prior to the competition, the first 100 kids with a purchased tickets received an NRHA 50th Anniversary Limited Edition Breyer Horse.

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Proceeds from the Invitational Freestyle will benefit the Reining Horse Foundation in support of this mission. We recognize the Foundation and their

dedicated Board of Directors and several members were in the stands enjoying the show.

Through programs like Rookie Days, the Reiners Club and support of NRHyA, there are many ways you can show your support. For further info visit <http://rhsf.com/>

## MATT PALMER TOPS NAAC OPEN CHAMPIONSHIP ON CC ENTERPRISE

In a field of 33 qualifiers, Matt Palmer firmly clinched the NAAC Open Championship after posting a 224 with Mark Hurd’s CC Enterprise (Wrangle Whiz x Rems Little Sugs) between the reins. “Last year I tied to win riding Smart Chic Katie, which is also owned by Mark Hurd,” said Matt who also claimed the USA Reining Open title. “Mark’s an amazing customer who always supports me and I cannot thank him and his family enough for trusting me with his horses. His daughters, Elaina and Amanda, have also done very well with this horse and he’s been very good to me this year; he’s the real deal!”

Jared Leclair, riding Robert and Robbin Thayne’s Coded N Karma, a 5-year-old gelding by Electric Code and out of Whiz N Snap, and Jay Dee Anderson, riding Skeets Conquistador, tied for second place honors.

Anderson also rode the 8-year-old stallion by Conquistador Whiz and out of Skeets Scamp, owned by Jay Dee and his wife Janis, to the NAAC Intermediate Open Championship.

“I’ve been coming to the Futurity for the past 37 years and this is the nicest run I’ve ever had here, it’s pretty special!” said an enthused Anderson about his stallion who boasts over \$47,000 in NRHA Lifetime Earnings (LTE). “He was a final-



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ist at the Futurity and he's been a nice horse for my wife and I during his career. I'm now riding his colts and am hoping they ride as well as he does!"

Tying for Reserve honors were Nick Nelson riding Amy Thompson's KR Smart Lil Devil (Smart Spook x KR Dirt Devil) and Kim Diercks riding Susan and Harry Jones' Chic From Shinola (Smart Spook x Shine N In The Finals).

### **NAAC Limited Non Pro Champions are Paige Barton and Diamond Oak**

In a field of 103 qualified horses and riders, Paige Barton and her Diamond Oak were draw 102 with a 216.5 to best the other entries. In 2015, the duo had taken reserve honors and this year they were

determined to take home the championship and the trophy, and they did! The young rider and her 7-year-old gelding by Like A Diamond and out of Jr Colored Oak closed their performance with a 217. "My horse was a really good boy today! In the warm-up pen he was really hooked on and was with me all the way in the show arena too!" said Paige following the awards presentation. "I got him close to two years ago from Arno Honstetter, who did an awesome job with him, and now I train with Martin Padilla who is perfect! I've a great horse...he's special."

Michelle Miola and Bella Juice, a 7-year-old mare by Smart Like Juice and out of Bella Conquistador, owned by Silver Spurs Equine, settled for reserve honors.

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# **CONGRATULATIONS TO WIMPYS LITTLE STEP!**

**Another major milestone was reached by Wimpys Little Step who crossed the NRHA Nine Million Dollar Sire mark. The impressive stallion's offspring earnings prior to the 2016 NRHA Futurity & NAAC Championship Show was \$8,981,037.25!**



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# 20 Years of History

# NRBC COMMEMORATIVE YEARBOOK PLANNED

The NRBC has literally changed the face of reining since it was begun back in 1997. In the years since, the event has paid out an incredible amount and in 2017 – its twentieth show – it will exceed \$20 Million in total payout. History has been made and milestones have been reached at every show since the beginning.

According to NRBC Secretary-Treasurer Cheryl Magoteaux Cody a Commemorative Yearbook is in the works. She noted, “Even for those of us who have been around since the beginning, there are a lot of things to remember and we hope this yearbook creates a nostalgic walk back – as well as documenting the incredible statistics from the show.”

She added, “How many events can boast having three sires whose foals have won over a million? It’s amazing when you think of how the NRBC has impacted sire records. Plus we’ll likely see our first NRBC Million Dollar rider in 2017!”

Check out the statistics below for an idea of the impact of the NRBC – and of the information that will be contained in the book.



Place	Sire	Money Won
1	Topsail Whiz	\$1,545,656.64
2	Wimpys Little Step	\$1,345,379.54
3	Colonels Smoking Gun	\$1,258,987.36
4	Hollywood Dun It	\$953,813.20
5	Smart Chic Olena	\$840,610.37
6	Shining Spark	\$768,948.09
7	Custom Crome	\$720,399.21
8	Magnum Chic Dream	\$578,731.31
9	Gallo Del Cielo	\$417,696.55
10	Booernic	\$382,491.77
11	Whiz N Tag Chex	\$370,121.88
12	Smart Spook	\$341,898.37
13	Jacs Electric Spark	\$308,127.90
14	Conquistador Whiz	\$288,821.72
15	Lil Ruf Peppy	\$279,885.85
16	Smart Like Juice	\$279,413.06
17	A Sparkling Vintage	\$274,469.16
18	Nu Chex To Cash	\$259,480.53
19	Smart Starbuck	\$251,292.48
20	Great Resolve	\$236,634.21

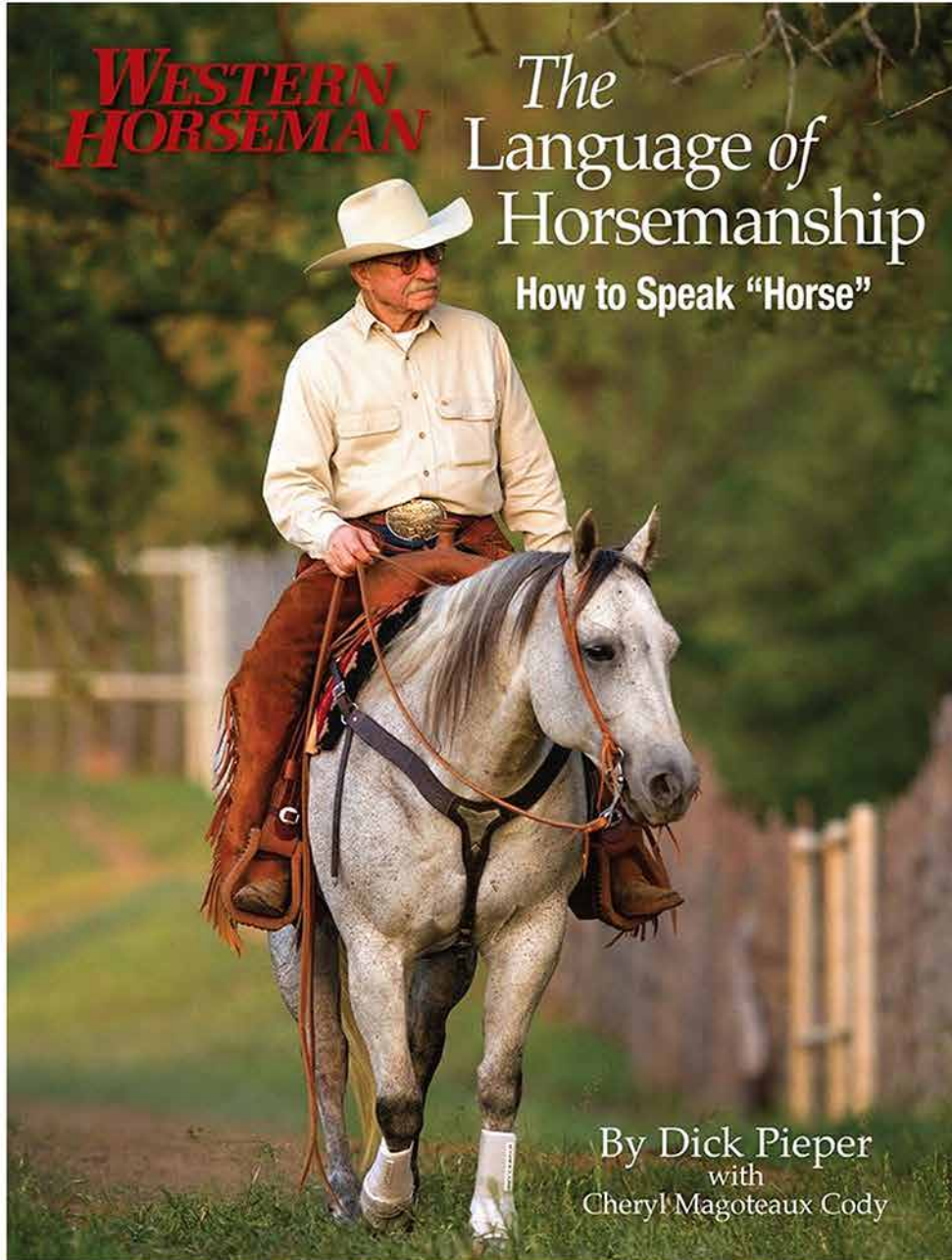
Place	Rider	Money Won
1	Shawn Florida	\$997,963.78
2	Andrea Fappani	\$854,325.08
3	Craig Schmersal	\$738,956.53
4	Duane W. Latimer	\$618,495.63
5	Dell Hendricks	\$511,284.29
6	Jordan Larson	\$510,924.44
7	Tim McQuay	\$432,221.80
8	Todd Bergen	\$421,336.05
9	Tom McCutcheon	\$381,575.74
10	Casey Deary	\$311,397.59
11	Justin Mathison	\$255,593.73
12	Brent Wright	\$253,205.32
13	Martin Muehlstaetter	\$223,621.78
14	Jason Vanlandingham	\$220,985.87
15	Randy Paul	\$214,539.66
16	Todd Sommers	\$210,437.67
17	Brian Bell	\$185,085.65
18	Thiago Boechat	\$178,321.17
19	Todd Crawford	\$167,538.13
20	Matthew Mills	\$160,097.10

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# AN OPPORTUNITY OF A LIFETIME – JUD LITTLE SCHOLARSHIP TO CULVER ACADEMIES

The Jud Little Scholarship to Culver Academies is one of the most extraordinary programs in the country for high school students. The total value is over \$200,000. For the right student, being chosen to receive the Jud Little Scholarship to Culver Academies can be a life-changing experience. Don't miss the upcoming January 15 application deadline for the 2017/2018 scholarship year!

Endowed by Culver Alumni Jud Little of Ardmore, Oklahoma, this scholarship is awarded to outstanding high school students from Oklahoma to attend Culver Academies in Culver, Indiana. Culver Academies is one of the largest boarding schools in America, with over 800 students. It features a broad college preparatory curriculum with a focus on educating its students for leadership and responsible citizenship by developing and nurturing the whole individual and emphasizing the cultivation of character.

Its 1,800 acre campus features the Vaughn Equestrian Center with one of the country's largest indoor riding hall and stable complexes, the 64,500 square foot Roberts Hall of Science, the Huffington Library, and the Henderson Ice Arenas which provide facilities to three boys' and two girls' hockey teams, and the newly constructed Steinbrenner Performing Arts Center. A rich variety of offerings from horsemanship to fine arts, including 23 Advanced Placement courses and electives in every discipline meets the needs and cultivates the interests of virtually any student. Its success rate is well documented; 99 percent of Culver students attend college and its alumni include standouts from actor Hal Holbrook to country singer Dierks Bentley to Olympic Silver Medalist Molly Engstrom.

The first Jud Little Scholarship was awarded in 2008 and each year a new recipient begins a Culver career. The scholarship covers full tuition, room and board, uniforms, horse-

manship fees, and books. Funding for the Global Pathways Spring Program is also an option. The scholarship is awarded based on family need and student merit, and is renewable on an annual basis. Recipients who continue to excel academically, as student leaders, and in extracurricular activities will receive a total, four-year education with a value in excess of \$200,000.

Jud Little is owner and CEO of The Quintin Little Com-



pany, Inc. an independent oil and gas production and exploration company. While attending Culver Military Academy Jud learned to play polo and went on to play polo around the globe while earning a Bachelor Degree of Science in Economics from the University of Pennsylvania. Jud still raises top performance horses on his 2,000 acre ranch just north of Ardmore, Oklahoma.

To be considered for the Jud Little Scholarship, applicants must be from Oklahoma. They must have demonstrated an excellent citizenship and academic record, and possess the characteristics and traits that suggest the successful candidate will participate fully in Culver's leadership development program.

The ideal candidate will be a student entering 9th grade or willing to repeat 9th grade for the 2017/2018 academic year. Applicants must take the SSAT as part of the application process. The Jud Little Scholarship application is due on January 15, 2017. For more information, please visit <https://www.culver.org/admissions/apply-to-culver/scholarships/little-scholarship>.



# Results from the West Coast Reining Horse Association Best in the West Futurity and Aged Event

## 2016 WEST COAST RHA BEST IN THE WEST FUTURITY OPEN

PL.	HORSE	OWNER	RIDER	MONEY
1ST	Gunna B Special	Joyce F Lee	Michael D. McEntire	\$1,122.30
2ND	Gunners Not Painted (P)	Connie Glavis	Thad L. Carr	\$872.90
3RD	Little Ms Pale Face	Kurt E Tate	Martin Padilla	\$498.80

## 2016 WEST COAST RHA BEST IN THE WEST FUTURITY \$50,000 LIMITED OPEN

1ST	You Are My Princess	Rica Ann Macalvey	Martin Padilla	\$548.33
2ND	Little Ms Pale Face	Kurt E Tate	Martin Padilla	\$426.48
3RD	Wanna Play Tag	Samantha D Allen	Cole Sutton	\$243.70

## 2016 WEST COAST RHA BEST IN THE WEST FUTURITY NON-PRO

1ST	Gotta Twist It Up	Sandra L Bentien	Sandra L Bentien	\$1,122.30
2ND	The Prima Ballerina	Jennifer L. Gilliam	Jennifer L. Gilliam	\$872.90
3RD	Whizkeys Smart Chic	Sara E Silva	Sara E Silva	\$498.80

## 2016 WEST COAST RHA BEST IN THE WEST FUTURITY \$25,000 LIMITED NON-PRO

1ST	Whizkeys Smart Chic	Sara E Silva	Sara E Silva	\$645.60
2/3	Xtra Jacked Voodoo	Jill Ramleth	Jill Ramleth	\$215.20
2/3	Gunnabeatya	Jeanine Burkart	Jeanine Burkart	\$215.20

## 2016 WEST COAST RHA BEST IN THE WEST DERBY OPEN

1ST	Jacs Red Pine	Debi Murman	Thad L. Carr	\$1,225.60
2ND	Aces High Whiz	Larry Lease	David E. Hanson	\$919.20
3/4	Woodys Toy Gun	Karen Di Napoli	Jesus E Chavez	\$459.60
3/4	Walla Great Pine	Andrea Lee-Royer	Thad L. Carr	\$459.60

## 2016 WEST COAST RHA BEST IN THE WEST DERBY \$50,000 LIMITED OPEN

1ST	Woodys Toy Gun	Karen Di Napoli	Jesus E Chavez	\$548.33
2ND	Ms Benz	Britta S Jacobson	Kain N. Emmons	\$426.48
3RD	Reinsincalifornia	Christian Rammerstorfer	Christian Rammerstorfer	\$243.70

## 2016 WEST COAST RHA BEST IN THE WEST DERBY NON-PRO

1ST	Dream Whiz Me	Cady Shaw	Cady Shaw	\$1,149.60
2ND	Okie Paul Coyote	Jill Ramleth	Jill Ramleth	\$862.20
3/4	Gotta Make It Baby	Sandra L Bentien	Sandra L Bentien	\$431.10
3/4	Holly Rowdy Whiz	J & T Enterprises	Teresa A Holland	\$431.10

## 2016 WEST COAST RHA BEST IN THE WEST DERBY \$25,000 LIMITED NON-PRO

1ST	Custom Cody Whiz	Erin Campas / Joann E. Campas	Erin Campas	\$527.34
2/3	Sjr White Knight	Grace Bentien	Grace Bentien	\$364.49
2/3	Okie Paul Coyote	Jill Ramleth	Jill Ramleth	\$364.49
4TH	Holly Rowdy Whiz	J & T Enterprises	Teresa A Holland	\$155.10
5/6	Wimpys Yellow Jacket	Rhonda Dunlap	Rhonda Dunlap	\$69.80
5/6	A Gun Show	McLeod Family Farms LLC	Campbell McLeod	\$69.80

## 2016 WEST COAST RHA BEST IN THE WEST MATURITY OPEN

1/2	Hick a Shine	Jennifer L. Gilliam	Jennifer L. Gilliam	\$487.40
1/2	Diamond Oak (P)	Paige Barton	Martin Padilla	\$487.40
3RD	Jac Bee Whiz	Pastorino Hay & Ranch Supply Inc.	Ollie James Galligan	\$243.70

## 2016 WEST COAST RHA BEST IN THE WEST MATURITY NON-PRO

1ST	Hick a Shine	Jennifer L. Gilliam	Jennifer L. Gilliam	\$544.40
2ND	Ub a Stylin Peppy	Piras Cows & Horses USA	Romina Santucci	\$408.30
3RD	Carmel Candied Tag	Megan R Lindberg	Tessa Lindberg	\$272.20
4TH	Spooks Eclipse	Jill Ramleth	Jill Ramleth	\$136.10

## 2016 WEST COAST RHA BEST IN THE WEST MATURITY YOUTH JUNIOR

1ST	Tuff Sliding Peppy	David E. Hanson	Lauren R Hanson	\$319.50
2ND	Reeboks Rerun	McLeod Family Farms LLC	Campbell McLeod	\$213.00

## 2016 WEST COAST RHA BEST IN THE WEST MATURITY YOUTH SENIOR

1ST	Carmel Candied Tag	Megan R Lindberg	Tessa Lindberg	\$292.50
2/3	Highly Spotageous (Ap)	Teresa M Job	Teresa M Job	\$178.75
2/3	Ima Ugly Stick	Audrey J Alexander	Bailey A Alexander	\$178.75

# Results from the Missouri Reining Horse Association Autumn Slide Futurity and Derby

## 2016 MISSOURI RHA AUTUMN SLIDE FUTURITY OPEN

PL.	HORSE	OWNER	RIDER	MONEY
1ST	Wind Her Up Spook	Vaughn C. Zimmerman	Sarah Lafferty	\$526.95
2ND	Got That Iowa Shine	Josh Murphy	Josh Murphy	\$409.85
3RD	She Dun It At Nite	Lisa R Clark	Elizabeth R Hartin	\$234.20

## 2016 MISSOURI RHA AUTUMN SLIDE FUTURITY LIMITED OPEN

1ST	Wind Her Up Spook	Vaughn C. Zimmerman	Sarah Lafferty	\$260.27
2ND	Got That Iowa Shine	Josh Murphy	Josh Murphy	\$202.43
3RD	She Dun It At Nite	Lisa R Clark	Elizabeth R Hartin	\$115.68

## 2016 MISSOURI RHA AUTUMN SLIDE FUTURITY NON-PRO

1ST	Boomer With Attitude	Robert (Bobby) M Avila Jr. / Kristen M Avila	Kristen M Avila	\$304.28
2ND	Wound Her Up Doc	Vaughn C. Zimmerman	Taylor A Zimmerman	\$202.85

## 2016 MISSOURI RHA AUTUMN SLIDE DERBY OPEN

1ST	Kr Ima Dreamer	Kristen M Avila	Robert (Bobby) M Avila Jr.	\$569.70
2/3	Cbk Spooks Got Cash	William & Corliss Kellogg	Josh Murphy	\$348.15
2/3	Sheza Little Wimpy	Barbara F Matteson	Sterling T. Slemp	\$348.15

## 2016 MISSOURI RHA AUTUMN SLIDE DERBY LIMITED OPEN

1ST	Kr Ima Dreamer	Kristen M Avila	Robert (Bobby) M Avila Jr.	\$269.35
2/3	Cbk Spooks Got Cash	William & Corliss Kellogg	Josh Murphy	\$168.34
2/3	Sheza Little Wimpy	Barbara F Matteson	Sterling T. Slemp	\$168.34
4TH	Chics Got a Mercedes	Thomas Smith	Mark E Turner	\$67.34

## 2016 MISSOURI RHA AUTUMN SLIDE DERBY NON-PRO

1ST	Kr Ima Dreamer	Kristen M Avila	Kristen M Avila	\$260.27
2ND	Wizzin	Justin M Zimmerman	Jacob W. Zimmerman	\$202.43
3RD	Chics Commandrespect	Justin M Zimmerman	Justin M Zimmerman	\$115.68



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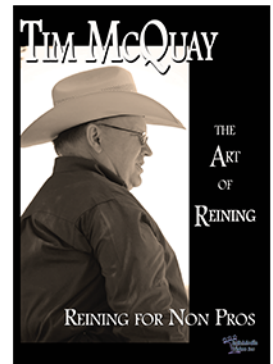
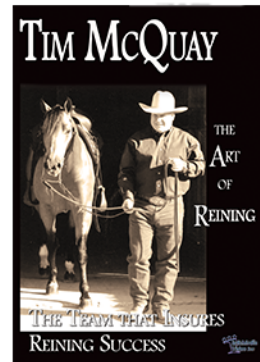
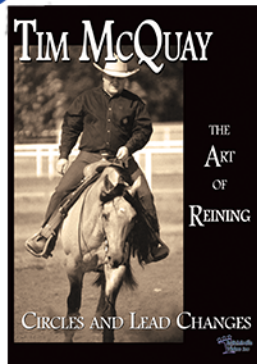
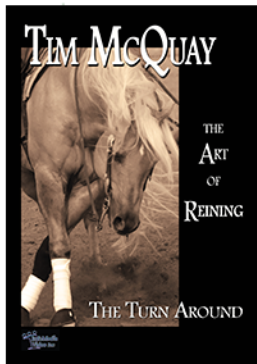
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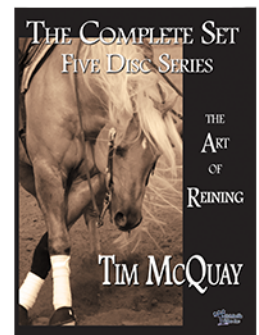
1/26	Southwestern Expo and Livestock Show	Fort Worth	TX	USA
1/27 - 1/29	HDRHA Southern Slide I	Perry	GA	USA
1/27 - 1/29	HDRHA Southern Slide II	Perry	GA	USA
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1/27 - 1/29	HDRHA Southern Slide III	Perry	GA	USA
1/27 - 1/29	HDRHA Kick Off Derby	Perry	GA	USA
1/27 - 1/29	HDRHA Southern Slide Maturity	Perry	GA	USA
1/28 - 1/29	SFRHA Tango Slide I (T)	Ocala	FL	USA
1/28 - 1/29	SFRHA Tango Slide II (T)	Ocala	FL	USA
1/28 - 1/29	Entry Level SFRHA Tango Slide II (T)	Ocala	FL	USA
1/28 - 1/29	Entry Level SFRHA Tango Slide I (T)	Ocala	FL	USA
2/2 - 2/5	Hot Winter Slide	Waco	TX	USA
2/2 - 2/5	Entry Level Hot Winter Slide	Waco	TX	USA
2/3 - 2/5	Winter Slide (T)	Ardmore	OK	USA

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2/3 - 2/5	Winter Slide (T)	Ardmore	OK	USA
2/3 - 2/5	WCRHA Affiliate #1	Rancho Murieta	CA	USA
2/3 - 2/5	Entry Level WCRHA Affiliate #1	Rancho Murieta	CA	USA
3/11 - 3/12	FSRHA Spring Warm Up I	Texarkana	AR	USA
3/11 - 3/12	Entry Level FSRHA Spring Warm Up I	Texarkana	AR	USA
3/11 - 3/12	FSRHA Spring Warm Up II	Texarkana	AR	USA
3/11 - 3/12	Entry Level FSRHA Spring Warm Up II	Texarkana	AR	USA
3/15 - 3/19	Stampede Show 1	Hamilton	TX	USA
3/15 - 3/19	Stampede Derby	Hamilton	TX	USA
3/15 - 3/19	Stampede Derby 4 Year Old Stakes	Hamilton	TX	USA
3/15 - 3/19	Entry Level Stampede Show 1	Hamilton	TX	USA
3/15 - 3/19	Cactus Reining Classic I (T)	Scottsdale	AZ	USA
3/15 - 3/19	Cactus Reining Classic II (T)	Scottsdale	AZ	USA
3/15 - 3/19	Cactus Reining Classic Lucas Oil Open Derby (T)	Scottsdale	AZ	USA
3/15 - 3/19	Cactus Reining Classic Protect The Harvest Non Pro Derby (T)	Scottsdale	AZ	USA
3/15 - 3/19	Cactus Reining Classic Maturity (T)	Scottsdale	AZ	USA
3/24 - 3/26	History and Champions	Ardmore	OK	USA
3/24 - 3/26	Entry Level History and Champions	Ardmore	OK	USA
3/30 - 4/2	SRHA Spring Break 1 (T)	Axvall	ZZ	SWE
3/30 - 4/2	Entry Level SRHA Spring Break 1 (T)	Axvall	ZZ	SWE
3/30 - 4/2	SRHA Spring Break 2 (T)	Axvall	ZZ	SWE
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