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THE LAS VEGAS WILD CARD REINING CHALLENGE RETURNS IN 2017 WITH OVER \$115,000 IN ADDED MONEY



The first Wild Card Reining Challenge in Las Vegas, Nevada was held May 25th through the 29th, 2016.

Hosted by the South Point Hotel, Casino and Equestrian Center, the “Wild Card” was specifically created to offer young reining horses more time to receive the training they need to begin long and sound careers in the demanding sport of reining.

“For years I have been listening to horsemen lament the fact that some very good horses are not ready for the extreme physical and mental stress that can come with 3-year-old reining competition,” says Amanda Brumley of Brumley Management Group, LLC., creator of the Wild Card Reining Challenge. “Horsemen say that some horses are not ready for it. They need a little extra time; some slower preparation. Talk about a 4-Year-Old Futurity has been floating around here for a lot of

years. I think it’s an idea whose time had come.”

A lot of folks agree with Amanda. The concept not only allows for slower development of valuable, top quality equine athletes, it also precipitates longevity for the horse’s ultimate career in the show pen. The event dates for the Wild Card show in late May provide an additional nine months of training time past the 3-year-old deadlines. Those nine months can be critical to the development of muscle, bone, strength and dexterity.

A big supporter of this concept and now the title sponsor of the Wild Card Reining Challenge 4-Year-Old Futurity is Tamarack Ranch of Joseph, Ore. Owner Suzy Simar is a longtime supporter of the Brumley Management shows.

“Without the financial support of sponsors like Tamarack Ranch, the shows I produce just wouldn’t happen,” states Brumley. “These premier events are very costly to produce. A facility like the South Point, and all that it has to offer, is a perfect location for a horse show, but comes at a high price. The folks at South Point are fantastic to work with and bend over backward to make my events a success so to me, every penny is worth it!”

In addition to the \$65,000 Tamarack Ranch 4-Year-Old Futurity, the Wild Card Reining Challenge has included a \$40,000 4-Year-Old Stakes. The

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Futurity has eligibility requirements, but the Stakes does not and is open to all 4-year-old horses. Also, if Futurity exhibitors wish to cross enter into the Stakes as well, they have the opportunity to win even more money.

Eligibility for the Wild Card 4-Year-Old Futurity requires the entry to be a 4-year-old at the beginning of the calendar year and cannot have been shown in ANY Age Event Competition/Futurities (NRHA Category 2) as a 3-year-old. These horses can be shown in AQHA, NRHA or NRCHA events in order to receive the show seasoning required as part of the training process, as long as the added money and 3-year-old aged event category restrictions are maintained. Horses are allowed to show in Aged Events as a 4-year-old prior to the Wild Card event.

“Our plans are to make the Wild Card Reining Challenge just as unique as its 'sister shows': the Cactus Classic, Arizona in March; the Reining by The Bay, California in July and the Las Vegas High Roller Reining Classic, Nevada in September,” says Amanda Brumley. “We have included two full slates (NRHA Category 1) of competition and a 7 & Up Non Pro SmartPak Maturity at the Wild Card Reining Challenge, and classes for our friends from the World Para Reining Organization. In addition the Wild Card is hosting two slates of National Arabian Reining Horse Association qualifiers for the fall NARHA World Championships.”



The Jody Brainard Judging Seminar

Wild Card Reining Challenge also hosts educational seminars sponsored by Horse & Rider Magazine. These seminars were on training, horse health care and judging and were a huge hit in 2016. NRHA Judges Chairman Jody Brainard hosted

the “Inside the mind of a NRHA Judge” seminar. Samples of runs on video were reviewed to help spectators understand what Judges are looking for in reining maneuvers, in addition to reasons for penalties. Dr. Kris Crowe gave an extremely well detailed look into how to care for a performance horse prior to and after competition. Four Million Dollar NRHA Professional, Andrea Fappani shared his insight into speed control and lead changes. Fappani pointed out what he sees exhibitors doing that sets them up for penalties and offered detailed instruction as to how to work with a horse to simplify cues so the horse can clearly understand what the rider is asking.



Andrea Fappani's informative seminar

The Wild Card Reining Challenge has also joined forces with the United States Equestrian Federation (USEF) and USA Reining to offer a youth qualifier for the FEI Youth and Young Rider Reining World Championships Aug. 9-12, 2017, at the CS Ranch in Givrins, Switzerland. Another qualifier is being offered to open riders interested in competing on the US Team at the 2018 World Equestrian Games held at the Tryon International Equestrian Center in North Carolina (USA) Sept. 10 – 23, 2018.

When asked about how the first year of the Wild Card Reining Challenge went, Brumley stated, “Fantastic! Of course I expected it to be small the

first year and it was, but so was High Roller when it started ten years ago. The concept of the 4-Year-Old Futurity needs time to evolve. Although I don't think it's going to take long. We are already expecting double the entries this year."

For additional information, contact Amanda Brumley at (602) 677-3774, or by email at brumleymanagementgroup@gmail.com or visit the event website at www.WildCardReiningChallenge.com.



MARKEL INSURANCE RETURNS TO SPONSOR NRBC NON PRO DRAW PARTY

Markel Continues its Involvement with NRBC!

Markel Insurance returns in 2017 for the sixth consecutive year sponsoring the National Reining Breeders Classic Non Pro Draw Party. The popular party takes place Wednesday evening, April 19, upstairs in the Texas Children's Hospital Arena Club at the Great Southwest Equestrian Center in Katy, Texas.

Markel Director of Western Disciplines and National Reining Horse Association Hall of Fame member Frank Costantini is a true NRBC fan.

"Markel is very pleased to have the opportunity to come back for the 6th year to sponsor the Non Pro Draw Party. The best part of the evening is seeing the interaction among all the exhibitors. From the first-time participant to those who have been around the pen a time or two, there is a lot of good-natured kidding and a tiny hint of nervous energy displayed by almost all the Non Pros in the room. From Markel's point of view, these people are critical to our industry. Their importance can't be overstated. On a personal note, I am very happy to be able to represent a great organization to a great group of people!"

NRBC secretary-treasurer, Cheryl Magoteaux Cody noted, "It's true that the Non Pros are the heart of the reining world and of the NRBC and last year we teamed up with Markel to create an new annual award, the NRBC Markel Distinguished Non Pro trophy. Our first recipient was super-volunteer Rita Reed Harris and this year it will again be given to a



The NRBC Markel Non Pro Commitment award will be presented to a deserving Non Pro during the Non Pro Draw Party.

deserving Non Pro during the Non Pro draw party. The recipient is chosen by a panel that evaluates all the qualities that make up incredible Non Pros."

Frank said, "The Markel Distinguished Non Pro Award is in its second year and what makes it unique is that it isn't for the Non Pro who gets all the accolades in the show pen, but for the person that you are always glad to see at an event. It's that individual who really doesn't care how good or bad they or you do, but is always ready to help out, give you a pat on the back, or a word of encouragement. It's this reiner that makes the NRBC and the reining world a better place because they are a part of it!"

Discussing the NRBC and the people who are part of it, brought back some poignant memories for Costantini.

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very special to me personally. When the NRBC Board moved the event to Katy in 2001, I called my uncle, Joe Costantini, who was always called Junior in our family. I told him I was coming to Katy in April for an event. Since very few of his relatives made the trip from Youngstown to Katy, it was very special for him. He was aware that I had been President of the NRHA and was still involved in the industry. When I got to Katy, I just found out how insignificant I really was. My uncle had gotten to know Cheryl Cody, Colleen McQuay and the office staff, was a starter at the course where the Golf Tournament was played and mingled with all the golfers who participated and literally became a one-man welcoming committee for Katy, Texas. From the doughnuts to pizza to the "Boat", he was part of the show each year and we were able to

rekindle a relationship of a lifetime. Right after the show in 2007, Uncle Junior died. The NRBC and Katy, Texas gave my uncle and me an opportunity to spend some great times together."

Cheryl added, "We all miss Joe Costantini and our memories of him are part of the rich relationship fabric that binds so many to this event! We were blessed to have both the Costantinis and their families become part of NRBC!"

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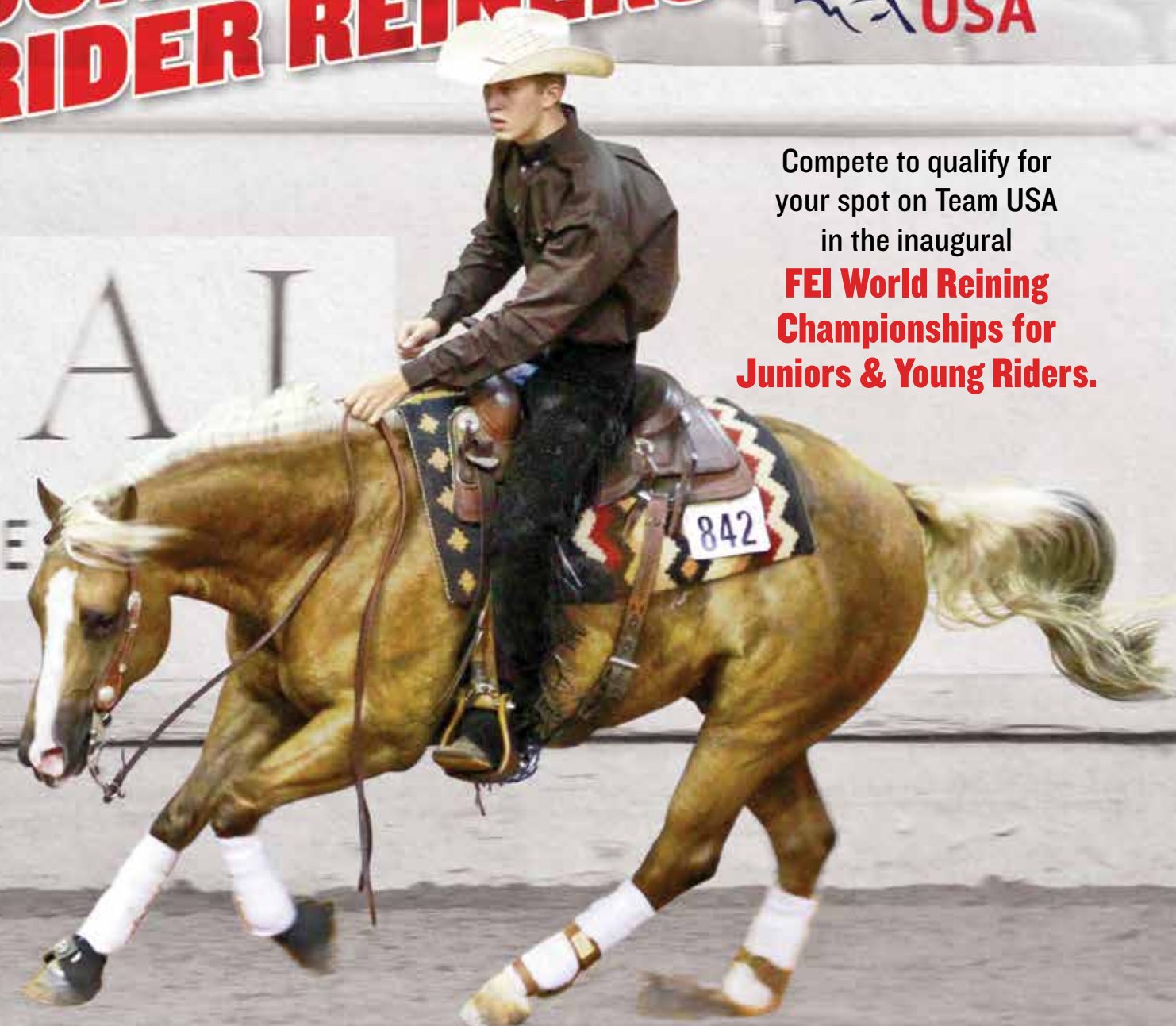
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The \$ 80,000-added Austrian RHA Futurity & NRHA Show is scheduled for August 23 to 26 this year – as always at the facility of H&D Schulz Quarter Horses in Wiener Neustadt, Austria. Riders and owners should remember the first deadline which is July 1, 2017. Horses can be entered after this date with an additional fee.

The 11th edition of the Austrian RHA Futurity is open to all 3- and 4-year-old horses. There are four levels in the 3-year-old Futurity Open and three in the Non Pro. All classes are NRHA approved. Besides the Futurity, there is an NRHA Ancillary Show, the Ancillary classes also are ARHA Circuit qualifiers.



Lendi Gennaro Big Gangster Cash

The stallion service auction in favor of the Austrian RHA Futurity has already started well. Breedings to fine stallions are available for 50 percent of the normal fee. All stallions are presented here: http://www.awa.at/zucht/decksprungversteigerung_2017.pdf.

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OPEN BRIDLE

Shes Playin Rey/C. J. Shopbell



C.J. Shopbell won the biggest title of his career at the Celebration of Champions when he won the Open Bridle World Championship aboard Shes Playin Rey. The mare, owned by Gregg Lafitte, marked a 435.5 to win \$9,002.

“I don’t have words to describe how I feel. I’m flabbergasted,” said Shopbell, who also picked up third place on Shes Playin Rey (TR Dual Rey x Playin Acre x Playin Stylish) in the Open Two Rein just two days before winning the Open Bridle World Championship. “She’s a special horse. She’s got a good disposition and a good mind to her. She’s very accepting of everything that we’ve asked her to do.”

“I need a new heart,” joked Lafitte, describing the excitement of the win in Fort Worth. Lafitte has owned the mare since she was a 3-year-old and was Reserve Champion at the 2015 Celebration of Champions in the Non Pro Hackamore. “She’s been incredible for both of us and for her to do what she did for us today - the first time she’s ever been in the Open Bridle - is incredible. For her to be competitive at this level and also come down and take care of me is an incredible quality that you

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LIMITED OPEN BRIDLE *Meradas Golden Rey/Naomi Bancroft*



typically don't find in a horse. Every place we go somebody's trying to buy her and part of that is her demeanor as well as her athletic ability."

Throughout the winning run, Shopbell's goal was to stay sharp and make a penalty-free run.

"I wasn't thinking, 'I got this,' or anything, I just wanted a clean run and to not have any penalties," Shopbell said. "She's a huge fence horse and she is a big stopper. She's probably the quickest-footed horse I've ever had in the barn."

It was the precision of the run that impressed Lafitte most.

"She's incredible in the dry work. C.J. and her are in-sync and never missed a beat," Lafitte said. "The degree of difficulty on the cow wasn't really high but it was precise and perfect, it was a textbook run."

Shopbell worked for cow horse trainer Kim Witty for 18 months after graduating high school.

From there, he spent three years at Russell Dilday's training facility, then moved on to Don Murphy's before going out on his own.

"I still haven't really left there, he helps me all the time," said Shopbell, 33, who bought his own place 10 years ago, but listened to Murphy's advice before the Open Bridle finals. "He said to me, don't miss your markers."

It was Murphy who first put Shes Playin Rey in training with Shopbell when she was a 2-year-old.

"They clicked and I bought her four years ago," said Lafitte who is in the insurance business in Dallas, Texas. "I clicked with C.J. as well. I don't think he's ever taken one all the way through from the snaffle bit to the hackamore, the two rein and now the bridle, so for him to do that the first time on this horse, and to win a World Championship, is beyond comprehension. I love him, he's like one of my kids as well as a partner."

When Naomi Bancroft left her home in Stratton, Colorado, for the Celebration of Champions, she knew that the stallion Meradas Golden Rey—the 2015 and 2016 NRCHA Limited Open Bridle National Champion—had what it would take to be a world champion. The stallion proved that his trainer was right when he marked a 430 to win \$3,684 and the 2016 Limited Open Bridle World Championship for Setting Sun Ranch.

"Everything lined up and allowed us to win," Bancroft said. "I was really happy with it. It wasn't our best run ever, but he was really good and honest in the reining and he had more fire to him than he had in the prelims. In the cow work he was good. His first and third turns were real good. That cow really wanted to be physical with him and then he circled up really good on it."

This was Bancroft's first time to win a NRCHA World Championship and it was her third trip to Fort Worth with the 2008 stallion.

"It means everything," Bancroft said. "It was a goal, but it also lets you know that you're headed down the right track with your training. I knew the competition was going to be tough. I had to go out there and make the best run I could on that day and let the cards play out how they were going to. Whether we won it or not, I was happy with what we were able to get done in the pen."

Her favorite thing about Meradas Golden Rey (Rockin Lockin Rey x Meradas Trouble x Master Merada) is that he's easy to train.

“You don't have to do things over and over with him; once you show him, he's pretty good about doing it.”

NON PRO BRIDLE

Frances Labourdette/Smart Chic Aloha



Frances Labourdette didn't think she'd ever show Smart Chic Aloha again, but that all changed when her friends, Debra Motichuk and Betty Fauntlaroy, invited her to go ride with them at Don Murphy's. Since riding with Murphy was a bucket list item for Labourdette, she decided to go along. That was in October 2016, but since Smart Chic Aloha was in the pasture, where she'd been for the past four years, she told her friends she'd need 30 days to prepare.

“It was exciting because we were going to get to work cows,” Labourdette said of her first trip to Murphy's. “It lit a fire within me.”

That, paired with being able to find a good farrier, was all that Labourdette needed to inspire her to get Smart Chic Aloha (Smart Chic Olena x Lei Aloha x Doc Tom Tucker) qualified for the Celebration of Champions.

“All of a sudden my horse started stopping really well and then we went to Sarasota to get qualified and did well there,” said Labourdette, who bought

Smart Chic Aloha in 2007.

Around Christmas time, Labourdette got cold feet about showing. Instead of quitting, she rode with Murphy and then entered the Celebration of Champions in Fort Worth. That decision resulted in scores of 216 in the reining and a 220 on the cow for a 436 and the Non Pro Bridle World Championship.

“She gave me the best run I could have ever asked for,” said Labourdette, who won \$4,505. “When I was circling the cow I was crying because it was like a storybook, it was surreal. If you'd told me in September that I'd be showing in this show, I would've said ‘No way.’ She's a great mare and she has always taken care of us. We're just very blessed to have her.”

Due to family commitments, Labourdette, Folsom, Louisiana, hadn't shown during the course of the past four years. Back in 2009, she and Smart Chic Aloha won the world championship, but was then bred. In 2012, Shawn Hays rode the mare to the World's Greatest Horseman Reserve Championship. In preparation for the World's Greatest, Hays had help from Murphy – a protocol repeated by Labourdette.

“(Coming to the Celebration of Champions) was a very big deal and kind of nerve wracking but Don Murphy was awesome,” Labourdette said. “Thanks to Matt Howell, who is our trainer at home and was a big help, also, my husband Aaron and my children for allowing me to have two weeks to myself. Aaron made this possible for me to be able to leave and to do this.”



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INTERMEDIATE NON PRO BRIDLE *LaDona Emmons/Another Mister 505*



LaDona Emmons says that she can sometimes be a “chicken,” but the 2016 NRCHA Intermediate Non Pro World Champion showed no signs of fear when she marked 431.5 points on Another Mister 505 in the finals at the Celebration of Champions.

“My goal with him is to just be clean, to ride him smart and to be mindful of my maneuvers. For me, I don’t necessarily go in wanting to win it, I just want to be clean and show my horse good.”

Winning the world championship and \$3,231 in prize money was as much about the journey as the title for Emmons.

“It’s everything that we learn,” said Emmons, who in 2012 won the AQHA World Championship and the NRCHA

Non Pro Limited World Championship on Another Mister 505. “It means so much to have accomplished what we have.”

Emmons loves the heart that Another Mister 505 (Mister Dual Pep x Another Olena x Quanah O Lena), a.k.a. “John,” displays both in and out of the show pen.

“We have a weird connection. He’s quirky and weird and everyone thinks he’s super quiet, but he can be very naughty too. We have hit it off and we have a tight connection. He’s always there for me

and he’s taught me so much – I love him for that. I never have to ask him to step up, he always just takes me there.”

Emmons, Ione, California, wore a necklace during her winning run that her husband Ron Emmons had given her for her birthday. It’s inscribed with the words ‘Go’ and ‘Trust.’

“He’s always telling me to go faster because I never went very fast,” Emmons said, “and I always wear the necklace when I show him.”

NOVICE NON PRO BRIDLE *Kameron Buchanan/Heza Hickory Colonel*



Kameron Buchanan hopes to be a trainer one day, and winning the Novice Non Pro Bridle World Championship aboard Heza Hickory Colonel was a step toward achieving that goal. Scoring a 210 in the rein work and a 221 on cow, Buchanan took home a check for \$2,970.

“It’s really exciting. Going down there I didn’t think I’d be able to win a world championship. My goal was to make the finals, but when I won the prelims I knew I had a shot,” Buchanan said. “I told myself before I went in the arena that if we got the right cow and everything worked out that we could do good. It was really a great feeling to know that all the hard work had paid off.”

While Buchanan would have liked his NRCHA Novice Non Pro Bridle World Champion reining to have been a little better, he’s not likely to forget his

cow work any time soon.

“When the cow came out, I didn’t know what to expect. I didn’t think I had enough cow to win it in the boxing, but when the cow came down the fence, it came alive and worked out really good. We made a really good first turn and the second turn was good too. We had to make another turn before we got circled, but my horse circled good both ways. It ended up being one of the better cow scores that I’ve ever had on him.”

Buchanan purchased Heza Hickory Colonel (Stylish Hickory x Colonels Boogie Girl x Lynx Boogie) in 2014 and works the 8-year-old gelding himself.

“He’s not the prettiest thing, but he really likes to stop and he can go down the fence,” Buchanan said.

Buchanan, 21, hails from a ranch and farm near Turkey, Texas. He is currently studying animal science at Texas Tech University and is thankful for the help that his ranch horse coaches, Chance O’Neal and Justin Stanton, offered leading up to the show.

“I’ve got to thank my mom and dad and everyone who was there to support me and who has supported me along the way,” Buchanan said.

He also thanked trainers Don Murphy and Kelby Phillips for their help and guidance.

OPEN HACKAMORE *Reys A Shine/Chris Dawson*



Reys A Shine looked like a world champion from the moment he entered the arena for the Open Hackamore finals. By the time he exited the show pen, scores of 216.5 and 220.5 posted, which clinched the world championship and earned \$8,812.

“He ran in there and drug his hind end on the first one and he stayed penalty free,” said trainer Chris Dawson. “When the cow came out, it didn’t really want to drive across the pen too much so I stayed there a little longer than people probably thought I was going to, but I was trying to make sure that I had a hold of that cow and had him moving around where I wanted him to.”

“It was a fantastic cow work,” said owner Carol Rose. “It was a pretty wild cow. He had to come all the way to the end to loop it back, and the cow didn’t want to go toward the fence, so he shaped it toward the fence and then did an open field turn on a loose rein, then circled up. It was beautiful. That horse is a great horse and Chris is a great trainer and great showman.”

Reys A Shine (Dual Rey x Lil Miss Shiney Chex x Shining Spark) was placed in training with Dawson at the end of his 3-year-old year. While he missed the Snaffle Bit Futurity, he quickly developed into a show horse. His dam, Lil Miss Shiney Chex, was the first horse that Dawson made the Snaffle Bit Futurity finals on.



“His mother was a real show horse,” Dawson said. “The best she ever was, was in the show pen—she loved the bright lights and she’s passed that along to him. When the pressure’s on, that’s when he likes to be his best.”

Reys A Shine experienced a sick spell after the AQHA World Show and had to spend time at the veterinarian’s. Dawson is thankful that he was able to bounce back for the NRCHA Celebration of Champions.

“He’s one of my favorites. I love him. He’s a pet there at the house,” Dawson said. “To finish this horse’s derby years out with a world title is very special. It’s been a long road with this horse and we’ve developed quite the bond.”

LIMITED OPEN HACKAMORE *CSR Lay Down Sally/Ben Bowman*



Ben Bowman had only shown CSR Lay Down Sally a few times before heading to the Celebration of Champions, but that didn’t stop him from marking 438 to win the Limited Open Hackamore World Championship and \$3,318.

“That mare is easy to show and stays really quiet. If you stay out of her way and guide her to where you want her to be, then that’s what she’ll do—she’s very easy,” Bowman said.

CSR Lay Down Sally marked a 218 in the reining.

“She was very good through the reining. She likes

to run and stop. She stays with you the whole time and doesn’t try to outthink you—that’s what makes her so easy.”

Her willingness transfers to cow work as well and was reflected in her score of 220 after being awarded a new cow.

“The second cow was real good and had a lot of head to it. We didn’t stay very long on the end and it had enough run to go down the pen and for everything to work out right.”

CSR Lay Down Sally (Dual Spark x Look At Her Glo x CD O Cody) was in training with Bobby Lewis as a 3-year-old, and then went to Chris Dawson. The now 6-year-old mare moved to Bowman’s facility after being purchased by Meredith Graber. Bowman, Sandborn, Indiana, has only been showing seriously in the cow horse pen for the past five years. This was his fourth trip to Fort Worth and his first world championship.

“I think a lot of this mare and I think you’ll see a lot more of her,” he said.

NON PRO HACKAMORE *Jennifer Neel/Z Martinalena*



Jennifer Neel celebrated her first NRCHA World Championship at the Celebration of Champions when she marked a 434 on Z Martinalena in the Non Pro Hackamore to win \$3,942.

“We’ve been in the finals before, but this is the first time that we’ve actually won. I’m so excited,”

Neel said. “This was my last run in the hackamore and next year, I hope to come back in the two rein.”

Neel wasn't that happy with her rein work in the finals, saying her nerves kept her from riding as hard as she should. Right before her second stop, Neel made the decision to run harder.

“I thought, ‘I'm in the finals of the World Show, I better make my last stop and spin count.’ She's an amazing stopper, and the last few shows we've earned plus-ones so I was mad at myself for not utilizing it,” said Neel who won the Non Pro Derby Level 1 and Level 2 at the High Roller Reining in Las Vegas, Nevada, on Z Martinalena and was reserve in the Non Pro Hackamore Classic last year.

Neel received a 216.5 in the cow work, which made her very happy. Leading up to the show, she spent a lot of time in the practice pen working cattle.

“The reining is usually our strong suit, so we've been working really, really hard on getting that first turn, and she was dialed in today,” Neel said. “She's very talented but I've had a tough time getting her down the fence. At the derbies we'd do well in the reining and the herd work, but the fence work was our nemesis.”

Neel is a real estate agent in Aledo, Texas. Z Martinalena (Zezes Pepto Cat x Fussy Hanky x Lotsolena) was bred, raised and trained by Neel's father, veteran horseman Tom Neel.

“I got to show her sire at the AQHA World Show five or six years ago and I showed the dam, who was a cutting mare, when I was 10 or 11. This horse is the last one out of her,” said Neel, who also had success on a full sister to Z Martinalena, named Z Sweet, in the 2014 NRCHA Hackamore Classic Non Pro division.

Neel considers herself fortunate that she gets to show Z Martinalena. Originally the mare was slated to be her dad's Snaffle Bit Futurity horse and Jennifer suggested they should double up on her. Come October, Tom thought the mare was too green for the Open and let his daughter show her

instead.

“The plan was I'd just show her at Reno and then give her back but after Reno, mom (Lorna) said I should keep showing her. It turned into a ‘one more show, one more show,’ deal and they eventually just gave her to me for Christmas in 2015.”

In addition to providing her with horses, Neel is thankful for the support she receives from her parents.

“They've been absolutely amazing, not just for giving me this mare, but for coaching me along. My boyfriend, J.B. Holland, has also been incredibly supportive of me.”

OPEN TWO REIN *A Lil Dab Will Do/Robert Chown*



Robert Chown describes his 2016 NRCHA Open Two Rein World Champion horse, A Lil Dab Will Do, owned by Larry and Kathy Barker, as a bionic horse. The 2010 gelding confirmed Chown's assessment when he marked a 445 to win the world title and \$4,905.

A Lil Dab Will Do (Cat Man Do x Dainty Little Step x Wimpys Little Step) impressed the judges from the outset, scoring a 227.5 in the reining.

“He usually will be at the top end of the reining,” Chown said. “That might have been the highest that I've marked on him, but he's marked 75's and 76's lots of times.”

Chown's approach to the run was to knock one

maneuver down at a time.

“You know it’s good, but it’s not like you sit there and think that you’re marking high. You’re just trying to show your horse. Once a maneuver is done, you’re thinking about what you’re doing next, but I knew he had pretty much done every maneuver at about a plus-one level,” Chown said.

In the cow work, A Lil Dab Will Do followed up with a 217.5.

“He didn’t draw a cow that you could go be 225 on, but that cow dang sure could have been one that you could have been a 200 on,” Chown said. “What that horse did out there was he did his job— he controlled the cow and put it through the pattern. I thought he got as much as there was in that cow to get and that’s not an easy thing to do.”

A Lil Dab Will Do also holds an AQHA Junior World Championship and the 2016 AQHA Senior Reserve World Championship.

“This horse has a lot of stuff going for him. He’s got an unbelievable ability to go really slow when he needs to and to be really laid back, and then to instantly spark. There aren’t a lot of horses who can lope as slow as he can and spin as fast as he can,” Chown said. “He’s cowy and he’s a big strong horse. He’s got the whole deal: he’s strong, he’s pretty, he’s talented and he’s good minded. There’s not a chink in his armor.”

While Chown has won many world championships, this was his first time to win one at the Celebration of Champions.

“It was nice to get one,” Chown said. “I think it’s been six times that I’ve been second there. It’s always fun to win and this horse has been a real blessing to me.”

NON PRO TWO REIN *Susan Stoltz/A Time For Jazz*



A bout with the flu kept Susan Stoltz up the night before the finals of the Non Pro Two Rein, but sickness was no match for her nerves of steel. Putting her illness aside, Stoltz made the ride of her life to mark a 428 on A Time For Jazz and win the world championship and the \$2,557 check that came with it.

“No one comes here not wanting to win it,” Stoltz said, “Winning this was such a shock. I’ll remember it for a long time. I was so sick I couldn’t even warm him up. I’m tickled beyond words to have this horse and I’m happy to be here.”

Stoltz’ goal for the finals was to make a clean run and hit credit-earning stops. “All that happened,” said Stoltz, who marked a 215 in the reining and then had a 213 in the cow work. “My first cow was kind of a dud, and I got another one. Jazz stayed right on him and stayed between the reins and let me turn him—it all came together which it doesn’t always do.”

It was A Time For Jazz’ disposition that Stolz first liked about the horse when she saw him at a show as a 4-year-old. He was calm and quiet, making him suitable for a non pro but, he was also talented enough to compete in the Open.

“He’s an easy to ride horse,” said Stoltz, who bought the 2010 sorrel gelding at the Celebration of Champions in 2014. Qualifying for the Celebration

of Champions is Stoltz' annual goal. Prior to her World Title, the highlight of Stoltz' career in the show pen with A Time For Jazz (One Time Pepto x Starlight And Jazz x Grays Starlight) was winning the Colorado Reined Cow Horse Derby in 2015 and watching trainer Brad Barkemeyer win the Open Two Rein for the Southwest Region. Stoltz keeps A Time For Jazz with Jim Cook when she's in Colorado and Brad Barkemeyer when she's in Arizona. Regardless of which state she's in, Stoltz always tries to ride at least twice a week.

"He's always a good horse. He's always the same. He has some quirks but nothing that's too hard to work with. He's very lovable and sweet."

NON PRO LIMITED AND \$5,000 NON PRO LIMITED *Kaitlin Ormson/TR Playing Chic*



Kaitlin Ormson had been showing in the NRCHA for less than a year when she went to the Celebration of Champions, but within two days she and her horse TR Playing Chic had won two world titles: the Non Pro Limited and the \$5,000 NRCHA Non Pro Limited.

"My goal was just to compete here. I just wanted to make one finals," said Ormson, who also qualified in the \$1,000 Non Pro Limited. "I honestly can't believe this has happened. I can't describe what it's like to win two world championships."

Ormson attributes her win to TR Playing Chic's heart and try. She won the Non Pro Limited with

scores of 219.5 in the reining and 217 on the cow.

"That was probably our best rein work ever. She was listening to me and everything was just on," said Ormson, who worked on riding harder to her stops in preparation for the show. "She can do it all, it's just me who has to learn. I've had to learn a lot about working cows and where to be. I have the most trouble with my timing and my stops, but when I got in the show pen, I was where I needed to be."

After winning the Non Pro Limited, Ormson didn't have time to celebrate, as she had to get ready for the \$5,000 Non Pro Limited prelims the next day. After that qualification, she went to bed early so she'd be well rested for the \$1,000 Non Pro Limited preliminaries and the \$5,000 Non Pro Limited finals.

"When I went in for the \$5,000 Non Pro Limited, I really didn't think I could win another one but I went in there wanting to have no regrets," said Ormson, adding that part of her determination was the result of having over-spun in the preliminary round of the \$1,000 Non Pro Limited, which was held before the \$5,000 Non Pro Limited Finals. "I convinced myself that I didn't care about what had happened in the \$1,000 Non Pro Limited, and that was really hard. I made myself leave it over in the Coliseum and then go to the finals and ride smarter. I wanted to go in there and lay it all out for the finals."

Wearing her Non Pro Limited World Champion's buckle and with \$2,745 already in her pocket, Ormson did just that and marked a 217.5 in the reining and a 215.5 in the boxing to win \$3,305 as the \$5,000 Non Pro Limited World Champion.

"I'm so thankful to be able to do this," Ormson said. "This horse is a once-in-a-lifetime horse."

Ormson, Sanger, Texas, didn't have to look further than her trainer Christian Lybbert's Whitesboro, Texas, barn for TR Playing Chic (TR Dual Rey x Smart Playing Chic x Smart Chic Oleana).

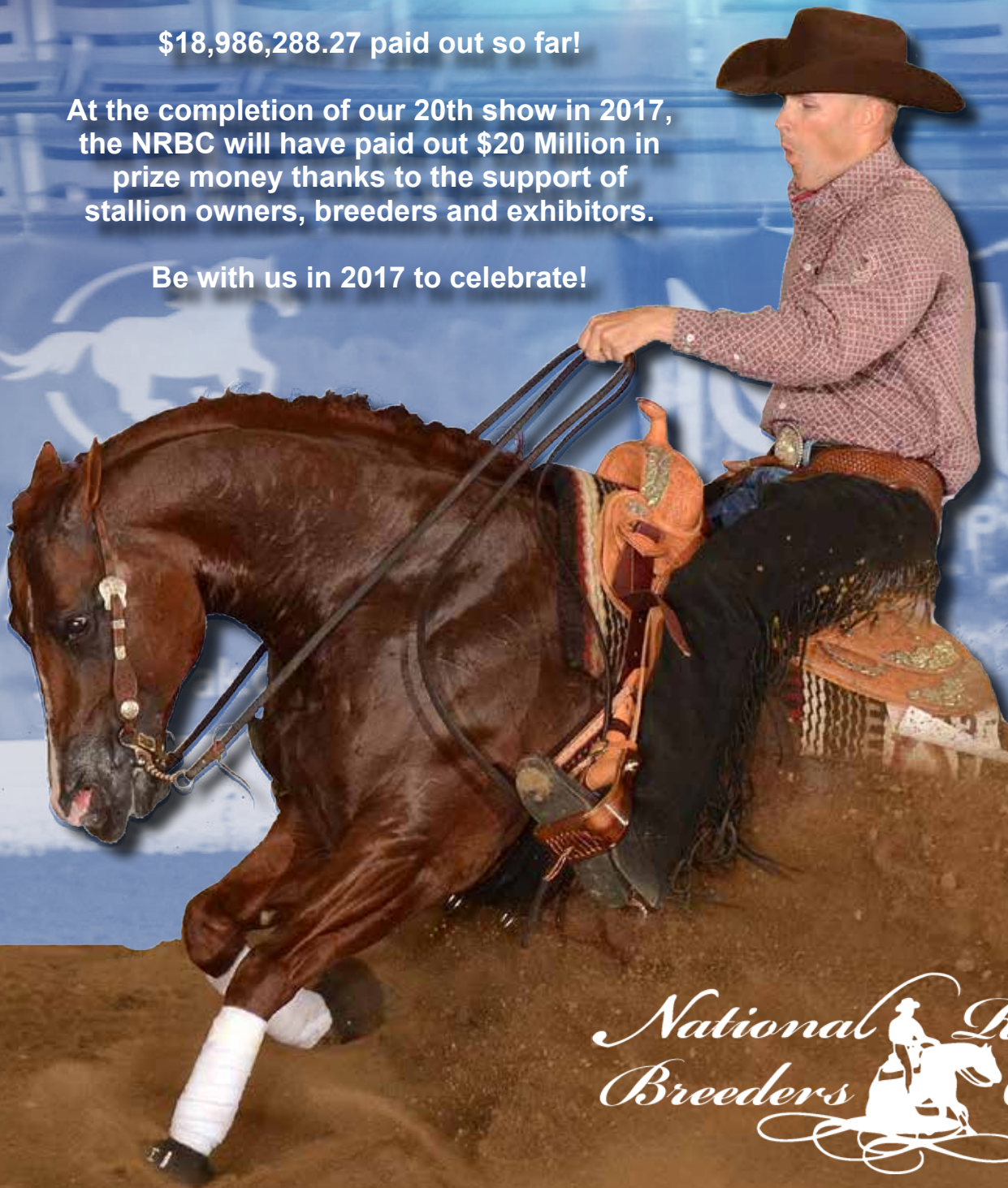
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needed to sell that horse so I could buy a horse I could show,” Ormson said. “I was able to sell her quickly and bought TR Playing Chic. I didn’t know if I should have because I didn’t want to buy the very first horse that I had looked at, but I fell in love with her and I haven’t regretted it at all.”

Ormson showed stock horses in college, where she gained her first experience working cattle.

“One of my friends, Mandy Anderson, convinced me that cow horse was where it was at, so I tried it. Even though my horse wasn’t good at it, I was hooked.”

She is thankful that her father, John Ormson, encourages her horse habit. Her fiancé John Petty, who co-owns an internet service provider, is also highly supportive.

“I also want to thank Christian Lybbert and his wife Danielle. They put up with a lot from me.”

Ormson will show in boxing classes in 2017 but hopes to go down the fence in 2018.

\$1,000 NON PRO LIMITED
Annabelle Burgher/Suddenly Nic



Winning always feels good and when you get to win a world championship the first time you attend the Celebration of Champions, it feels even better. That’s what Annabelle Burgher did when she marked a 432 on Suddenly Nic to become the \$1,000 Non Pro Limited NRCHA World Champion.

“It’s amazing. It feels great to have all of the hard work pay off. It’s so cool,” said Burgher, who took home \$2,210 for the win. “Every weekend, whether we’re in 100 degree heat or if it’s 30 degrees in the winter, I’m out there practicing. It feels so good to finally win; it’s great.”

Burgher has competed in the NRHA for the past four years, but tried her hand at the cow work one year ago.

“The cow work is a lot more fun, but the rein work is simpler in that there’s less risk and less of an unknown to it. Reining feels more like home to me,” said Burgher, adding that her favorite reining maneuver is the stop because Suddenly Nic executes them smoothly.

Burgher was pleased to score a 218 in the boxing during her finals run.

“He was controlled and responsive and everything came together,” she said. “Everything clicked.”

Hanging out with Suddenly Nic (Nic It In The Bud x Suddenly Shiney x Shining Spark) makes the weekends more rewarding for Burgher, 16. Her horse is also the reason she decided to start working cattle.

“He was a cow horse before he was a reining horse, and he was very good at it,” Burgher said. “One day I worked the flag and thought it was fun; then I worked a cow and it was a lot of fun.”

Burgher thanks her parents, Laurie and Jeff Burgher for their support.

“My mom told me before the show to just do my best and to have fun. My dad supports me too.”

“It’s been a long road,” said dad Jeff Burgher, Coppell, Texas. “From the age of 2 or 3 she just loved horses. She started riding when she was 4-and-a-half years old and she’s had some heartbreaking things happen at shows where everything went right, but one big thing wouldn’t go right, but that was early on. She’s worked hard and pays attention

to detail. We're very proud of her and trainers, Steve and Carol Metcalf, who are just awesome."

YOUTH BRIDLE

Cutter McLaughlin/CD Dee Vee Dee



At the start of 2016, Cutter McLaughlin put winning an NRCHA Youth Bridle World Championship on his bucket list. At 13, he still had many years left to achieve it, but McLaughlin aspired to win the title while still a seventh grader. Riding Supreme Reined Cow Horse CD Dee Vee Dee, that goal materialized at the Celebration of Champions when he marked a 440 in the finals.

"I've won the AQHA World Show in the Youth, but I hadn't won the NRCHA World Show so I'm glad that I did that," said McLaughlin who took home a \$1,008 scholarship for the win. "It's a relief to have completed that goal."

McLaughlin wasn't just showing in the Youth at the Celebration of Champions, he also entered the World's Greatest Horseman and is the youngest competitor to ever do so. CD Dee Vee Dee (CD Lights x Shiners Missy Jay x Shining Spark) had made many trips to the show pen by the time they competed in the Youth Bridle Finals.

"My horse had been working really hard but I just trusted him," McLaughlin said. "He tries his heart out every day, no matter what."

"I thought he did a wonderful job of showing him," said Cutter's dad Jay McLaughlin. "His horse

was pretty tired because he'd been shown pretty hard all week in the World's Greatest so Cutter had to really use his brain to get that horse shown two times in a row like that."

Cutter marked a 217 in the reining and a 223 in the fence work to win the title.

"He just tried his heart out and he was so tired from that week," Cutter said. "He stopped really good and he spun around good—he did it all good. It was a fun run and in the fence work my dad was right there helping me."

Cutter has previously won NRCHA Youth Limited and \$5,000 Non Pro Limited World Championships, as well as two AQHA Youth World Titles.

YOUTH LIMITED

Emily Kent/Mr Dual Brooksinic



When Emily Kent qualified to enter the NRCHA Celebration of Champions, she set the goal of winning the Youth Limited. After months of preparation, her work resulted in a score of 433.5 riding Mr Dual Brooksinic to the Youth Limited World Championship and \$1,290 in scholarship money.

"We went down to my trainer before the show and we spent time with my reining horse trainer too, and it all came together," Kent said. "I tried to ride at home every single day when it wasn't snowing."

Mr Dual Brooksinic (Mister Dual Pep x Brooksinic), 14, was originally trained by Robert Chown and was purchased by the Kents, who work with trainer Chris Dawson, for Emily's mother Leslie.

"I needed a new horse and she let me start riding him," Kent said. "I've been showing him for about two years now."

Her first impression of Mr Dual Brooksinic was that he was amazing. The two share a special bond.

"He lets me ride him bareback, which some horses won't," Kent said.

Kent's job at home is to help feed and look after the horses. Rather than viewing the responsibility as a chore, she enjoys hanging out with the horses. Knowing her horse well helped Kent fend off show

pen nerves.

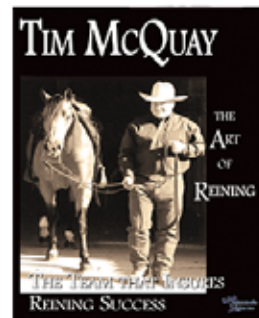
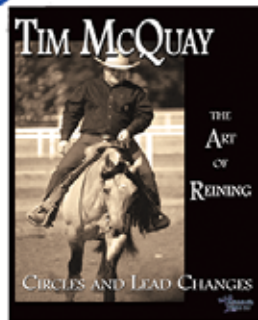
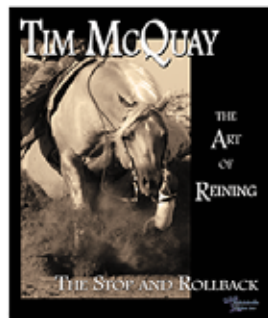
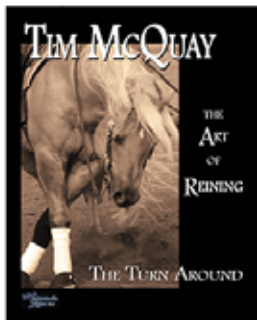
"I've shown a bunch on this horse and I just wanted to do my best," Kent said. "I have to really trust him a lot."

Kent scored a 216 in the reining and a 217.5 in the boxing.

"I was very happy with my reining," Kent said. "That horse is cowy and I just let him do most of it – I just made sure that we were in position. The cow was slow so we just had to make it move, but it got fast at times."

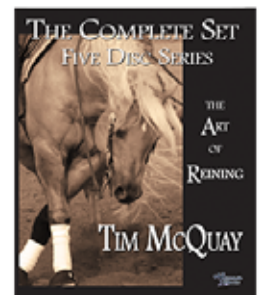
Kent, 13, thanks her parents, as well as trainers Chris Dawson and Kriss Hermus, for helping her win the NRCHA Youth Limited World title. She also split fourth and fifth in the Youth Limited on Vintage Tejonshine to win another \$645.

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OPEN BRIDLE

Lenas Buddy Nic/Jake Telford



In the spring of 2016, Jake Telford never would have guessed that Lenas Buddy Nic would win the NRCHA Open Bridle National Title. Instead of being shown, the 2009 gelding underwent colic surgery. If there's any such thing as a good colic, that's what Lenas Buddy Nic had, and by fall Telford was back in the saddle with hopes of entering the Celebration of Champions.

"He missed most of the summer shows. In the fall I finally got to show him a little bit and we had enough luck at the World Show to win this," Telford said.

At the Celebration of Champions, Lenas Buddy Nic, who was the 2015 Open Two Rein NRCHA World Champion with Telford, finished third to take his National point total to 144 – just four points more than Tuckers Smart Cat (WR This Cats Smart x Smoke Time Tuck x Doc Tom Tucker) ridden by Blue Allen and Lyn Anderson and owned by Susan Lyle.

Telford said, "The Open Bridle is against the toughest horses going, so any time you can have enough success to be at the top of that list is a good thing – it's something to be proud about."

Lenas Buddy Nic (Nic It In The Bud x Dual Lena x Lethal Lena) usually stands out because of his cow work, but Telford feels that lately his reining has gotten stronger.

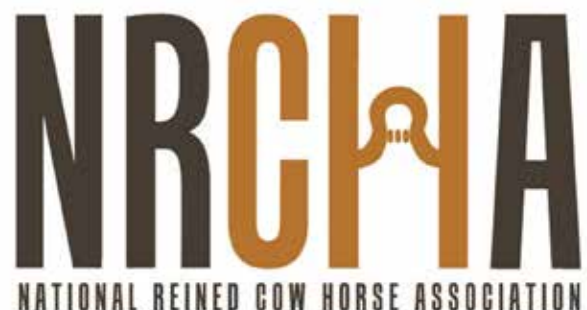
"He marked a 220 in the finals in Fort Worth. He's a quirky little horse. The way he warms up, you'd never dream that he's as good to show as he is, but you go in that pen and he lets you run around those circles and he slows down. He's one of those that feels better in the show pen than he does when he's warming up," Telford said. "He's always been a really good little fence horse, but he's had a lot of good trainers over the years so I can't take credit for that. He's good on a cow and has athletic ability."

One of the loveable quirks to Lenas Buddy Nic is that he likes children. One day after placing third in the Open Bridle at the Idaho Futurity – a show that Telford thinks offers as tough a competition as any in the Open Bridle – Telford's 10-year-old daughter, Sierra, rode him to the win in the Short Stirrup class.

"He's just a good-minded, good show horse," Telford said. "He packed her around like a dream."

Telford got Lenas Buddy Nic in his barn toward the end of 2015 from owner Judy Siebel of Bitterroot Springs Ranch.

"She's been great to work with and about understanding where he needs to go and what needs to be done with him. I'm very grateful and thankful that she sent me that horse."





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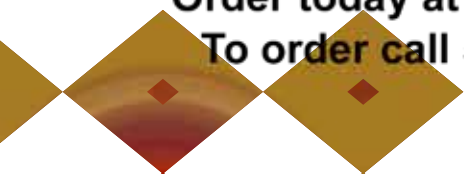
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LIMITED OPEN BRIDLE

Meradas Golden Rey/Naomi Bancroft



Naomi Bancroft doesn't call herself a goal setter, but after winning the 2015 NRCHA National Championship in the Limited Open Bridle on Meradas Golden Rey, she set her sights on becoming a better horsewoman every day. That self-improvement carried her and Meradas Golden Rey to the 2016 NRCHA Limited Open Bridle National Championship and the world championship.

"I always want to do well, but I mostly just try to learn more and more. I figure that if I'm trying to train my horses to the best of their ability then everything else will take care of itself," Bancroft said. "This National title says a lot for the horse—for his ability and that he's been able to stay healthy and that he's good-minded enough to let us show him as much as we have. He has a good work ethic, we hit quite a few shows every year and he doesn't get schooled as much as some do, so that says so much about him too."

Bancroft's favorite show of the season was the Celebration of Champions in Fort Worth.

"It was everything to do with it, not just winning—we had a game plan. We went and rode with Darren Miller and Matt Koch for a couple of days before it to sharpen him up. Then we went down there and executed what we'd been working on."

Bancroft also enjoyed showing Meradas Golden Rey (Rockin Lockin Rey x Meradas Trouble x

Master Merada) owned by Setting Sun Ranch, LLC, in McCook, Nebraska, where she entered the four-event class and had what she describes as her "best run down the fence ever."

Throughout the year, Bancroft has focused on improving her reining. At Fort Worth, she felt she achieved that goal when Meradas Golden Rey ran harder in his circles and to his stops.

"Reining has been my weak spot. We've been constantly tweaking things here and there and working with other trainers to try and get to that next level."

Bancroft's goal for 2017 is to promote Meradas Golden Rey by showing his derby-aged offspring.

Meradas Golden Rey won the National title with 139 points over Smart N Smokin Rey (Dual Smart Rey x Smart Little Nina x Smart Little Lena), ridden by Brandy Johnson to 126 points and reserve honors.

NON PRO BRIDLE

Suzon Schaal/Chics Ruffled Up



Suzon Schaal didn't know that her horse Chics Ruffled Up had won the Non Pro Bridle National Championship until she received a text message from her trainer, John Swales, saying that he'd picked up her awards in Fort Worth, Texas.

Due to a heavy work schedule, Schaal, an equine veterinarian who specializes in western

performance horses, enjoys every show that she goes to. She also tries to ride the 2009 mare every evening and works with Swales twice a week. Schaal, from Calgary, Alberta, showed in Canada for the whole season, with the exception of Reno's Snaffle Bit Futurity horse show where she tied for eighth.

"She's a really fun horse," Schaal said of Chics Ruffled Up (Smart Chic Olena x Fluff Your Feathers x Gallo Del Cielo). "She's smooth to ride and moves around really neat. She can stop pretty and turn around fast. I like the precision of the reining and unpredictability of the cow work."

Schaal bought Chics Ruffled Up from her friend Mark Parsons, who also has horses with Swales.

"John thought she'd be a good match for me. I rely on his advice heavily so I decided to go for it," Schaal said. "She has a lot of personality and she's a nice horse to have around."

Schaal grew up on a beef cattle farm and rode English as a child. After graduating from veterinary school, she wanted to try something different and has now been riding reined cow horses for 10 years. This is her second time to win the Non Pro Bridle National Championship.

"I enjoy the challenge of being involved with a cow horse. A lot of my clients show cow horses so it's nice to see their horses performing and gaining a better understanding of what their needs are," Schaal said.

INTERMEDIATE NON PRO BRIDLE *LaDona Emmons/Another Mister 505*



LaDona Emmons and Another Mister 505 added another impressive achievement to their resumé at the Celebration of Champions when they won the Intermediate Non Pro Bridle World Championship, accruing enough points to also earn the Intermediate Non Pro Bridle National Championship.

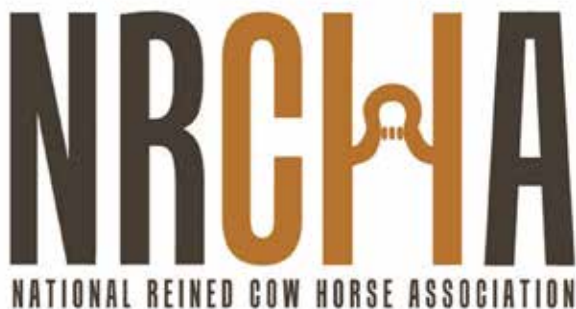
"It's a huge accomplishment to do it on a National level," said Emmons, who also won a National title in the boxing in 2012 on Another Mister 505 (Mister Dual Pep x Another Olena x Quanah O Lena). "It's a big deal, but I never set out to do it. I just had a good season and it ended up that way."

Emmons and Another Mister 505 finished the season with 163 points, putting them ahead of the reserve champions, Wendi Lund and Smooth As Tamuelena (Smooth As A Cat x Miss Tamulena Thermo x Tamulena) who had 151 points.

"I knew I was in the lead or close to it when I went to Fort Worth but I told myself that I wasn't going to pay attention to it," said Emmons. "I didn't even want to know who was close to me, so I never looked at the standings until afterward."

For Emmons, the title is the result of staying consistent all year.

"If I ride him correctly, then he is always true," Emmons said. "If I don't ride right, he for sure lets me know, and it doesn't go as well."



Emmons' favorite show of the season was the NRCHA Stallion Stakes in Las Vegas, Nevada, where she won all three Non Pro Bridle divisions.

"I didn't show him a lot but I did show him at all the premier events," Emmons said. "Vegas was, for sure, super fun. That was my first premier event of the year and I was very nervous. When I loped in I dropped my reins but my horse stayed together and I said to myself that I needed to pull myself together—that was a big moment for me."

Throughout the 2016 season, Emmons has worked on improving her showmanship. She feels that her hard work paid off at the Celebration of Champions when, after not performing the way she had wanted to in the prelims of the Novice Non Pro Bridle, she was able to regroup and go on to win the Intermediate Non Pro World Championship.

"I can get worried about showing and at the Celebration of Champions, but I realized that I needed to stop doing that and go show my horse and work the cow how my husband Ron has taught me to, and let all that other stuff be."

Emmons is thankful for the support of her husband, family and friends.

NOVICE NON PRO BRIDLE *Dancin Angel/Jocelyn Brochu*



Canadian Jocelyn Brochu had no plans on taking her horse Dancin Angel to any of the NRCHA premier events in 2016, but when she saw that

she was ranked sixth in the Novice Non Pro Bridle National Standings, she decided to travel to the Celebration of Champions. With a goal of finishing in the top five, Brochu exceeded her own expectations when she won the National Championship.

"I didn't think I had a shot at winning it without going to all those premier events," said Brochu, Calgary, Alberta. "That National title came down to my finals run."

At the Celebration of Champions, Brochu and Dancin Angel (Boonlight Dancer x Hickorys Angela x Docs Hickory) picked up the reserve world championship, while Kristen Jacobson and Smokin N Boon Light (Boonlight Dancer x Smoky San Olena x Mr San Olen) finished third. The points each rider collected took both of their year-end totals to 161, which meant the National title would be determined by money won. Brochu was crowned the champion for having earned \$2,609 more than Jacobson.

"It was unexpected," Brochu said. "It means more to me than winning my reserve world title. The National title is prestigious because you have to be consistent for a whole season so it really, really means a lot. Then, having such a spectacular showing in Fort Worth really capped it off."

The Celebration of Champions was Brochu's first time to show outside of Canada. While nerves affected her, Dancin Angel wasn't.

"The class was so big and there were so many good horses," Brochu said, "but Angel felt good and settled, so going in for the prelims I felt confident that if we could stay out of the penalty box, we could make it back to the finals."

In the finals, Brochu was last in the draw, but she refused to keep track of the scores marked ahead of her.

"I had a good run and was just one point from the World title."

Brochu has owned 10-year-old, Dancin Angel (Boonlight Dancer x Hickorys Angela x Docs Hickory) for two years.

“I’ve known her since she was a 3-year-old. I was pretty close with the previous owners, Jesse and Elyse Thomson, and the horse always caught my eye. Once they were done with the derbies we worked out a deal so I could get her. I felt a connection with that horse the moment I put a leg over her. I’ve had a really successful year with her and we’ve won nine championships,” Brochu said. “She’s one of the grittiest horses I’ve ever ridden and she’s so consistent on a cow. She’s gorgeous and is naturally talented. She has a lot of presence and people just stop to look at her.”

Brochu has been riding cow horses since 2007 and rides with Clint Swales. In Fort Worth, John Swales helped her through her runs.

“The cow horse community in Canada is quite small and all of the Canadian cow horse trainers have helped me out in some way.”

OPEN HACKAMORE

Mr Stylish Cat/Boyd Rice and Tucker Robinson



Mr Stylish Cat, owned by Kit and Charlie Moncrief, was the Nation’s top open hackamore horse for 2016. Ridden and trained by Boyd Rice, Mr Stylish Cat sealed his Open Hackamore National Championship when he made the finals of the Open Hackamore at the Celebration of Champions.

“He runs and stops real, real hard,” Rice said. “He stops like a freight train. He can get it on. There are pictures of him with his butt right on the ground.”

The 2011 stallion has been with Rice since he was a 2-year-old. In 2016, Rice, Weatherford, Texas, wasn’t able to go to NRCHA shows in California so he sent Mr Stylish Cat to Tucker Robinson’s ranch in Lompoc.

“He’s a pretty neat horse,” Robinson said of Mr Stylish Cat (Mr Playinstylish x Lil Sally Cat x High Brow Cat). “I got him the first of April and Boyd did a heck of a job him.”

The pair began to pick up checks immediately at smaller shows. When they had bad luck at the NRCHA Derby in Paso Robles, California, Robinson opted to enter the Hackamore class where they also earned some prize money.

“It just took me a while to get used to him,” Robinson said. “We really started clicking at the Hackamore Classic in Reno. We made the finals there and he tried to be really good there.”

Robinson agrees with Rice about the stallion’s stopping ability.

“He kills the ground every time,” Robinson said. “It doesn’t matter if you’re just loping along, he’ll still kill the ground. He is a big-time stopper.”

Robinson also likes Mr Stylish Cat’s cow smarts.

“He’s quick-footed and can get left and right on a cow. He’s a laid-back individual, but you can call on him and he’ll give you everything. You have to kick him to go, which is fine with me, because I’d rather that than have to pull on them.”

Mr Stylish Cat earned 158 points to be the National Champion. Reys A Shine (Dual Rey x Lil Miss Shiny Chex x Shining Spark), ridden by Chris Dawson, was the reserve champion with 153 points.

**LIMITED OPEN HACKAMORE
NATIONAL CHAMPION
*Hey San Kai/Tack Louthan***



For Tack Louthan, there's always been something about a hackamore horse that he's liked. After riding Hey San Kai to the 2016 NRCHA National Championship, he has one more reason to like them.

"It's an exciting deal," Louthan said of winning the title. "It's been really fun working him in the hackamore. For a long time, I've been infatuated with the hackamore. I'd ridden some horses in one when I was younger, but that didn't last long. I went and got help from a lot of guys to try to learn how to ride one in it. I feel good that I was able to get this horse to last in it all year long."

Louthan, Elbert, Colorado, started Hey San Kai when he worked on the Haythorn Ranch training horses and cowboying. When he left there, Howard Haythorn sent the now 5-year-old gelding with him so he could continue to be shown.

"I really liked him as a 2-year-old. He was gentle and wanted to get trained. He was the first horse that I was going to take to the Snaffle Bit Futurity, but I didn't end up taking him because I realized how far behind I was," said Louthan who has been showing at NRCHA shows for the past three years.

Louthan showed Hey San Kai (Hey Houston x San Kai 124 x Peppy San Kai) as a 3-year-old at local shows, and then in the hackamore as a 4-year-

old, with the goal of going to the NRCHA World Show. Initially, Louthan didn't plan on winning the National Championship. Instead, he was gunning to prepare the horse in hopes of earning the World Championship. Louthan ended up splitting fourth and earned enough points to jump to the top of the NRCHA National Standings.

"I barely made the finals," Louthan said of the Celebration of Champions, "but I knew that he was a contender for the National title so I wanted to have a good run. That didn't work out the way I wanted it to, but we still ended up with the National title."

Hey San Kai likes to stop and he's been that way since day one.

"I've hauled him to a bunch of different arenas and I've had good ground and bad ground and he always stops. He may not always be a plus-one, but he stops."

On cattle, Hey San Kai likes to take a hold of the cow in the boxing. Down the fence, he stays relaxed.

"He never gets shook," Louthan said. "He lets me help him when he needs it."

Louthan, 27, learned in high school that he could make money riding broncs. That led to horse breaking and later training.

"Me and my brother broke colts in the summertime when I was 13. When I was about 16, I realized that a guy could make a living doing it. I started to get a lot more serious about it then."

Hey San Kai earned 95 points to win the National title. Trixies Sixes (Sixes Pick x Trixie Petite x Paseos Paisano) owned by Camille and George Briggs of Lubbock, Texas, and trained by Justin Stanton, Idalou, Texas, were reserve with 83 points.

NON PRO HACKAMORE *Diane Lorenzen/Cuttin Wright Up*



Winning the Non Pro Hackamore National Championship on Cuttin Wright Up was “mission accomplished” for Diane Lorenzen.

“It’s a huge accomplishment to be the best hackamore horse in the Nation,” said Lorenzen, who is enjoying her first National title. “It’s a dream come true for sure.”

Cuttin Wright Up went into the Celebration of Champions with 141 points, but Lorenzen knew that if she didn’t make the Non Pro Hackamore finals, the title could be lost. Lorenzen ultimately finished 10th in the Non Pro Hackamore class, which put Cuttin Wright Up on top of the standings with 143 points. Jennifer Neel rode Z Martinalena (Zezes Pepto Cat x Fussy Hanky x Lotsolena) to reserve honors with 124 points.

Lorenzen’s proudest moment from the season came about during the Hackamore Classic at the Snaffle Bit Futurity in Reno, when she earned the Novice Non Pro and Amateur Championships, and was Reserve in the Non Pro and Intermediate Non Pro.

“That was a huge accomplishment for me,” Lorenzen said. “To go to the Hackamore Classic and do as well as I did was big.”

Lorenzen bought Cuttin Wright Up at the end of his 4-year-old year after having admired him as

3-year-old year, when the gelding was shown by NRCHA professional Erin Taormino. At that time, Cuttin Wright Up was owned by his breeders, Garth and Amanda Gardiner, Ashland, Kansas.

“I thought, ‘Wow, it would be nice to have a horse like that,’ Lorenzen recalled. “When the Gardiner’s said he was for sale, I jumped all over the opportunity to buy him.”

Cuttin Wright Up had already been shown in the Hackamore when Lorenzen got him, so she made it her goal to show him in the hackamore through 2016.

“I set out to get as many points as I could possibly get because I knew that I was going to work my way toward the finals,” Lorenzen said. “He’s been very consistent at marking two’s and three’s in our reining and he is super, super athletic and is never going to quit on a cow. He’s an all-around good horse that you know is going to do it.”

This year, Lorenzen, Bend, Oregon, will use Cuttin Wright Up for some general ranch work before furthering his career in the two rein.

Cuttin Wright Up stays at home with Lorenzen. She trains under Shane Steffen and over the past year has worked with him to improve her fence work.

“My intention is to enjoy him at some bridle spectaculars,” said Lorenzen, who has shown reined cow horses for five years. “I had shown cutting horses, but I really like the versatility of this. I like doing the aged events because it’s so much fun to be able to do all three events. I would like to qualify for the AQHA Amateur Working Cow Horse this year.”



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OPEN TWO REIN *Chicky Bobby/Ashley Deacon*



Ashley Deacon set a goal for 2016 and that was to win the NRCHA Two Rein National Championship on Chicky Bobby. While she initially thought it would be a worthy title for the horse to achieve, the closer she came to attaining it, the more its significance increased.

“It’s special to me because he’s the first snaffle bitter that I ever trained. It means a lot because I’ve had that horse from day one. He was a reserve NRCHA World Champion in the hackamore and now to be a Two Rein National Champion is so cool because I believe in the tradition of the sport. Winning this shows me that if I stick with the program, and go through all the steps, that I’ll end up with a bridle horse.”

Deacon got excited about the 2016 season when she showed Chicky Bobby (Dontmesswithmychick x Noopy Dillon x Top Dun Cody) for the first time in the two rein.

“He was a good hackamore horse but he wasn’t ever a great hackamore horse,” Deacon said of the 2010 gelding. “The first show of last year, I showed him in the two rein and it was probably the best he’d ever felt. They’re not all fantastic snaffle bit horses or hackamore horses, but he wants to be a great bridle horse and he was great all year.”

Chicky Bobby excels in the reining, but throughout the season his fence work improved so

much that Deacon believes his cow work may soon be his strong suit.

“At Paso Robles we were 150.5—it was a crazy score that I’d never even thought of marking,” Deacon said, “but he’s always been very consistent in the reining.”

Even with the big scores, there was never a time when Deacon thought that Chicky Bobby had the National Championship in the bag. He finished the year with 164 points to beat Survivors Kiss (CD Survivor x Kiss My Shiny Lips x Shining Spark) shown by Jake Telford to 127 points.

“Our local associations allow us to do a lot of shows and be competitive in the standings, but I think Paso Robles sealed the deal for him because he won the Two Rein there,” Deacon said.

Deacon refers to Paso 2016 as her favorite, “worst” show. That is due to having bad luck on her aged event horses and success on Chicky Bobby.

“It was crappy for 10 days,” recalled Deacon, Marietta, Oklahoma. “He was the last horse in the Two Rein and he brought it home so it ended up being my favorite show. I definitely had never marked those scores (a 149 in the reining and a 150.5 in the cow work) in my entire life, and until that day I definitely didn’t think he was capable of doing it. He sure made the drive home a lot easier.”

Deacon owns Chicky Bobby with her husband Lee.

“I have to thank my husband because he sticks with it and my friend Liz Kent, who is the breeder of the horse. Liz is one of my closest friends. When that horse was a yearling and no one believed in me, she did. We partnered on that horse for a lot of years and I couldn’t do it without her.”



NON PRO TWO REIN

Toni Heath/Smart Peppy Doc Doll



Toni Heath didn't look at the NRCHA National Standings until after she had competed at the Celebration of Champions. Having finished fourth in the World Championship class, she wanted to see where she was ranked.

"I looked on the computer and told my husband Dan, 'You're not going to believe this, but we won the Nation'," Heath recalled. "It's an honor for this little mare, it proved one more time how nice she is. She's an unassuming looking mare and she has an unassuming pedigree so it's fun to have people look at her and see that she is something."

Heath and Smart Peppy Doc Doll were the 2015 NRCHA Non Pro Hackamore World Champions. Previously, Heath won Non Pro National titles in both the Hackamore and the Two Rein. While this National title came as a surprise, it wasn't a shock.

"It wasn't my goal, but I had wanted to qualify for the NRCHA World Show in the two rein, and I entered her in the Bridle too," Heath said. "This year was all about getting her as good in the bridle as I could and then going back to Fort Worth and trying to compete for a world title in the Two Rein."

Heath has used the home-raised Smart Peppy Doc Doll (Smart Peppy Doc x Docs Miss Baby Hall x Lotta Mocha) to gather cattle at her La Grande, Oregon ranch.

"I knew from the beginning that she was going to

be a horse that liked the bridle, she just felt good in it," Heath said. "It took some tweaking and work to get the fine points down, but she's a natural at that like she has been a natural at everything I've taught her. She's one of those that makes you think that you're a trainer and that you know what you're doing when really, it's just the horse."

In the reining, Smart Peppy Doc Doll usually impresses the judges with her stop.

"She makes those perfect elevens when she stops, she doesn't spread out in the back," Heath said. "Most of the time she circles nice and makes a good transition from a fast circle down."

In the cow work, the mare is adept down the fence.

"All last year, if the cow allowed it, she was a 73 or a 74. She consistently had great fence turns and when you put your hand down, she circles up. All year long, I knew that if I got through the reining good, that on almost any kind of cow the fence work was going to be fun."

It was in Reno, where she was the reserve champion, that Heath had the most fun in the Non Pro Two Rein.

"It was a really tough competition but it was a good run," Heath said.

Smart Peppy Doc Doll finished the season with 111 points. The reserve champion, Boxo Heavens Blue (SNW Heavens King x Snippy Blue Card x Masies Blue) ridden by Jecca Ostrander, earned 101 points.



YOUTH BRIDLE

Cutter McLaughlin/CD Dee Vee Dee



Cutter McLaughlin set some lofty goals at start of the 2016 season—one of them being to win the Youth Bridle National title. He achieved that accolade before the Celebration of Champions where he proved just how deserving he was of the title when he won the World Championship on CD Dee Vee Dee as well.

“It means a lot. He’s always been special to me,” McLaughlin said of the 12-year-old gelding that he rides on a daily basis. “My dad will work him sometimes for me, but I work him most of the time.”

McLaughlin uses the smaller shows to help tune himself and his horse up for the bigger events.

“We go slow to make sure that we’re both right. I make sure that I have control of him so I can go show him at the big shows and try to win.”

This is McLaughlin’s second year to go down the fence.

“It’s more fun than boxing. You just have to have the right horse to do it,” said McLaughlin, who primarily shows CD Dee Vee Dee (CD Lights x Shiners Missy Jay x Shining Spark). “He’s the best horse that I’ve ever ridden by far. He has so much heart. He’s always playing around with you, and saying hello.”

McLaughlin is thankful for the year-long support that he’s received from his parents, his brother, the Aaron Ranch and grandparents. The main thing he hears from them is, ‘Just go have fun.’

“The shows are fun. I get to hang out with my friends and show my horse.”

While McLaughlin, 13, likes being on a horse all day long, he’s not sure that he’s going to be a trainer.

“I’d like to be but I don’t know if I will be,” the seventh grader said.

CD Dee Vee Dee and McLaughlin finished the year with 192 points to earn the championship. Reserve champion Stephanie Helsen and A Cat Called Red (Cats Red Feather x Lynnea Gem x Doc Bar Gem) earned 85 points.

YOUTH LIMITED AND \$5,000 NON PRO LIMITED

Lannie-Jo Lisac/Soulanova



Lannie-Jo Lisac, Pueblo, Colorado, celebrated her first year as a teenager by winning two NRCHA National Championships: the Youth Limited and the \$5,000 Non Pro Limited.

“I am really, really happy that I did it,” Lisac said of winning her two titles. “It was a lot of fun going to all the shows and competing.”



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Lisac appreciates winning the Youth Limited since she feels that there were many strong competitors in her class. She earned 182 points to win the Youth Limited. Meredith Graber and Hickorys Chic Olena (Smart Chic Olena x Hickorys Red Rey x Docs Hickory) accumulated 315 points to be reserve champions.

The 2016 season marked Lisac's second year competing in the \$5,000 Non Pro Limited. She finished the year with 338 points while the reserve champions, Kristy Johnson and Lenas Gun A Smokum (Smokums Prize x Shortys Scat Cat x Shorty Lena) earned 315 points.

Soulanova (Soula Jule Star x Round Oak Annie x Smokum Oak) is a special horse to Lisac. She knew he was the horse for her from the first time she rode him. In addition to these two titles, "Bucket" carried Lisac to the 2015 Youth Limited National Championship and the 2015 NRCHA \$5,000 Non Pro Limited World Championship.

"I try to ride him as much as I can, between school and everything else," Lisac said. "I try to go have fun with him every day."

Lisac also takes responsibility for the daily care and feeding of Soulanova.

"It's fun doing it," Lisac said. "I bathe him sometimes and mess around; we go on walks and do that kind of stuff. He's a very nice horse. Every morning and night when I go to feed him he neighs and whinnies at me."

In the reining, Lisac appreciates the ease with which Soulanova executes lead changes and stops.

"He makes it easy and simple to change leads," Lisac said, "and he's smooth when he stops. I love doing stops on him."

Lisac, 13, works her show schedule around school. Her favorite show of the season was the Celebration of Champions where she was the reserve champion in both the Youth Limited and the \$5,000 Non Pro Limited.

"It was lots of fun and I got to hang out with my friends," Lisac said. "The Colorado Reined Cow Horse Association shows are lots of fun too. Everyone is very nice and helpful."

Lisac's goal for 2017 is simple—she wants to have fun. She'd also like to try going down the fence.

"I want to thank my parents, Wade and Timmi-Jo, my grandparents Dana Mauro, Kathy Miller, Tim Miller, and Shelley and Mike Lisac, my brother Wade and my sister Landri. Also, Keith and Lauren Vogel, Lisa and Lauren Jordan and all my Colorado youth friends."

NON PRO LIMITED *Julie Gibbons/Uno What Time It Is*

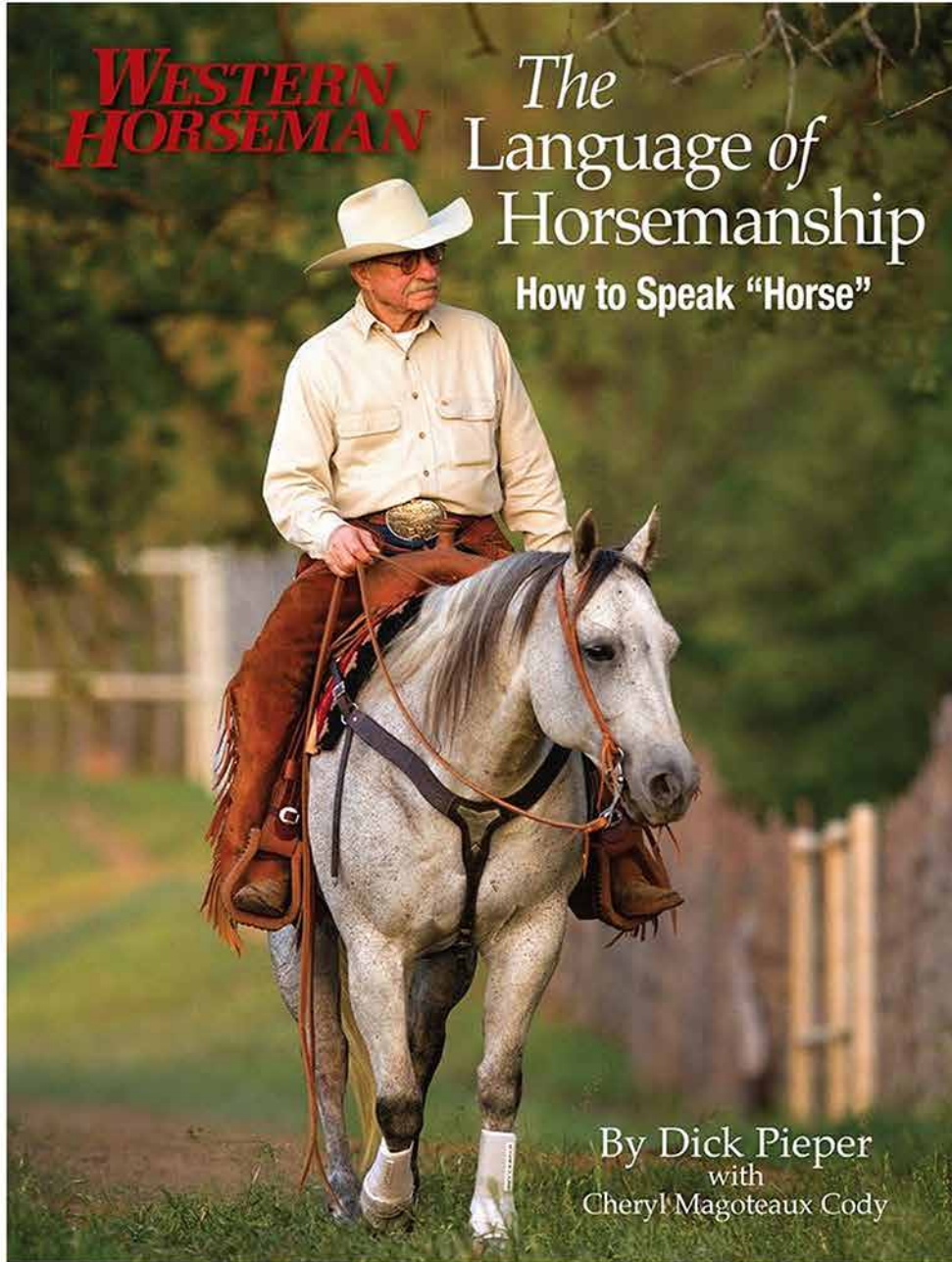


Julie Gibbons wanted 2016 to be a year of consistency and that attitude earned her the Non Pro Limited National Championship.

"I was not going for it," Gibbons said of the National title. "I had no idea that I had won it, I just wanted to have good, consistent rides and win some along the way."

Gibbons and Uno What Time It Is (A Chic In Time x Uno What Weeno x Smart Little Uno) earned 147 year-end points to win the title. Ellie Willoughby, who rode Heza Whiz Kid (Who Whiz It x Sheza Lady Badger x Star Chex Badger) earned 131 points to capture reserve.

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“For me, what makes him special is that even though he’s a stallion, he’s never acted studly and he’s gentle. He is very consistent and always does what he’s supposed to do,” Gibbons said of Uno What Time It Is.

Gibbons didn’t start riding horses until she was 26 years old. She first competed with her local western pleasure club before moving on to reining and has now been showing reined cow horses for 23 years.

“I am very excited about this National title because I’ve been showing in the NRCHA and AQHA for a long time and have never been a National Champion— it is very cool,” Gibbons said.

Gibbons doesn’t have a favorite show from 2016, but she did enjoy going to Paso Robles, California, for the NRCHA Derby.

“I won some along the way, but it’s hard to pick a favorite show because I enjoyed showing him every single time,” Gibbons said of hauling Uno What Time It Is. “What was important was that he was consistently, consistent. I always knew that he was going to do his job because he likes doing it. Even though he’s a stud, he is very easy to prepare and show. He has helped build my confidence and that’s one of the reasons I like him so much.”

Gibbons, Highlandville, Missouri, has owned the 14-year-old stallion since he was a 2-year-old. She bought him sight- unseen on the advice of Jay McLaughlin.

“At the time, Jay said, ‘He’s the one,’ and he has been awesome,” Gibbons said. “As a 3-year-old he went to the Snaffle Bit Futurity and had the high score in the fence work—he fell down on one knee and got back up and still had the high score.”

Gibbons trains with Todd Crawford. She is thankful for his patience and wisdom.

“I’d also like to thank my family for allowing me to have this crazy passion that I have and for allowing me to go make my dreams come true,” said Gibbons who is an OB/GYN. “My motto is to

work hard and play hard and the horses balance my work life out. Sometimes I’ll work 24-36 hours at a time and the horses are a perfect getaway.”

In 2017, Gibbons looks forward to seeing progeny of Uno What Time It Is debuting in the show pen.

\$1,000 NON PRO LIMITED ***Melinda Grendell/Fifth Avenue Lena***



Three years ago, Melinda Grendell tried the reined cow horse event for the first time, but she quickly realized that she needed to apply herself if she wanted to be a winner. Last year, Grendell bought a new horse, Fifth Avenue Lena, and was able to do just that.

While Grendell didn’t initially set out to become the \$1,000 Non Pro Limited National Champion, she reevaluated that goal once she gained traction in the standings. By the time Grendell got to Fort Worth for the Celebration of Champions, she was in second place.

“If I did not make the finals, I knew I wouldn’t win,” said Grendell who finished 15th in Fort Worth but earned enough points to jump to the top of the NRCHA National Standings leader board. “Before the preliminaries, I tried not to think about it at all, I tried to go in and make the best run I could.”

Fifth Avenue Lena and Grendell finished the year with 334 points, while Jennifer Donnelly and Outlaw Haidout (Haidas Little Pep x Josies Baran Grill x Jae Bar Prince) earned 319.

For Grendell, winning the National title is the dream of a lifetime.

“I can’t describe what it feels like, I’m so happy,” said Grendell, Kiowa, Colorado, who works as a business systems analyst for Charles Schwab. “I have to balance my work life and my show life, but every day off and every vacation day that I have, is spent either training or in the show pen.”

Grendell bought Fifth Avenue Lena (Lenas Wright On x Fifth Avenue Cash x Nu Cash), a 9-year-old mare, from Jeff Veitch. She rides with Cody Crow and Lavert Avent.

“She is extremely cowy and she always tries her best. I think she loves to show,” Grendell said. “I absolutely love it, too.”

The best advice Grendell received from her trainers was to never think about winning and to concentrate on getting better. She has learned that if you do that, everything else falls into place.

Adding to the 2016 show experience for Grendell was the camaraderie among fellow competitors—especially Jennifer Donnelly and Butch Mundhenke, who were second and third in the year-end NRCHA National Standings behind her.

“We were head-to-head all year long and we all took turns in first, second and third place. It was so nice to compete with people who supported you and also encouraged you, and to do the same for them. We all became good friends in the process and any of the three of us could have ended up winning. The Colorado Reined Cow Horse Association is such a wonderful organization and it was wonderful to see them get affiliate of the year,” Grendell said. “I also want to thank my husband, Doug, for getting us and our horses safely to all the shows, Jeff Veitch for being a good friend and training and selling me such a special horse, and my trainers Cody Crow and Lavert Avent for all their great support and words of wisdom.”

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2016 NRCHA NATIONAL CHAMPIONS BRIDLE OPEN

| PL. | HORSE | OWNER | RIDER | SC. |
|-----|---------------------|-----------------------------|------------------------------|-----|
| 1 | Lenas Buddy Nic (P) | Bitterroot Springs Ranch | Jake A. Telford | 144 |
| 2 | Tuckers Smart Cat | Susan R. Lyle | Lyn Anderson / Blue R. Allen | 140 |
| 3 | Smart Marina | Jim Baird | John C. Swales | 135 |
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| 5 | Kickoff Time | Kari Ann Laufenberg | Lance R. Scheffel | 132 |
| 6 | Shes Playin Rey | Gregg Lafitte | Clifton J. Shopbell | 131 |
| 7 | Roosters Rozalena | Rush Creek Ranch LLC | Dan Roeser | 127 |
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| 9 | Gotta Go Get It | Danny R Or Diane L. Shaffer | John Ward / Jake D. Gorrell | 111 |
| 10 | Roany Red | Kim Dalton | Jon Roeser | 107 |

2016 NRCHA NATIONAL CHAMPIONS BRIDLE NON-PRO

| PL. | HORSE | OWNER | RIDER | SC. |
|-----|--------------------|-------------------------|-------------------|-----|
| Tie | Chics Ruffled Up | Suzon W. Schaal | Suzon W. Schaal | 125 |
| Tie | Nu Cash Cutter | Jayson & Teresa Fisher | Jayson J. Fisher | 125 |
| 3 | Sir Rey Of Oak | Tyrel And Ashley Lembke | Ashley R. Lembke | 111 |
| 4 | Another Mister 505 | Ron E. Emmons | Ladona D. Emmons | 109 |
| 5 | The Big Day | Amy M. Lund | Amy M. Lund | 102 |
| 6 | Shine Di Light | Gianna S. Hansen | Gianna S. Hansen | 100 |
| 7 | Whata Way to Go | Carlene Schmidt | Carlene J. Meeks | 99 |
| 8 | I Inherited Smarts | Jim E. Wilson | Jim E. Wilson | 95 |
| 9 | Sl Jerrys Hustler | Lacey N. Norris | Lacey N. Norris | 93 |
| 10 | Tin Top Kat | Troy A. Marshall | Wyatt W. Marshall | 86 |

2016 NRCHA NATIONAL CHAMPIONS BRIDLE LIMITED OPEN

| PL. | HORSE | OWNER | RIDER | SC. |
|-----|--------------------|-------------------------|----------------------------------|-----|
| 1 | Meradas Golden Rey | Setting Sun Ranch LLC | Naomi Bancroft | 139 |
| 2 | Smart N Smokin Rey | Brandy Johnson | Brandy Johnson | 126 |
| 3 | Kid Rick | Rodney & Mandy McDaniel | Dylan McDaniel / Rodney McDaniel | 111 |
| 4 | Spark N Boon | Pete Hunt | Pete Hunt | 82 |
| 5 | Showtime Playboy | Steve And Kathy Headley | Ben P. Bowman | 69 |
| 6 | Elans a Chic | Christian K. Lybbert | Danielle Lybbert | 66 |
| 7 | Smoked Gouda | Forrest Purviance | Reanna D. Dillman | 65 |
| 8 | Spooks Sonic Boom | Reanna Dillman | Reanna D. Dillman | 49 |
| 9 | Spark N Love | Judith Adkison | Sunni Ann McCormick | 48 |
| 10 | Travelin Cielo | Shelia Drewry | Rebecca Ann Sternadel | 47 |

2016 NRCHA NATIONAL CHAMPIONS BRIDLE INTERMEDIATE NON-PRO

| PL. | HORSE | OWNER | RIDER | SC. |
|-----|----------------------|--------------------------|---------------------|-----|
| 1 | Another Mister 505 | Ron E. Emmons | Ladona D. Emmons | 163 |
| 2 | Smooth As Tamulena | Wendi M. Lund | Wendi M. Lund | 151 |
| 3 | Peptomatic Lee | Emily Day And Ryan Parry | Emily D. Parry | 106 |
| 4 | Cold Hard Smart Cash | Philip/Judy Fortenberry | Judy E. Fortenberry | 92 |
| 5 | Very Handy Remedy | R K Perry | Karnell L. Perry | 87 |
| 6 | Shine Di Light | Gianna S. Hansen | Gianna S. Hansen | 84 |
| Tie | Nic N Chics | Terra S. Micek | Terra S. Micek | 82 |
| Tie | Diamond J Starlite | Darleen M. Wood | Darleen M. Wood | 82 |
| 9 | Judys Ten | Kim A. Lindsey | Kim A. Lindsey | 81 |
| 10 | Sir Rey Of Oak | Tyrel And Ashley Lembke | Ashley R. Lembke | 78 |

2016 NRCHA NATIONAL CHAMPIONS BRIDLE NOVICE NON-PRO

| PL. | HORSE | OWNER | RIDER | SC |
|-----|----------------------|------------------------|---------------------|-----|
| Tie | Dancin Angel | Jocelyn M. Brochu | Jocelyn M. Brochu | 161 |
| Tie | Smokin N Boon Light | Kristen/Trent Jacobson | Kristen M. Jacobson | 161 |
| 3 | Smooth As Tamulena | Wendi M. Lund | Wendi M. Lund | 112 |
| 4 | Shine Di Light | Gianna S. Hansen | Gianna S. Hansen | 111 |
| 5 | Heza Hickory Colonel | Kameron Buchanan | Kameron H. Buchanan | 106 |
| 6 | Jills a Little Blue | Elease Blake | Elease Blake | 100 |
| 7 | Enjoy Olena | Kristina M. Wall | Kristina M. Wall | 99 |
| 8 | Another Mister 505 | Ron E. Emmons | Ladona D. Emmons | 93 |
| 9 | Nics Get Smart | Carlie C. Crosson | Carlie C. Crosson | 91 |
| 10 | Bugs Boony | Birgit Self | Birgit Self | 89 |

2016 NRCHA NATIONAL CHAMPIONS BRIDLE YOUTH

| PL. | HORSE | OWNER | RIDER | SC |
|-----|----------------------|------------------------|----------------------|-----|
| 1 | CD Dee Vee Dee | Jay & Wendy McLaughlin | Cutter W. McLaughlin | 192 |
| 2 | A Cat Called Red | Stephanie A. Helsen | Stephanie A. Helsen | 85 |
| Tie | Im No Wimp | Luke G. Paulus | Luke G. Paulus | 76 |
| Tie | Smart Rem N Be | Taylor R. Todd | Taylor R. Todd | 76 |
| 5 | Above Da Best Tenino | Taylor A. Todd | Taylor A. Todd | 75 |
| 6 | Ginas Pepto | Garett Lund | Garett Lund | 61 |
| 7 | Smokums Dixie | Tova Barden | Tova Barden | 59 |
| 8 | Nu Cash Cutter | Jayson & Teresa Fisher | Wyatt J. Fisher | 56 |
| 9 | Diamond Hickory (P) | Tana L. Nissen | Mackenna A.L. Nissen | 55 |
| 10 | Hollywood Shines | Kathryn Rippetoe | Kathryn Rippetoe | 53 |

2016 NRCHA NATIONAL CHAMPIONS TWO-REIN OPEN

| PL. | HORSE | OWNER | RIDER | SC |
|-----|-------------------|---------------------------|-----------------------------|-----|
| 1 | Chicky Bobby | Deacon Equine | Ashley M. Deacon | 161 |
| 2 | Survivors Kiss | Holy Cow Perf. Horses LLC | Jake A. Telford / Jason Gay | 127 |
| 3 | Ten Luce | Susan & Mike Stowell | Michael D. Helsen | 110 |
| 4 | Shes Playin Rey | Gregg Lafitte | Clifton J. Shopbell | 108 |
| 5 | Chics Smart Lena | Wayne & Denise Naplin | Jason Gay | 96 |
| 6 | A Lil Dab Will Do | L & K Barker Family Trust | Robert Chown | 95 |
| 7 | A Time for Jazz | Susan H. Stoltz | Brad W. Barkemeyer | 90 |
| 8 | Shinin Peaches | Jt & Sandra Neal III | Jay McLaughlin | 76 |
| 9 | Scarlet O Mae | Judy & Mike Trevor | Zane P. Davis | 74 |
| 10 | Darling Boon | Gary Stark | Gary S. Stark | 73 |

2016 NRCHA NATIONAL CHAMPIONS TWO-REIN NON-PRO

| PL. | HORSE | OWNER | RIDER | SC |
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| 1 | Smart Peppy Doc Doll | Daniel G. Heath | Toni M. Hagen Heath | 111 |
| 2 | Boxo Heavens Blue | Jecca R. Ostrander | Jecca R. Ostrander | 101 |
| 3 | Paddysstarlightchic | Paul G. Wilinski | Paul G. Wilinski | 78 |
| Tie | A Time for Jazz | Susan H. Stoltz | Susan H. Stoltz | 73 |
| Tie | Dual Chexx | James D. & Gay D. Ver Steeg | Gay D. Versteeg | 73 |
| 6 | Miss Cee Street | Trystin L. Johnston | Tammy J. Johnston | 64 |
| 7 | Ap Lucky Little Lena | Laura E. Kiracofe | Laura E. Kiracofe | 63 |
| 8 | Marmalade Sky | Brenda K. Hannan | Brenda K. Hannan | 60 |
| 9 | Lenas It Man | Allison C. Parker | Allison C. Parker | 59 |
| 10 | Spark N Delight | Tom McBeath | Katy L. McBeath | 52 |

2016 NRCHA NATIONAL CHAMPIONS HACKAMORE OPEN

| PL. | HORSE | OWNER | RIDER | SC |
|-----|---------------------|-------------------------|-----------------------------------|-----|
| 1 | Mr Stylish Cat | Kit/Charlie Moncrief | Boyd J. Rice / Tucker J. Robinson | 158 |
| 2 | Reys a Shine | Carol Rose | Chris C. Dawson | 153 |
| 3 | Smooth Bellingrath | Triple D Ranches LLC | Nicholas S. Dowers | 148 |
| 4 | Shesa Smokin Cat | Susan Schwabacher Modic | Lyn Anderson | 145 |
| 5 | Smokin Little Ringo | John R. Pascoe | Monica J. Caetano | 144 |
| 6 | Bet On Boon | Shane & Morgan Jones | Erin L. Taormino | 138 |
| 7 | Stylish Rasta Man | Quail Run Ranch | Trent S. Pedersen | 134 |
| 8 | Soula Shining Star | Rocking J Ranch Inc. | Roy A. Rich | 125 |
| 9 | Nee On Lights | Yellow Creek Ranch | Shawn D. Hays | 102 |
| 10 | Frankentime | Paul Or Amy Bailey | Robert Chown | 100 |

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| PL. | HORSE | OWNER | RIDER | SC |
|-----|------------------|-------------------|-------------------|-----|
| 1 | Cuttin Wright Up | Diane L. Lorenzen | Diane L. Lorenzen | 141 |

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| 2 | Z Martinalea | Jennifer A. Neel | Jennifer A. Neel | 128 |
| 3 | Ima Wynna Rab | Rob A Brown | Myles Brown | 116 |
| Tie | Colorful Illusion (P) | Mark W. Parsons | Mark W. Parsons | 96 |
| Tie | Its That Time Shiner | Karey E. Franz | Karey E. Franz | 96 |
| 6 | Unos Smart Lil Cash | Meg Rosell-Pursel | Meg Rosell-Pursel | 87 |
| 7 | Storeytime | CJ Murphy | CJ Murphy | 75 |
| 8 | Firecat Flashenfever | Robert Mike Miller | Robert M. Miller | 73 |
| 9 | Reys Stylish Bell | Sonya Distefano | Sonya N. Distefano | 71 |
| 10 | Sjr All Time Cash | Lyle G. Proctor | Lyle G. Proctor | |

2016 NRCHA NATIONAL CHAMPIONS HACKAMORE LIMITED OPEN

| PL. | HORSE | OWNER | RIDER | SC |
|-----|---------------------|-------------------------------|-------------------|----|
| 1 | Hey San Kai | Howard Haythorn | Tack Louthan | 95 |
| 2 | Trixies Sixes | Camille Farris Briggs | Justin Stanton | 83 |
| 3 | Palo Nita Cat | Rod L. Burr | Rod L. Burr | 58 |
| 4 | Csr Lay Down Sally | Carol Rose | Ben P. Bowman | 55 |
| 5 | Sophisticated Shine | Barry R. Spinweber Jr. | Jorge L. Puente | 51 |
| 6 | Playinlightsout | Chad Blaisdell | Chad T. Blaisdell | 50 |
| 7 | Hi Hill Bud | Christian K. Lybbert | Danielle Lybbert | 46 |
| 8 | Shesa Classy Cat | Silver Spur Operating Co. LLC | Matt S. Turner | 39 |
| 9 | Lenas Stylish Lady | Silver Spur Operating Co. LLC | Matt S. Turner | 38 |
| 10 | Boogie One Time | Diane Athey | Clay J. Roeser | 37 |

2016 NRCHA NATIONAL CHAMPIONS LIMITED NON-PRO

| PL. | HORSE | OWNER | RIDER | SC |
|-----|----------------------|-----------------------|----------------------|-----|
| 1 | Uno What Time It Is | Julie A. Gibbons | Julie A. Gibbons | 147 |
| 2 | Heza Whiz Kid | Ellie Willoughby | Ellie Willoughby | 131 |
| 3 | CD Smart Brat | Shaleah H. Hester | Shaleah L. Hester | 129 |
| 4 | Ima Miss N Texas | Lauren M. Boychuk | Lauren M. Boychuk | 125 |
| 5 | Panas Jewels | Kevin L. Hittinger | Kevin L. Hittinger | 123 |
| 6 | Heart Of a Remedy | Kristin M. Bacchetti | Kristin M. Bacchetti | 122 |
| 7 | Fletch Me If You Can | Alison A. Brantley | Alison A. Brantley | 117 |
| 8 | TR Playing Chic | John & Kaitlin Ormson | Kaitlin J. Ormson | 114 |
| 9 | Hickorys Chic Olena | Meredith Graber | Meredith G. Graber | 107 |
| Tie | The Fresno Fox | Allysn Light | Allysn Light | 104 |
| Tie | Fairlea Steady Wisp | Julie-Ann O'Rear | Julie-Ann O'Rear | 104 |

2016 NRCHA NATIONAL CHAMPIONS \$5,000 NON-PRO LIMITED

| PL. | HORSE | OWNER | RIDER | SC |
|-----|---------------------|------------------------|---------------------|-----|
| 1 | Soulanova | Lannie Jo Lisac | Lannie-Jo Lisac | 338 |
| 2 | Lenas Gun a Smokum | Kristy R. Johnson | Kristy R. Johnson | 315 |
| 3 | Heza Whiz Kid | Ellie Willoughby | Ellie Willoughby | 235 |
| 4 | Hickorys Chic Olena | Meredith Graber | Meredith G. Graber | 221 |
| 5 | TR Playing Chic | John & Kaitlin Ormson | Kaitlin J. Ormson | 218 |
| 6 | Fifth Avenue Lena | Melinda Grendell | Melinda J. Grendell | 213 |
| 7 | Dealin for Chics | Tracy Adams | Tracy Adams | 193 |
| 8 | Deal Me a Winner | Laura & Connie Johnson | Laura A. Johnson | 164 |
| 9 | Tenaja Chic | Shelley M. Schaffer | Shelley M. Schaffer | 162 |
| 10 | Shining Chex | Corina E. Curtis | Corina E. Curtis | 157 |

2016 NRCHA NATIONAL CHAMPIONS \$1,000 NON-PRO LIMITED

| PL. | HORSE | OWNER | RIDER | SC |
|-----|----------------------|--------------------------|----------------------|-----|
| 1 | Fifth Avenue Lena | Melinda Grendell | Melinda J. Grendell | 334 |
| 2 | Outlaw Haidout | Jennifer A. Donnelly | Jennifer A. Donnelly | 319 |
| 3 | Dunnits Surprise | Butch/Sheri Mundhenke | Butch Mundhenke | 310 |
| 4 | Sparkling Lena Belle | Haily Findeisen | Haily Findeisen | 238 |
| 5 | RC Miss Nic N Tuck | Sydney Lane Hoyt | Sydney Lane Hoyt | 230 |
| 6 | Jojo Tari | Lavert Avent | Maisen Avent | 219 |
| 7 | CD Lights Mate | Michael C. Tracy | Michael Tracy | 210 |
| 8 | Oh Cay Meriah | Monica Duflock | Monica Duflock | 199 |
| 9 | Ja Felix the Cat | Dana & Haley Newkirk | Macey J. Newkirk | 193 |
| 10 | Blue Savannah Holli | Watrous Valley Ranch Ltd | Michelle Yates | 163 |

2016 NRCHA NATIONAL CHAMPIONS YOUTH LIMITED

| PL. | HORSE | OWNER | RIDER | SC |
|-----|---------------------|-----------------|--------------------|-----|
| 1 | Soulanova | Lannie Jo Lisac | Lannie-Jo Lisac | 182 |
| 2 | Hickorys Chic Olena | Meredith Graber | Meredith G. Graber | 164 |
| 3 | Peptoboonlena 007 | Travis J. Young | Taytin Young | 157 |

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|-----------------------|---------------------|-----------------|-----|-----------------------|------------------|------------------|-----|
| 4 Jojo Tari | Lavert Avent | Maisen Avent | 136 | 8 Surely a Pepto Nic | Emily P. Barlowe | Emily P. Barlowe | 101 |
| 5 This Trash is Quick | Kinsey Jones | Kinsey Jones | 134 | 9 CD Shiner | Colleen Penner | Layla M. Penner | 97 |
| 6 Austin Moody | Frank V. Prisco Jr. | Danielle Prisco | 120 | 10 Vintage Tejonshine | Leslie A. Kent | Emily A. Kent | 93 |
| 7 Mr Dual Brooksinc | Leslie A. Kent | Emily A. Kent | 119 | | | | |

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Members also receive 30 percent off each month of [HorseIQ](#) – APHA’s innovative online exhibitor education platform that offers a leg up in the show pen with interactive lessons according to current rules and judging standards.

“Our members are what makes APHA so great,” Executive Director Billy Smith said. “What better way to celebrate this monumental milestone than by thanking them with some great gifts with their membership.”

To learn more about APHA’s special 55th anniversary offer or to join, renew or extend your membership today, visit apha.com/join.

About APHA

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YOUTH MEMBERS DISCOVERED THEIR INNER STRENGTHS



Held during the 2017 National Reining Horse Association's Winter Meeting, youth members challenged themselves

to learn more about their true self during the NRHyA's Leadership Development Workshop. From February 10th through the 11th, youth members came out of the workshops with a better understanding of their strengths and how to use them to better themselves in the future.

Leading the workshops was Director of Marketing at The Western Integrity Agency, Katie Hollingsworth, of Stillwater, Okla. Hollingsworth is passionate about helping others discover their strengths, and this unique opportunity offered insight to the next generation of equine industry leaders.

"It was a genuine honor to be a part of the 2017 NRHyA Leadership Development," said Hollingsworth, "I could not have asked for a better group of young leaders to work with."

Pre-registered youth members were given a personality assessment that asked questions revolving around 34 common themes. Each person's individual themes lead them to five personal strengths. "Through our workshops, I learned what my strengths were and how to put them to use," said NRHyA Historian Reagan Stephens, "It was fun learning that I had a unique set of strengths that defined me."



As the workshops progressed, youth members continued to develop and build upon their personal strengths. Youth members were put to the test as three teams were formed with varying personal strengths. "I learned that being on a team you don't necessarily want to have the same kind of people," said NRHyA Vice President Kenleigh Wells. NRHyA Treasurer Liz Blaser agreed saying, "Each person naturally took a role on the team based on their strengths."

Teams were given a task to complete to see how the teams managed to work together despite opposing strengths.

When asked if aspects from the team building exercise resonated with students and if they would use the skills they learned in other aspects of their life, NRHyA Secretary Taylor Masson said, "I believe, as officers, we can use our own strengths to make a stronger and more compassionate leadership team for others. We can use our strengths to get more regions and youth involved with the NRHyA."

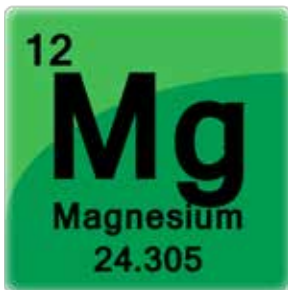


Youth members who attended the 2017 NRHyA Leadership Development workshops came out with a better understanding of their strengths all while building lasting relationships with other youth members from across the nation.

“The workshops helped me become a stronger leader,” said NRHyA member Kate Lilley, “I learned things about myself that will help me in the future, I also made several new friends.”

“I would say that the NRHyA leadership symposium has helped me grow and expand my horizons in many ways that I am very thankful for,” said NRHyA Delegate Olivia Klug.

Founded in 1966, the National Reining Horse Association is a nonprofit association dedicated to promoting and encouraging the development of and public interest in the sport of reining. The focus is on developing and maintaining suitable standards of performance and judging and in providing a fun filled, family-oriented atmosphere.



Magnesium in Equine Nutrition Part One

WHAT'S THE REAL STORY?

Randy Robbins, PhD

As a practicing animal nutritionist for the last 30 years, I have formulated diets for a wide range of commercial and companion animals. Except for specific situations in beef and dairy cattle, magnesium is probably the most neglected macro mineral in large animal nutrition.

The most recent Equine NRC recommends approximately 10g Magnesium daily to avoid deficiency symptoms. Grains and forages contain anywhere from 0.2-0.5% Mg. So generally, after a quick look at the magnesium level along with corresponding calcium and potassium, the box has been checked and the logical assumption is that the horse is getting a sufficient amount of magnesium. .

But the more we learn about nutrition the more we find that magnesium is actually required by the body in relatively large amounts and is a necessary cofactor for over 300 enzymatic reactions vital to every major metabolic pathway.

These pathways include converting energy into a usable form, the fusion of proteins in the body, and the metabolism of nucleic acids (DNA and RNA). Magnesium deficiencies or abnormalities can have a profound effect on neuromuscular function and cardiac tissue. Magnesium is also essential for stability and normal function of the cell membranes in nerve and muscle tissues.

As well as being important for the function of nerve and muscle, magnesium is involved in the formation of Hydroxyapatite, one of the principle components of bone and a major bone hardener. About 50% of the body's Magnesium is found in the skeleton. In addition, a normal body level of magnesium is necessary for the maintenance of electrolyte balance, particularly for Calcium and Potassium.

A hot common topic in for equine nutritionists for over the last decade has been dietary starch levels and its effect on insulin resistance. Magnesium is an important co-factor in enzymes that control the metabolism of carbohydrates, most specifically the enzymes that are



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involved in insulin response. Magnesium deficient cells show impaired carbohydrate metabolism and a reduced insulin response.

Magnesium & Behavior

Nutritionists typically evaluate diets for nutritional deficiencies and their subsequent disease impact, however there is an increasing effort to take nutrient balance to the next step of evaluating nutritional influences on behavior. Behavioral responses are normally seen at dietary levels significantly higher than those required to eliminate nutritional deficiencies. These studies are primarily related to the metabolic responses to stress and other environmental influences.

When exposed to the environmental stresses of training, travel, and performing, horses can become irritable, easily fatigued, and lose concentration or focus. Blood pressure and excitability may increase as the level of adrenaline (a stress hormone) increases in the blood. Under conditions of mental or physical stress, magnesium is released from the blood cells and goes into the blood plasma. From there, it's excreted into the urine. Chronic stress depletes the body of magnesium, leading to magnesium deficiency symptoms. The greater your level of stress, the greater the magnesium loss.

The lower the initial magnesium level is, the more reactive to stress the animal becomes, and the higher his level of adrenaline in stressful situations. That increased adrenaline causes greater loss of magnesium from cells, creating a vicious cycle. In order for behavioral issues to be resolved, the amount of magnesium should be increased beyond the requirement for a basic nutrient deficiency.

Because Magnesium is involved in so many metabolic pathways, behavioral responses to supplementation can be diverse. Lethargic horses, challenged with energetic pathway issues can benefit as much as overly excited horses.

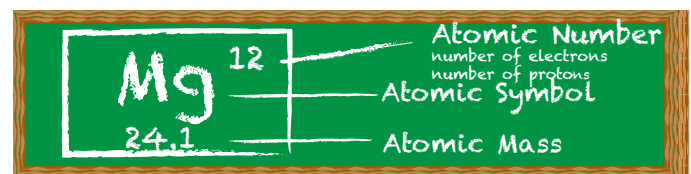
Anecdotal results of increasing magnesium in horses abound. Typically we see that a previously over-excitabile or nervous horse becomes more

relaxed, trainable and better able to perform in competition. In industries where magnesium supplementation effects have been studied, the results become easier to observe and document. In commercial situations Europeans have discovered that feeding Magnesium in the glycinate form reduces aggressive behavior in fattening bulls. This effect illustrates the ability of a single nutrient to diffuse stress and aggressive behavior. The scientific community has collected thousands of data points to establish minute differences in animal performance. From my perspective, these observable results are simply amazing to witness.

Magnesium is a very important component of the diet and we need to pay much more attention in the way that we manage this macro mineral. It is also safe and legal under competition rules and relatively simple and inexpensive to supplement in a horse's diet.

In part two of this series we'll talk about the effectiveness of different forms of magnesium and how your horses' diet might be increasing his need for magnesium supplementation.

In part three we'll address the other benefits of magnesium – muscle recovery, effect on cramping or tying up, and >>>>>>>>.



APHA ANNOUNCES CHANGE IN EXECUTIVE LEADERSHIP



The American Paint Horse Association has announced that George Ready will step down as the association's 2017 President and as a member of the APHA Executive Committee, effective immediately. The Executive Committee has appointed President-elect Dr. Craig Wood as the acting 2017 President.

The decision came soon after APHA's recently concluded Annual Convention and Membership Meeting in Irving, Texas, where Ready was sworn in.

"Based on events at the convention and obvious disagreements on how we go forward, and based on my heavy work schedule, it is in everyone's best interest for me to resign," said Ready.

Dr. Craig Wood takes the reins as Acting President and was elected to the APHA Executive Committee in 2012. A professor at the University of Kentucky, Wood has more than 40 years of experience in the horse industry and has worked as an APHA national director since 2006. He has served on the General Show & Contest, Ways & Means and Regional Club committees, as well as the Advisory Panel to the Executive Committee.

Wood praised Ready for his contributions to APHA and for assisting with the transition of authority. "His five years of unselfish service on the Executive Committee has given us an opportunity to move forward in a positive way. His assistance with developing the Fort Worth Stockyards project was invaluable and saved the association hundreds of thousands of dollars."

Wood also reiterated APHA's commitment to its diverse membership of 50,000 that stretches worldwide.

"APHA is, at the heart, a member-based

organization and we take the concerns of those members and directors very seriously. We want to keep the positive momentum from a great convention moving forward," Wood said.

APHA Past President and California dentist Dr. Travis Titlow will fill the vacancy on the Executive Committee for a one-year term until the APHA Executive Committee Nominating Committee has time to put together a slate of candidates for election at the 2018 convention.

APHA's 2017 Executive Committee now includes:

- Acting President Dr. Craig Wood, Owenton, Ky.
- President-Elect Mike Short, Shiner, Texas
- Vice President Casey West, Abilene, Kan.
- Senior Committee Member Karen Thomas, Morganton, N.C.
- Fifth Committee Member Alison Umberger, Broad Run, Va.
- Sixth Committee Member Dr. Travis Titlow, Roseville, Ca.
- Immediate Past President Susie Shaw, Parsons, Tenn.

The next Executive Committee elections will be held in February 2018, as planned, where Dr. Wood will move from Acting President to fulfill his term as President.

APHA's commitment to its members is to provide the most open and inclusive environment possible for the broad Paint Horse Community.

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UPCOMING NRHA EVENTS

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|-------------|--|----------------|-----|-----|
| 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 |
| 3/17 - 3/19 | Llyda Flanders Reining Competition I (T) | Destelbergen | | BEL |
| 3/17 - 3/19 | Entry Level Llyda Flanders Reining Competition I (T) | Destelbergen | | BEL |
| 3/17 - 3/19 | NRHA Belgium Step In Show I (T) | Destelbergen | | BEL |
| 3/19 | Garden Of England Winter Show 2 | Bodiam | ESX | GBR |
| 3/19 | Entry Level Garden Of England Winter Show 2 | Bodiam | ESX | GBR |
| 3/19 | KRA Spring Jackpot (T) | Centre Hall | PA | USA |
| 3/19 | Entry Level KRA Spring Jackpot (T) | Centre Hall | PA | USA |
| 3/22 - 3/26 | Cactus Reining Classic I | Scottsdale | AZ | USA |
| 3/22 - 3/26 | Cactus Reining Classic II | Scottsdale | AZ | USA |
| 3/22 - 3/26 | Cactus Reining Classic Lucas Oil Open Derby | Scottsdale | AZ | USA |
| 3/22 - 3/26 | Cactus Reining Classic Protect The Harvest Non Pro Derby | Scottsdale | AZ | USA |
| 3/22 - 3/26 | Cactus Reining Classic Maturity | Scottsdale | AZ | USA |
| 3/23 - 3/26 | Midwinter Slip & Slide I | Harriman | TN | USA |
| 3/23 - 3/26 | Midwinter Slip & Slide II | Harriman | TN | USA |
| 3/23 - 3/26 | Entry Level Midwinter Slip & Slide I | Harriman | TN | USA |
| 3/23 - 3/26 | Entry Level Midwinter Slip & Slide II | Harriman | TN | USA |
| 3/23 - 3/26 | Midwinter Slip & Slide 7 & Up | Harriman | TN | USA |
| 3/24 - 3/26 | History and Champions | Ardmore | OK | USA |
| 3/24 - 3/26 | Entry Level History and Champions | Ardmore | OK | USA |
| 3/24 - 3/26 | EPRHA No Foolin Slide I | Logan Township | NJ | USA |
| 3/24 - 3/26 | EPRHA No Foolin Slide II | Logan Township | NJ | USA |
| 3/24 - 3/26 | Entry Level EPRHA No Foolin Slide I | Logan Township | NJ | USA |
| 3/24 - 3/26 | Entry Level EPRHA No Foolin Slide II | Logan Township | NJ | USA |
| 3/24 - 3/26 | LN Horses Western Day (T) | Senas | | FRA |
| 3/25 | Jacs Little Spook Derby (T) | Atlatlahuacan | MR | MEX |
| 3/25 | Jacs Little Spook Derby Show (T) | Atlatlahuacan | MR | MEX |
| 3/25 - 3/26 | FRHA March Spin I | Jacksonville | FL | USA |
| 3/25 - 3/26 | FRHA March Spin II | Jacksonville | FL | USA |
| 3/25 - 3/26 | Entry Level FRHA March Spin I | Jacksonville | FL | USA |
| 3/25 - 3/26 | Entry Level FRHA March Spin II | Jacksonville | FL | USA |
| 3/25 - 3/26 | ARHA Spring Slide I (T) | Pine Bluff | AR | USA |
| 3/25 - 3/26 | ARHA Spring Slide II (T) | Pine Bluff | AR | USA |
| 3/25 - 3/26 | Entry Level ARHA Spring Slide I (T) | Pine Bluff | AR | USA |
| 3/25 - 3/26 | Entry Level ARHA Spring Slide II (T) | Pine Bluff | AR | USA |
| 3/27 - 4/1 | NRHA European Futurity | Cremona | | ITA |
| 3/27 - 4/1 | NRHA European Futurity Show | Cremona | | ITA |
| 3/30 - 4/2 | SRHA Spring Break 1 | Axvall | | SWE |
| 3/30 - 4/2 | Entry Level SRHA Spring Break 1 | Axvall | | SWE |
| 3/30 - 4/2 | SRHA Spring Break 2 | Axvall | | SWE |

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| 3/30 - 4/2 | Entry Level SRHA Spring Break 2 | Axvall | | SWE |
| 3/31 - 4/2 | The Buckeye Reiners Easter Slide I | Springfield | OH | USA |
| 3/31 - 4/2 | Entry Level The Buckeye Reiners Easter Slide I | Springfield | OH | USA |
| 3/31 - 4/2 | The Buckeye Reiners Easter Slide II | Springfield | OH | USA |
| 3/31 - 4/2 | Entry Level The Buckeye Reiners Easter Slide II | Springfield | OH | USA |
| 3/31 - 4/2 | The Buckeye Reiners Easter Slide 7 & Up | Springfield | OH | USA |
| 4/1 - 4/2 | ORHA Reining In Oregon #1 | Central Point | OR | USA |
| 4/1 - 4/2 | Entry Level ORHA Reining In Oregon #1 | Central Point | OR | USA |
| 4/1 - 4/2 | NCRHA Spring Break Show I (T) | Winona | MN | USA |
| 4/1 - 4/2 | Entry Level NCRHA Spring Break Show I (T) | Winona | MN | USA |
| 4/1 - 4/2 | NCRHA Spring Break Show II (T) | Winona | MN | USA |
| 4/1 - 4/2 | Entry Level NCRHA Spring Break Show II (T) | Winona | MN | USA |
| 4/2 | JNT Show 2017 (T) | Graasten | | DNK |
| 4/2 | Entry Level JNT Show 2017 (T) | Graasten | | DNK |
| 4/6 - 4/9 | IRHA Circuit Show #1 | Hurricane | UT | USA |
| 4/6 - 4/9 | Entry Level IRHA Circuit Show #1 | Hurricane | UT | USA |
| 4/7 - 4/9 | WCRHA Affiliate #2 | Corning | CA | USA |
| 4/7 - 4/9 | Entry Level WCRHA Affiliate #2 | Corning | CA | USA |
| 4/7 - 4/9 | CPRHA Midwest Breeders Slide-In I | Lincoln | NE | USA |
| 4/7 - 4/9 | Entry Level CPRHA Midwest Breeders Slide-In I | Lincoln | NE | USA |
| 4/7 - 4/9 | CPRHA Midwest Breeders Slide-In II | Lincoln | NE | USA |
| 4/7 - 4/9 | Entry Level CPRHA Midwest Breeders Slide-In II | Lincoln | NE | USA |
| 4/7 - 4/9 | CPRHA Midwest Breeders Derby | Lincoln | NE | USA |
| 4/7 - 4/9 | CPRHA Midwest Breeders Slide-In Arabian | Lincoln | NE | USA |
| 4/7 - 4/9 | WaRHA Spring Fling I (T) | Wenatchee | WA | USA |
| 4/7 - 4/9 | WaRHA Spring Fling II (T) | Wenatchee | WA | USA |
| 4/7 - 4/9 | WaRHA Spring Fling Arabian & Part Arabian (T) | Wenatchee | WA | USA |
| 4/7 - 4/9 | WaRHA Spring Fling Derby (T) | Wenatchee | WA | USA |
| 4/7 - 4/9 | Entry Level WaRHA Spring Fling (T) | Wenatchee | WA | USA |
| 4/8 - 4/9 | Roux Spring Slide (T) | Entraigues | | FRA |
| 4/8 - 4/9 | SFRHA Hip Hop Slide | Sarasota | FL | USA |
| 4/8 - 4/9 | Entry Level SFRHA Hip Hop Slide | Sarasota | FL | USA |
| 4/9 - 4/15 | Osterturnier | Rieden Kreuth | | DEU |
| 4/12 - 4/15 | Australian Reining Breeders Cup Show | Dalby | QL | AUS |
| 4/12 - 4/15 | Australian Reining Breeders Cup Derby | Dalby | QL | AUS |
| 4/12 - 4/15 | Australian Reining Breeders Cup Maturity | Dalby | QL | AUS |
| 4/12 - 4/16 | DRHA Spring Slide | Grathem | | NLD |
| 4/12 - 4/16 | Entry Level DRHA Spring Slide | Grathem | | NLD |
| 4/13 - 4/16 | Swiss Spring Slide | Mooslargue | | FRA |
| 4/13 - 4/16 | Swiss Spring Slide 7 & Up | Mooslargue | | FRA |
| 4/14 - 4/16 | InRHA Spring Fling Reining I (T) | Cloverdale | IN | USA |
| 4/14 - 4/16 | Entry Level InRHA Spring Fling Reining I (T) | Cloverdale | IN | USA |
| 4/14 - 4/16 | InRHA Spring Fling Reining II (T) | Cloverdale | IN | USA |
| 4/14 - 4/16 | Entry Level InRHA Spring Fling Reining II (T) | Cloverdale | IN | USA |
| 4/14 - 4/16 | InRHA Spring Fling Reining Derby (T) | Cloverdale | IN | USA |
| 4/14 - 4/16 | Entry Level Sherwood Circuit Spring Show | Newark | | GBR |

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| 4/14 - 4/16 | Sherwood Circuit Spring Show | Newark | | GBR |
| 4/14 - 4/16 | HDRHA Spring Slide I | Perry | GA | USA |
| 4/14 - 4/16 | Entry Level HDRHA Spring Slide I | Perry | GA | USA |
| 4/14 - 4/16 | HDRHA Spring Slide II | Perry | GA | USA |
| 4/14 - 4/16 | Entry Level HDRHA Spring Slide II | Perry | GA | USA |
| 4/14 - 4/16 | HDRHA Spring Slide III | Perry | GA | USA |
| 4/14 - 4/17 | ARHA Western Star Spring Time Classic I | Wr Neustadt | | AUT |
| 4/14 - 4/17 | ARHA Western Star Spring Time Classic II | Wr Neustadt | | AUT |
| 4/16 - 4/23 | 2017 National Reining Breeders Classic | Katy | TX | USA |
| 4/16 - 4/23 | 2017 National Reining Breeders Classic Challenge | Katy | TX | USA |
| 4/16 - 4/23 | 2017 National Reining Breeders Classic Development Division | Katy | TX | USA |
| 4/16 - 4/23 | 2017 National Reining Breeders Classic Show I | Katy | TX | USA |
| 4/16 - 4/23 | 2017 National Reining Breeders Classic Show II | Katy | TX | USA |
| 4/16 - 4/23 | Entry Level 2017 National Reining Breeders Classic Show I | Katy | TX | USA |
| 4/16 - 4/23 | Entry Level 2017 National Reining Breeders Classic Show II | Katy | TX | USA |
| 4/18 - 4/23 | Bavarian Spring Classic | Rieden | BY | DEU |
| 4/19 - 4/22 | Del Mar National | Del Mar | CA | USA |
| 4/22 - 4/23 | Justin Ricke Memorial I | Frankfort | KY | USA |
| 4/22 - 4/23 | Entry Level Justin Ricke Memorial I | Frankfort | KY | USA |
| 4/22 - 4/23 | Justin Ricke Memorial II | Frankfort | KY | USA |
| 4/22 - 4/23 | Entry Level Justin Ricke Memorial II | Frankfort | KY | USA |
| 4/22 - 4/23 | CNYRHA Spring Slide I (T) | Morrisville | NY | USA |
| 4/22 - 4/23 | CNYRHA Spring Slide II (T) | Morrisville | NY | USA |
| 4/22 - 4/23 | Entry Level CNYRHA Spring Slide I (T) | Morrisville | NY | USA |
| 4/22 - 4/23 | Entry Level CNYRHA Spring Slide II (T) | Morrisville | NY | USA |
| 4/23 | TSRHA Affiliate Show #1 (T) | Fairview | PA | USA |
| 4/23 | Entry Level TSRHA Affiliate Show #1 (T) | Fairview | PA | USA |
| 4/26 - 4/30 | Best Little Derby in the West Show I (T) | Nampa | ID | USA |
| 4/26 - 4/30 | Best Little Derby in the West Show II (T) | Nampa | ID | USA |
| 4/26 - 4/30 | Entry Level Best Little Derby in the West Show (T) | Nampa | ID | USA |
| 4/26 - 4/30 | Best Little Derby in the West - McDowell Reiners Open Derby (T) | Nampa | ID | USA |
| 4/26 - 4/30 | Best Little Derby in the West - Stancik Non Pro's Non Pro Derby (T) | Nampa | ID | USA |
| 4/26 - 4/30 | Best Little Derby in the West - Whiskey N Diamonds 4 Year Old Derby (T) | Nampa | ID | USA |
| 4/26 - 4/30 | Best Little Derby in the West - Spooks Gotta Whiz Red Shirt Futurity (T) | Nampa | ID | USA |
| 4/26 - 4/30 | Best Little Derby in the West - Challenger Pallet Open Maturity (T) | Nampa | ID | USA |
| 4/26 - 4/30 | Best Little Derby in the West - Tamarack Ranch Non Pro Maturity (T) | Nampa | ID | USA |
| 4/27 - 4/30 | NRBE - SG Reining Classic (T) | Melsele | | BEL |
| 4/27 - 4/30 | Entry Level NRBE - SG Reining Classic (T) | Melsele | | BEL |
| 4/28 - 4/30 | Northeast Spring Spin I | West Springfield | MA | USA |
| 4/28 - 4/30 | Entry Level Northeast Spring Spin I | West Springfield | MA | USA |
| 4/28 - 4/30 | Northeast Spring Spin II | West Springfield | MA | USA |
| 4/28 - 4/30 | Entry Level Northeast Spring Spin II | West Springfield | MA | USA |
| 4/29 - 5/1 | Bitz Country Spring Show (T) | Bitz | | DEU |
| 4/29 - 4/30 | Snowslide 1 | Hamar | | NOR |
| 4/29 - 4/30 | Snowslide 2 | Hamar | | NOR |
| 4/29 - 4/30 | Entry Level Snowslide 1 | Hamar | | NOR |

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| 4/29 - 4/30 | Entry Level Snowslide 2 | Hamar | | NOR |
| 4/29 - 4/30 | OVRHA Spring Rein I (T) | Jackson | OH | USA |
| 4/29 - 4/30 | Entry Level OVRHA Spring Rein I (T) | Jackson | OH | USA |
| 4/29 - 4/30 | OVRHA Spring Rein II (T) | Jackson | OH | USA |
| 4/29 - 4/30 | Entry Level OVRHA Spring Rein II (T) | Jackson | OH | USA |
| 4/29 - 4/30 | SWS/ Halldala Spring Classic | Tomelilla | | SWE |
| 4/29 - 4/30 | Entry Level SWS/ Halldala Spring Classic | Tomelilla | | SWE |
| 5/3 - 5/7 | WSRHA Spring Spectacular (T) | Grand Junction | CO | USA |
| 5/3 - 5/7 | Entry Level WSRHA Spring Spectacular (T) | Grand Junction | CO | USA |
| 5/3 - 5/7 | Lazy E Red Dirt Reining I | Guthrie | OK | USA |
| 5/3 - 5/7 | Entry Level Lazy E Red Dirt Reining I | Guthrie | OK | USA |
| 5/3 - 5/7 | Lazy E Red Dirt Reining II | Guthrie | OK | USA |
| 5/3 - 5/7 | Entry Level Lazy E Red Dirt Reining II | Guthrie | OK | USA |
| 5/3 - 5/7 | Lazy E Red Dirt Reining Derby | Guthrie | OK | USA |
| 5/4 - 5/7 | Graham Stampede Show | Graham | TX | USA |
| 5/4 - 5/7 | Graham Stampede Derby | Graham | TX | USA |
| 5/4 - 5/7 | Graham Stampede 7 & Up | Graham | TX | USA |
| 5/4 - 5/7 | Entry Level Graham Stampede Show | Graham | TX | USA |
| 5/4 - 5/7 | IRHA Blackhawk Classic (T) | Salina | UT | USA |
| 5/4 - 5/7 | Entry Level IRHA Blackhawk Classic (T) | Salina | UT | USA |
| 5/5 - 5/7 | CORHA Spring Rein Or Shine Show I | Findlay | OH | USA |
| 5/5 - 5/7 | Entry Level CORHA Spring Rein Or Shine Show I | Findlay | OH | USA |
| 5/5 - 5/7 | CORHA Spring Rein Or Shine Show II | Findlay | OH | USA |
| 5/5 - 5/7 | Entry Level CORHA Spring Rein Or Shine Show II | Findlay | OH | USA |
| 5/5 - 5/7 | CORHA Spring Rein Or Shine Show III | Findlay | OH | USA |
| 5/5 - 5/7 | Paris Reining Classic (T) | Le Pin | | FRA |
| 5/6 - 5/7 | McCabes Tack & Feed F dselsdag | Braedstrup | | DNK |
| 5/6 - 5/7 | Entry Level McCabes Tack & Feed F dselsdag | Braedstrup | | DNK |
| 5/6 - 5/7 | EPRHA Spring Dream I | Logan Township | NJ | USA |
| 5/6 - 5/7 | EPRHA Spring Dream II | Logan Township | NJ | USA |
| 5/6 - 5/7 | Entry Level EPRHA Spring Dream I | Logan Township | NJ | USA |
| 5/6 - 5/7 | Entry Level EPRHA Spring Dream II | Logan Township | NJ | USA |
| 5/6 - 5/7 | BR Spring Show 1 | Newark | | GBR |
| 5/6 - 5/7 | Entry Level BR Spring Show 1 | Newark | | GBR |
| 5/6 - 5/7 | BR Spring Show 2 | Newark | | GBR |
| 5/6 - 5/7 | Entry Level BR Spring Show 2 | Newark | | GBR |
| 5/12 - 5/13 | Teton Slide I (T) | Rexburg | ID | USA |
| 5/12 - 5/13 | Entry Level Teton Slide I (T) | Rexburg | ID | USA |
| 5/13 | Israel Derby Show (T) | Kibutz Alonim | | ISR |
| 5/13 | Israel Derby (T) | Kibutz Alonim | | ISR |
| 5/13 | Israel Futurity (T) | Kibutz Alonim | | ISR |
| 5/15 - 5/20 | IRHA Derby 2017 (T) | Cremona | | ITA |
| 5/15 - 5/20 | IRHA Derby Show 2017 (T) | Cremona | | ITA |
| 5/17 - 5/21 | Wild Rag Cattle Classic (T) | Fort Worth | TX | USA |
| 5/17 - 5/21 | ORHA Central Oregon Slide | Redmond | OR | USA |
| 5/17 - 5/21 | Entry Level ORHA Central Oregon Slide | Redmond | OR | USA |

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| 5/17 - 5/21 | ORHA Central Oregon Slide Derby | Redmond | OR | USA |
| 5/17 - 5/21 | ORHA Central Oregon Slide Maturity | Redmond | OR | USA |
| 5/18 - 5/20 | Yellowstone Slide I (T) | Wilsall | MT | USA |
| 5/18 - 5/20 | Entry Level Yellowstone Slide I (T) | Wilsall | MT | USA |
| 5/19 - 5/21 | Spinning In The Rein I | Murgreesboro | TN | USA |
| 5/19 - 5/21 | Spinning In The Rein II | Murgreesboro | TN | USA |
| 5/19 - 5/21 | Entry Level Spinning In The Rein I | Murgreesboro | TN | USA |
| 5/19 - 5/21 | Entry Level Spinning In The Rein II | Murgreesboro | TN | USA |
| 5/19 - 5/21 | Spinning In The Rein 4 Year Old Futurity | Murgreesboro | TN | USA |
| 5/21 | East Coast Reiners Spring Slide | Mattituck | NY | USA |
| 5/24 - 5/27 | Wild Card Reining Challenge I | Las Vegas | NV | USA |
| 5/24 - 5/27 | Wild Card Reining Challenge II | Las Vegas | NV | USA |
| 5/24 - 5/27 | Tamarack Ranch 4 Year Old Futurity | Las Vegas | NV | USA |
| 5/24 - 5/27 | Wild Card Reining Challenge 4 Year Old Stakes | Las Vegas | NV | USA |
| 5/24 - 5/27 | SmartPak Non Pro Maturity | Las Vegas | NV | USA |
| 5/25 - 5/28 | SWS/Bravesta Challenge | Axvall | | SWE |
| 5/25 - 5/28 | Entry Level SWS/Bravesta Challenge | Axvall | | SWE |
| 5/26 - 5/28 | Nordic Challenge | Axvall | | SWE |
| 5/26 - 5/28 | Entry Level Nordic Challenge | Axvall | | SWE |
| 5/26 - 5/28 | Nordic Challenge 7 & Up | Axvall | | SWE |
| 5/26 - 5/31 | Entry Level Garden Of England Spring Show 1 | Bodiam | ESX | GBR |
| 5/26 - 5/31 | Entry Level Garden Of England Spring Show 2 | Bodiam | ESX | GBR |
| 5/26 - 5/31 | Garden Of England Spring Show 1 | Bodiam | ESX | GBR |
| 5/26 - 5/31 | Garden Of England Spring Show 2 | Bodiam | ESX | GBR |
| 5/26 - 5/31 | Garden Of England Spring Show 1 - CRI | Bodiam | ESX | GBR |
| 5/26 - 5/31 | Garden Of England Spring Show 2 - CRI | Bodiam | ESX | GBR |
| 5/27 - 5/28 | FSRHA Reining In The Spring I | Marshall | TX | USA |
| 5/27 - 5/28 | FSRHA Reining In The Spring II | Marshall | TX | USA |
| 5/27 - 5/28 | Entry Level FSRHA Reining In The Spring I | Marshall | TX | USA |
| 5/27 - 5/28 | Entry Level FSRHA Reining In The Spring II | Marshall | TX | USA |
| 6/1 - 6/6 | Bayerische Meisterschaft | Rieden | | DEU |
| 6/3 - 6/4 | SWS/ Halldala Summer Classic | Tomelilla | | SWE |
| 6/3 - 6/4 | Entry Level SWS/ Halldala Summer Classic | Tomelilla | | SWE |
| 6/7 - 6/11 | DRHA Reining Challenge | Grathem | | NLD |
| 6/7 - 6/11 | Entry Level DRHA Reining Challenge | Grathem | | NLD |
| 6/8 - 6/10 | DRHA Summer Spectacular I | Scottsdale | AZ | USA |
| 6/8 - 6/10 | DRHA Summer Spectacular II | Scottsdale | AZ | USA |
| 6/9 - 6/11 | Entry Level CORHA Flag City Series Show I | Findlay | OH | USA |
| 6/9 - 6/11 | CORHA Flag City Series Show II | Findlay | OH | USA |
| 6/9 - 6/11 | Entry Level CORHA Flag City Series Show II | Findlay | OH | USA |
| 6/9 - 6/11 | CORHA Flag City Series Show III | Findlay | OH | USA |
| 6/9 - 6/11 | CORHA Flag City Series Show I | Findlay | OH | USA |
| 6/10 - 6/11 | ORHA Reining In Oregon #2 | Central Point | OR | USA |
| 6/10 - 6/11 | Entry Level ORHA Reining In Oregon #2 | Central Point | OR | USA |
| 6/11 | East Coast Reiners Summer Slide | Mattituck | NY | USA |
| 6/15 - 6/18 | Ride In 2017 | Regstrup | | DNK |

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| 6/22 - 6/25 | Norway Open Championship (T) | Hamar | | NOR |
| 6/22 - 6/25 | Entry Level Norway Open Championship (T) | Hamar | | NOR |
| 6/23 - 6/25 | Slide Into Summer (T) | Livingston | MT | USA |
| 6/23 - 6/25 | Slide Into Summer Derby (T) | Livingston | MT | USA |
| 6/23 - 6/25 | Slide Into Summer 4 Year Old Derby (T) | Livingston | MT | USA |
| 6/23 - 6/25 | Entry Level Slide Into Summer (T) | Livingston | MT | USA |
| 6/24 - 7/1 | NRHA Derby | Oklahoma City | OK | USA |
| 6/30 - 7/2 | Entry Level Sherwood Circuit Summer Sizzler | Newark | | GBR |
| 6/30 - 7/2 | Sherwood Circuit Summer Sizzler | Newark | | GBR |
| 7/3 - 7/8 | NRHA European Affiliate Championship | Nowa Jastrzabka | | POL |
| 7/3 - 7/8 | NRHA European Affiliate Championship Show | Nowa Jastrzabka | | POL |
| 7/7 - 7/9 | Entry Level CORHA Patriotic Series Show I | Findlay | OH | USA |
| 7/7 - 7/9 | CORHA Patriotic Series Show II | Findlay | OH | USA |
| 7/7 - 7/9 | Entry Level CORHA Patriotic Series Show II | Findlay | OH | USA |
| 7/7 - 7/9 | CORHA Patriotic Series Show III | Findlay | OH | USA |
| 7/7 - 7/9 | CORHA Patriotic Series Show I | Findlay | OH | USA |
| 7/7 - 7/9 | Columbine Ford Summer Classic (T) | Rifle | CO | USA |
| 7/7 - 7/9 | Entry Level Columbine Ford Summer Classic (T) | Rifle | CO | USA |
| 7/7 - 7/9 | Columbine Ford Summer Classic Youth (T) | Rifle | CO | USA |
| 7/9 - 7/12 | Swedish Championship | Axvall | | SWE |
| 7/13 - 7/15 | Yellowstone Slide II (T) | Wilsall | MT | USA |
| 7/13 - 7/15 | Entry Level Yellowstone Slide II (T) | Wilsall | MT | USA |
| 7/16 | East Coast Reiners Summer Spin | Mattituck | NY | USA |
| 7/23 - 7/30 | NRHA European Derby | Kreuth | | DEU |
| 8/3 - 8/5 | Yellowstone Slide III (T) | Wilsall | MT | USA |
| 8/3 - 8/5 | Entry Level Yellowstone Slide III (T) | Wilsall | MT | USA |
| 8/4 - 8/6 | Entry Level CORHA Founding Fathers Tribute Show I | Findlay | OH | USA |
| 8/4 - 8/6 | CORHA Founding Fathers Tribute Show II | Findlay | OH | USA |
| 8/4 - 8/6 | Entry Level CORHA Founding Fathers Tribute Show II | Findlay | OH | USA |
| 8/4 - 8/6 | CORHA Founding Fathers Tribute Show III | Findlay | OH | USA |
| 8/4 - 8/6 | CORHA Founding Fathers Tribute Show I | Findlay | OH | USA |
| 8/4 - 8/6 | Champagne & Rein | Regstrup | | DNK |
| 8/9 - 8/13 | ORHA Reining Classic | Central Point | OR | USA |
| 8/9 - 8/13 | Entry Level ORHA Reining Classic | Central Point | OR | USA |
| 8/9 - 8/13 | ORHA Reining Classic Youth | Central Point | OR | USA |
| 8/9 - 8/13 | ORHA Reining Classic Derby | Central Point | OR | USA |
| 8/9 - 8/13 | ORHA Reining Classic Maturity | Central Point | OR | USA |
| 8/9 - 8/13 | ORHA Reining Classic Futurity | Central Point | OR | USA |
| 8/17 - 8/20 | Belgium Power Reining (T) | Destelbergen | | BEL |
| 8/23 - 8/27 | DRHA Reining Fever | Grathem | | NLD |
| 8/23 - 8/27 | Entry Level DRHA Reining Fever | Grathem | | NLD |
| 8/26 - 8/27 | SWS/ Halldala Autumn Leaves | Tomelilla | | SWE |
| 8/26 - 8/27 | Entry Level SWS/ Halldala Autumn Leaves | Tomelilla | | SWE |
| 9/18 - 9/24 | Belgium Futurity (T) | Grathem | | NLD |
| 10/18 - 10/22 | Entry Level DRHA End Of The Year Show | Grathem | | NLD |
| 10/18 - 10/22 | DRHA End Of The Year Show | Grathem | | NLD |