

## Reining



**Kelle Smith & JJ Conquista Anna**  
Non-Pro Champions

**NRHA Futurity**  
Adequan® North American Affiliate Championship Show 2006



While ongoing construction at the Oklahoma State Fair Park caused delays and detours, reiners brought solid, confident three-year-olds ready to walk straight through the Gateway of Champions to make their debut at the NRHA Futurity.

The NRHA Futurity & Adequan North American Affiliate Championship Show began on Thanksgiving Day, November 23 and continues through Saturday, December 2.

### The Open Classes

Randy Paul, Scottsdale, AZ, beat a field of spectacular three-year-olds to bring Taris Designer Genes (Mr Boomerjac x Taris Little Vintage), owned by Rancho Oso Rio, to the winner's circle of the 2006 NRHA Futurity \$100,000 added Open Division and a guaranteed paycheck of \$125,000!

Paul showed with tremendous confidence, scoring a 227. "I felt really good showing her," said Randy. "And I was going to sell her pretty darn cheap in September." But, when several people told Randy he needed more horse, it inspired him to try a little harder and this wonderful mare responded. "We decided to keep her after the second go," said Randy. "I need a good horse for next year."

Taris Designer Genes is the first mare to win the Futurity's Open Division since 1990 when Doug Milholland won the event on Silver Anniversary (AQHA Two T Whisky Royal), owned by Terry Hunt. And talk about mare power - Taris Little Vintage, the dam of Taris Designer Genes, produced the 1999 NRHA Futurity Open Division Champion, Hollywood Vintage, shown by Dell Hendricks and owned by Alan and Kay Needle.

The "Ladies Night Out" theme continued with the Open Division Reserve Champion, Collenas Finest Taffy. Ridden by Brian Bell,

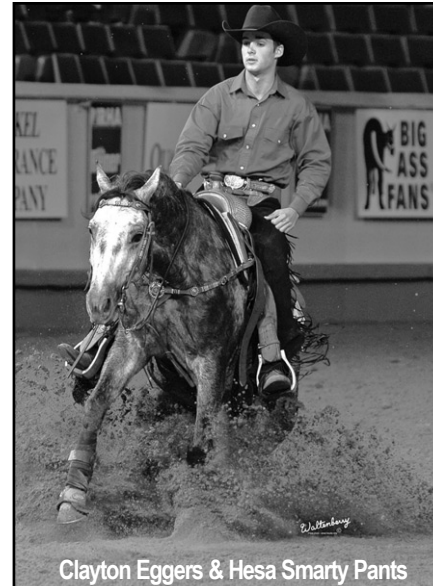
Smithfield, NC, for Double Run Farm, the mare is by Footworks Finest and out of Collena Chic Olena. Brian scored a 226.5 for second place and a paycheck made out for \$103,110.96

In a dramatic runoff for first place in the \$50,000 added Elite Trailer Intermediate Open Division, Shawna Sapergia bested Matt Florida by a half point. Shawna, from Cochrane, AB, Canada, rode This Chics On Top, a three-year-old daughter of Smart Chic Olena and out of This Chex On Top, owned by Outrider Ranch Ltd. Shawna put together two beautiful patterns on Finals night earning \$23,249.56 for the win.

Matt Florida, Midway, KY, rode Custom Blackberry, a son of Custom Crome and out of Be Berry Sweet, owned by Craig Jobe. Matt was aggressive where he needed to be aggressive - soft and pretty when called for. The quality of both his rides was amazing. Matt earned \$19,331.19 for the reserve championship.

Gunnin For Diamonds (Like A Diamond x BH Top Gun), shown by Arno Honstetter, San Marcos, CA, won the \$20,000 added APHA Gelding Award for owner Justin Palmer. The Great Guntini, by Gunner and out of Miss Wicked Filena, was shown by Mike McEntire and was the winner of the American Paint Horse Association Paint Preferred Award for owner John Faulkner.

In a touching performance dedicated to her mom and "other mothers, sisters, friends and family who have lost their fight with cancer," Kirstin Foran, Temecula, CA, won the \$7,500 added North American Freestyle Open Championship presented by Century Investment Group. Kirstin and her stallion Guinness performed to Faith Hill's There You'll Be. Representing the California



Reining Horse Association, Kirstin won the championship with a score of 224.5.

In the Performance Horse Rookie of the Year competition, Jennifer Hoffman, from Wesley Chapel, FL, scored a 215.5 on her Spats Dot Com to best a field of 21 riders. She represented the Florida Reining Horse Association.

Don Thomas was second on Broady BH Dunit owned by Tori Thomas, Hayesville, OH. Don rode for the Central Ohio Reining Horse Association, scored a 212.5. Both riders qualified for the event at the Eastern US Affiliate Finals in Springfield, OH.

### The Non-Pro Classes

Kelle Smith, Belle Center, OH, scored a 217.5 in the qualifying go round of the Cinch NRHA Non Pro Futurity to earn a slot in the Finals. She upped the ante with her Finals ride and scored a 221 to earn the championship in the \$60,000 added Cinch NRHA Non Pro Futurity aboard her JD Conquista Anna by Conquistador Whiz and out of Hollywood Anna. Kelle, wife of NRHA Professional Sam Smith, is no stranger to the winner's circle in OKC. She won the Non Pro Futurity in 2003 aboard See Ya At Seven.

NRHA's Leading Lifetime Non Pro Money Earner and a multiple NRHA Non Pro Futurity Champion is Mandy McCutcheon. Mandy placed second this year on I Spin For Chics with a score of 219.5 and third on SLJ Sweet N Juicy with a score of 217.5. I Spin For Chics, owned by Mandy's dad, Tim McQuay, Tioga, TX, is by Tangys Classy Peppy and out of Chics Koko Angel.

John McCarty, Gaviota, CA, was the "top gun" on Top Dun Cody Rose (Top Dun x Fritzie Rose) in the \$25,000 added Intermediate Division of the Non Pro Futurity with a score of 215. Chad Clark, River Falls, WI, shared the co-reserve championship with Melony Jayne Jackson, Selma, NC. Both riders scored a 214. Chad rode Hailstorm Jaci, an NRHA Sire & Dam offspring, and a daughter of Shine Like Hail out of Cowboys Mysti Jac; Melony rode Lil Ruf Whiz Quiz by Lil Ruf Peppy and out of Pretty Ms Qhiz.

Fresh off her win at the prestigious All American Quarter Horse Congress, Kimberly Crupper wowed the crowd with her Mustang Sally routine in the \$2,500 added North American Championship Freestyle Non Pro class presented by the Century Investment Group. With mini-skirt and go-go boots, Kimberly scored a 218.5 on her big-stopping, fast-turning partner, Quick Enterprise owned by Allen Crupper, Paris, KY. Chad Hartmann was second with a score of 217.5 on Flashy With Chrome owned by Chad and Shelly Hartmann, Arvada, CO.

In a dramatic runoff for the championship title, young Clayton Eggers, the winner of the inaugural Highest-Scoring First Time Non Pro Futurity Rider

award and Youth Non Pro Division, won the Limited Non Pro as well. Clayton is from Mingus, TX. He trained and rode his own Hesa Smarty Pants (Freckles Fancy Twist x Sneza Smarty Pants) to his multiple victories.

Nadine Galbraith, Rocky Mount, NC, earned the reserve title on Gundelion (Gunner x Slidin Miss Daisy) and Juan Manuel Vazquez, Markham, IL, was third on Great

Juice (Smart Like Juice x One Great Diamond) owned by Smart Like Juice, Inc.

John McCarty earned the Prime Time Non Pro championship on his Top Dun Cody Rose. Don Murphy's Panas Jewels (Tachitas Jewels x Pana Sugar Chex) won the Non Pro Gelding Incentive Award with his daughter Nelle Murphy, Marietta, OK, riding.

There were Co-Champions, Bryan Luark and Ian Barnard, in the Adequan North American Affiliate (NAAC) Youth 14-18 and NRHA Youth 14-18. Bryan Luark, Burns, CO, representing the Western Slope Reining Horse Association, rode his Boomen James Foley (Boomernic and Pep Aledo). Ian Barnard on Got It Dun (Hollywood Dun It x Last Little Lena) owned by Elizabeth Ann Barnard of Kendallville, IN, rode for the Michigan Reining Horse Association.

There was also a double winner in the NRHA Youth 13 & Under class, which was held in conjunction with the NAAC Youth 13 & Under class. Jordan Donnelly and her Hollywood All Star won both divisions with a score of 215. Stephanie Belcher is from Carbondale, CO, and she earned second place in the NAAC Youth 13 & Under Division for the Western Slope Reining Horse Association on her Boot Jac Budha. Emily Winegar, Aubrey, TX, was second in the NRHA Youth 13 & Under on Good Time Show Girl owned by Green Valley Ranch.

The \$1,000 added NRHA Novice Horse Non Pro class was held in conjunction with the NAAC Novice Horse Non Pro. Allison Serio and Debi Murnan were Co-Champions in the NRHA class. Debi, representing the West Coast Reining Horse Association, won the NAAC Division. Allison, from Kennett Square, PA, rode her DA Sanjos Steady and Debi rode her Arapaho Sailor.

James Curtis Myers and Jordan Donnelly tied for second place in the NAAC Novice Horse Non Pro Division. James is from Kasson, MN, and represented the North Central Reining Horse Association. He rode his own Jacs Good Bar; Jordan is from Aubrey, TX, and represented the Southwest Reining Horse Association. She rode her own Hollywood All Star.

For the sixth year in a row, West Texas A & M coached by Dr. John Pipkin, won the Intercollegiate Judging Contest. The evening performance recognized each team. The contestants in this long-standing Futurity event undoubtedly represent future NRHA Judges to help fill the needs of our growing sport.

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