

THE STOCK HORSE ROUND-UP

LATEST NEWS FROM THE STOCK HORSE OF TEXAS

NOVEMBER 2011

TOP TEN REASONS TO ATTEND THE STOCK HORSE CLASSIC

10. Round One counts for year-end points
9. All your friends are going
8. Christmas shopping at the live and silent auctions
7. Aggie football!
6. Ride at one of the finest equestrian facilities in Texas
5. Excellent Top Ten, Top Five, and Champion Awards (trophy buckles to all around and class winners, vests, bridles, bits, hardware and more!)
4. Good fun and good food at the Awards Banquet
3. It's the most celebrated show on the 2011 schedule
2. The only place to see young stock horses compete for over \$16,000 in cash plus prizes including trophy buckles, vests, and handmade saddle blankets.
1. Nothing beats a weekend spent around wonderful SHOT people



Thumbs up from Bryan contestant Terry Dobrovolski - bet you'll see her at the Classic this month!

SHOT VETERAN HORSE HITS PRIMETIME TV



Poncho and Laurie Shelton at the filming of AFTH this spring

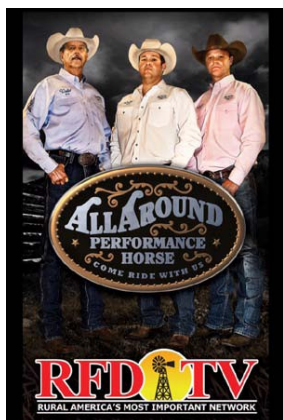
When Laurie Shelton bought a horse the night before attending her first SHOT show, she had no idea what future was in store for her or her 4 year-old quarter horse Ima Little Tequila ("Poncho"). Their first show was not exactly successful, but Shelton was hooked on the concept of 'Ride A Better Horse' - though she claims 'Become A Better Rider' might have been a more appropriate description.

The pair attended every SHOT clinic and show for two years, working hard for small improvements and learning from clinicians, contestants, and judges. By year two they finished with a reserve champion title in the Non Pro division, and by year three they were year-end champions. In 2009, the pair earned the SHOT Superior Stock Horse Merit Award. As they tested the waters in other associations, it was clear that the SHOT program had prepared them to tackle just about any event - earning titles in AQHA ranch versatility, American Competitive Trail, and even a 2010 World Championship title in the Extreme Cowboy Race Association.

Now this true SHOT-grown duo will make a primetime performance on HRTV's America's Favorite Trail horse. Filmed this spring, the competition features 100 riders encountering a variety of trail situations, with the winners determined by email vote. Viewers can see the two in action on November 15 at 7pm either on TV or online at ACTHA.TV. Voting for each episode is open for 48 hours, and only 1 vote per email is allowed. Winners of each episode earn a spot in the finals, where they will compete for the title of America's Favorite Trail Horse. No horse better represents the mission of SHOT than Poncho - so make a little time to send your vote his way!

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DIAMOND



PLATINUM



SPONSOR SPOTLIGHT: DENNIS MORELAND

"Function over fashion". These three words represent the core of what [Dennis Moreland Tack](#) is all about. As a young cowboy on the Haythorn Ranch in the 70's Moreland became interested in building tack, mostly out of necessity – the local saddle maker, having been asked one too many times to build gear to Dennis's specs, finally said "make it yourself". Dennis did just that, stepping into a trade that has kept him busy for over 30 years.

With one foot in the tack business and the other foot planted firmly in a stirrup, Dennis puts more than just great craftsmanship into his pieces – each stitch of leather and turn of steel also carries decades of experience in the saddle. Dennis knows what it means to really use gear every day, and when you are counting on that gear for work or performance, quality and function are everything.

A successful competitor in NCHA, AQHA, SHOT, and NRCHA, he has seen many trends come and go, leaving his tack to stand the test of time. "Quality is no accident" Moreland explains, "you don't accidentally use the best leather and best buckles available". That philosophy is what keeps horsemen familiar with his gear coming back again and again.



Popular items from [DMTack.com](#) include this style of loping hackamore

It's no accident to find Dennis at most SHOT shows – if he isn't competing, then you'll find him helping somewhere – he's been spotted scribing, setting up trail, and even helping folks get their horses warmed up. His generosity does not end there – for years Dennis Moreland Tack has been a wonderful SHOT sponsor – providing custom spurs, bits, and bridles to SHOT competitors – plus special awards dedicated to our youth contestants. Knowing our sponsors on a personal level is a hallmark of SHOT – but having sponsors of such personal and professional caliber is what makes our association truly unique.



Dennis builds custom bits and keeps a supply of his popular styles in stock

SHOT BITS

- Watch for SHOT events in new areas next year—including South and Central Texas...
- Get your nominations in by January 1 for the 2011 Most Improved Rider award
- Do you "like" SHOT? Check us out on [Facebook](#) for the latest updates, show tips, and to share your SHOT experiences with others
- Got showing questions? Some 2012 editions of the Round Up will include an "Ask the Judge" section - submit your questions to the SHOT office for a chance to have it answered in print
- It's not too late to donate items to the Stock Horse Classic Live or Silent Auctions...
- Start next season with a bang - the 2012 Abilene show will be February 24-25 and it will be the site of the **2011 Year-End Champion Banquet** - come to show, stay to celebrate!

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ROSENBERG SHOW RESULTS

A nice cool front and sunshine made for spectacular weather in Rosenberg. Always a fun Halloween show, this year's show had 54 clinic entries and over 100 contestants!

Here are your results

Open Division:

Champion - Laurie Shelton on CJ Lights
Res. Champion - Mary King on Twig Talks
3rd Connie Coberly on Cowhouse Foxy Mate
4th Rusty Johnson on Sonitalenas Royal
5th Matt McMillan on Big Ash Gun

Non Pro Division:

Champion - Kelsey Watring on Sunnis First Pauli
Res Ch - Debbie Crawford on Friday's Gold Eclipse
3rd Jennifer Bouse on Cool King Cole
4th Wendy Cline on Sonitalenas Royal
5th Baru Spiller on Western Sequel

Limited Non Pro:

Champion - Luke England on Lo Down Dancer
Res Ch - Theresa Woodard on Conchos Colonel
3rd Joan Martin on Peptos Bay Shadow
4th Brittany Chrisman on Fancy Gay Girl
5th Debbie Crawford on Playgirls Miss Grace

Green Division:

Champ - Zinn Lindsey on Quigley Dun Under
Res. Champ. - Brian Sumrall on Cinco Silver Drift
3rd Jerry Moriarty on Circle Bar Playgun
4th Brian Sumrall on Peptos Special Kay
5th Jennifer Weber on The Dream Senorita

Novice Division:

Champ - Brandyl J Brooks on Top Stoppin Dun It
Res. Ch - Rebecca Zimmerman on Taylor Made in Texas
3rd Roberta Johnston on Peps Silver Pistol
4th Teri Boyd on Skip N Dee Bars
5th Carolyn Ordeneaux on Shining Judgement

Youth Division:

Champion- Gracie Jacobs on Crows TT
Res. Champion - Emily Woodard on Royal Smoken Bob
3rd Shelby Haggart on Cattieotarey
4th Will Lorenz on CR Zans Big Star
5th Molly Jacobs on High Dollar Playboy

Congratulations to All!



Baru Spiller

Three generations of the wonderful Jacobs family ready to compete in Rosenberg

AUCTION TEASERS...

- Complete Cow Horse Bridle - donated by Dennis Moreland Tack Silver bit with frog mouthpiece, rawhide headstall, 2 buckle leather curb and a pair of rawhide braided romal reins.
- Steve Guitron Hair-on-Hide Chinks - donated by Rodney Rosenauer Beautiful handmade two-toned chinks with fancy fringe.
- Old Henry Golden Boy Rifle with commemorative SHOT engraving - donated by Greg and Carolyn Ordeneaux 'Old time' blued 20 inch octagonal barrel, lever action repeating rifle with brass hardware and a beautiful American Walnut stock.
- Autographed Memorabilia - donated by Laurie Shelton Includes books, posters and a limited edition print signed by legends in the horse world, including Jack Brainard, Jerry Diaz, and Buck Brannaman.

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The Stock Horse of Texas (SHOT) is an association which was started by a state-wide planning group in the mid 1990's and incorporated in 1998. Its purpose is education for western horse enthusiasts to ride and train a versatile western stock horse that can be ridden on the ranch, in the ring or down the road. SHOT's goal is to teach rider knowledge and skills to maximize horse trainability, performance and safety by offering affordable, fun and standardized western stock horse riding clinics and competitions.

WATCH FOR THE WRAP-UP ISSUE

Keep your eyes on your mailboxes this December... The Wrap-Up Edition of the Stock Horse Round Up will feature results from the Stock Horse Classic, a review of 2012 Rule Changes, and tips on how to make your 2012 season better than ever!



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2011 Stock Horse of Texas Clinic and Competition Schedule

Remaining Events for 2011 Season:

Nov 17-20 - Stock Horse Classic Championship Show

All Divisions plus:

3 year-old Futurity and 4 & 5 year-old Derby Championships

Brazos County Expo, Bryan, Texas

[Click here to go to the SHOT schedule online](#)

Looking ahead to the 2012 Season...

February 24-26 - Abilene SHOT Clinic and Show & Awards Banquet

Join us to celebrate our 2011 Champions at the Annual Awards Banquet in Abilene

March 23-25 - Stephenville SHOT Clinic and Show

April 27-28 - Lubbock SHOT Clinic and Show

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