

THE STOCK HORSE ROUND-UP

LATEST NEWS FROM THE STOCK HORSE OF TEXAS

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NEW CONCEPTS FOR STEPHENVILLE SHOT SHOW

Preparation for the 2013 Stephenville SHOT show is in full swing, and the weekend will be packed with events! The Clinic is scheduled for Friday, March 22, with an AQHA World-Qualifying Ranch Horse Pleasure (Youth, Novice, Amateur, Select, and Open points available) event on Friday evening. Saturday will be a busy show day, as classes take full advantage of the Lone Star Arena's sprawling facility.

Sunday will see the introduction of two special events: A **free youth cow horse clinic** and a **"step-up" class open to all riders**. Both events are co-hosted with Southwest Reined Cow Horse Association (SRCHA) and the featured clinician will be legendary **NRCHA Hall of Fame member Don Murphy**. The youth clinic is scheduled for 8:00 am Sunday, with the step-up class to follow.



Cow horse legend Don Murphy is scheduled to educate both youth and adult riders in special events at the Stephenville SHOT Show

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We are proud to partner with SRCHA and Don Murphy for this event—a special weekend you surely do not want to miss!

An event that has gained popularity in reined cow horse associations, the step-up class is designed to be a live-coached event. A rider will enter the arena, call for a cow and work under the coaching of Mr. Murphy. This is an excellent opportunity to school your horse and gain valuable insight from one of the most successful trainers and clinicians in NRCHA history. The class fee is \$50 and will be limited to the first 40 riders. Pre-entry for this class is required and riders must be a member of SHOT or SRCHA.

NEW LIMITED NON PRO DIVISION IN FUTURITY & DERBY

On the heels of several successful Futurity and Derby events, SHOT is proud to introduce a **new division** for the 2013 Futurity and Derby. The Limited Non Pro Division is designed for riders who wish to exhibit their horses in a limited cow work pattern (boxing and driving). The division will run concurrently with the Futurity and Derby classes, except the cow work will follow the Limited Non Pro/Junior Horse pattern (see SHOT Rule Book for more information). This will be a separate division with a separate payout and awards from the regular Futurity and Derby. The division is open to any Non Pro rider, and the rider may also enter the regular Futurity or Derby—however, a horse may only be entered in the regular Futurity/Derby or the LNP Futurity/Derby—not both. Watch the SHOT website for rules and nomination forms.



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Well, it happened again—the 2013 SHOT Season was met with another record-breaking turnout in Abilene! Friday's clinic was 91-strong, with riders cycling through five class stations (including two cow sessions for each participant). Things wrapped up just in time to grab a great plate of burgers sponsored by **Total Equine Feed**, and folks gathered in the main arena for the herd work. What a treat—nice cattle plus good horses = lots of whoops and hollers! When the dust settled it was Billy Lamb on Peptos Mini Storm who took the top spot, with Tyler Spradley on Dr Smokin Peppy Joe only a point behind, each earning checks from the \$1,000 total payout.

Saturday morning kicked off the 230-entry show with the Novice, Youth, and Limited Non Pro Divisions. New for SHOT were two pilot programs: the **Novice Incentive** and **Youth Incentive** awards. Designed as 'leveling' programs, the incentives target Novice riders still getting acquainted with SHOT shows and youth riders 12 and under. By days end, it was Tyler O'Neal that earned the Novice all-around championship, with Landan Brown taking the Reserve Championship. The Novice Incentive winners were Jay Clements and Lonnie Meredith, both earned a **Dennis Moreland Tack Sponsored headstall and spur straps**, respectively. In the Youth division, Lauren Bergman took the top spot and Molly Jacobs just a few points behind. The Youth Incentive ribbon winners were Hardy Jacobs, Haley Nugent, Kolton Wink, and Christopher Lewis—congratulations kids! In the Limited Non Pro Division, roan was the hot color of the day, as Billy Lamb cinched the championship and Roy Fischer scooped up the reserve championship.



Collegiate riders were in full force at Abilene: Six Collegiate Teams competed in this first show of their season.



Novice Year-End Class Winners: Tony White (Trail), Hannah Langendoerfer (Reining), Roy Fischer (Pleasure), Executive Director Kim Lindsey & Christopher Lewis (Cow)

Saturday night was the much-anticipated **2012 Annual Awards Banquet**, and **Sharon's Barbecue** did not disappoint—nearly 200 plates of delicious barbecue were served and members were treated to two informative presentations: SHOT Banquet Sponsor **Dr. Brandon Broyles of Spur Veterinary Hospital** discussed colic as it applies to performance horses and Youth SHOT rider **Anna Easley** discussed the Texas 4-H Equine Ambassador Program. The rest of the night was all

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about sponsors, members, and wonderful year-end awards. All-Around winners picked up their custom-designed **Martin Saddles**, Reserve Champions gathered their **Montana Silversmith** buckles, and riders in the 3rd-5th spots earned beautiful **Twisted X Boots**, **Dennis Moreland Tack headstalls**, and **Classic Equine** trophy saddle pads. The newest Diamond Sponsor for 2013, **Murphy Ranch**, provided an incredible bonus award for each All-Around Champion and Reserve Champion: A breeding to the talented stallion **Stylish Rey Gay**! Class winners each earned custom Montana Silversmith buckles and every Top Ten rider picked up a stylish jacket, sponsored by **Jacobs Properties**, **Aaron Ranch**, **Touchstone Ranch**, and **Total Equine**. Collegiate year-end champions were each treated to a gorgeous trophy bit—handmade and sponsored by **Joe Spiller**: Congratulations to Kelsey Watring (Non Pro), Jennifer Bouse (Limited Non Pro), and Hannah Langendoerfer (Novice). Two special horses were awarded the **Superior Merit Award**: Greyt Socks, a 2007 gelding owned and ridden by Thomas Hicks; and Lil Ruf Catalyst a 2006 stallion owned and ridden by Mozaun McKibben. The night culminated in the reveal of **2012's Most Improved Rider Award**: Novice rider Tony White! Tony earned his very own pair of handmade spurs, built and sponsored by **Joe Spiller**—wow! Congratulations Tony!!

Sunday it was back to business as riders in the Open, Non Pro, and Junior Horse divisions saddled up for a full day of showing. By afternoon, it was Bozo Rogers in the top spot and Steve Drennan securing the reserve championship in the Junior Horse Division. Non Pro saw a double dose of "The Kelseys", with Kelsey Stokes securing the number one position and Kelsey Watring just a point behind in second (total payout



Abilene weather was just perfect all weekend as riders Becky Zimmerman, Beverley Jacobs, and Bob Conaway line up for a run at the Trail course.

\$2,150). The Open division was topped by favorite SHOT clinician (and newly crowned AQHA Ranch Versatility World Champion) Mozaun McKibben, with long-time competitor Thomas Hicks earning the reserve champion spot (total payout \$1,730). A special Sunday treat was seeing the return of our international riders **Alavaro Lucena of Argentina** and **Andre Weber of Germany**. We even had the not-quite-international-but-from-California riders Debbie Sanguinetti, Kathy Torres, Sara Clifford, Karen Arlin, and Nevada Cowgirl Janie Welch!

As the banners were clipped from the fence, horses unsaddled and loaded, conversation turned to the next SHOT event, things to improve, things that went right (and wrong) - and how many weeks until Stephenville...

EXCERPT FROM THE 2012 AWARDS BANQUET: PRESIDENT'S LETTER



SHOT President
Laurie Shelton

The 2012 season was a real banner year for SHOT: clinics and show attendance was stronger than ever, new award programs were introduced, and the first-ever Stock Horse World Championship was a great success.

There are three critical factors in SHOT's success as an association: an active, enthusiastic membership; a hard-working group of board members, secretaries, and of course our Executive Director, Kim Lindsey; and the incredibly generous efforts of our sponsors.

SHOT is known as the "friendly association"—a reputation earned with the help of our terrific members. At every clinic and show you'll see examples of our members helping newcomers and show producers. I've seen folks lending a hand where needed, advice (even the unsolicited kind!), and happily loaning tack to help someone get through the day's clinic or show. SHOT is lucky to have such a core of good people creating an atmosphere of education and fellowship that has become our trademark.

There's no good explanation for why our Board, Secretaries, and Executive Director work so hard during and between events. Either we have all gone crazy or we just care that much about the well-being of the association. With every success, it seems we decide to pile on a few more challenges and ideas, trying to grow and evolve the association to fit our member's needs. The 2013 season holds some new concepts that we are excited to introduce to our members.

If we could run this association on good intentions, it would last forever. Unfortunately, there's a bottom line to everything we do, and it would be impossible for us to be here without the support of our sponsors. They literally help us keep the lights on and the association moving forward from show to show. Our sponsors are not immune to a changing economy, and we are so grateful for their contributions. These folks believe in the mission of SHOT and back the association in ways that we cannot thank enough. Next time you come across any of our sponsors, be sure to pass along your thanks with a kind word or handshake.

Looking to the 2013 Season, there are some exciting things on the horizon. The first official Team Challenge event will be held in Austin at the Star of Texas Fair and Rodeo, where SHOT members can form three-person teams to compete in a fun group format. The SHOT Stephenville show will have two special events: a youth cow horse clinic taught by NRCHA Hall of Famer Don Murphy and a cow horse 'coaching' class taught by Don Murphy, both on Sunday after Saturday's show. The Dripping Springs Ranch Park is hosting a SHOT Clinic and series of SHOT schooling shows this spring and summer, set in the beautiful Texas Hill Country. The 2013 Futurity and Derby will include an opportunity for Limited Non Pro Riders to compete on their young horses (with cow work limited to boxing and driving). These are a few of the new things we are trying for 2013 — as always, we depend on member feedback, so if you like or dislike something, let us know!



Can you feel the love?
SHOT Secretaries are ready for 2013!

PRESIDENTS LETTER

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The 2012 season was a positive year that saw new growth, great events, and good changes for SHOT. But it was tinged with deep sadness as we lost members of our SHOT family much too soon. Zinn Lindsey, son of Kim and Matt Lindsey, grandson of Norma and Nathan Belcher, was literally raised in SHOT. He was a fixture at every show, pushing cattle, running errands, and competing (and winning) with the little time he had in between these jobs. Don Henneke, Tarleton State Collegiate Coach, Stephenville SHOT Show producer, and SHOT Clinician was another long-time member that helped countless people 'ride a better horse'. Don had a positive impact on many riders over the years, and was a great collegiate coach. The news of Chelsey McEntire's tragic death was simply heartbreaking. A bright, sweet youth competitor, Chelsey was a classic example of a SHOT member: learning, improving and competing always with a cheerful disposition. We cannot understand the sudden loss of these wonderful members, and send our sincerest thoughts and prayers to their families.

Tonight is a time to remember the SHOT 2012 Season — a time to celebrate good memories, the success of our champions, and the efforts of everyone in the SHOT family that pulls together to keep this association going strong. Thank you for your membership, and we'll see you down the road real soon!

SHOT MEMBERS MAKE AN IMPRESSION IN THE AQHA WORLD...

Houston, they have landed! As SHOT members descended on the 2012 AQHA Ranch Versatility World Championship, there wasn't much doubt that they would see success. Mozaun McKibben placed in every class, with wins in the Pleasure and Cutting, he topped the podium as the 2012 AQHA Ranch Versatility OpenWorld Champion. Riding Lil Ruf Catalyst, a recent SHOT Superior Merit Award winner, Mozaun piloted his nice stallion to a second world championship for he and Lil Ruf Catalyst.

In the Amateur division, long-time SHOT members Thomas Hicks, Baru Spiller, and Kim Lindsey each had good showings—Baru won the Trail class and was 2nd in the Pleasure, and all three riders either placed or had Top Ten finishes in each class. The overall for the show saw Baru with a 4th place finish, Kim was 5th, and Thomas in the 6th place spot. But perhaps the biggest Amateur story was that of Andre Weber. A three-year SHOT member residing in Germany, Andre rode Jimbo Humphreys' well-known gelding Josephs Catchum All at this year's versatility championship. And what a show they had! With wins in both the Pleasure and Halter classes, a 3rd place in the working cow horse, and 4th place in both trail and cutting, Andre and Catchum sailed through the weekend—clinching the Reserve Amateur Versatility World Championship! Catchum is no stranger to the versatility world show, having now carried 3 different riders to top five placings, he and Jimbo are also the first pair to ever win a SHOT Stock Horse Supreme Merit award. Kudos to Andre for piloting a great horse to big success, and thank you Jimbo for letting us see that big horse compete at another world show!



Andre and Catchum winning the halter class

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Remaining 2013 SHOT Events

Events added throughout the season—check the [web schedule](#) for more

March 10 & 11, 2013, Austin, Texas * Star of Texas Fair and Rodeo

SHOT Team Challenge is Sunday, March 10th.

SHOT Collegiate show will be Monday, March 11th.

March 22 and 23, 2013, Stephenville, Texas * Lone Star SHOT Show at Lone Star Arena

SHOT Clinic, Show, Collegiate Show & AQHA Ranch Pleasure

Sunday: Don Murphy Youth Cow Clinic and Youth/Adult Coaching Class

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April 13, 2013 Dripping Springs, Texas * Dripping Springs Ranch Park SHOT Series
Schooling Show #1 (Non-Pointed Show, but series will award prizes)

April 26 & 27, 2013, Lubbock, Texas * TTU Equestrian Center

TTU SHOT Clinic, Show and Collegiate Show

May 4, 2013 Dripping Springs, Texas * Dripping Springs Ranch Park SHOT Series
Schooling Show #2 (Non-Pointed Show, but series will award prizes)

May 17 & 18, 2013, San Antonio, Texas * Rose Palace

Rose Palace Roundup SHOT Clinic, Show & AQHA Versatility & Ranch Pleasure

June 1st and 2nd McKinney, Texas * Myers Park Event Center

Colin County SHOT Clinic

June 14-16 Dripping Springs, Texas * Dripping Springs Ranch Park SHOT Series
SHOT Clinic, Judging Seminar, and Schooling Show #2
(Non-Pointed Show, but series will award prizes)

July 19 and 20, 2013 Sulphur Springs, Texas * Hopkins County Civic Center
SHOT Clinic and Show

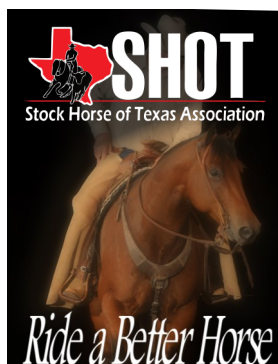
August 2 & 3, 2013, San Angelo, Texas * Spur Arena

San Angelo SHOT Clinic, Show and AQHA Versatility & Ranch Pleasure

September 6 & 7, 2013, Vernon, Texas * Wilbarger Event Center
North Texas SHOT Clinic, Show, & AQHA Versatility & Ranch Pleasure

October 4 & 5, 2013, Bryan, Texas * Brazos County Expo Center
Brazos County Horse Committee SHOT Clinic and Show

November 1 thru 3, 2013, Abilene, Texas * Taylor County Expo Center
Western Horseman Stock Horse World Championship
Futurity & Derby



The Stock Horse of Texas Association (SHOT) was created to promote and support the concept of the versatile stock horse. The strength in this concept lies in the variety of skills developed by both horse and rider in four different disciplines: Reining, Pleasure, Trail, and Working Cow Horse. The true all-around stock horse can handle a variety of situations with ease and athleticism, using natural movement and an attitude that reflects the ranch-type influence of the everyday stock horse.

The SHOT program is designed for riders of all experiences to learn and compete in an environment that is friendly, affordable and designed to fit all levels of riding. Celebrating 15 years of promoting the versatile stock horse, the SHOT mission continues: "Helping People Ride a Better Horse".