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# THE STOCK HORSE ROUND-UP

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## SHOT 'HEARD 'ROUND THE WORLD'

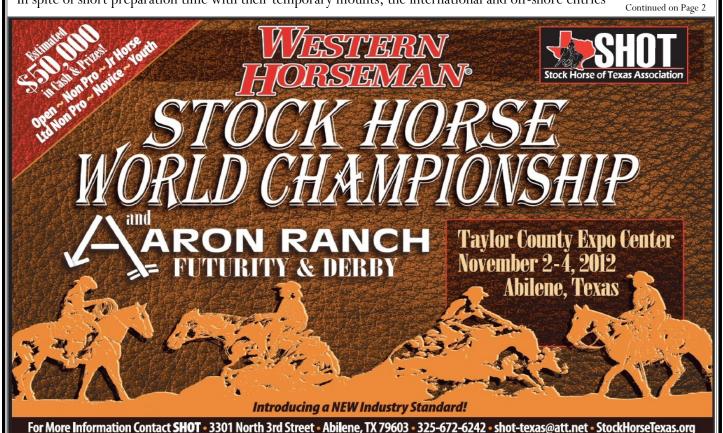
From Argentina to Wyoming, Germany to Hawaii, competitors from across the globe converged in Abilene for the first SHOT clinic & competition of the 2012 season on February 24-26.

**SHOT's Global Influence** in setting the standard for all around stock horse competition was evident with the far reaching origins of this year's Abilene entries. President of the Argentina Quarter Horse Association Alvaro Enrique Lucena, from the Santa Fe province of Argentina competed in the Open division on The Queens Pistol, owned by Cathy Clements. Andre Weber from Baden-Württemberg, the most southwestern state of Germany, competed in the Non Pro division on BJ Whiskey, owned by Jimbo Humphreys. Kiyo & Ikera Nakoa, mother & daughter from Hawaii both rode Smart Shined N Tuned in the Novice & Youth Division respectively. The pair was visiting their husband and father, Harry Nakoa, trainer for the Aaron Ranch near Commerce, Texas. Interstate continental U.S. entries represented California, Wyoming, Oklahoma and Texas.

"I was blown away by the friendliness of the SHOT folks as well as the competition," said Harry

Nakoa on Saturday. "My daughter did the clinic but was reluctant to enter the show. All the other young girls she didn't even know, gathered around her and encouraged her to enter. She made a lot of friends and ended up winning the reining! SHOT is very unique - I'm sold!"

In spite of short preparation time with their temporary mounts, the international and off-shore entries



Hawaiian Ikera Nokoa in her first SHOT Pleasure class

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arrived stateside with their competitive edge intact. **Ikera Nakoa won** the Youth Reining and placed 6<sup>th</sup> in the All Around. **Kiyo Nakoa placed 2<sup>nd</sup> in the Novice Reining**. **Andre Weber** placed in the **top ten** in the **Non Pro Reining and Cow Work**, while **Alvaro Lucero** placed in the **top ten** in the **Open Trail and Reining**.



Non Pro Competitor Lanham Horne getting his cow circled up

The 195 competitors composed a grand total of 709 class entries, approaching 2011's record show in Abilene (not counting Friday's Herd Work.) Saturday's schedule included the Youth, Novice, and Limited Non Pro divisions, while Junior Horse, Non Pro, and Open divisions showed on Sunday.

**Collegiate Ranch Horse Teams and High School Teams** competed for team awards, and individual students were eligible for the overall awards and SHOT year end points. The schools represented were: **Laramie County Community College from Cheyenne, Wyoming; Sul Ross State University** 

at Alpine, Texas; West Texas A&M University at Canyon, Texas; Texas Tech University at Lubbock, Texas; North Central Community College at Gainesville, Texas; Weatherford College at Weatherford, Texas; and Rider High School FFA at Wichita Falls, Texas. The champion team won a Montana Silver-

**smith** bronze for their trophy case and the reserve champion team won an laser carved wooden plaque for their trophy case.

SHOT provided custom-designed All Around **Montana Silversmith** Champion & Reserve buckles in all six divisions with added money in the Non Pro & Open; four other divisions awarded **SHOT logo embroidered Classic Equine** horse sheets, top loading hay bags, and 22 qt water buckets. Class winners were awarded hanging groom bags or necessity totes.



Western Horseman Associate Publisher Ernie King with SHOT clinician and competitor Mozaun McKibben

## **DIRECTOR NOMINATIONS DUE**

The SHOT Board of Directors is composed entirely of members nominated and elected by other SHOT members. Each director serves a three year term and new directors are elected annually. Submit your nominations for consideration to the SHOT office by May 1.

## Don't miss the next one!

<u>March 23-24 in Stephenville</u>: Clinicians will be <u>World Champions</u> **Tom Neel** in the Cow Work, **Earnest Wilson** in the Trail, **Fred Gillespie** in the Reining, and **Laurie Shelton** in the Pleasure.

Show starts at 8:30 sharp - and yes, this is also a World Qualifying event for APHA points!

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## **RECORD ATTENDANCE AT ABILENE CLINIC**

**The largest clinic in SHOT's history, with over one hundred participants,** kicked off the 3-day stock horse event in Abilene, Texas on Friday, February 24. Nine highly qualified stock horse experts gave individual attention to riders rotating through five arenas for ranch trail, ranch pleasure, reining and two cow work stations.

Headlining as the main Cow Work clinician was NRCHA Futurity & AQHA World Champion **Shawn Hays** of Nocona, Texas. Coaching students in tracking, boxing, and basic cow maneuvers was **Jake Murray** from Wingate, Texas, an NRCHA, RHAA & SHOT Champion and winner of the San Antonio Ranch Gelding competition.



Teamed up in the Reining pen were *Battle in the Saddle* Ranch Remuda & AQHA Versatility Ranch Horse World Champion, **Chance O'Neal** of Guthrie, Texas; plus AQHA Versatility Ranch Horse World Champion and SHOT Classic Futurity & Derby Champion **Mozaun McKibben**.

**Will Wallendorf** and **Dusty Burson**, both assistant trainers to Chance O'Neal at the 6666 Ranch, taught the Ranch Trail and Ranch Pleasure respectively. Both young men are past SHOT All Around Champions and were selected by AQHA to facilitate International Horsemanship clinics in Europe. Dusty was assisted by **Dennis Moreland**, an expert in tack manufacturing & use and an accomplished competitor in NRCHA, NCHA, SHOT & AQHA Versatility Ranch. Assisting Will in the trail were SHOT Champion **Glenn Hodges**, and **Laurie Shelton**, AQHA Ranch Versatility World Champion, SHOT Open All Around Champion, and current SHOT President.

After braving a chilly West Texas wind most of the day, SHOT members were treated to a hamburger social on Friday evening provided by **Total Equine Horse Feed**, followed by a productive informal membership forum. A Herd Work jackpot capped off the day.

## **2011 YEAR END AWARDS BANQUET A HIT**

The 2011 SHOT Year End Banquet & Awards Ceremony was held in conjunction with the Abilene show on February 25<sup>th</sup>. Following an invocation by Board of Directors member Jimbo Humphreys, SHOT President Dr. Laurie Shelton kicked off the celebration with a "State of the Association" address. As the festivities began, over **150 folks** sat down to a delicious pork loin dinner prepared by Sharon Allen Catering – and the chance to win door prizes throughout the night!

A very special moment that evening was the introduction of the **Darlene Hicks Memorial Scholarship** fund. A beautiful wood carved saddle stand was raffled off (congratulations Cody Brown for having the winning ticket). The fund received a big boost when an autographed copy of *Western Horseman* was sold in an impromptu live auction – the magazine was signed by trainers featured in the issue, Shawn Hays and Mozaun McKibben, and by Associate Publisher Ernie King, Editor Ross Hecox, Managing Editor Susan Morrison, and Assistant Editor Kate Bradley – all of these folks were in Abilene to enjoy and/or compete in the SHOT show. Congratulations to SHOT **Sponsor Aaron Ranch** for the winning bid of \$800!

Special award recognition began with the **Novice Achievement Awards**, **Constant Competitor Awards**, and **Collegiate Year End Awards**. These categories were introduced in 2011, and there were 15 recipients. Novice Achievement and Collegiate Year End winners earned Montana Silversmith Buckles, and the Constant Competitors were awarded embroidered SHOT jackets.

Only two horses in SHOT's sixteen-year history have attained the coveted Supreme Stock Horse

## BANQUET

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**Merit Award**. The first was Josephs Catchem All, owned and shown by Jimbo Humphreys, of Dickens, Texas in 2009. The second horse to join the elite force in 2011 is BJ Whiskey, also owned and shown by Jimbo. 'BJ' is a 2004 gelding by Paddys Irish Whiskey, and out of Tens Yellow Chick. Jimbo was presented with a custom framed photo collage of BJ performing in all four SHOT classes. Joining the prestigious group of twelve that have received the **Superior Stock Horse Award** is Fridays Gold Eclipse, owned & shown by Debbie Crawford of Goldthwaite, Texas. Friday is by Steady Tradition out of Bar Good Friday. Debbie received a custom trophy plaque for her achievement.

As the Year End ceremony began, the generosity of SHOT sponsors was evident: <u>115 awards</u> were **presented to SHOT members for their 2011 efforts.** All Around Champions were presented with beautiful **Martin Saddles** (each winner customordered every detail of their trophy saddle). Reserve Champions received **Montana Silversmith Buckles**, exclusively designed for SHOT. Third place winners earned custom built **Danny Pollard spurs**, fourth place earned handmade **Dennis Moreland bits**, and fifth place earned tooled notebooks from **Big Bend Saddlery**. Class winners were treated to a double dose of sponsors, as Dennis Moreland and Danny Pollard teamed up to build beautiful leather headstalls with incorporated silver SHOT trophy bridle buckles. The Top Ten of every division earned handsome embroidered **SHOT Jackets**, courtesy of **Spur Veterinary Hospital, Nance Ranches, Jacobs Properties, Touchstone Ranch, Crane Tech,** and **Cody's Welding**.

**Willie Gomez** was on hand to capture the moments with his wonderful photography, including the much anticipated presentation of the **Most Improved Rider Award**. Following a description of the award's meaning and method of selection, Joe Spiller called out the 2011 recipient: congratulations to Terry Dobrovolsky – she will receive a pair of custom Joe Spiller spurs – wow!

Thanks to all the sponsors and members that made the 2011 banquet extra special!

## DARLENE HICKS MEMORIAL SCHOLARSHIP

Many SHOT members are aware of the deep loss last year of Darlene Hicks. Darlene was a long-time SHOT member, and was a cheerful and sunny competitor, even when illness made it difficult to do so. Her presence is greatly missed at clinics and shows, and in cooperation with her family, SHOT has created a program to honor her memory: the Darlene Hicks Memorial Scholarship.

This scholarship will be awarded to a deserving youth SHOT member entering his or her freshman year of college. For application details and information on how to support the fund, visit the <u>Award Program</u> section of the SHOT website.

### **Facebook Glimpses**

As a newcomer to SHOT, we must say what an amazing group of people you are! You made my family feel welcome in Abilene by meeting and supporting us. Also, what impressed us the most was how each youth participant was treated like they won first place regardless of how they performed! This made our family HONORED to become members of this organization! We look forward to the next one.  $\sim$  TheWink family

More fun than you shake a stick at!!!! Thanks to everybody for a fun equine event!!!! Not so much for the wind in Abilene!!! Well worth the money and effort!!!! Cya in Stephenville... ~ Jimmy McDavid

I want to compliment someone from the Abilene show. Whoever was announcing the entries for the Pleasure Class did such an outstanding job and really made it extra fun for us - he sounded a lot like Bob Tallman announcing competitors at the Fort Worth Stock Show Rodeo!  $\sim$  Julie Brown

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## **ABILENE SHOW RESULTS**

### **Open Division:**

Champion - Mozaun McKibben on Lil Ruf Catalyst	\$430.88	
Reserve Champion - Stuart Bozeman on Shiney Pixie Dust	\$306.88	
3rd Laurie Shelton on A Real Chic Magnet	\$283.75	
4th Connie Coberly on Cowhouse Foxy Mate	\$230.63	
5th Thomas Hicks on Greyt Socks	\$177.50	
6th Mozaun McKibben on Rey Jay Boonsmal	\$63.00	
7th Kelsey Mosby on Boons Hot Tamale	\$42.75	
8th Kelsey Mosby on Watch This Plan	\$13.50	
9th Kathy Torres on Peps Command	\$21.38	
10th Will Wallendorf on Sixes Round Up		
Total Payout: \$1,625.01		

### Non Pro Division:

Champion - Jimbo Humphreys on Josephs Catchum All	\$578.08
Reserve Champion - Luke England on Lo Down Dancer	\$440.58
3rd Kelsey Watring on Oh Cay Jose	\$299.45
4th Kelsey Stokes on Shot of Irish	\$243.15
5th Theresa Woodard on Conchos Colonel	\$199.35
6th Steve Drennan on Mr Stylish Tip	\$146.15
7th Dejonna Casselman Reed & Lena Little Left	\$86.13
8th Cooper Cogdell on Shiver Me Shake	\$47.25
9th Hillary Finck on Streak	\$20.25
10th Jennifer Muir on Docs Partisan	\$27.00

### Total Payout: \$2,315.01

### Limited Non Pro:

Champion - Jennifer Weber on The Dream Senorita Reserve Champion - Jennifer Bouse on Quigley Dun Under 3rd Beverly Jacobs on Wildcard Jackson 4th Jessica Rumbaugh on Skeeters Dun It Gold 5th Joan Martin on Peptos Bay Shadow 6th Jordan Williams on Seven S Flashlight 7th Becky Horlen on I'll Be A Chic 8th Mary Dodson on Peppy Sol Dodson 9th Larry Jacobs on Badgers Honey Bear 10th True Burson on Dee Bar True

### Junior Horse Division:

Champion - Stacey McAlexander on Robin Sunshine Dee Reserve Champion - Tom Stokes on Blue Stormin Tivio 3rd Sarah Zamora on FBW Lucky CD 4th Kim Guay on Crazy Thing Called Love 5th Jared Lee on Beacons Blue Hancock 6th Ramona Batchelor on Docs Bar Lvnx 7th Echo Dickson on Zans Diesel N Whiskey 8th Steve Kutie on A Royal Busy Bee 9th Jennifer Teague on Turning Silver Royal 10th Dr. Beth Evans on Dreamin of Some Gold

#### Novice Division:

Champion - Gage Moorhouse on TRR Pepcid Gin Reserve Champion - Luke Hendrix on Halis Little Freckle 3rd Rov Fischer on Blue Bottom Tom 4th Macee Casselman-Reed on Redheadridingshotgun 5th Tony White on CTK Lynx Royal Jay 6th Anna Mc Naught on Twice the Solano 7th Diane Hiser on KF Smart Oakey 8th Peggy Hughes on Fiona's Freckles 9th Spencer Perkins on Sanjos Smoken 10th Charlotte Grooms on San Jo Be Ware

### Youth Division:

Champion - Emily Woodard on Royal Smoken Bob Reserve Champion - Shelby Haggart on RL Gunpowders Squall 3rd Molly Jacobs on Son of Blue Max 4th Lauren Bergman on Peppys Gin Drifter 5th Raelynn Boatright on Gunners Skyline 6th Ikera Nakoa on Smart Shined and Tuned 7th Leslie Gill on Torture 8th Anna Easley on Little Bay Safari 9th Caleb Myers on Spooky 10th Daniel King Dalager on Smooth and Easy Lady





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**Herd Work Results** Kathy Morrison on Lean Irish Plavairl \$320 Connie Coberly on Cowhouse Foxy Mate \$240 Emily Sims on MH Millionheir Lady \$160 Chris Jeter on Thruforthenite \$80 Lanham Horne on Peponita Seven Total Payout: \$800

## **Congratulations to All!**

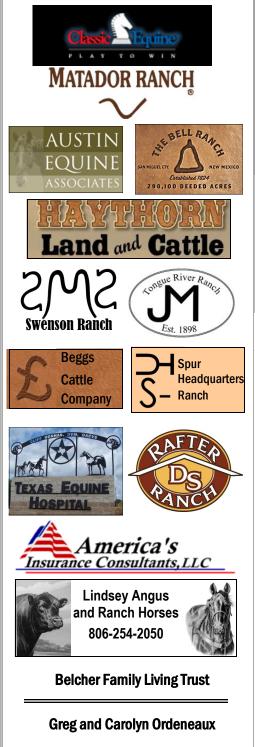
### SHOW SECRETARY ANNOUNCEMENT:

When filling out your entry, make sure to include your SHOT member number and horse registration number - not doing so could have dire consequences... Collegiate students competing for the Year End Collegiate Awards: be sure to indicate your collegiate status on the entry form (and be prepared to show proof of full-time student status).

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SHOT Year End Open riders strike a pose at the year end awards banquet with **sponsor** Drs. Brandon and Ali Broyles of Spur **Veterinary Hospital** 

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".



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### 2012 SHOT Clinic and Competition Schedule

Events added throughout the season-check the web schedule for more Mar. 23-25- SHOT Clinic, Show & Collegiate Show & APHA Working Ranch Horse Show Stephenville, TX April 27-28 - TX Tech University SHOT Clinic, Show & Collegiate Show ~Lubbock, TX April 28 - SHOT Stand-Alone Clinic ~ Beeville, TX May 12-13 Central Texas Shot Clinic and Schooling Show ~Dripping Springs, TX June 15-16 - SHOT Clinic and Show & AQHA Versatility Ranch Horse & AQHA Ranch Pleasure Show ~ San Antonio, TX and Show ~Sulphur Springs, TX and AQHA Ranch Pleasure Show San Angelo, TX August 9-11 - SHOT Clinic & Non-Pointed Show Alpine, TX Sept. 7-8 - Archer County 4H Club SHOT Clinic, Show Oct. 26-27 - Ft Bend County SHOT Clinic & Show Rosenberg, TX Nov. 2-4 - Western Horseman Stock Horse World Championship

July 20-21- Hopkins County Stock Horse Committee SHOT Clinic

August 3-4 - SHOT Clinic and Show & AQHA Working Cow Horse

& Collegiate Show & AQHA Versatility Ranch Show Vernon, TX Oct. 5-6 - Brazos Horse Committee SHOT Clinic & Show Bryan, TX

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