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AQHA REGION ONE CHAMPIONSHIP SHOW RESULTS

Langley, BC--August 15, 2011--The AQHA Region One Championship took place at Thunderbird Show Park, Langley, BC from July 20-24, 2011.

This was the second year that Canada hosted an AQHA Region Championship, hosted by BCQHA as part of AQHA Region One, comprised of the following AQHA Affiliates: Alaska, British Columbia, Washington, Oregon and Idaho. Previous events have taken place in Redmond Oregon and Nampa Idaho.

The show was a huge success with well over 1000 entries including the cattle classes and All Breed classes.

Entry Numbers:

Open Division Total: 276
Amateur Division Total: 163
Youth Division Total: 300
Novice Division Total: 193
Novice Youth Division Total: 139
Non-Division Total: 276
Non-Division Total: 5

Total: 1213

Attending the event on behalf of the American Quarter Horse Association were: Tom Persechino, Executive Director of Competitions and Breed Integrity, and AQHA Executive Committee member George Philips and his wife Nicole. Also attending the event was Larri Jo Starkey reporting for Americas Horse Daily and the Quarter Horse Journal.

The Championships were fun for everyone and open to the public. A free Social event was hosted by the Affiliates each evening serving at least 200 guests: refreshing ice cream sundaes were served on Wednesday; Alaska/Washington made unique grilled moose and caribou burgers and Alaska halibut; British Columbia presented their local speciality of Salmon, and Idaho baked their traditional potatoes with all the fixings.

Chad Evans, part of Team Wrangler and Team Extreme opened the Championship event on Wednesday with a fabulous trail clinic. Mark Bolender gave an Extreme Trail demo on the Friday Night Extravaganza followed by a clinic, then competition on Saturday. The well received Trail Challenge competition was an AQHA first for a new program designed for recreational riders. Eddie Hicks judged the WCHA classes and followed up

with a seminar and a question and answer period on halter classes. Various clinics and demos were offered by the following AQHA Professional Horsemen: Traci Olney, Laurie Takoff, Genny Miller, Splendor Papetti-Huizenga, Edward Higbee, and Denise Callahan. Randee Fox entertained the Friday Evening crowd with a Nia for Equestrians demo then a clinic the following morning.

The AQHA Judges for the event were Allen Mitchels of Michigan City, Indiana and Gary Reynolds, of Dennis, Texas. The official photographers for the event were Don and Debbie Trout of Don Trout Photography, Website: www.dontrout.com Email: don@dontrout.com

Classes during the event were approved by AQHA, NSBA, WCHA, NRHA, BCRCHA and NRCHA.

The 4H Horse group of 29 or more Youth were camped on the grounds throughout the event and they participated in the All Breed Youth classes and clinics.

Prizes were supplied by AQHA Corporate sponsors including: Montana silversmiths buckle, Professionals Choice Saddle Pad, Weatherbeeta Rainsheets, Farnam Products, *American Quarter Horse Journal* haybag, and shampoo and logoed cleaning cloths to tenth placings in AQHA classes. The All Around Champion Awards included **Tex Tan** Silver Show Saddles and **Shorty's** custom hats.

AQHA Region One All Around Champions

Youth 14-18: Tamara Barker, Macs Goodbar Seeker

Reserve: Zippos Star Shuttle & Katrina Mulford

Novice Youth 14-18: Invitation to Ride & Ahsha Mootz

Reserve: Docs Royal Doulton & Rachael Nordby

Youth 13 and Under: Olena San Star & Amanda Daly

Reserve: Coolest Jacky & Laura Forbes

Open All Around: Kathrine Hardcastle, Winkin For Chocolate

Reserve: One Hot Loper & Lauren Uhrich

Novice Youth 13 and Under: A Lil Bit Lethal & Charlotte Selby

Reserve: Looks Inviting & Josephine Mootz

Amateur: Hez Talk of the Town & Yelaina May

Reserve: Muddys Mr Diamond & Norma Siebert

Novice Amateur: A Little Two Deluxe & Kimberly Servoss

Reserve: One Hot Goods & Nicole Barker

Select Amateur: A Screamin Zippo & Cindy Nakahara

Reserve: A Little Reality & Carole Walton

All Around Champion All Breed 13 & Under: Dressed to Jet & Jessica Grodzins

Reserve All Breed 13 & Under: Crown Silver & Christina DiCarlo

Champion All Breed 14-18: Justa Conclideret Gal & Barbara Crosby

Reserve All Breed 14-18: Major Leaguer & Carly Glick

We would truly like to thank all the AQHA Region One sponsors including the Canadian Quarter Horse Association and MBNA Canada.

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An extra special thank you to the BCQHA members, who donated, sponsored and volunteered to make this a memorable and successful event and our appreciation to the 4H participants and parents for their added assistance.

Please visit us at www.r1aqha.com and Facebook at Region 1 American Quarter Horse Affiliate for photographs and links to the event.

Respectfully
Gayle Pawley-Wilson
AQHA/CQHA/BCQHA/ Region One Director

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