

Youth Activities at the Futurity

The Futurity is always full of fund-raising activities for the National Reining Horse Youth Association (NRHyA).

1. 2007 NRHyA Raffle Horse

- Cashin Out
 - 2006 Sorrel Colt
 - By Little Bo Badger out of a daughter of Nu Cash
 - Donated by Tim and Colleen McQuay, fitted by Ted and Darlene Turner
- Raffle tickets will be sold during the Futurity, and the drawing will be on Saturday, December 1, during the open finals.*

2. Donated Yearling

- Lenas Summer Fun
 - 2006 Sorrel Mare
 - By Shiners Lena Doc out of Zans Summer Sun
 - Donated by Carol Rose
- This mare will sell during the Futurity Prospect Sale on Saturday, December 1.*

3. Stallion Breedings

Breedings from the following six stallions will be auctioned off during the NRHA/Markel Insurance Futurity Prospect Sale on Saturday, December 1.

- Smart Chic Olena, donated by Curran Farms
- Conquistador Whiz, donated by George Shifrin
- Mr Boomerjac, donated by George Easterday and Robert La Porta
- Jacs Electric Spark, donated by Buck Hazledine and Troy Heikes
- Master Snapper, donated by Impresa Agricola Cuoghi
- Wimpys Little Step, donated by Mark Schols

4. Silent Auction

- Michele Florida has volunteered to help organize the items for the NRHyA Silent Auction again this year so it's bound to have many wonderful and unique items.
- The silent auction will run the duration of the show and will be located on the West Concourse of the Coliseum.

Annual Youth Meeting and Officer Elections

- Saturday, December 1st, 1:30–2:30 p.m.
- All youth are invited to attend.
- Lunch will be provided.
- Discussion of new programs and ways to get more involved.
- Vote for 2008 NRHyA officers. ♦

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Regional Clinic Series Review

Six clinics, 11 clinicians, 141 participants and over \$20,000 raised for the National Reining Horse Youth Association.



Left: In the middle of the Colorado Rockies, Troy Heikes conducts a regional clinic at the Skyline Ranch. Below: The Tioga, Texas, regional clinic was a success, due largely to organizers and NRHA Professionals, from left to right: Tom McCutcheon, Mandy McCutcheon, Kathy McCutcheon, Scott McCutcheon, Meaghan Burns, Mandy Kennedy, Cash Bridges, Colleen McQuay, and Tim McQuay.



IN 2006, NRHA PROFESSIONAL SHAWN Florida, Springfield, Ohio, put on a clinic to benefit the National Reining Horse Youth Association (NRHyA). Because of its success, the Youth Committee decided to build on that concept. In 2007 the Regional Clinic Series was introduced. The goal was to give everyone an opportunity to ride with some of NRHA's leading professionals by bringing a clinic to their back yard, at the same time raising money for the youth program.

The series was successful because of all the wonderful people involved in every region. Each clinic was unique in structure with the same ultimate goals, raising rider confidence and funds for the youth.

NRHA Professional Steve Schwartzberger kicked off the series in Pueblo, Colorado, in June. In addition to Steve and his wife Dori, other helpful organizers were Wendy Lind, Inga Guernsey, Gary Pipkin, and other members of the Rocky Mountain Reining Horse Association (RMRHA).

The next clinic was held in Williamston, North Carolina, and featured Francois

Gauthier and NRHA Professionals Bryant Pace, Brian Bell, and Mike McEntire. These four trainers joined forces to create a once in a lifetime opportunity for the participants. At a fun show held at the end of the clinic, riders had a chance to use what they'd learned earlier in the day. Margaret Harper and Big Stop Cody came in first with a 71 and received a pair of custom chaps donated by CW Wiley. SES Leather donated a gift card to second-place winner Katarina Dorminy and A Poco Nic Chic. In addition to the outstanding clinicians and sponsors, Diane Ireland and Mike Hancock assisted.

Tioga, Texas, was home to the third clinic. Here, participants had an opportunity to ride with NRHA Professionals Tim McQuay and Tom and Scott McCutcheon. This event was sponsored by Spirit of the West Resort, Star H Insurance, Texas Star Bank, and Just Stitch It. Mandy McCutcheon, Colleen McQuay, and Kathy McCutcheon, along with the McQuay Stables staff, were instrumental in the success of the clinic,

as were the Bridges family and youth officers Cash Bridges and Meaghan Burns.

Darren Stancik was up next in Arlington, Washington, where Rhodes River Ranch donated their beautiful facilities. Credit goes to Roger Davis and Judy Caton for their support, Elenbaas Feed Company for sponsoring lunch, and Diane Bern for the promotional piece she put in the *Northwest Horse Source*.

Darlene Woodward, owner of Skyline Ranch in Carbondale, Colorado, also volunteered to host a clinic featuring NRHA Professional Troy Heikes. It filled up fast.

The regional clinic series finished in Ohio where it all started in 2006. Shawn and Michele Florida, Ashley Fuchs, and Karen Shedlauskas once again helped orchestrate the clinic. ♦