



Looking Forward to the New Year



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NRHyA PRESIDENT TAYLOR MASSON

Hello,

My name is Taylor Masson and I am thrilled to say that I am your new NRHyA president for 2018. I am from Fort Lauderdale, Florida, and I am a senior in virtual school. I have been lucky enough these past two years to have been your NRHyA historian and secretary, and while serving in these positions I was able to capture memorable pictures of youth members from all of the different associations, as well as spread the love and support of our reining industry. I have not only grown as a leader but I have gained knowledge to take our association to the next level.

I have been showing reining horses all of my life. The past year and a half I had been working with a new horse named Sweet Ending—which I sadly recently sold—with my trainer NRHA Professional Ruben Vandorp. I was blessed to make the 2015 NRHA Youth Non Pro Futurity finals. My older mare, Sugar Coated Whizen, made the biggest impact in my life; I showed her from short stirrup to youth 13 & under classes, and we were fortunate enough to place at multiple major shows around the country and place third in the 2013 NRHA Top Ten Youth 13 & Under final standings. I will forever be grateful for the companionship and patience I learned over the years. I also compete in Interscholastic Equestrian Association (IEA) shows and I placed in the Top 5 at Nationals in 2016. I am very blessed and thankful to say I will be joining the Texas A&M University Equestrian Team in the fall of 2018!

This year I am looking forward to meeting more youth that share the same passion for reining horses. I believe that in these past two years I have gained a solid understanding of our organization and have developed great leadership skills to help me lead this association. I plan to work hard for our association and support the team and youth members! I also believe I can help lead the youth in the right direction and set a high standard. I am hoping to bring all my leadership skills that I have learned these past few years to the new 2018 show year!

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