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FAPPANI IS NRHA'S FIRST \$9 MILLION RIDER!

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Just one year after becoming the National Reining Horse Association's first-ever \$8 Million Rider, Andrea Fappani has etched his name in the history books once again as the first rider to surpass \$9 million in earnings. This remarkable accomplishment coincides with his induction into the NRHA Hall of Fame, marking 2024 as another defining year in the career of NRHA's all-time leading rider.

An NRHA Million Dollar Owner, Fappani has remained at the pinnacle of the reining industry for over two decades, continually enhancing his already remarkable legacy. Raised on a dairy farm in Bergamo, Italy, Fappani's love for horses began as a shared passion with his father, quickly igniting a lifelong dedication. He moved to the United States to further pursue his reining career and went out on his own in 2003. By 2006, Fappani had made history as the youngest NRHA Million Dollar Rider at that time.

When Fappani entered the arena during the 2024 High Roller Reining Classic Level 4 Open Stakes and Derby, he had \$8,996,771 in NRHA Lifetime Earnings (LTE). Earlier in the week, he took home the Level 4 Open Futurity on Its Wishful Thinking (Spooks Gotta Whiz x Black Custom Chex), owned by Mary Cachat, and took home fourth and 11th place on two additional mounts. He crossed the \$9 million milestone on Vintage Chex (A Sparkling Vintage x Chex Out The Cowgirl) after scoring a 226.5 to take the Open Derby and 4-Year-Old Stakes Championships, adding \$30,219 to their record. The stallion is bred, nominated, and owned by Bill Coburn, who has been part of Fappani's program for 20 years.

Since becoming the first NRHA \$8 Million Dollar Rider, Fappani's highest earning performances on his way to \$9 million include:



2024 The Run For A Million's Million Dollar Competition third place aboard Mic Dropp (Spooks Gotta Whiz x Dun Dry Whiz), owned by Tim Anderson/Clark Reining Horses LLC and bred and nominated by Clark Reining Horses LLC, earning \$90,000

2024 The American Performance Horseman Individual Reining Reserve Champion aboard All Bettss Are Off (Gunner x Wimpys Little Chic), bred and nominated by Arcese Quarter Horses USA, owned by Rancho Oso Rio LLC, earning \$75,000

2023 NRHA Futurity Level 4 Open Reserve Champion aboard Inferno Thirty Five (Inferno Sixty Six x Madeof Pure Spangled), bred by Cardinal Hill Training Center LLC, nominated by Mary Jansma, owned by Stephen Archer, earning \$142,500



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FOUR PHENOMS CROSS MULTI-MILLION DOLLAR SIRE MILESTONES

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After big performances by offspring at The Run For A Million and the 100X Reining Classic, four stallions crossed multi-million-dollar milestones with the NRHA: Topsail Whiz, Magnum Chic Dream, Spooks Gotta Whiz, and Pale Face Dunnit.

Topsail Whiz – NRHA \$13 Million Sire

Bred by Tom McBeath, Topsail Whiz (Topsail Cody x Jeanie Whiz Bar) was owned by Bob Loomis Reining Horses. Loomis rode the late sire to nearly \$50,000 in NRHA Lifetime Earnings (LTE) during his show career. During the 1990 NRHA Futurity, the duo rode to their top finish—the Level (L) 4 Open Championship.

Topsail Whiz was inducted into the NRHA Hall of Fame in 2003 and has continued to leave his mark on reining through remarkable offspring. The stallion has more than 1,000 offspring with NRHA LTE. Several of his progeny have contributed to this newest milestone, including his second-highest earning offspring—Dun It For Whizkey.

Dun It For Whizkey helped Topsail Whiz cross his last historical milestone after top finishes at the NRHA Futurity and Derby. Since then, he's added nearly \$55,000 more toward his sire's offspring earnings. Nearly half of that total came during the 2019 The Run For A Million, where he and NRHA Million Dollar Rider Franco Bertolani earned a ninth-place finish in the Million Dollar Competition.

Topsail Whiz's top-earning progeny include:

The Great Whiz (out of Pines BH), bred and owned by Lance Griffin, \$256,470 NRHA LTE

Dun It For Whizkey (out of Dun It For Chex), bred by Oldenburg Farm LLC, nominated and owned by Cardinal Hill Training Center LLC, \$244,528 NRHA LTE

Easy Otie Whiz (out of Miss Poco Easy), bred by Bob Loomis Quarter Horses Inc., owned by Outwest Stallion Station LLC and Bobbie Cook, \$233,611 NRHA LTE

Whizkey N Diamonds (out of Princess In Diamonds), bred by Cristin Schuetz, owned by



Rhodes River Ranch, \$216,336 NRHA LTE
Smoking Whiz (out of Glendas A Smokingun), bred by Susan Ray, owned by Silver Spurs Equine, \$208,839 NRHA LTE

Magnum Chic Dream – NRHA \$12 Million Sire

NRHA Hall of Famer Magnum Chic Dream is making history once again as an NRHA \$12 Million Sire after only crossing the \$11 million mark a mere five months prior. The Guy A Du Ponchel-bred stallion, by NRHA Hall of Famer Smart Chic Olena and out of Sailin Barbee, garnered \$44,294 in NRHA LTE for owner Viola Scott. With NRHA Million Dollar Rider Casey Hinton at the reins, the stallion was crowned 2004AQHA Senior World Reining Champion, his most notable title within his show career.

The breeding shed is where Magnum Chic Dream continued to leave his mark on reining. His progeny have competed and earned top titles in nearly every facet of reining competition, including the NRHA Futurity, the NRHA Derby, the National Reining Breeder's Classic (NRBC), and the World Equestrian Games. To date, 28 of his offspring have over



\$100,000 NRHA LTE.

Custom Dreams (out of Gunna Be Custom) has led the charge to push Magnum Chic Dream over the \$12 Million Sire milestone. Owned by Custom Dreams Brazil, the Devin Warren-bred and -nominated stallion has earned nearly \$215,000 this year, including a \$100,000 paycheck at the 100X Cowtown Classic where he and Deary won the L4 Open Stakes. They went on to earn top marks at the 2024 6666 NRHA Derby presented by Markel with a reserve championship in the Tamarack Ranch Open 4-Year-Old Stakes, a first-place finish in the American Paint Horse Association (APHA) Chrome Cash division, and sixth place in the L4 Open Derby.

Magnum Chic Dream's highest money-earning offspring include:

Mr Fahrenheit (out of Wimpy Little Girl), bred and nominated by Peter Morgan, owned by Morin and Vandorp, \$298,022 NRHA LTE

Custom Dreams (out of Gunna Be Custom), bred and nominated by Devin Warren, owned

by Custom Dreams Brazil, \$279,603 NRHA LTE
Msdreamy (out of A Gal With A Gun), bred by Jana Simons, owned by Frederick Christen, \$263,131 NRHA LTE

Chic Dreamin (out of Skeets Red Dunit), bred and nominated by Casey Hinton, owned by Silver Spurs Equine, \$250,421 NRHA LTE

Customize My Dream (out of Gunna Be Custom), bred and owned by Devin Warren, nominated by Garth Hystad, \$236,767 NRHA LTE

Spooks Gotta Whiz – \$9 Million Sire

Michell Anne Kimball's Spooks Gotta Whiz (Spooks Gotta Gun x Prettywhizprettydoes) was bred by Clint Haverty. With NRHA LTE of nearly \$350,000, the 2007 stallion is one of only a few to win the NRHA L4 Open Futurity, the NRHA L4 Open Derby, and the NRBC. He also earned two gold medals at the 2014 World Equestrian Games. Spooks Gotta Whiz entered the show pen at the 2024 The Run for Million with NRHA Hall of Famer Shawn Florida at the reins, proving that at 17 years old, the stallion still loves the limelight in the show pen.

Now, Spooks Gotta Whiz is making an even bigger mark on reining, which was solidified with his induction into the NRHA Hall of Fame in 2022.

His top-earning offspring, Mic Dropp, has helped usher him to \$9 million with a third-place performance in the Million Dollar Competition at The Run For A Million last month. The performance led to a \$90,000 paycheck with NRHA Hall of Famer Andrea Fappani at the reins. Fappani has piloted the stallion his entire show career.

Top-earning progeny of Spooks Gotta Whiz include:

Mic Dropp (out of Dun Dry Whiz), bred and nominated by Clark Reining Horses LLC, who owns the horse along with Tim Anderson, \$347,390 NRHA LTE

Alpha Jac Sparrow (out of Chexanicki), bred and nominated by Alpha Quarter Horses LLC, owned by Fritz Leeman, \$273,097 NRHA LTE

Spooks Gotta Spark (out of Dolittle Lena), bred and nominated by Bobby Lewis, owned by Kevin Truax, \$215,585 NRHA LTE

Spooky Whiz (out of Myo Starlight), bred and nominated by Spence Bell, owned by Bosque Ranch Performance Horses LLC, a subsidiary of NRHA Corporate Partner 6666 Ranch, \$186,043 NRHA LTE

Gotta Twist It Up (out of Make It With A Twist), bred, nominated, and owned by Sandra Bentien, \$183,837 NRHA LTE

Pale Face Dunit – \$4 Million Sire

With the parentage of NRHA Hall of Famer and All Time Leading Sire Gunner and Lena Dun It, Rancho Oso Rio LLC bred Pale Face Dunit to be a reining superstar. The Schmersal Reining Horses and Silver Spurs Equine-owned stallion garnered over \$70,000 in NRHA LTE.

The 2007 sire had his first crop of foals in 2012. After crossing his last historic milestone in 2022, Pale Face Dunit's over 340 NRHA money-earning offspring have now made him a \$4 Million Sire.

One of the offspring pushing him to this new milestone is TA Dunit Redhot, a 6-year-old stallion out of Redhot Walla owned by Hickory



Creek Ranch LLC. With NRHyA member Addisyn Schmersal at the reins for nearly all of the stallion's career, he amassed \$145,901 NRHA LTE with wins including a reserve championship at the NRBC L4 Non Pro and a championship in the L3.

Pale Face Dunit's top-earning offspring include:

Face The Attitude (out of Miss Lil Addy Tude), bred by KC Performance Horses LLC, nominated by Ginger Schmersal, owned by Hickory Creek Ranch LLC, \$228,352 NRHA LTE

Phantom Face (out of Gorgeous Like A Star), bred by Greg Hill, nominated by Hickory Creek Ranch LLC (North America) and Maria Fiorucci (Europe), owned by Maria Fiorucci, \$182,235 NRHA LTE

Pale Dun Star (out of Get Ya Some Stars), bred by Hickory Creek Ranch LLC, nominated by Ginger Schmersal, owned by Rancho Oso Rio LLC, \$153,315 NRHA LTE

Pale Face Gunslinger (out of Lost In Tinseltown), bred, nominated and owned by Tim Anderson, \$152,898 NRHA LTE

TA Dunit Redhot (out of Redhot Walla), bred by Tamarack Ranch LLC, nominated by Tim Anderson, owned by Hickory Creek Ranch LLC, \$145,901 NRHA LT

IN LIKE FLINN JOINS THE RANKS OF NRHA MILLION DOLLAR SIRE

Photo and Press Release provided by NRHA

Attesting to an exceptional lineage, performance in the show pen and the success of his progeny, In Like Flinn has solidified his place in the history books as an NRHA Million Dollar Sire.

Bred by Buck Hazledine and owned by In Like Flinn Holdings LLC, this 2010 stallion, by NRHA Hall of Famer Topsail Whiz and out of Nestle Quik Chic, was destined for greatness.

In Like Flinn boasts an impressive show career, amassing \$187,880 in NRHA Lifetime Earnings (LTE). His most notable performance includes a 4th place finish at the 2013 NRHA Level 4 Open Futurity with NRHA Million Dollar Rider Nathan Piper in the saddle. Throughout his career, he also demonstrated his versatility and excellence in the arena with NRHA \$4 Million Rider Casey Deary and 2021 Becky Hanson Horsewoman of the Year, Kaci O'Rourke.



Standing at Cedar Ridge Stallion Station, In Like Flinn has sired 108 NRHA money-earning offspring to date, collectively contributing to his newly earned Million Dollar Sire status. His progeny have consistently shown outstanding ability and athleticism, furthering his legacy and cementing his influence on the sport of reining.

After achieving success on In Like Flinn, Deary continued to showcase the stallion's legacy by riding his top-earning offspring, Time Inn A Bottle. The duo rode to 8th place at the 2022 NRHA Level (4) Open Futurity. NRHA Non Pro Jack Medows also guided the gelding to over \$37,000 in earnings. With the two talented pilots at the reins, Time Inn A Bottle has recorded over \$93,000 in NRHA LTE for owner, breeder, and nominator Amy Medows.

In Like Flinn's top performers include:
 Time Inn A Bottle (out of Surprizentheprincess), bred, nominated, and owned by Amy Medows, \$93,299 NRHA LTE
 Starlight Flinn (out of Baby Red Gaylena), bred and nominated by Mary Brown, owned by Shearer Performance Horses LLC, \$91,554 NRHA LTE
 Live N On A Prayer (out of Americasnextgunmodel), bred by Curtis Performance Horses, nominated and owned by Neiberger Performance Horses LLC, \$75,651 NRHA LTE
 AC Einsteins In Like (out of Einsteins Delight), bred and nominated by Alessandro Cazzaniga, owned by Andreas Eder, \$51,776 NRHA LTE
 Shezinmypocket (out of A Smart Gun), bred and nominated by Barbi Boyle, owned by Sue Barker, \$48,164 NRHA LTE

THIS CHICSDUNDREAMIN IS NRHA'S NEWEST MILLION DOLLAR DAM

Photo and Press Release provided by NRHA

In a year where mare power is more evident than ever, the National Reining Horse Association announces the 12th Million Dollar Dam, This Chicsdundreamin. This is the fourth mare to reach this elite milestone in 2024, which is twice as many as any year in history.

Bred by the late Joe Hayes, the 20-year-old mare was owned by George Lawrence and Judy Box before finding her current home at Rhodes River Ranch. She is by NRHA Hall of Famer Magnum Chic Dream and out of Hermosa Dun It.

This Chicsdundreamin amassed \$124,609 in NRHA Lifetime Earnings (LTE) while competing simultaneously with George Lawrence in non pro divisions and NRHA \$4 Million Rider Casey Deary in open divisions. Although Lawrence owned her at the time, both men would often show her and earn money at the same events, including Reining By The Bay, the National Reining Breeders Classic (NRBC), and the Wimpys Little Step Derby. The mare's top finish came with Lawrence during the 2009 NRBC, where the duo won the Level 3 Non Pro and earned 3rd in the Level 4.

The mare now has 20 offspring, with 15 having NRHA LTE. Topping that list with nearly half a million in NRHA LTE is Tinker With Dreams. Bred and nominated by Rhodes River Ranch, Tinker With Dreams is owned by NRHA Corporate Partner Diamond Dub Quarter Horses. The 10-year-old stallion was runner-up at the 2023 The Run For A Million's Million Dollar Competition with NRHA Million Dollar Rider Dany Tremblay at the reins. The duo competed in the competition again this year and earned \$35,000 to push the stallion's dam over the million-dollar mark.

This Chicsdundreamin's top earning offspring:



Tinker With Dreams (by Tinker With Guns), bred and nominated by Rhodes River Ranch, owned by Diamond Dub Quarter Horses, \$431,183 NRHA LTE

Trashinyurdreams (by Gunnatrashya), bred and nominated by Rhodes River Ranch, owned by Penny Gutschmidt, \$196,249 NRHA LTE

Take Out The Trash (by Gunnatrashya), bred and nominated by Judy Box, owned by XCS Ranch LLC, \$75,883 NRHA LTE

Chics Dream About Me (by Wimpys Little Step), bred and nominated by George Lawrence, owned by Day Creek Ranch LLC, \$65,903 NRHA LTE

Trashy Dreams (by Gunnatrashya), bred by Rhodes River Ranch, nominated and owned by Neiberger Performance Horses LLC, \$46,591 NRHA LTE

HANGTEN SURPRIZE BECOMES NRHA MILLION DOLLAR SIRE

Photo and Press Release provided by NRHA

Hang Ten Surprise has officially reached the coveted status of National Reining Horse Association Million Dollar Sire.

Born in 2000 and bred by Bob Loomis Quarter Horses Inc., Hang Ten Surprise's lineage is rooted in excellence. He is sired by Hangten Peppy and out of Mizzen Topsail. Over the years, Hang Ten Surprise has been owned by several notable reining enthusiasts, including Bob Loomis Reining Horses, Manntana LLC, and Hang Ten Surprise LLC. In 2015, NRHA Hall of Famer Dell and Terri Hendricks acquired the stallion, continuing his legacy under their ownership.

With \$133,059 in NRHA Lifetime Earnings (LTE), Hang Ten Surprise was a force to be reckoned with in the reining arena. Ridden exclusively by NRHA \$2 Million Rider Duane Latimer, Hang Ten Surprise achieved remarkable victories throughout his career. Among his most notable accomplishments, he claimed the Individual Reining title at the 2006 World Equestrian Games. He also earned the distinction of 2004 American Quarter Horse Association Jr Reining World Champion.

While Hang Ten Surprise had a stellar show career, it is his impact as a sire that has now propelled him into the NRHA Million Dollar Sire club. With 129 offspring boasting NRHA earnings, his progeny consistently demonstrate excellence in the arena. His top-earning offspring, Hang Ten And Shine—out of NRHA Hall of Famer Ebony Shines—has earned \$117,582 in NRHA LTE. Bred and nominated by NRHA Hall of Famer Rosanne Sternberg and owned by Christine Brazeau, Hang Ten And Shine has achieved impressive finishes at major events, including 12th place at the 2014 NRHA Level (L) 4 Open Futurity, eighth place at the 2017 National Reining Breeders Classic L4 Open



and third place at the 2017 NRHA L3 Open Derby.

Hang Ten Surprise's top-earning progeny are: Hang Ten And Shine (out of Ebony Shines), bred and nominated by Rosanne Sternberg, owned by Christine Brazeau, \$117,582 NRHA LTE Harley Surprise Lena (out of Yuba Torima Lena), bred and nominated by Raynald Rodrigue, owned by Jackie Redish, \$71,472 NRHA LTE CBK Hang A Wright (out of HR Wright On Cash), bred, nominated, and owned by William and Corliss Kellogg, \$61,099 NRHA LTE Game Day Surprise (out of Dunit N Continental), bred and nominated by John Deer, owned by Sharee Schwartzenger Whiz Kid Surprise (out of North East Whiz), bred by Amelie Hamel, nominated by Rene Laquerre, owned by Celine Poirier

THE HELP

BY NICOLE DEARY



As a business owner do you always have a “HELP WANTED” sign in front of your store, or perhaps a post on the modern-day store front - social media? Do you remember being the help?

Maybe you are a business owner, an employee, young and you want to own a company one day, or you’re retired and you’ve made your fortune and you could give us all advice... this article is for you.

Hall of Famer, Million Dollar Rider, Olympic Gold Medal Athlete ... all these heroic individuals have something in common. They have help - extremely good help. I will venture bravely to say the help is the unsung hero that knows a tremendous amount about their employer or significant person, and they know how to create pressure or motivation to draw greatness out of the individual under the spotlight.

The help has a large meaning. I am referring to the person or people that support and work towards the victory. The help is behind the scenes, working. The help can be the coach, the wife, the golf caddy, the husband, the loper, the groom, the employee, or the parent. Some of these people are in a paid position, some are not. The greatest help gives selflessly, consistently, and regardless of circumstances or financial compensation with

a great attitude. They listen to instructions well and find where they can solve a problem taking initiative without being asked. The greatest help does not need to have his or her name in lights or hold the trophy proudly on a platform.

How Do You Treat the Help

So, I ask the question, how do you treat your help? How do you treat your coach? Do you feed what’s feeding you? Do you show gratitude, patience, kindness, respect, goodness, towards the humans helping you? Or are you constantly at battle with frustrating people who can’t listen, and you repeatedly say, “I will just do it by myself!”?

Isn’t it ironic in the horse business, we sometimes hear, “The horses are the easy part. The humans are the most difficult part in running a large horse operation.”

Yet, we cannot accomplish the major victories without other helpful humans. If we need the people around us to reach the highest heights and accomplish the biggest dreams, then it’s time to evaluate how we treat the help, and the quality of help that is near us. Ask yourself, do you treat the people in your inner circle, the people close to you (in your house, in your barn, in your office, the people working under your authority, people you see every single day), the worst?

Do you treat the people in your outer circle the best?

Outer circle meaning the customer visiting your facility, the new sponsor/company owner, the horse shopper that is flying in on their private jet to buy a new horse. You get the idea.

Do you have enough self-control to treat your inner circle of people, your greatest help, with gratitude? Or do you dump all of your angers and frustrations onto them because you know they are loyal and will continue helping you unconditionally?

Balancing the Scales with Employees.

When my husband, Casey Deary, and I started our horse training business, we were advised that, as the boss, you should never eat meals with the help. This was shocking to us; we enjoyed the company of the people that worked on our ranch. We did not however understand the fine line of giving too much and balancing the respect. At one point the kindness became a fault and there was one young lady who had made numerous large mistakes while at work with young horses, and then was dishonest. Her remark to another employee was, "It's alright, Deary never fires anyone."

Ironically soon after, Casey was on a podcast with Andea Fappani, and he presented numerous respectful comments and questions regarding Team Deary employees staying for many years and developing excellent careers.

Also, I discussed this topic with another respected friend in the industry, whose husband had recently won The Run for A Million. She told me, "If our fault in the industry is being too kind and forgiving employees too quickly, I will gladly take that fault".

This was an eye-opening remark that caused Casey and I to set stronger boundaries.

90-day Wonder

There is something excellent about new people coming to work and learning the ways of the company. Generally, they are genuinely

happy and to come to work and give their best efforts; after all they interviewed/requested to have that job, and they believed it was the greatest place to be for their career. Everyone seems to act positive and try their hardest, making the best first impression that they know how.

This is called the "90-day Wonder" according to a long term client whose family business built and sold multiple car dealerships and land investments in United States.

If you are a new employee on a new job, are you able to push past the "90-day wonder" timeline and continue to give your best efforts and help others on your job for 180 days, 365 days or even 1,825 days and stay with a company five years?

This is extremely rare in our horse industry, and yet it speaks high volumes about an individual's loyalty, honesty, work ethic, and pleasant attitude.

In addition, these first 90 days of work are a critical time to teach new employees the standards of your company's agenda and steps towards success. Assuming people will take initiative on certain jobs is a mistake and leads to disappointments. Taking the time to communicate clearly and respectfully is important and decreases mistakes or lost time and money. When dealing with new helpers in life, family, or employer, or employee, be honest and communicate clearly for the greatest rewards and benefits.

The Greatest Work Environment

When it comes to interviews, resumes, and careers, please do your research and study the company and the humans that you would like to work with.

Don't judge the book (or the FaceBook) by the cover. Take the time to check with previous employers and study the social media posts where people are presenting themselves. What do you believe you will give to the team and what do you hope the team will give to you? Can you add value to the company?

Know the questions to ask potential help.

Company owners, I highly recommend writing down the specific areas where your company has weaknesses and truly needs help. What personality do you work best with?

Do you lead by example and treat people the way you want to be treated? Have you ever been to an incredible ranch, barn, or office and studied how the people worked together and what made them successful?

Life Lessons with Fresh Salsa

In closing, I would like to share about one of the greatest humans that has ever helped me in my life. Her name is Carmen, and in my home my family calls her Mrs. Carmen. She has been an angel to me. Truly, Heaven sent.

When I was a young mother, age 25, with one son age 2 and another new baby a few weeks old, my aunt Sandra from Fort Worth asked me if I needed help in my house with cleaning or laundry.

She recommended Mrs. Carmen, and my life was changed forever! Carmen was a help to me once a week and then over time increased to three days a week for the past 16 years. Carmen takes initiative and helps anywhere needed in our home with cooking, cleaning, laundry, and kindness to my four children and husband. We plan meals together, we improve hot sauce recipes, we clean out closets, we clean, we organize and fix broken appliances, we pack and unpack for horse shows, we do mountains of laundry, we work in the garden

and the list of chores never ends.

Beyond all the tasks involved with running a home with a family of six on the Deary ranch, Carmen has a heart of kindness, she smiles every day, she laughs and gives hugs, she remembers when my children were babies, and we struggled financially. On most Monday mornings when we greet each other, she smiles and says she loves her job and we talk about the changes in weather, she always finds something simple, yet important and positive to say. When my family is sick, she takes care of us. We are thankful for each other and respect one another. We listen to each other when we have struggles and she is a trusted vault of priceless years of trusted words and confidential information. She brings tremendous value to our family.

Even Jesus chose to have 12 disciples as helpers as he developed his ministry and changed the world. He did not need them, yet he desired to have relationships with people.

We have experienced many failures and victories as business owners, employees, and employers. Humans have disappointed me, and I have disappointed others. Evaluating the mistakes, having patience and teaching in difficult times are challenging yet necessary in business and family. These are a few things I have learned, and I will continue pressing forward to help what's helping me.

Thank you for reading. Nicole Deary

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BRIAN BELL - MAINTAINING SMOOTH TRANSITIONS

NRHA Two Million Dollar Rider Brian Bell began his reining career at just 18 years old and has since ridden to many victories. In that first year, he bested seasoned competitors to win the prestigious All American Quarter Horse Congress Non Pro Futurity.

He moved into the professional ranks just five years later and quickly made his mark there as well, winning several major event titles. He has successfully competed at the highest levels of reining, including USET Reining Championship finals, the NRHA Futurity, NRHA Derby, NRBC, All American Quarter Horse Congress and AQHA World Show.

In this video provided by our partner Virtual Horse Help, Bell demonstrates how he maintains smooth transitions and the foundation you need before working on it. He now trains out of Bell Ranch in Valley View, Texas.



THE ETERNAL RIDE

JASON VANLANDINGHAM - NRHA FOUR MILLION DOLLAR RIDER



Jason Vanlandingham is one of the most respected riders in the reining industry. While his resume for the show pen is impressive, he's also known for his faith and regularly fills in to share the Word of God during events.

Jason is a regular contributor to WorldWide Slide, and has been sharing a unique devotional each issue for more than two years.

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NRHA INTRODUCES NEW LEADERSHIP GATHERING

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The National Reining Horse Association officially unveiled its new Leadership Gathering, held Downtown Oklahoma City Omni Hotel February 2–3, 2025.

The two-day event is open to all NRHA members and will feature experts on a variety of important topics including financial planning for horse operations, mastering NRHA governance, finding and retaining farm staff, and federal rules impacting horse owners.

All the sessions are designed to engage and elevate leaders and those who want to be leaders in NRHA's committee and governance structure.

"This event will help us achieve one of our strategic goals to help our members become the most qualified and innovative leaders in the horse community," said NRHA Commissioner Billy Smith. "If you've ever wanted to be engaged in NRHA's governance, this is where to begin."

The Leadership Gathering and its new

schedule will replace the previous NRHA Winter Meeting, which focused on a traditional meeting format.

The new condensed structure, which includes the Annual General Membership meeting, will shift its focus to a more innovative design geared toward better equipping members, riders, and trainers to improve their experience with NRHA and their reining businesses.

"This is an incredible opportunity for our members to come together, away from the show pen, and to really engage within our industry," stated NRHA Director of Governance & Executive Administration Liz Kelsey.

"There will be something for everyone, whether you are a Professional, Non Pro, owner, breeder, you name it. It is a great chance to connect with our leadership and staff and really understand what is going on in NRHA and learn how you can get more involved."

Registration for the event is free. Learn more at nrha.com/leadershipgathering

THE 40TH ANNUAL SWRHA FUTURITY DEADLINE OCTOBER 1!



It's time to get those entries in for the Southwest Reining Horse Association Futurity and Show, set this year for October 18-25. The deadline for both futurity and ancillary entries is October 1, as is the stall deadline, so it's time to get those entries and stall requests in.

Last year, the show debuted an innovative new format, with both the Open and the Non Pro futurities being held at the beginning of the show instead of the end. This change was done, in part, to give another week for futurity horses between the Southwest event and the NRHA Futurity and the new schedule was enthusiastically received by attendees.

Cheryl Cody of the SWRHA management team noted that the show will follow the same format in 2024 with a few tweaks. "We were able to massage the schedule to make it more user-friendly, while still staying with last year's formula."

One change that was made, in response to rider request, was to devote a day at the end of the event to paid warmups in both arenas. Cody continued, "This year, the show actually ends on

Friday, October 25, with the Markel Insurance fun night. Then, on Saturday, there will be reserved paid warmups in the main arena and walk-paid warmups in the second arena."

The show starts with a bang of high stakes futurity competition, and this year it features the addition of the Masters divisions in both the Billingsley Ford Open and the Rancho Los Palominos Non Pro. Next are two full slates of NRHA classes during the week with high point buckles given to the circuit champions.

On Friday evening the fun ramps up with the Nutrena Back Gate Party then moves right into the Markel Insurance night of fun, featuring the Rein in Cancer Dog Races, Kids Halloween Lead Line and Youth Frankenstyle, a freestyle special event for youth with costumes required!

Those events will be held prior to the Outta Dough Masters and Petrol Reining Horses Platinum competition.

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