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ARNAUD GIRINON & FLEXING GUNS N TOWN WIN 2025 TRFAM



The South Point Casino Arena was rocking on Saturday, August 16, during the Million Dollar Competition at The Run For A Million. A packed house full of reining enthusiasts set the scene for what would become one of the most talked-about nights in reining.

Competing as Draw #13, Arnaud Girinon and Flexing Guns N Town had the attention of the crowd from the time they entered the pen to the moment they left. A seemingly flawless run resulted in a score of 232, which held

through the final three horses and clinched the Championship – worth \$500,000!

“I cannot believe it. I hoped for it, wished for it, dreamed about it – it’s just insane,” Girinon shared after his run. “This horse has delivered every time for me. I am so incredibly happy and proud of my horse and of my team.”

As the only International competitor in the Million Dollar Competition, having earned his spot at the 2024 Equita Lyon Western Horse

Show, Girinon faced more challenges than most. From transporting Flexing Guns N Town – a trip that took close to 25 hours from the time he left his barn to arriving at the South Point – to strict quarantine procedures, it may not have seemed like the easiest road to success.

“The process to bring him here was not that easy. There are a lot of rules, a lot of tests, and it is really expensive. Every time he left the stall he had to be accompanied by the USDA vet, and then because of the rules, he couldn’t use the spa like the other horses,” Girinon explained. “The first day I rode him he was a little fresh, but after that he was back to normal. I wanted to have the best shot at winning, and for me it was not a question. As long as his owner (Anna Maria Scheifflinger) was willing to invest the money in this trip, this was the horse I wanted to ride.”

Flexing Guns N Town, by Hollywoodstinseltown out of Shesa Fashion Gun, was bred by Peter and Courtney Morgan. He was born in the United States before being sold to Europe, where he was shown his three-year-old year by Gennaro Lendi.

Girinon took the reins for the colt’s four-year-old year, and the rest is history. Prior to TRFAM, the pair had already earned nearly \$115,000, and twice marked above a 230!

“I know this horse by heart, and he knows me.



He’s never let me down,” Girinon said.

When asked who he needed to thank, Girinon laughed and said, “Do you have an hour or two? There are so many people who have been standing behind us. I am so thankful,” he said.

The win pushed Girinon’s lifetime earnings to just over \$983,000, so it’s likely soon he’ll be a Million Dollar Rider as well.

He plans to compete once again at Equita Lyon in hopes of returning to Las Vegas next year for the 2026 TRFAM, slated for August 9-15.

BOSQUE RANCH SHOOTOUT ANNOUNCED AS 2026 SPRING QUALIFIER FOR THE RUN FOR A MILLION



In August, just days before the 2025 The Run For A Million reining, new details were announced for its 2026 qualifying event. At the South Point Arena in Las Vegas, event creator Taylor Sheridan met with the 2025 Million Dollar riders to share details of the new spring qualifier.

"It just so happens I have a ranch in Texas that's built for events like this," Sheridan said, announcing the Bosque Ranch Shootout, slated

for March 19–21 in Weatherford, Texas. The show will feature just one class: the 2026 The Run For A Million qualifier.

While details are still in the works, he emphasized his goal to have a first-class experience for everyone involved. "The riders, the owners, the sponsors, and the fans are all going to have a great time," Sheridan said. "We came up with TRFAM to highlight the best of

the best, and we want to do that at the qualifier, as well.”

Creating a destination weekend that focuses solely on the Million Dollar qualification is a key factor in adding the Shootout to the Bosque Ranch event lineup. The facility’s yearly calendar also includes the Brazos Bash, one of the National Cutting Horse Association’s highest-added-money events, which serves as the TRFAM Cutting Challenge qualifier.

The riders who advance from the Bosque Ranch Shootout to the 2026 TRFAM will join Andrea Fappani, Kole Price, Casey Deary, Jason Vanlandingham, and Gina Schumacher, who qualified during the exciting \$100k Open Shootout held during this year’s TRFAM. Also included will be the 2025 Champion from Equita Lyon, Lyon France, as well as Fernando Salgado, who was unable to compete this year due to an injury.

“Normally, we take the top 10 from the spring qualifier, and will in the future,” Sheridan said. “But this year we’re only taking nine. Fernando earned his spot, and we’re going to make sure he gets the chance to compete. That’s the right way to do it.”

Information about the Bosque Ranch Shootout, including entry forms, sponsorship information, and more, will be available on The Run For A Million website in the coming weeks.

For reining fans, it will present a unique opportunity to spend three days watching the best reiners in the world. No one will want to miss this exclusive event as these elite riders prepare and compete against an authentic ranching backdrop of special dining, innovative activities, music and incredible reining.

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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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VHH TRAINING TIP

by Stevie White

MATHIEU BUTON - PREVENT RUNOFF IN A RUNDOWN

A French native, Mathieu Buton now resides in Valley View, Texas. From the beginning of his reining career in France, Buton has always believed that to be the best, he had to learn from the best beginning with Gregory Legron in Paris.

Since his arrival in the United States seventeen years ago, he has worked for and learned from NRHA Professionals Mike McEntire, Craig Schmersal, Bob Loomis, and Nathan Piper.

Now on his own, Buton has had much success. His lifetime earnings are nearly \$443,000, from such titles as reserve in the Level 3 SWRHA Futurity and third in the Level 4, a NRHA Novice Horse Derby Championship in 2019, a 2017 OKRHA Ride & Slide Derby Championship, and a Level 2 win at the 2015 NRHA Futurity and reserve in the Level 3 and top ten in the Level 4.

Buton has a unique ability to teach correctness softly, and to teach his Non Pros the “whys” along with the “hows.” Get a feel for his training style with this video, provided by our partner Virtual Horse Help, explaining how to prevent your horse from wanting to runoff in the rundown.



MORE RIDERS TO ADVANCE TO TRFAM CUTTING HORSE CHALLENGE IN 2026

The Run For A Million expands the field of riders who advance from the Brazos Bash to the \$200K Cutting Horse Challenge from 10 to 15 riders.

At the 2025 The Run For A Million, ten of the country's top cutting horse trainers went head-to-head for a share of the \$200,000-added purse.

From the first dust-off to the final buzzer, the South Point crowd cheered every move. In the end, it was draw #1, Michael Cooper and Bella Louella, who won the title and accompanying \$50,000 check.

"The crowd was amazing, I couldn't even hear the buzzer," Cooper shared following his win. "I appreciate TRFAM for giving us the opportunity to show off our sport on a platform like this."

The enthusiasm of the crowd provided an excellent backdrop for owner Taylor Sheridan's announcement that the 2026 Cutting Horse Challenge will feature more riders taking the stage in Las Vegas. Now, the top 15 finishers from the Brazos Bash, September 30-October 14, will qualify to advance to the Cutting Horse Challenge.

Sheridan's vision for The Run For A Million is to showcase the best in Western performance horses, and the Cutting Horse Challenge has



delivered. Expanding the Brazos Bash qualifier ensures even more riders have a shot at that stage.

Kim Cox, Secretary of the Brazos Bash and the NCHA's 2025 Secretary of the Year, echoed the excitement. Cox also serves as the Cattle Event Coordinator for TRFAM. "The Brazos Bash is one of the most fun and exciting events of the year, and the fact that it's a qualifier for The Run For A Million puts an exclamation point on its importance," she said.

The Brazos Bash

Held annually at the picturesque Bosque Ranch in Weatherford, Texas, the Brazos Bash is one of the most significant added-money events of the National Cutting Horse Association.

For more information about the Brazos Bash, visit BrazosBash.com.

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SG FROZEN ENTERPRIZE FREEZES HIS PLACE IN HISTORY AS NRHA'S NEWEST \$4 MILLION SIRE

The National Reining Horse Association announced SG Frozen Enterprize as its newest \$4 Million Sire, a milestone that cements his legacy as one of the industry's most impactful stallions.

Owned by Silver Spurs Equine and bred/nominated by Marco Franchini, the 2009 stallion (Frozen Sailor x RS Rose SJ) has become a household name in the reining world thanks to the consistent success of his progeny in elite competition arenas across the globe.

With his offspring now boasting more than \$4 million in NRHA earnings, SG Frozen Enterprize has proven to be a sire of talent, athleticism, and heart. Among his highest-earning offspring are:

Ice Face (SG Frozen Enterprize x Dun Painting My Face) – \$198,030.46 LTE, owned by Haras Bellini Inc., bred by Hickory Creek Ranch LLC, nominated by Ginger Schmersal

Frozen Sven (SG Frozen Enterprize x Ladymaster) – \$190,415.01 LTE, owned by 7 Heaven Reining Horses, bred/nominated by Impresa Agricola Cuoghi

Frozen Starburst (SG Frozen Enterprize x Hollywood Starburst) – \$183,993.62 LTE, owned and nominated by Janice Laney, bred by Ubere Agropecuaria Eireli

Whizzicle (SG Frozen Enterprize x Miss Whizzletown) – \$182,503.30 LTE, owned by Diane E. Yoder, bred/nominated by Jenny Ricotta

Savage Love (SG Frozen Enterprize x Miss Whizzletown) – \$181,852.16 LTE, owned by Marco & Jenny Ricotta, bred/nominated by Jenny Ricotta



Icecube (SG Frozen Enterprize x Taris Designer Genes) – \$176,759.10 LTE, owned by Teton Ridge Ranch, bred by Rancho Oso Rio LLC, nominated by Andrea Fappani

From Futurity and Derby winners to standout performers on the global stage, SG Frozen Enterprize's foals have made their mark with style, consistency, and grit.

With his influence felt through every major NRHA event, SG Frozen Enterprize continues to prove that his legacy is more than frozen in time—it's only just beginning to shine brighter.

KATHY HINTON ANNOUNCED AS NEWEST NRHA MILLION DOLLAR OWNER

The National Reining Horse Association announced Kathy Hinton of Whitesboro, Texas, as its newest Million Dollar Owner, a milestone that honors her enduring devotion to the sport of reining and the extraordinary horses she has bred, supported, and campaigned over the years.

At the heart of Kathy's achievement stands her remarkable stallion Magnums Custom Dream (Magnum Chic Dream x Gunna Be Custom), who carried her across the million-dollar milestone at the 2025 Run For A Million, where Andrea Fappani piloted him to a second-place finish. Yet, Magnums Custom Dream is only one of the champions borne out of Kathy's dedication.

She fondly reflects on a handpicked roster of horses—Magnums Custom Dream, Guaranteed A Magnum (2018 and 2019 NRHA Derby Level 4 Open Champion), Mega Mag (2017 NRHA Level 3 Open Futurity Champion), Lil Magnum Jessie (2009 NRHA Level 4 Open Futurity Reserve Champion), and Spooks Eclipse (2012 National Reining Breeders Classic L2 & L1 Open Champion)—that hold a special place in her heart for the impact they've had in and out of the show pen.

Still, she acknowledges there have been countless more stars along the path to her success.

This milestone also echoes a parallel achievement in the Hinton home: Casey Hinton, Kathy's husband, earned his place among the NRHA Million Dollar Owners in April 2021, an achievement built on decades of teamwork, training, and a shared vision for excellence. Together, they have long been pillars of the community—founding Cedar Ridge Stallion



Station and building a successful breeding, training, and competition program before handing it over in 2021.

Both Kathy and Casey have earned their accolades not just through ribbons and checks, but through unwavering support for each other and the horses that define their journey. As Casey remarked of his own milestone—and in tribute to Kathy—"It was me riding, but it has always been a team thing with us."

Kathy's new title as Million Dollar Owner not only cements her place among the sport's elite—it reflects a family commitment, a lifelong passion for reining, and the spirit of excellence that both she and Casey embody. NRHA celebrates Kathy's achievement, her cherished equine partners, and the collaborative legacy she continues to shape.

NRHA ANNOUNCES GUNNA BE CUSTOM AS NEWEST MILLION DOLLAR DAM

The National Reining Horse Association announced Gunna Be Custom to the prestigious roster of NRHA Million Dollar Dams, further solidifying her influence on the reining industry.

The 2013 mare, sired by NRHA Hall of Famer Gunner and out of legendary mare Custom Made Dunit, officially surpassed the milestone when her daughter Custom Dreams delivered a spectacular performance in the \$100,000 Shootout, marking a 228 and earning more than \$12,000. That paycheck elevated Gunna Be Custom's progeny earnings to an impressive \$1,002,690+. All 8 of her competition aged offspring have accumulated NRHA earnings demonstrating her ability to pass on superior genetics.

Owned by Devin K. Warren and bred by McQuay Stables, Inc., Gunna Be Custom has produced some of the sport's brightest stars, including:

Customize My Dream (Magnum Chic Dream x Gunna Be Custom) – \$481,886.94 LTE, owned/bred by Devin K. Warren, nominated by Garth Hystad

Custom Dreams (Magnum Chic Dream x Gunna Be Custom) – \$340,939.49 LTE, owned by Custom Dreams Brazil, bred/nominated by Devin K. Warren

Magnums Custom Dream (Magnum Chic Dream x Gunna Be Custom) – \$305,139.73 LTE, owned by Casey & Kathy Hinton, bred/nominated by Garth Hystad

Do You Havethe Dream (Magnum Chic Dream x Gunna Be Custom) – \$37,979.85 LTE, owned, bred, and nominated by Devin K. Warren



These offspring have earned championships and top placings at the sport's most prestigious events, showcasing the consistency, athleticism, and talent that define Gunna Be Custom's legacy.

TRIPLE THE TALENT: CADE MCCUTCHEON BECOMES NRHA'S NEWEST \$3 MILLION RIDER

The National Reining Horse Association recently announced Cade McCutcheon of Aubrey, Texas, as the newest NRHA Professional to cross the prestigious \$3 million milestone in lifetime earnings.

McCutcheon surpassed the mark at the 2025 Run For A Million in Las Vegas, Nevada, with a 6th-place finish in the Million Dollar Competition aboard All Nite Partier.

The duo earned \$60,000, pushing McCutcheon's career earnings past \$3 million.

Since his debut as a professional in 2019—when he became the youngest NRHA Open Futurity Champion aboard Super Marioo and simultaneously crossed the \$1 million threshold—McCutcheon has continued to carve an extraordinary path in the sport.

Recent highlights of his career include:

2025 The American Performance Horseman – 5th in the Individual Reining competition aboard Finals Bound (FB Brazil Partners owner, Arcese Quarter Horses LLC breeder/nominator), earning \$20,000

2024 NRHA Futurity – 4th on Outta Yur League (\$95,710.45) and 10th on Americassecretweapon (Bosque Ranch Performance Horses LLC owner, Arcese Quarter Horses LLC breeder/nominator) (\$33,781.64)

All American Quarter Horse Congress Futurity & All Star Reining Stakes Futurity – Champion on Outta Yur League (Frank L. Costantini, Jr., Tim J Anderson, Clark Reining Horses LLC, Richard M Vernon owners, Curtis Performance Horses LLC breeder/nominator), bringing home a combined \$100,000

2024 NRHA Derby – Champion on All Nite

Partier (Sotol Investments, LLC owner, Deanna Nell breeder/nominator), earning \$100,000

2024 The American Performance Horseman – 3rd in the Individual Reining and 2nd in the Team competition on Finals Bound, totaling \$58,333.33

These accomplishments add to an already decorated career, showcasing McCutcheon's consistency and talent at the sport's highest levels.

"Thank you to the horses and owners that have given me the opportunity to achieve this milestone," said McCutcheon.

McCutcheon now joins an elite list of NRHA Professionals who have reached this milestone, further cementing his legacy as one of the sport's brightest stars.



CLAIRE POUND TO HELP OVERSEE RHF'S EXPANDED YOUTH INITIATIVES WITH NRHYA

The Reining Horse Foundation is taking on a greater role with the National Reining Horse Youth Association, assuming administration of all scholarship programs, officer training and leadership development activities.

The NRHyA is a program already funded through the RHF, which gives donors the opportunities to support youth programming with tax deductible donations to the 501(c)3 nonprofit organization. Promoted to head up the change is Claire Pound, RHF Sr. Coordinator of Development & NRHyA.

This change gives RHF greater guidance and coordination of reining's youth programs.

The changes are expected to increase communication with donors and members and those considering membership and support. There is a goal to increase NRHyA membership by 10 percent worldwide.

Pound, who previously served as RHF Development Coordinator, brings a wealth of experience to her expanded role. She has been closely involved with youth initiatives, including managing scholarship programs and leading the CINCH NRHyA Speaking Contest, making this transition a natural progression.

A lifelong participant in the reining industry, Pound earned her bachelor's degree in Sport and Entertainment Management from the University of South Carolina and competed as a reiner on the NCEA equestrian team.

While at UofSC, she was actively involved in the Student-Athlete Advisory Committee and



Student-Athlete Development department. Her passion for youth development and enhancing the athlete experience is central to her commitment to the NRHyA's mission.

"This is such an exciting time for RHF and NRHyA," said Pound. "I'm looking forward to not only growing our youth membership but also making sure our current youth reiners are getting the most out of their memberships

through leadership opportunities, scholarship access, and lasting connections.”

The RHF team is united in its support of the NRHyA's guiding values of Friendship, Leadership, and Scholarships and remains dedicated to showing youth members how to engage meaningfully with the reining community, both inside and outside the arena.

“The Reining Horse Foundation mission

is caring for and honoring our reining community, with youth leadership development and scholarship among our core programs,” said RHF President Tim Anderson. “We are proud to have Claire Pound leading this effort. She has a special connection for what the program means in the lives of youth. Along with RHF Executive Director Leslie Baker and Claire, the Board of Directors looks forward to helping grow youth membership and taking the program to new heights.”

2025 COLLEGIATE & YOUTH REINING JUDGING CONTEST AT NRHA FUTURITY

The National Horse Judging Team Coaches' Association and the National Reining Horse Association are proud to announce the return of the Collegiate and Youth Reining Judging Contest at the 2025 NRHA Futurity and Adequan® North American Affiliate Championships (NAAC), taking place December 2–3 in Oklahoma City.

This unique contest challenges collegiate and youth competitors to judge live reining runs, complete a written test, and take a penalty clip test—mirroring the rigorous evaluation process NRHA judges undergo.

Participants will compete as youth teams, junior college teams, university teams, or individuals, gaining valuable insight into the skills and standards required of professional reining judges.

New in 2025, champion and reserve champion teams and individuals in all divisions will be awarded trophies or plaques, generously provided in honor of the late Joe Carter.

“Joe Carter was a true advocate for helping people become better judges, and he had a genuine love for kids,” said Patti Carter, NRHA Sr. Director of Education & Officials. “The Carter family could not think of a better way to honor



his career and his passion for reining horses and youth than by supporting this incredible contest in his memory. We are grateful for the opportunity to continue his legacy in this way.”

Beyond the competition, the event offers an invaluable opportunity for students to expand their judging skills, build professional connections, and explore potential career paths in the equine industry.

For more information about the 2025 Collegiate and Youth Reining Judging Contest, including full contest details and to submit your entry, visit www.nhjtca.org/calendar or go directly to the contest entry page.

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