



December 2020

# The Stock Horse Roundup



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## CRAZY, YET SUCCESSFUL 2020

We made it. We made it through this crazy year of 2020. It's been absolutely amazing as we look back to see all the help and generosity of our friends and SHTX family through the year. It takes a village and the SHTX family is a great one. Congratulations to the 2020 Stock Horse World Champions and Derby Champions! The World Show was a huge success with the new 3-day format and special events. We are already planning for next year.

As we move into 2021, we want to congratulate those elected to serve on the SHTX Board for 2021-2023. We had an excellent slate of candidates this year and it was the largest election in some time. We sincerely appreciate all who threw their hat into the ring in an effort to help steer our association. Those elected to the board are Jay Clements, William Lewis, Shannon Pigott and Stefani Wagley.

As we recap 2020 and move into 2021, this edition of the Stock Horse Roundup is filled with important information. Please read it closely...

- Dog Rule -- IMPORTANT CHANGES! Please Read!
- Online Rules & Judging Workshop
- Changes in the Scratch Policy
- 2021 Dates -- Mark your Calendar for both SHTX & CoWN!
- New Plan 4 Progress Incentive Challenge 2021
- AQHA adds VRH Rookie division & waives 2021 qualification
- Banquet Set & now Class Top 10 Awards!

Please mark your calendars for the 2021 Bryan Kick Off Classic, March 5-7 in Bryan. This will be a 2-day show, with a shorter show day on Saturday for the banquet on Saturday evening. We will do our best to wrap up as early as possible on Sunday. The banquet will recognize the Top 10 in the All Around for every division with prizes and jackets. And new for this year, the Board voted to award Jacket Patches to the Top 10 in individual classes who meet the minimum 5 show requirement. Additional details on the banquet are in this newsletter.

We wish you all a very healthy and happy New Year, and we hope you're able to join us at an event in 2021. As always, our phone line is available and we're happy to answer questions anytime.

*Jill Dunkel*

# Congratulations to the 2020 SHTX World Champions



Cromeplated Sidekick & Mike Major  
owned by Linda Lackey



Bourbon N Branch and Leanne Jetton



Precious Metalz & Stefani Wagley



Vons Judgement & Teghan Brooks



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Michelle Eiland



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Susan Crews Morris



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Sarita Short



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# SHTX Derby Champions — Total Payout \$16,100



Precious Metalz & Stefani Wagley  
\$3,818 (including Non Pro Incentive)



Navajo Jo & Nonie Casselman-Reed  
\$2,490 in winnings

### 4-Year-Old Incentive Derby Winners:

Tuff Marshall N Town & Ben Baldus, Wildcatter Style & Justin Stanton, Hesa Twisted Bet & Lanham Brown

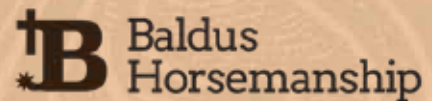
### 4-Year-Old Incentive Limited Derby Winners:

Navajo Jo & Nonie Casselman-Reed, The Roany Pony & Jeanine Jones

### Zinn Lindsey & Belcher Scholarship winners

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# Heads Up Dog Owners!

We know many of you enjoy bringing your furry friends to horse shows as they are part of your family. However, recent events have led the SHTX Board of Directors to amend the "Dog Rule" in the 2021 Rule Book. **At the last few shows, dogs have been a big problem. In fact, loose dogs got into show areas FOUR TIMES at the World Show.** This not only infringes on competition but is a huge safety issue. **Another big problem is owners not cleaning up after their dogs.** This is completely unacceptable.

Because of this, the Board recently amended the Dog Rule and is committed to enforcing the rule.

**GR-205.3 Dogs are not allowed closer than ten feet to any arena fence, horse exhibition area or horse practice/warm-up area. Dogs must be on an in-hand leash and managed by a competent handler.**

Enforcement of this rule will take place per rule **GR-060 DISCIPLINARY PROCEDURES** in the current rule book. Per this rule, **those not complying will be subject to disciplinary action including suspension and/or fines** by the Executive Committee for each offense.

**This rule will be enforced with disciplinary action in 2021.**

To be clear:

- You must hold on to the leash.
- You must have a responsible person tending to your dog which includes picking up after the dog and not letting the dog be a distraction to competition.
- No dogs are allowed in any riding area, including the warm up pen.

In short, enough is enough. There will be strict enforcement on this rule at every SHTX event. The only exception will be in the case of an organized dog-related event approved by the SHTX Board. SHTX is clarifying the requirements for managing dogs for the safety of its members.

We all love the dog races at the World Show, and we want that to continue. We also want you to enjoy the camaraderie you have with your pets. However, responsibility for your dogs is key. We appreciate your cooperation in this matter.



# Awards! Awards! and More Awards!

## Make plans to join us for the 2020 Awards Banquet

Year End All Around Top 10 Awards & Jacket presentations

**NEW!** Year End Class Top 10 recognition & Jacket Patch awards **NEW!**

SHTX Scholarship Presentations

Top Hand Award - Volunteer of the Year

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Novice Achievement Award Presentation

Constant Competitor Award Presentation

### Congratulations to these Novice Achievement Award Winners!

The Novice Achievement Award is geared toward our dedicated Novice competitors. This award is based on points earned by a Novice horse/rider combination within a 5-consecutive-year period. Once a horse and rider have earned 1600 points, they become eligible for the Novice Achievement Award. Members who have won All Around Champion or Reserve Champion at any SHTX show are not eligible for this award. These riders will be presented with Novice Achievement Buckle.

Shawn & Angie Ayres

### And our 2020 Constant Competitors!

The Constant Competitor Award was created to reward riders who haul many miles to SHTX shows throughout the year but don't finish in the Top 10. Members who compete in the all around at a minimum of 8 shows in a calendar year will be presented with an embroidered trophy jacket.

Madeline St. John

Joceylyn Olund

James Young

Charlee Piggott

Alicia Duleba

Becky Warncke

Barbara Hartwig

Shawn Ayres

Kaitlyn Glass

Kenneth Kidd

Daniel Dalager

Lillian Sloan



*Those making the Top 10 but who did not attend the minimum number of the shows to receive awards will be recognized with a certificate of achievement.*



**These awards will be presented at the  
Year End Banquet during the Bryan Kick Off Classic**

**March 6, 2021 at 6:30pm Brazos Co. Expo Center**

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*Congratulations to our newly elected board members!*

*Jay Clements, William Lewis,  
Shannon Pigott & Stefani Wagley*

**Thanks for your support despite the challenges of 2020!**

**11 Clinics • 10 Shows**

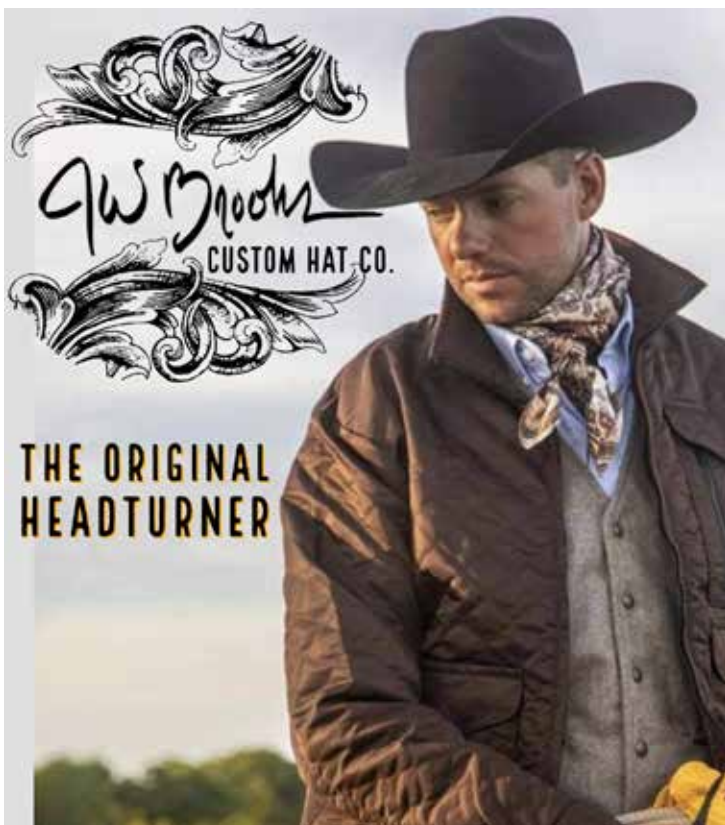
**1,654 Paid Memberships**

**2,026 Horses at Shows • 9,530 Entries at Shows**

**Awarded more than \$127,600 in Prizes**

**Paid out more than \$86,900 in Cash**

**Over \$24,700 spent on Member Educational Opportunities**



**Thank You, Dr. Anderson and Total Feeds for your continued sponsorship of Stock Horse of Texas!**



# Experience the SH+TX style of **Ranch Horse Fun!**

**March 5-7 - Brazos Expo Center**

March 6 - Year End Banquet  
Bryan, Texas

**April 9-11 - Texas Tech Equestrian Center**

Lubbock, Texas

**April 30-May 1 - Rose Palace**

San Antonio, Texas

**May 28-29 - Bell Co. Expo**

Belton, Texas

**NRSHA National Championship & VRH World**

June 22-27 - Lazy E Arena  
Guthrie, Oklahoma

**July 16-17 - Tri State Fairgrounds**

Amarillo, Texas

**August 6-7 - Nolan Co. Coliseum**

Sweetwater, Texas

**September 10-12 - Circle T Arena**

Hamilton, Texas

**Sept 24-25 - Brazos Expo Center**

Bryan, Texas

**Stock Horse World Show**

October 28-31 - Taylor Co Expo  
Abilene, Texas

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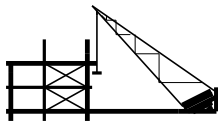
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## Plan 4 Progress Incentive Challenge 2021

Carter Ranch Horse and Plan 4 Progress have partnered with Stock Horse of Texas to offer a year-long program of online lessons and challenges related to each topic. It's like "distance learning" with your horse...but so much more!

Each quarter, you'll receive a topic in your account with a series of lessons and challenges that help you make progress toward your goals. For example, the first challenge series is designed to help you improve the boxing portions of your run. Don't have regular access to cows? No problem! The lessons and challenges are actually designed to be done without them, but then show you how to apply the maneuvers when you have an opportunity to work a flag or an actual bovine!



Once you watch the lessons, then get busy practicing the exercises with your horse. When you're comfortable with the lesson, complete the "video challenge" and upload a video to benchmark your progress.

Once you complete that challenge series, its on to the next topic series: lead changes, spins, and obstacles.

Ready to give what you learned a try at the show? Make sure to take a video, because the Incentive Challenge also includes an evaluated run from a judge!

This is very similar to the program Plan 4 Progress and SHTX partnered with in the Spring of 2020, but this one is all year long - and pricing INCLUDES a SHTX membership! Already a member? No problem...SHTX will extend your membership for a year.

And as incentive to stick with it throughout the year, Plan 4 Progress is offering giveaways each month. PLUS >> Plan 4 Progress will have prizes/money in YOUR division at the 2021 SHTX World Show...just for those who completed the program!

Enter your info at this link (<https://bit.ly/incentivechallenge>) to receive full details and pricing options - you can even sign up with a friend and get a discount. No matter if you are coming to regular SHTX events or waiting out the pandemic at home, the Plan 4 Progress Incentive Challenge will help you elevate your skills to the next level.

## RULES & JUDGING ONLINE WORKSHOP

with AQHA Judges Sharon Wellman and David Avery

More Details  
to Come via  
Email & Facebook!

- Overview of the purpose for each class
- Overview of rules and explanation of penalties
- Judge's perspective of important "to-do's" while showing
- Judge's perspective on what to avoid while showing
- Watch runs with feedback from the judge
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**Four separate online evening sessions via Zoom**  
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## CHANGES IN THE SCRATCH POLICY FOR SHOWS & CLINICS

Previously, scratches/cancellations could be made without any financial penalty before the show started on Friday night. Our association has tried to remain flexible as we understand things happen and plans change. However in 2020, a large number of riders scratched within 24 hours of the start of a show. Cattle were already on their way or on site and SHTX had to pay for cattle on entries that were scratched. (At a few shows, there were 25-35+ scratches just before the show.) This turned into a large unrecoverable expense for the association.

Thus, starting in 2021, the SHTX Board has approved a new scratch policy for weekend events:

- All scratches must be received in the SHTX Office by Monday, the week of the show. Any scratches made after Monday will be charged the Cattle Fee and Office Charge. Riders who enter but do not show up and do not scratch will be charged the Cattle Fee and Office Charge.
- Once a rider has checked in and received their back number, no refunds are given for scratches once draws are posted or the show has started, whichever comes first.
- Clinic cancellations must be received by Wednesday at 6pm (week of clinic) in order to fill empty spots from the Wait List. SHTX will do our best to try and fill any cancellations. Cancellations after the Wednesday deadline will be refunded if the slot is filled. Clinic no-shows will be billed the clinic fee.



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## **AQHA Rookie VRH Division Announced**

AQHA recently announced the addition of Rookie Amateur and Rookie Youth versatility ranch horse classes. The Rookie classes will run concurrently with the Novice and Novice Youth SHTX divisions. Rookie exhibitors will box only in the cow work and will not drag in the trail.

AQHA also clarified there is a restriction of cross-entering across divisions. The same horse-and-rider combination may not cross-enter amateur, limited amateur and/or Rookie amateur at the same show, and the same goes for cross-entering youth, limited youth and/or Rookie youth at the same show.

### **Rookie Class Eligibility**

For an exhibitor to be eligible in the amateur or youth rookie division, the exhibitor must have earned no more than ten (10) lifetime points in any breed association (including but not limited to AQHA, APHA, AQHA VRH All Around); or \$500 in a national organization (including but not limited to NCHA, NRCHA, NRHA, RHAA, NRSHA, NSBA) in any western performance discipline (including but not limited to western pleasure, working cow horse, reining, cutting, trail.) Accuracy of eligibility is the responsibility of the exhibitor. Eligibility is from January 1 - December 31.

### **SHTX Concurrent Classes**

The Rookie division will run concurrent with the SHTX Novice/Novice Youth Divisions. However, you may notice that SHTX Intermediate riders may also be eligible for the AQHA Rookie VRH division. It is not possible to make those runs concurrent due to differences in the cow and trail rules. If you show in the SHTX Intermediate, you would need to make additional runs in the VRH Rookie to enter that class.

*\*\*Keep in mind, to be a VRH All Around Entry, a rider must enter 1 cattle class, 1 non-cattle class and conformation. You do not have to enter all 6 VRH classes, so you would not have to make separate runs in every class.\*\**

AQHA does plan on offering the Rookie VRH divisions at the Championship Show in Guthrie, Oklahoma scheduled for June 2021. It will run concurrent with the NRSHA Novice division.

## **NRSHA & VRH Qualifying Period for 2022**

**March 1, 2021 to February 28, 2022**

Both NRSHA and AQHA have waived qualifying for the championship shows scheduled for June 2021 due to the pandemic, but expect regular qualifying to resume for the 2022 Championships.



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## 2021 DATES!

**April 30 - May 2\*\***  
Northeastern Junior College  
Sterling, CO

**May 14 - 16\*\***  
Ride for Pride  
The Ranch Loveland, CO

**May 27 - 30**  
Summerfest\*  
Wyoming State Fair, Douglas WY

**June 26 - 27**  
Adams County Fair Grounds  
Henderson, CO

**July 10 - 11**  
Paint Brush  
Laramie County Community College  
Cheyenne, WY

**August 21**  
Cheyenne Frontier Days  
Cheyenne, WY

**Sept 18 - 19\*\***  
Adams County Fair Grounds  
Henderson, CO

**Nov 17 - 21**  
Winterfest\* \*\*  
The Ranch, Loveland, CO

*\*Includes AQHA VRH, AQHA Ranch Riding & Ranch Trail*

*\*\*Includes Collegiate Divisions*

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## High School Seniors!

### Don't forget to apply for the Darlene Hicks Youth Scholarship!

We lost a tough, brave cowgirl when Darlene Isbell Hicks of Hawley, Texas, died on July 10, 2011. She never rode a horse until after she married Thomas Hicks, but she soon loved to ride and show horses. She learned to team rope with her husband and also enjoyed wagon driving. Darlene was a member of Stock Horse of Texas Association, Texas Draft Horse Association and American Stock Horse Association. She was diagnosed with colon cancer in 2000. While fighting cancer, she showed in Stock Horse of Texas competitions on several different horses. She won buckles, bronzes, a saddle and she was SHTX Reserve Champion Limited Non-Pro for 2010. One saying that gave Darlene encouragement during her battle was, "courage is being scared to death - but saddling up anyway."



In her honor, the Darlene Hicks Scholarship fund was established. This scholarship is awarded to a graduating high school senior. Applications are due February 1, and can be found on the SHTX website in the Scholarships section.

## TAMU Team Members!

### The Josie Coverdale Scholarship is dedicated to an Aggie team member

A former competitor and member of SHTX, Dr. Josie Coverdale, passed away in February, 2016 from a car accident. Dr. Coverdale was an assistant professor in equine sciences at Texas A&M and an active part of the Equine Initiative. She was known for her passion for her career, her students, her selflessness and her character. In her memory, a SHTX scholarship has been established by her friends. The scholarship will be presented to a TAMU student who shows at the SHTX World Show and embodies the same hard work, excellence and pleasant demeanor that Josie shared with everyone. Applications are due February 1, and can be found on the SHTX website in the Scholarships section.



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