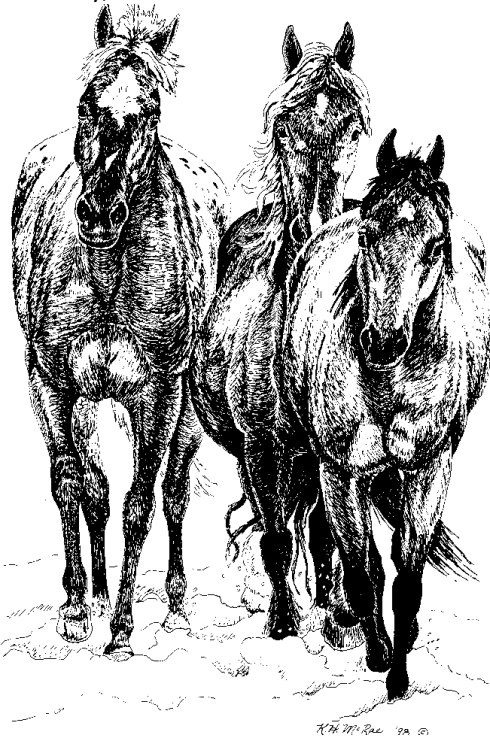


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Important Announcement!

The **CCQHA's** Monthly Meeting for the month of September has been changed! Due to Labor Day, the September meeting has been rescheduled for September 14th, 2009!

The location will remain at The Olive Hotel in Miles City, Montana; and the meetings will start at their usual times (6:00 PM Directors meeting, 7:00 PM General Members Meeting)

This change only applies to the month of September. As of now, all other Monthly meetings will continue to be held on the first Monday of each month.

The
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Would like to thank

Theresa Williams

For all your hard work to organize and promote this year's

CCQHA's 2009 Ranch Horse Competition!

CCQHA's 2009 Ranch Horse Competition Results

On Sunday August 16, 2009, the **CCQHA** held their annual Ranch Horse Competition in Miles City, Montana. The **Cow Country Quarter Horse Association** paid out **over \$2,000.00** in prize money, at this year's Ranch Horse Competition.

Rider's and horses entered in the **Cow Country Quarter Horse Association's 2009 Ranch Horse Competition**, competed to earn points for the "**2009 NILE Ranch Horse Challenge**". Points accumulated at events such as the **CCQHA's Ranch Horse Competition**, plus a horse's placing at the NILE (www.thenile.org) will determine the year-end champions. Special awards will be awarded to year-end champions in all classes.

The following are the results of the **CCQHA's 2009 Ranch Horse Competition**:

2 Year Old Class

Horses are judged on their ability to demonstrate a basic reining pattern, consisting of circles, stops, rollbacks, backup and turns. Points are awarded on each area and emphasis is based on smoothness.

2 Year Old Class Winners are:

PLACING	RIDER	OWNER	HORSE	PAYOUT
1 st Place	Gene Kukowski	Gene kukowski	Reno	\$240.00
2 nd Place	Stacey Ogren	LaVonne Westland	LW Holly N. Choice	\$180.00
3 rd Place	Gene Kukowski	Bill & Sandy Jensen	Goldie	\$120.00
4 th Place	Josh Bilbrey	Allen Munger	Miss Colores CD	\$60.00

3 Year Old Class

Rider sorts a cow from the herd and with the help of two turn back riders and two herd holders, demonstrates the horse's ability to hold the cow. The horse is judged on how smoothly it works through the herd and cowiness. Once the rider shows he can control, and hold the cow, rider drives the cow and pens it on the other end of the arena. Rider has a basic reining pattern consisting of circles, stops rollbacks, spins and picking up leads.

3 Year Old Class Winners are:

PLACING	RIDER	OWNER	HORSE	PAYOUT
1 st Place	Josh Bilbrey	Allen Munger	Cats Oats	\$120.00
2 nd Place	Stacey Ogren	Richard Bonnycastle	Peps Better Choice	\$80.00

Rancher Class

FOR RIDERS WHO DON'T SHOW! This class is the same as the three year old in the cow work portion except that the rider may be asked to rope and stop the cow before penning. The rider then demonstrates his ability to pen the cow without losing his rope.

Ranch Class Winners are:

PLACING	RIDER	OWNER	HORSE	PAYOUT
1 st Place	Tom Plant	Tom & Kristi Plant	Rebel	\$135.00
2 nd Place	Trevor Rawley	Allen Munger	Glo Dun Smoke	\$90.00

\$500 Limited Class

Open to any Non-Pro or Amateur who has not won more than \$500 in reining, Cutting, or Working Cow Horse events. Rider also may not have won more than 2 points in AQHA shows (or any other breed association) in Ranch Versatility, Cutting or Working Cow Horse. Any age horse may be ridden in any legal bit. Entrants in this class are NOT required to rope.

\$500 Limited Class Winners are:

PLACING	RIDER	OWNER	HORSE	PAYOUT
1 st Place	Shad Lemke	Ken Blough	Tinkerbell Pistol	\$70.00

Bridle Horse Class

Open to any horse shown in shank bit. Solid mouthpieces only (no jointed mouthpieces). Reins held in one hand and cannot be changed during the run, except to rope or to open/close gate. You can spank your horse behind the shoulder, with split or romal. Excessive spanking may incur a penalty.

Bridle Horse Class Winners are:

PLACING	RIDER	OWNER	HORSE	PAYOUT
1 st Place	Reed Trexler	Pat Cremer	Smart Thinking Chick	\$222.00
2 nd Place	Josh Bilbrey	Allen Munger	Glo Dun Smoke	\$148.00

Junior Horse Class

Open to 3 – 5 year old horses. The horse must be shown in a snaffle bit or hackamore. The Junior Horse will be ridden with two hands. When roping, and opening/closing gates, a rider is allowed to put the reins in one hand.

Junior Horse Class Winners are:

PLACING	RIDER	OWNER	HORSE	PAYOUT
1 st Place	Gene Kukowski	Gene & Chris Kukowski	Ima Lena Duchess	\$336.00
2 nd Place	Stacey Ogren	Richard Bonnycastle	RR Davinci Tejons	\$224.00

To all the competitors who entered the

CCQHA's 2009 Ranch Horse Competition

We wish you all the luck, in the Nile's "Ranch Horse Challenge"!