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Lil Pretty Richochet leads with 220

Four horses tie with 219 points

WEDNESDAY'S SCHEDULE

Beginning at 8:00 a.m.

**Classic/Challenge
Open 1st go-round, cont.**

THURSDAY'S SCHEDULE

Beginning at 8:00 a.m.

**Classic/Challenge
Open 2nd go-round**

FRIDAY'S SCHEDULE

Beginning at 8:00 a.m.

**Junior Youth go-round
Senior Youth go-round
(Youth in Watt Arena)**

**Classic/Challenge Non-Pro
1st go-round
Classic/Challenge
Ltd. Open Finals**

Beginning at 7:30 p.m.
NYCHA Awards Banquet
Round-up Inn

SATURDAY'S SCHEDULE

Beginning at 8:00 a.m.

**Classic/Challenge
Non-Pro 1st go-round
Open Wildcard**



Phil Rapp rode Robert Graves' mare Lil Pretty Richochet, by Smart Lil Richochet, to top the first day of Classic/Challenge competition with 220 points.

Nitas Sweet Son with Ronnie Rice set the standard with 218 points, as the first horse of the first day of Summer Spectacular competition. But it was Lil Pretty Richochet and Phil Rapp with 220 points that won the day.

"She was doing a lot of good things - heading that cow and being real accurate and yet real stingy," said Rapp, who rides the five-year-old mare for Robert Graves, Hilton Head, SC. "She's got a lot of animation and a big

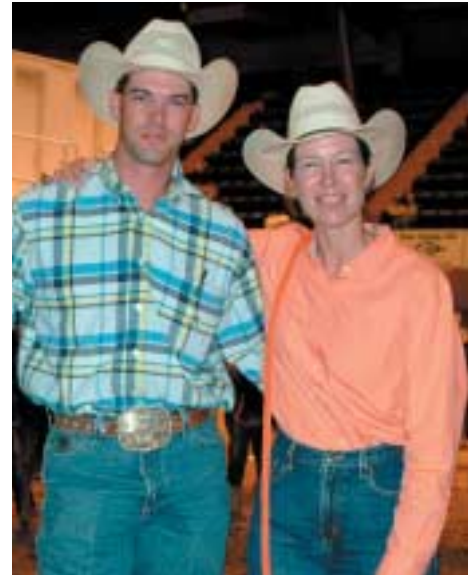
stop and she was doing her strong stuff.

"The third cow surprised me. I didn't think it was going to be that tough, but that was a good way to finish."

Lil Pretty Richochet, by Smart Lil Ricochet, was raised by Graves out of a Docs Freckles Oak daughter imported from Australia by John Mitchell. Mike Graham, who manages Graves' farm in South Carolina, trained Lil Pretty

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Four riders tied yesterday with 219 points, including, from left to right: Gary Gonsalves with Spookys Catmando, by High Brow Cat and owned by Jeff and Kay Barnes; Jason Clark on Darren Blanton's Mates Little Cockette, by Smart Mate; and Jeremy Barwick on Cat Fortune, by High Brow Cat, owned and bred by Jack and Susan Waggoner.

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Richochet and showed her at four. Rapp stepped aboard last February.

"She's a wonderful little mare and a pleasure to ride," said Rapp. "Mike did an excellent job with her."

Rapp and Lil Pretty Richochet qualified for the finals of the South Coast Futurity and tied for fifth in the Bonanza Cutting. Although the mare was sick and not shown in the Super Stakes, Graves qualified her for the finals of the Breeders Invitational Non-Pro division.

"Robert sold his slot (for the Summer Spectacular)," noted Rapp. "If I make the finals, he's not going to show her. But if I were to bomb out, then he would probably buy a slot and come back and show her."

Jeremy Barwick, with 219 and 218.5 points marked in the seventh bunch on Cat Fortune and Donas Cool Cat, respectively, was Tuesday's cumulative leader. He rode Cats Fortune, owned by Jack and Susan Waggoner, Bridgeport, TX, first, as the fourth performer, and Donas Cool Cat in the third from last spot.

"The cattle were pretty good all day," he noted. "We knew what we wanted to cut and it worked out. Both (horses) are pretty similar. He's probably just a hair stronger, but she's probably smarter in spots."

Both Cat Fortune and Donas Cool Cat are by High Brow Cat. Donas Cool Cat is owned by trainer Kobie Wood

and Barwick shows her when Wood is not able to ride her. Wood's wife Paula is currently ranked seventh in 2006 NCHA Non-Pro World Championship

standings riding Donas Cool Cat and My Blue Hagan.

Last fall, Barwick rode Donas Cool Cat to win the Southern and also quali-



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These NCHA members are celebrating their birthday today.

Gerald Alexander	Granbury, TX	Robby Hansen	Wilton, ND
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Left to right: Paul Hansma scored 219 points on the CD Olena son Patrick La Dual, owned by Dub and Christy Leeth; Clint Allen marked 218.5 on Wood Ya Wanna, the Zack T Wood son owned by Julie Wrigley; and Brad Mitchell scored a pair of 218s on Hickory Lena Star, by High Brow Hickory, and My Jewels Missin, by Lenas Jewel Bars.

fied her for the finals at the Augusta Classic this year.

Cat Fortune was trained by Phil Rapp, who rode him before Barwick took the reins last summer. Earlier this year, the colt pulled a suspensory and was laid up for more than two months. Barwick brought him out of wraps for the first time in a novice class this past weekend.

“Cat Fortune is cool to show,” said Barwick. “You can’t really cut any wild running cows on him because he’s just not big enough. But if you cut a good cow, he’s a lot of fun to show.”

Barwick rode Dual Rey Me as reserve champion of last year’s Summer Spectacular Classic. His wife Candace won the Non-Pro Classic on the gelding, who is currently ranked third in NCHA Open World Championship standings with Jeremy and Candace as riders.

Four-way tie

Patrick La Dual, ridden by Paul Hansma, Spookys Catmando, with Gary Gonsalves, and Mates Little Cokette, under Jason Clark, all tied with Cat Fortune for yesterday’s second-highest score of 219.

Patrick La Dual, a CD Olena son owned by Dub and Christy Leeth, Cleburne, TX, showed late in the first

bunch, while Mates Little Cokette, last year’s NCHA Open Derby reserve champion owned by Darren Blanton, Dallas, TX, made his move midway through the eighth and last bunch.

Spookys Catmando, owned by Jeff and Kay Barnes, Wilton, CA, worked deep in the third bunch.

“He’s made a really good show horse since we gelded him,” said Gonsalves of the five-year-old High Brow Cat son, who was gelded last September, following the Brazos Bash.

“By that time he hadn’t won much and it was more important to have a good show horse,” Gonsalves explained. “He’s turned out to be a horse that I think a lot of people would like to have. He’s athletic, smart, and he has a lot of style.”

Most recently, Spookys Catmando tied for fifth in the Breeders Invitational. He also placed sixth in the Memphis Classic and was a finalist at the Abilene Spectacular.

High doubles for Clark, Mitchell, Allen

With scores of 219 points on Mates Little Cokette and 217.5 on Jazzy Little Melody, both owned by Darren Blanton,

Jason Clark was among yesterday’s leaders, followed closely by Brad Mitchell with a pair of 218s on Hickory Lena Star, a horse he owns in partnership with Barbara Brooks, and on My Jewels Missin, owned by Bob and Patty Thornton, Whitesburg, GA.

“He’s really one of my favorite horses to ride,” said Mitchell of Hickory Lena Star, by High Brow Hickory and out of a Lenas Star daughter that Mitchell rode as a non-pro.

“He’s real eye-appealing and he’s fun to be around. He doesn’t try you like your typical stud. He just comes out and gives you what he has to give and that makes it fun.”

Mitchell has won more than \$90,000 on the five-year-old stallion whose first foals are on the ground this year. My Jewels Missin, by Lenas Jewel Bars, is the earner of more than \$73,000.

Clint Allen scored 218.5 points on Wood Ya Wanna, the 2004 NCHA Gelding Stakes Open Champion owned by Julie Wrigley, and 216.5 points on Rista Katz, by Smart Aristocrat, owned by Jack and Susan Waggoner.

Wood Ya Wanna has lifetime earnings of more than \$180,000.



“The older a man grows, the faster he could run as a boy.” Red Smith

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— Nancy Rapp

"There goes Lindy, Kathy and Mary Jo again."
— Nancy Venezia

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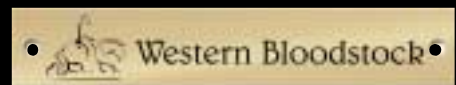


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