

Daily Chatter

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\$303,204 purse
\$108,000 added money
 AQHA/NCHA Affiliate Challenge adds \$27,000



Gerry Hansma, shown with his wife, Sandy, was 2002 and 2003 Western Nationals Open Champion aboard Caught Me Lookin.

THURSDAY'S SCHEDULE
 Beginning at 8:00 a.m.

\$3,000 Novice - 1st go-round
 73 entries • 5 sets

FRIDAY'S SCHEDULE
 Beginning at 8:00 a.m.

\$10,000 Novice - 1st go-round
 72 entries • 5 sets

Beginning at 6:30 p.m.
YOUTH TEAM CUTTING

SATURDAY'S SCHEDULE
 Beginning at 8:00 a.m.

Junior Youth - 1st go-round
 38 entries • 3 sets

YOUTH GRAND ENTRY

Senior Youth - 1st go-round
 43 entries • 3 sets

Youth Activities following go-rounds:
NYCHA Business Meeting & Pizza & Pool Party

SUNDAY'S SCHEDULE
 Beginning at 8:00 a.m.

JUNIOR YOUTH FINALS
SENIOR YOUTH FINALS

\$3,000 NOVICE FINALS
\$10,000 NOVICE FINALS

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The 2004 edition of the Wayne Hodges & Outlaw Conversions/NCHA Western National Championships includes 718 entries — the second greatest number of participants in the event's nine year history. The \$303,204 purse, which includes \$108,000 in added money, is the largest purse ever offered at the event.

In addition to the purse money, the American Quarter Horse Association is providing \$27,000 to be awarded through the AQHA/NCHA Affiliate Challenge. This added challenge allows competitors to compete for team points

as well as individual recognition. The highest placing affiliate will receive a check for \$7,500 and a trophy from the American Quarter Horse Association.

The action kicks off on Thursday with the \$3,000 Novice competition, followed on Friday by the \$10,000 Novice first go-round and the popular Youth Team Cutting, where Youth riders don costumes and team up with a theme to cut to music. Awards in addition to most points include best costumes.

Saturday is devoted to Junior and Senior Youth go-rounds, as

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Some of this week's contenders include, left to right: Kelli Smith, Chandler, AZ, last year's Senior Youth Champion; Lindsey Weander, Valentine, NE, 2003 Junior Youth Champion; Al Dunning, Scottsdale, AZ, 2003 \$10,000 Novice Champion aboard Short Willy.

Thanks

Competitors at the Wayne Hodges & Outlaw Conversions/NCHA Western National Championships have some people to thank for providing refreshments and lunches served in the Hospitality Room. Thanks for the generosity and hard work of:

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well as the Youth Grand Entry, following the Junior Youth go-round, when riders post the colors and all the Youth entries perform a figure-eight drill around the arena at a gallop.

The go-rounds are followed by the annual NYCHA meeting and a pool and pizza party from 6:00 to 8:00 p.m., at the Holiday Inn Express — everyone

welcome.

Youth competition concludes on Sunday with both the Junior and Senior Finals.

On Monday, following the \$2,000 Limit Rider go-round, all competitors are invited to Hadlock Arena for the annual Cutters Team Roping and “all you can eat” dinner. The roping starts at 3:00 p.m. and dinner is at 5:30 p.m., followed at 6:30 by a live Western band.



You say it's your birthday!

These NCHA members are celebrating their birthday today.

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| Scott Amos..... Loma, CO | Ronnie King | Gilmer, TX |
| Richard Apps.....Phelan, CA | Kim Loe | Hermosa, SD |
| Teri Arney | Mark Miller | Sonoita, AZ |
| Lilla Blackburn | Jill Nelson | Mojave, CA |
| Douglas Brackett.... Chambersburg, IL | Toni Orrell | Fordland, MO |
| Cindy Brooks..... Lesterville, MO | Paul Ritchie | Middletown, MD |
| Amy Brown | Sandi Robinson..... | Canada, |
| Steve Brown | Michael Simpson | Waynoka, OK |
| Jack Burrell | Jeff Smith | England, |
| Cindi Carper | Ashton Stephens..... | Corvallis, MT |
| Debbie Day | Michelle Sterner | Orwigsburg, PA |
| Ben Duke Jr..... | Hal Sutton | Shreveport, LA |
| Kathleen Ferrante..... | Pete Trout..... | Wichita Falls, TX |
| William G Fonte | Steve Twisselman..... | Mc Kittrick, CA |
| Bill Forward..... | Mark Voss | Truscott, TX |
| Kathy Greenwell | James Whitcher | Scenic, SD |
| Clint Johnson | Allen Woll | Park City, UT |
| Judy Johnson | | Harrison, AR |

“Never answer an anonymous letter.”

Yogi Berra



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The American Quarter Horse Association, located in Amarillo, Texas, is the world's largest equine breed registry.

Through their Strategic Marketing Alliance, NCHA will be acknowledged as the authority for cutting competitions and the AQHA will be acknowledged as the foundation breed which provides the bloodlines for the majority of horses used in NCHA competition. Both Associations will work together to actively promote the sport of cutting.

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