

April is a busy issue. No time for the usual attempts at thoughtful lead-in. Look for that joy in future editions!

That said, lets see...

WHATSA GO'N ON WITH QPA (human membership)

QPA would like to extend a special note of thanks, acknowledgement and appreciation to 2007 ***SPECIAL AWARD SPONSORS***. Special Awards are donated by individuals or entities - in addition to QPA standard awards issued.

2007 DIVISION HIGH POINT – Special Award Sponsors:

WORKING COW PONY DIVISION

Darwin Jensen, of TOTAL SUPPLEMENTS, generously donated a custom western saddle.

Total Equine Supplements offer consumers an option for “an economical, simple, intelligent solution to the complete health and nutrition of the whole horse”. Economic factors, especially today, consistently push equine owners to seek alternatives to keep their equines looking, feeling and performing well. QP’s are generally easy keepers anyway, but owners desiring that extra assurance may wish to look into adding Total Supplements to your program.

For more information on Total Supplements please visit the website at www.TotalSupplements.com.

WESTERN & ENGLISH DIVISIONS

Dayna Davis, of DOUBLE D QUARTER PONIES, for generously donating two bridles (one for each stated division).

Double D has been a long time supporter of Quarter Ponies and Dayna is resolute in her commitment to consistently produce quality QP’s. Double D strives to produce performance ponies with “kind dispositions, classic conformation and flowing gaits”. Double D presently stands the QPA-approved and IQPA-registered stallion Custom Color – whose get has been sold to those of discerning taste here in the United States, Canada and Australia.

For more information on Double D Quarter Ponies and Custom Color please visit Dayna’s website at www.DoubleDquarterponies.com - Dayna just may have that “customized” pony of your dreams!

SPORT PONY DIVISION

Tami Platt, long time QP supporter from Oregon, generously donated an English saddle cover.

HALTER & EQUITATION DIVISIONS

H&E FEED, in Eugene OR, generously donated a pony blanket with embroidery generously donated by Colleen Beelart of Corvallis OR.

TRAIL & DRIVING DIVISIONS

Michelle Scran of NJ generously donated a pony blanket.

GYMKHANA DIVISION

Anonymous party generously donated a bridle and matching breast collar.

2007 DIVISION RESERVE HIGH POINT – Special Award Sponsor:

Camalot Stables generously donated a bridle and breast collar, to the Working Cow Pony, winning Reserve position in this division.

Sincerest "Thank You" to ALL 2007 Year-End **SPECIAL AWARD SPONSORS!**

WHATSA GO'N ON WITH IQPA (pony registry)

Watch for 2007 registrations update in future 2008 QPA Newsletter!

WHATSA GO'N ON WITH 2007 POINTS

OFFICIAL 2007 YEAR-END WINNERS AND TOP PONIES ARE HERE! QPA, and its' affiliate registry IQPA, is pleased to extend sincerest applause and congratulations to all 2007 winners!

1. REGIONAL TOP PONIES:

NORTHEAST - ROJO's POKEY owned by The Whitlings of PA

Reserve goes to ANGELS IMAGE owned by Michelle & Megan Scran of NJ

SOUTH - CODE OF ARION owned by Mary Senseney of MS

Reserve goes to LAKOTAS PEPPER owned by Tulsa Cabaniss of AL

MIDWEST - DODGEN THE PUNCHLINE owned by Stacy Huston of MI

Reserve goes to BABA BARBARA ANN owned by Jana Lappin of MO

WEST - SMOKIN DOUBLEDUTCH owned by Tami Platt of OR

Reserve goes to TWO HOOTERS HI owned by Tarrah Tevelde of WA

ELSEWHERE -

BLUES STARLIGHT owned by Karin Tillisch of Germany; and COWBOY COLORS owned by Leanne Prime of Australia (campaigning in the western U.S.)

2. DIVISION TOP PONIES:

HALTER & EQUITATION - SKIPPERS PEPPY LENA owned by Wendy Loper of OR. Reserve, in both of these divisions, goes to Smokin DoubleDutch owned by Tami Platt.

DRIVING & TRAIL - SMOKIN DOUBLEDUTCH owned by Tami Platt of OR. In the Trail division, Reserve goes to Skippers Leppy Lena.

ENGLISH & SPORT PONY - ANGELS IMAGE owned by Michelle and Megan Scran of NJ. Reserve, in English, goes to Smokin DoubleDutch. Reserve, in Sport Pony, goes to Justin Time owned by Stacy Bates and exhibited by Deanna Bates.

GYMKHANA - MISS PAINTED LADY owned by Alicia Liddle of CA. Reserve goes to Ro Jo's Pokey owned by The Whitlings.

WORKING COW PONY - CODE OF ARION owned by Mary Senseney of MS. Reserve goes to Holy Smoke also owned by Mary Senseney.

WESTERN - BLUES STARLIGHT owned by Karin Tillisch of Germany and exhibited by Gabor Stepper of Germany. This pony stallion earned more overall points than his U.S. counterparts *combined* - in this division! Reserve goes to Ro Jo's Pokey, owned by The Whitlings.

3. OVERALL TOP PONIES:

RESERVE

ROJO's POKEY owned by Laurie Whitling of PA and exhibited by Adrian Whitling. *ROJO's POKEY* (Kip) is nothing less than a stellar example of what QP's, and their youth, can accomplish when given the chance and opportunity. Adrian has shown her commitment to her pony and her desire to succeed as a team. Young Adrian has brought Kip to Reserve standing, in 2007, through participation in all QPA divisions except driving. In 2007, this team has earned QPA overall TOP TEN positions in no less than seven of the nine divisions offered by QPA.

And finally...

QPA's OVERALL 2007 "TOP PONY"

SMOKIN DOUBLEDUTCH owned by Tami Platt of OR and exhibited by an entourage of [this mares] fans; including Jordy Gredvig (High School Equestrian Team), The Keicher Family - Bryce (Youth 13 and under), Carly (Youth 14-17), and John who drove everyone. Such an array of exhibitors is testimony to this QP's versatility and easy-going disposition. *SMOKIN DOUBLEDUTCH* has earned QPA Overall Top Pony for two years in a row! In 2007, this mare has earned either first or second, overall, in no less than five of the QPA divisions offered. Clearly, this is the pony to beat – anyone up for the challenge?!

CONGRATULATIONS!

TO SEE MORE PICTURES AND INFORMATION ON ALL 2007 TOP PONIES -
AND THE TOP 20 HONOR ROLL PONIES
PLEASE VISIT WEBSITES BELOW

REMINDERS:

The Quarter Pony Association (QPA) official website can be located at www.UQPA.com or www.QuarterPonyAssociation.com (both will get you where you need to be).

The International Quarter Pony Association official website is located at www.IQPA.com .

QPA members are encouraged to submit pictures of their 2008 IQPA eligible foal(s), for posting in the "Nursery" section of the QPA website. Submit 2008 foal pictures to photos@quarterponyassociation.com.

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