



**2011
EVENTS**

JULY 21-24, 2011
Country Music Circuit
HARRIMAN, TN

AUG. 5-13, 2011
AQHA Youth World
OKLAHOMA CITY, OK

AUG. 28-SEPT. 3
AQHA Select World
OKLAHOMA CITY, OK

SEPT. 15-18, 2011
TQHA Circuit
HARRIMAN, TN

SEPT. 30-OCT. 2
TQHA-AQHA Trail Ride
JAMESTOWN, TN

OCT. 7-30, 2011
All-American QH
Congress
COLUMBUS, OH

NOV. 5-19, 2011
AQHA Open World
OKLAHOMA CITY, OK

How Time Flies: Recognizing Our Graduates

It's hard to believe that eight years ago, the Woodell family was involved in their first TQHA horse show with daughter Kelli participating in a Walk-Trot event at the Roane State Expo Center. A lot of hard work had gone into getting to that point, but Kelli was ready. I have never forgotten the emotions I felt watching Kelli circle the arena as if she had been competing for years and, as luck would have it, she won her very first event. I immediately went to the trainer and all the other Kelli supporters and said "What have you gotten us into now?" As we all laughed (and cried), I watched as all of the youth departed the arena and there was a winning look on all of their faces—their placing in the event really didn't matter to them. They were having fun doing something special with their horse and friends.

I had grown up around animals so it didn't seem all that important to me when our daughter first got involved with horses, but on this day as a parent, I could see this was something special to Kelli and I could also see the same thing with many of her horse friends. The significance of this relationship goes beyond just the horse/rider; you have the parents, the trainers, competitors (in many cases, friends) and other family, friends, and associates. Unfortunately, I feel that all too often, many of us don't realize the positive impact we (horse & human) are having on the lives of so many in this industry and don't take time to reflect on the results.

Having said that, I now want to show you some results that each and everyone one of you that have been associated with the TQHA can be proud of because you have contributed to the lives of these graduates. Most importantly, knowing these four youth, you will recognize that the story I shared, as well as the results, will be very similar for all of them.

•**Abbi Rutherford**
Graduated with Honors from Maryville High School. She will be attending Belmont University in Nashville as a Biology Major with plans of becoming a Physical Therapist.

•**Emily Adams**
Graduated with Honors from Halls High School. She will initially be attending Roane State Community College in the Pre-Nursing Program. Upon completion, she will transfer to the University of Tennessee Nursing Program. Long-term, Emily has thoughts of becoming a Physician's Assistant and perhaps working toward a Doctorate in Medicine.

•**Ariel Louise Herrin**
Graduated with Honors from Pisgah High School in Pisgah, Ala. She will be attending Auburn University, majoring in architecture. Ariel received academic and athletic scholarships and will ride on their equestrian team. Ariel also received the AQHA Foundation Scholarship.

•**Kelli Nicole Woodell**
Graduated with Honors from Roane County High School. She will be attending Middle Tennessee State University in Murfreesboro. She received the Presidential Scholarship and will be riding on the equestrian team. Her major is undecided.

Congratulations graduates and all the best in your future endeavors!

—Randy Woodell
TQHA President

Horse Health Update

Do you have the latest info on the EHV-1 virus?

There are just a couple of things we need to share with you regarding the upcoming World Shows and the EHV-1 outbreak. Most of our seasoned members who show are already aware of these issues, but some folks don't know and those who do may need a refresher. While EHV-1 is currently not a threat in Tennessee, the potential is always there for transmission. Good vaccination programs should always be practiced, don't share buckets or equipment, avoid nose-to-nose contact.

What is EHV-1?

Equine Herpes virus type 1 (EHV-1) is a virus that causes negative effects including respiratory disease, neurologic disease, abortion and stillbirth. The disease is transmitted by direct or indirect contact with infected horses. Clinical signs of the neurologic type include a high fever followed by several days of apparent recovery before the onset of neurologic signs. Not all horses will show respiratory signs (such as nasal discharge and coughing). The signs of the disease generally appear in 3 to 7 days after the horse is exposed and horses that are EHV-1 positive can remain infectious for up to 3 weeks. For more information visit the AAEP website: www.aaep.org/ehv.htm



World Show Qualifiers:

AQHA requires that all horses going to any of the World Shows present a certificate giving evidence that there has been a negative blood test for Equine Piroplasmiasis. This test must be performed by a veterinarian and tested at a USDA approved lab. The blood sample must be collected from the horse during the 6 months preceding the animal's entry onto the show grounds.

If the sample is taken during the second week of July, it should stand for the Youth, Amateur and Select World Shows. Questions? Check with the AQHA website under the World show in which you are competing, or call AQHA for more details.

Our thoughts and prayers go out to the family of Gary Askins, who passed away suddenly on July 8. Gary was a faithful supporter of TQHA and served anytime he was called upon, most recently serving as Show Manager of our Cookeville All-Novice Show. He will be greatly missed by his TQHA family.

victory lap

Congratulations to the 2011 All-Novice Show High-Point Winners!

Youth High-Point Champion:
Emily Ann Holder and Leos Pine Chex

Amateur High-Point Champion:
Jennifer Zervas and Mac O Texas

Youth Reserve High-Point Champion:
Tori Idem and Acaanvincingleaquer

Amateur Reserve High-Point Champion:
Alicia Linville Enochs and Having A Good Time

Need to Know News

Roger Elder, Chairman of the AQHA Youth Committee and one of Tennessee's Directors for AQHA, sends a message to the youth in our state.

A message to all of The TQHA Youth Members. Just a few days ago I was asked to attend the Youth Excellence Seminar in Amarillo, Texas. What a great event and what an enjoyable four days of fun, games, inspiration and seeing our next generation of leaders of AQHA as they start to make their place in this great horse world. My one disappointment was that we had no one from our great group of TQHA youth to share in the development process provided by AQHA. I would like to encourage our current members to start planning for next year

and have a delegation in place to attend and take a leadership position on this team of the future. For those of you that will be attending the Youth World Show in OKC next month, I look forward to seeing you there, and if I can be of any help, just give me a shout. I will be arriving on the 7th and will stay though the 11th. Have a safe trip and Good Luck To All.

—Roger Elder

Show me the money!

College isn't exactly cheap, so if you're preparing for higher education, be sure to apply for the TQHA Youth Scholarship. Upcoming TQHYA high school seniors are encouraged to apply for this amazing opportunity. Information about this scholarship, as well as other scholarship opportunities from AQHA, is available on the TQHA website in the youth menu.

HAPPY TRAILS



Once again, the TQHA/AQHA Trail Ride is drawing closer. The ride will be held again at East Fork Stable in Jamestown on October 1 and 2. For the horse show people, move in day is September 30, and the ride will start Saturday morning, October 1. The fees will be \$85, the same price as last year. This does not include your hookup or stalls, but it does include all your meals, the ride and a great band to dance to on Saturday night. I would like to personally invite every TQHA member to come take

part in the ride this year. Also, I need auction items to be sold on Saturday night.

I do feel it is important to have a good showing of TQHA members at the ride. You might ask why—we put this ride on to broaden our membership base to areas other than showing. We are but a small part of the horse owners in the state of Tennessee. This is a great opportunity to talk with horse owners outside the show industry, especially about all the controversy we all are dealing with concerning bills in Washington and throughout the states. We must come together to work for the greater good. This is a fun time to get together and JUST PLAY. Braiding, banding and fake tails are not allowed. Just to let you know, I was the only TQHA member there last year.

It is my personal opinion, if you as members do not feel this is important enough to attend at least one day, to show support, this should be our last year holding the ride.

If you have any questions, please feel free to contact me about the ride.

—Mitch Leslie



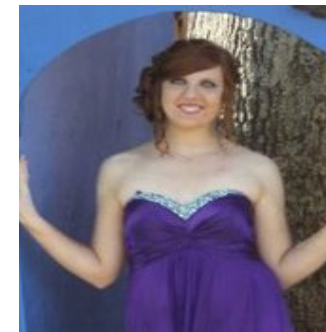
A LITTLE BIT COUNTRY

July 21-24, 2011 Harriman, TN
Country Music Classic

Head to Harriman and get six great judges for the price of four. Stall reservations are coming in daily, and activities include a Silent Auction/Youth Fundraiser, Trainer Pie in the Face, Exhibitor Dinner sponsored by the Tennessee Amateur Quarter Horse Association, All-Around Awards—Flip Video Cameras, Circuit Awards in every class—choice of Good Ride Products, Harris Headstalls or Fun Color Garment Bags.

Please contact Jennifer McGrath for information:
615-653-8190, jenkamiah@hotmail.com
We hope to see you there!

Congratulations to all 2011 TQHA graduates! Good luck in all your future endeavors!



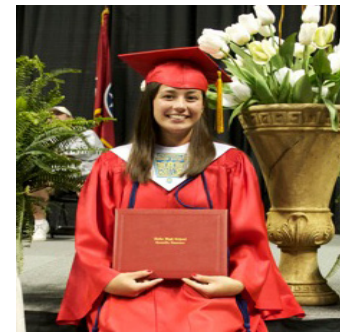
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Maryville High School



Emily Adams
Halls High School

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Claim to Fame

TQHA Hall of Fame: Starting in 2012, Tennessee will introduce a new way to honor our members who have faithfully served and contributed to the success of the association. A five member Hall of Fame Selection Committee will be elected at the 2011 Convention. For all the information on the Selection Committee, Nomination process and selection process look under the "About" menu on the TQHA website.

This youth rider knows how hard you have to work to achieve your goals. But through intense dedication (she rides five times a week!) and a love for horses, **Emily Holder** is overcoming obstacles and making her mark on the TQHA show scene.

member spotlight



Emily Holder and Leos Pine Chex

For TQHA Novice Youth competitor Emily Holder, her love of horses was evident at an early age. According to Emily's mom, Sandy, starting at age four, she had to catch every pony ride around. She eventually started taking lessons with Jan Poss in Springfield, Tenn., which led to her first competition in a 2003 schooling show where she caught the

show bug in a big way, advancing rapidly through various levels of competition.

In 2008 Poss gave Emily her first horse, a miniature named Shawnee.

The Quarter Horses came soon after as Shadow foaled on Christmas morning, and Leos Pine Chex also arrived. Emily showed Chex on the local, regional and state 4-H circuit. At the 2011 state 4-H show, she won the western division with Chex, miniature showmanship with Shawnee and rode Shadow in ranch.

Emily exhibited in her first TQHA show in December 2009 and was hooked. At the July 2010 All Novice Show, she garnered the Novice Reserve Champion title and at the 2010 TQHA banquet she received the Novice Show Reserve Champion year-end award. Further successes include Novice Reserve Champion at the 2011 Lucky 7 and Novice Champion at the 2011 Hillbilly Classic. Thus far Emily and Chex have tallied up novice points in halter, showmanship, western pleasure, horsemanship, western riding, reining, HUS and equitation.

Her success hasn't come without a lot of sweat and sheer determination. Emily rides four or five days a week. Her goals include being the 2012 Justin Rookie of the Year for Tennessee and someday serving as TQHA representative for the Congress Queen contest. Emily also enjoys playing basketball, swimming, shopping and hanging out with friends.

You can bet this dedicated youth competitor isn't resting on her laurels—she's already making plans to send Shadow's colt, Dreamin to the Max, to training this fall with the ultimate goal of showing him as an all-around horse.

Show and Tell

Don't miss out on the last show of the TQHA season.

TQHA Circuit September 15-18, 2011

This will be a \$250 flat fee show. The fee includes all AQHA classes, stall, office fee, set-up fees and AQHA drug fees. The fee does not include shavings, camper hookup, cattle charges or schooling classes. We will be having schooling classes for anyone interested on Friday and Saturday only. We will have a lounge line class and a 2 year old western pleasure class, too. There will also be a Versatility Ranch Horse Show on Saturday, September 17 at 5 p.m. in the outdoor covered arena. Stay tuned for the show bill to be posted on the TQHA website soon.

And remember, this show will take the place of the Holiday Circuit Show, so it will be the LAST SHOW TO COUNT FOR YEAR END POINTS.



In case you missed it...

The second **All-Novice Show** was held on July 2-3, 2011 in Cookeville. Many thanks to those who sponsored, volunteered and donated supplies to the success of this event. Volunteers: Gary Askins, Jerry Allen, Betty Dubree, Mitch and Geana Leslie, Willard and Miriam Vaughn, Randy, Sheila and Kelli Woodell, Richard Rand, Steve Fowler, Barbara Fisher, Paul and Amy Bailey, Jerry Allen. The following list of companies and people made donations of prizes and supplies for our cookout: Renee at Bear Creek Farms & Celebration Feeds, Krogers, Tractor Supply Company, Tennessee Farmer's Co-op, Putnam Farmer's Co-op, Pepsi Cola of Cookeville, Coca-Cola of Cookeville, RC Cola, Paul & Amy Bailey, Jeanette Oaks, Miriam Vaughn.

Thanks to the hard work of Region 3 members Sally Almond, Michelle Rakestraw, the Woodells, the Fowlers, Karen Spangler, Gary Watts, Lauren Chubb, Ken Berry, the Merritts and the Yorks, the **Hillbilly Classic**, held May 27-30, received many compliments. The exhibitor dinner featuring Cades Cove BBQ was great. Thanks to our sponsors, Beaty Chevrolet, Sundowner of Tennessee and Ken Berry Construction, the awards (daily, class circuit awards and All-Arounds) also received accolades. Thank you for your hard work and continued support of TQHA!

The **Dogwood Classic** was held June 7-12. Our deep appreciation goes out to the Dogwood Show Committee: Chairman Bob Isbell, Doug Adams, Beverly Adams, June Cope, Mike Rutherford, Judy Rosson, Karen Spangler and Michele Thompson. The committee did a great job in putting this circuit together. Special thanks to Mary Wigginton and Kaye Robertson for organizing the exhibitor's dinner, Matt Bennett and Kathy Kilduffe for handing out the awards and Doug Adams for taking care of the vendors. Thanks to Judy Rosson for securing the shavings and to June Cope for her time during the circuit. And thanks to Karen Spangler who secured \$100 sponsors for the event. Region 2 would like to express their appreciation to Harris Leather and Silver Works for donating Jean Jackets to our All Around Open, Amateur, Amateur Select, Youth and Novice. These were made possible by the efforts of Bob Isbell. Thanks, Bob! Circuit class winners received a \$15 credit toward their show bill, except for novice, who received awards. AQHA trophies were awarded to the Open Stallion, Mare & Gelding Circuit Champions. Big plans are already in the works for next year's circuit.

**GET
INVOLVED**

Say hello to some of TQHA's newest 2011 members!

Jackie Adams: Springfield, Candice Fulcher: Martin, John P Jones: Sparta, Mike & Kathryn McFarlin: Franklin, Eddie & Vicky Parker: Cottontown, Bruce & Sarah Romeyn: Gainesboro, Leslie Young: Decatur