

THE ROUNDUP

OCTOBER

2-25

All American Quarter Horse Congress
Columbus, Ohio

2-4

ASHA-SHOT and Collegiate Stock Horse
Versatility Clinic and Competition
Bryan, Texas

3-4

RMQHA Versatility Ranch Horse
Fort Collins, Colorado

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Shannon Creek Cattle Co. Production Sale
Manhattan, Kansas

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Versatility Ranch Horse
Thanksgiving Classic
Brandon, Manitoba

13-15

Texas State Working Cow Horse Clinic
Abilene, Texas

14

Versatility Ranch Horse
Billings, Montana

25

Versatility Ranch Horse
Eschwege, Germany

NOVEMBER

6-21

AQHA World
Championship Show
Oklahoma City

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Youngker
Production Sale
Stillwater,
Oklahoma

14-15

World Championship
Show Sale
Oklahoma City

20-22

Clovis Horse Sales
Clovis, New Mexico

DID YOU KNOW?

In 2008, American Quarter Horses earned 130 Champion designations.



LARI JO STANKEY

A dummy roping draws a big crowd of talented youngsters to the All American Quarter Horse Congress.

LONG DRIVE FOR A BIG PRIZE

Thomas Thorlakson traveled 1,804 miles from Carstairs, Alberta, to compete in his first Ford AQHYA World Championship Show on July 31.

The trip took 30 hours but it wasn't made for nothing. The 19-year-old ended up taking home not one but two trophies in ranch sorting.

With the help of Megan Walsh of Morrison, Oklahoma, Thomas sorted 14 cows in the prelims and the finals, putting the pair in first place. Thomas was also the reserve champion in ranch sorting with the help of Jordan Lesh.

But it wasn't easy for Thomas to qualify for the Oklahoma City show.

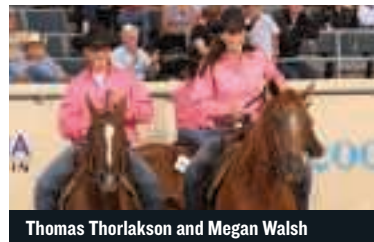
"We've got a lot of pretty big team penning shows up where I live, but we don't do any AQHA shows," Thomas said. "So I had to go down to Tennessee during Christmas to get qualified."

He qualified two horses: Docanita Cattin, whom he placed first on, and Better With Chix, whom he won the reserve title on.

"Docanita Cattin is actually my backup horse," he said. "My other horse, Better With Chix, is my favorite, but I'm glad I won with Megan. I'm really happy."

Although this was his first Ford Youth World, it was also his last, though Thomas might come back some day to show in amateur at the AQHA World Championship Show.

"You never know," he said. "If I can show with Jordan or Megan again, I just might."



TONYA RALIFF-GARRISON

Thomas Thorlakson and Megan Walsh

ARE YOU QUALIFIED?

Exhibitors only have until the end of this month to finish qualifying for the 2010 Fort Dodge Versatility Ranch Horse World Championship.

Qualifying ends October 31, and the show will be January 13-14 in Denver during the National Western Stock Show.

If you're not sure of your points, you can check online at www.aqha.com, or you can call AQHA at (806) 376-4811.

Check the calendar at left to see which events are close enough for you to attend so we can see you in Denver.



JIM JENNINGS

Betty Lou Valdez and Sixsation at the 2009 Fort Dodge Versatility Ranch Horse World Championship.

IS HE REGISTERED?

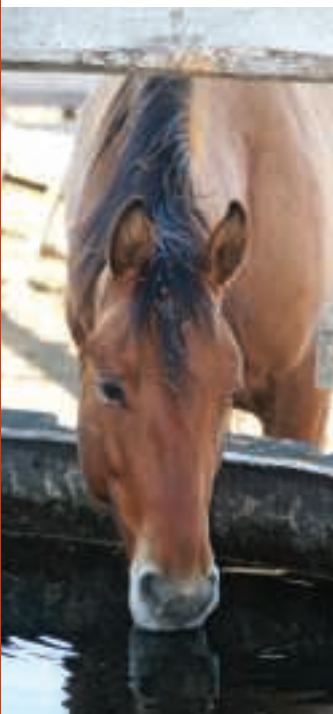
Old Sorrelly stands in the back pasture. He's one of your best. And you've had the paperwork tucked away while you waited for the right moment to register him, but you just haven't gotten it done.

Well, now your procrastination can pay off.

Through the end of the year, you can register horses 3 and older for the reduced rate of \$300. Normally, a 3-year-old's registration would cost \$550, and horses 4 and older would cost \$1,000.

Your paperwork needs to be in order. If the transaction is complicated, you might be charged an additional \$100 transaction fee.

Call the registration department today to get started and get Old Sorrelly a little better name. The phone number is (806) 376-4811.



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