

THE FAST LANE

OCTOBER

- 2-25**
All American Quarter Horse Congress
Columbus, Ohio
- 16-17**
Arkansas State Fair Rodeo
Little Rock
- 20-25**
CMSA World Finals
Amarillo
- 23-31**
USTRC Shootout Championships Team Roping
Guthrie, Oklahoma
- 24**
Gary Langford Production Sale
Green Cove Springs, Florida
- 26-31**
NBHA World Championships
Augusta, Georgia

NOVEMBER

- 1-6**
USTPA National Finals
Amarillo
- 7**
A Tribute to Chris LeDoux Rodeo
Casper, Wyoming



HOLLY CLANAHAN

- 6-21**
AQHA World Championship Show
Oklahoma City
- 10-14**
WPRA World Finals
Tulsa, Oklahoma
- 13-14**
Clem McSpadden National Finals Steer Roping
Guthrie, Oklahoma
- 27-29**
IBRA West National Finals
Buckeye, Arizona

DID YOU KNOW?

In 2008, American Quarter Horses earned 4,522 Registers of Merit.

WHAT'S NEW

- ProRodeo Commissioner Karl Stressman gives his insight into the rodeo industry with regular video reports, "Straight Talk With the Commissioner." You can see those reports online at rodeoup.com.
- AQHA is offering a reduced rate on registrations for American Quarter Horses ages 3 and up. If you haven't gotten your older horse registered, now is the time to do so at a bargain rate of \$300. Call the registration department at (806) 376-4811 to learn more.
- Every Wednesday is your chance to win. If you're on Facebook, look online at www.facebook.com/aqha1 every Wednesday for a Guess That Horse contest. The first person who guesses correctly receives a special gift.



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Karl Stressman

CHRISTINE HAMILTON



Chris Duhadway of Berthoud, Colorado, placed 14th in the pole bending finals at the 2009 Ford AQHYA World Championship Show. He and Wins Gato Quixote made it back to the finals in four of the five speed events they attempted.

FAST TIMES FIVE

Chris Duhadway of Berthoud, Colorado, was uber-busy at the 2009 Ford AQHYA World Championship Show.

His 1995 gelding, Wins Gato Quixote, was pretty tired at the end of it, too.

Chris and "Keo" competed in barrel racing, stake race, pole bending, ranch sorting and team penning, returning to the finals in four of the five.

His highest placing was sixth in team penning with his friends Royce and Tyler Quintana of Boone, Colorado.

"Keo has the most personality (of any horse) that I've ever been around," Chris said. "It's always really exciting with him. He's kind of like a 14-year-old 3-year-old."

After the five-event marathon, Keo was loaded into the trailer for the return trip to Colorado.

"He slept real well all the way back."

THEY'VE STILL GOT IT

Silent Cash Dasher won a race August 16 at Blue Ribbon Downs in Sallisaw, Oklahoma.

That wouldn't be so unusual, but Silent Cash Dasher is 16, more than five times as old as the horses he's competing against.

Owned and trained by 65-year-old Gary Earp of Jay, Oklahoma, Silent Cash Dasher was ridden by 68-year-old Roy Brooks. It was a triumph of age.

"He had 'em outrun pretty near all the way from the gates to the wire," Gary said. "He lacked just a hair outrunning 'em daylight. That second horse's head was just close enough that you couldn't call it daylight, but he outrun 'em pretty near a length. The old man, Roy Brooks, just sat on him."

Foaled April 20, 1993, Silent Cash Dasher is the second-oldest American Quarter Horse to win an official race in North America. The oldest is Go Devil, foaled April 3, 1949, who won August 29, 1965.