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LET'S KICK OFF THE NEW YEAR!

It's been a week since I turned on my computer thanks to this Artic Blast or "Snowvid" as some have called it. I hope you are now experiencing the "great thaw" without too many water leaks or broken pipes. This one was a doozy for sure. But soon this should be behind us and we can look to getting the 2021 year started!

Entries for the Bryan Kick Off Classic are due MONDAY -- February 22nd. Be sure to save the late fee and get those in on time. Stall reservations are through the SHTX store online. We sold out of numbered RV spots within just a few hours of opening the store at 6:30am. Those who purchased spots in the Carnival Lot will be moved into numbered spaces as they become available.

This year's Year End banquet will look a little different! Let's gather by the "campfire" and celebrate everyone's accomplishments! Fajitas are on the menu, and be sure to bring a lawn chair. We are very excited to hand out so many awards to our dedicated members. New this year are patches for the Top 10 in every class.

Be sure to read in this newsletter about our new Volunteer = Free Stuff program. It's geared to reward volunteers with free bags of shavings, SHTX swag, etc. or you can bank your volunteer credits for bigger items. Thanks to Michelle Reding for the idea. Also youth.... don't forget to bring something for the Silent Auction to benefit the youth scholarship fund. There is an entire page of youth updates in this newsletter.

We welcome some new sponsors this month -- Core Balance Equine Supplements and Edward Jones/Reece Nichols are silver sponsors, and Robert and Kate Byars along with Wickersham Angus Ranch are buckle sponsors. Thanks to all of you, as well as our many existing sponsors. We also welcome as a partner the Mustang Heritage Foundation (MHF). MHF is offering some great incentive packages for those who show a Mustang.

We close this month with a sad note. SHTX member Sue Britten passed away after a battle with cancer. Sue was always fun to be around at the horse shows. Our prayers go to her family.

Jill Dunkel

Congratulations to the 2020 Year End Champions



Raised On It & Mike Major
owned by Willow Oak Plantation



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Precious Metalz & Stefani Wagley



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Superior & Supreme Stock Horse Versatility Awards



These awards are based on the horse and rider's life-time accomplishments within Stock Horse of Texas in the Non Pro and Open divisions. These awards are the highest achievement offered through SHTX.

Rider/horse combinations earn SHTX Merit Points based on All Around rankings at shows throughout the year. Once a horse/rider combination earns 100 SHTX Merit Points, they are presented the Superior Stock Horse Versatility Award. At 200 Merit Points, the Supreme Stock Horse Versatility Award is presented.

Supreme Stock Horse Versatility Champion Cattasan & Matlock Rice

This pair is the 4th all time leading horse/rider in SHTX history.



**Superior Stock Horse Versatility Champion
Precious Metalz & Stefani Wagley**



**Superior Stock Horse Versatility Champion
Smart N Sleek & Jennifer Muir**

Do You Own a Mustang?

The Mustang Heritage Foundation (MHF) has partnered with Stock Horse of Texas Association (SHTX) to offer special incentives for SHTX competitors showing Bureau of Land Management (BLM)-branded mustangs.

During the 2021 show season, MHF and SHTX will offer new high point mustang awards based on cumulative placings earned by qualifying horse and rider teams at SHTX shows throughout the year. First through third place high placing winners will receive prizes including a saddle, belt buckles, jackets, saddle pads, and more. All exhibitors who are members of both SHTX and MHF and compete with a BLM-branded mustang are eligible to earn these high point awards.

An additional benefit available to mustang exhibitors who are members of both SHTX and MHF will be a yearlong involvement incentive. All mustang exhibitors who compete in at least one class at a minimum of three SHTX shows will be entered in a random drawing to win \$1,500 in cash at the end of the show season.



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The GATE and DRAG are BACK!

In 2021, SHTX will incorporate the gate and the drag back into the Stock Horse Trail classes (in the appropriate divisions – Novice and Youth do not drag.) Hand sanitizer will be placed near the trail course, and exhibitors are also allowed to wear gloves if they desire.



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Dog Owners Don't forget..... Dogs are not allowed closer than ten feet to any arena fence, horse exhibition area or horse practice/warm-up area. Dogs must be on an in-hand leash and managed by a competent handler.

Those not complying will be subject to disciplinary action **including suspension and/or fines** by the Executive Committee for each offense.

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REMINDER >> Stallions are not allowed in the following divisions:

SHTX Novice, Intermediate, Youth/Novice Youth

AQHA Level 1, Rookie or Youth

We're changing things up a bit this year!

CAMPFIRE BANQUET

*Saturday, March 6 6:30pm
Inside one of the arenas at the Expo*

**\$20 PER
PLATE**

Buy tickets online at
stockhorsetexas.org

**Must purchase tickets
by Thursday, Feb 25**



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Top 10 in each Division & Class
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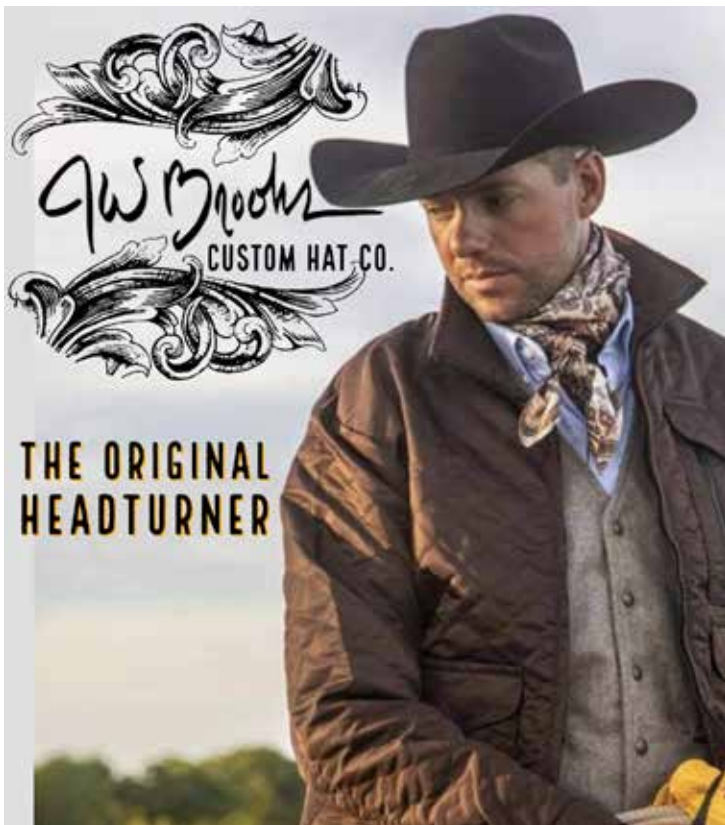
SHTX Back # Program

Do you have a lucky number?
Want the same back number all year?

By donating to the SHTX Scholarship Fund and following these simple steps, you can have your back number for the year.

1. Choose an available back number (1-999). A list of purchased (unavailable) back #s will be on the SHTX Website under the Scholarships menu.
2. Mail a check payable to SHTX for \$100 per back number. Include information on what back # you want.
3. Every time you enter a show, put your back number in the upper right hand corner of Page 1 of the entry form. ****THIS IS IMPORTANT**** *If you do not put your back number on each entry form, you will be assigned a random number for that show. The show secretaries can not keep up with specific back numbers, so it is the exhibitor's responsibility.*
4. You will be given 2 copies of your chosen number. You will need to keep up with that number for each show. SHTX does not have duplicates.

**Thanks for supporting the
SHTX Scholarship Program!**



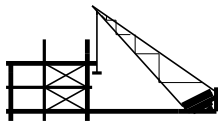
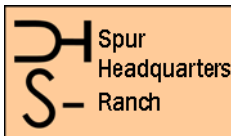
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YOUTH ASSOCIATION ** UPDATE **

Youth Silent Auction benefiting the Youth Scholarship Fund!

ALL YOUTH....Please bring an item for the Silent Auction! Almost anything goes! Jewelry, gift cards, tack, gift boxes.....etc. The silent auction will be held during the banquet. If anyone else has something they would like to donate, please bring it to Bryan to the show office.

We will also need youth and parent volunteers to help manage the silent auction before and after the banquet. Jobs include setting up items, attaching bid sheets and taking payments at the end of the auction. Please contact Angela Gomez if you can help.



Bridles & Breakfast

The Youth will host "Bridles & Breakfast" meet & greet on Saturday morning before the show starts! This will be an opportunity to welcome new members, answer questions and point people in the right direction for the day. Let Angela Gomez know if you would like to help welcome any new youth riders! We need at least 5 or 6 youth to help.

Opportunities for 2021 & Officer Elections

A goal of SHTX for this year is to broaden the activities and opportunities for youth members. This year, we are planning some organized fun group activities as well as community service projects. Got ideas? Let us know!

There will be a **Youth meeting at the Lubbock show in April**. There we will go over the youth program and goals for the year, expectations of youth members and officer elections. Stay tuned for details. We plan to schedule a "break" in the youth classes for the meeting on Saturday, April 10.



Have you checked the date on your

COGGINS?

Now is a great time to get your Coggins renewed.

Horses with expired Coggins are not allowed on the show grounds.

SHTX General Membership Meeting

Saturday, March 6, 2021

Immediately following the Campfire Banquet

ARE YOU CURRENT?

Save time with your first show entry of the year and make sure your SHTX membership is current! The easiest way to renew is completing the Online Membership Form.

Not sure? An up-to-date Membership List with expiration dates is under the Membership tab on the website!



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Volunteer = Free Stuff

It takes a LOT of help to put on a SHTX show.... Once we arrive on scene, there's a long list of to-do's to get everything ready for the clinic to begin on a Friday, and a lot of gathering and loading once the show ends. Volunteers are the heart of our association, and we appreciate all they do to help us get things set up for a show.

New this year, SHTX is introducing the "Volunteer = Free Stuff" program (fancy name, huh?) Basically, if individuals volunteer for at least an hour at a show, they can earn credits for free shavings, t-shirts, caps or even stalls and entries.

1 Hour = \$10 credit (you can bank your credits if you like)

The shows we can use volunteers include:

Bryan (March), San Antonio, Belton, Amarillo, Sweetwater & the World Show

Most volunteer jobs occur Thursday afternoon and evening, and Saturday/Sunday after the show is complete. We need help with things like hanging banners, unloading trail, sometimes working gates and a few other odd jobs.

If you would like to volunteer at a show, please call the SHTX office at 855-846-7468. We will get you in touch with the SHTX board member who is coordinating volunteers at a specific show. Thanks to board member Michelle Reding for coming up with this new program to reward our volunteers!



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INVESTMENTS

Reece Nichols



SHTX has partnered with the Texas Quarter Horse Association to provide incentives for members to show! Here's how it works:

- **Join SHTX and TQHA**
- **Participate in SHTX All Around at 6+ shows**
- **You're eligible to win \$\$ in a drawing at the SHTX Year End Banquet.**

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|   | DATE _____ |
| PAY TO THE ORDER OF <i>Current Member</i> | \$ _____ |
| SHTX - TQHA Member Incentive Program | <i>Stock Horse of Texas Texas Quarter Horse Association</i> |

TQHA works to promote the equine industry in the state of Texas, representing the industry on legislative and other issues. The Texas Quarter Horse Foundation also supports scholarships, research and charitable works within the industry.

We will award \$9,000 from the 2020 Ride for the Cash Program at the SHTX Year End Banquet on March 6.

Get in the program for 2021 by becoming a member of both SHTX and TQHA.

All TQHA Memberships expire Nov. 30 so be sure to renew for 2021



Key Points:

- Horse owners & family members can shoot cell phone video and cell phone photos of their own horses at all shows.
- Anyone using professional camera equipment (lens 4" or longer, tripod, etc) must sign a Media Agreement in the show office before taking any photographs. Rules allowing professional camera equipment vary depending on the show.

The complete Media Policy can be found on the SHTX website under the Handbook link

HISTORICAL CORNER WITH JIM TRUEMPER

Way back in the Seventies when advertising cigarettes was legal, there was an ad campaign of one brand that targeted women smokers. The ad slogan was: "You've come a long way, baby."

When I entered the banquet room last March and saw the impressive array of awards to be distributed that evening, this slogan popped into my head. Indeed SHTX has come a long way. The nine saddles which lined the stage were particularly eye catching. My thoughts drifted back to Abilene in March, 2002, at the awards dinner where two saddles were awarded for the first time. Referring to the evening as a banquet would probably be an overstatement. About 40 or 50 folks were in attendance in the back room of one of the buildings on vendors' row at the Taylor County Expo Center. Dr. Dennis Sigler, the Vice-President, drafted his son, Mark, along with Stewart Bozeman and several other ACU students to prepare the meal. They cooked steaks in the parking lot outside the back door of the "banquet hall." The boys did an excellent job and worked very cheap. I recall the saddles were built by Art's Saddle Shop in Denison.

President B.F. Yeates presented the Open All-Around saddle to Kim Lindsey. A lesson to be remembered is that B.F. and Kim were tied for the All-Around at the end of the year. As now, the cow work was the tie breaker and Kim won. The Novice All-Around saddle was won by John Chevrette of Austin. Kim had ridden the first of several bay geldings she showed in SHTX events. The horse was named Valentino Pauli who was sired by Pauli Olena, bred

and owned by Jack Brainard, member #1 and the primary founder of SHTX. I believe a horse from Jack's breeding program winning the first saddle very fitting. Jack will celebrate his 100th birthday in 2021!

Over the years the awards increased. In the future the slogan may read, "SHTX has come a longer way, baby!" For many years I have stored splint boots in a tote bag which was a top ten award in 2003. I had to replace the straps which wore out from years of bouncing down the road in the trailer. Top Ten vests were awarded in 2005; I missed out, but I still wear the vest Freckles and I won in 2006.

I hate to end on a sad note, but I must report the death of Don Becker, 62, last year. Don was a member of the Plano Fire Department and lost a battle with cancer. In mid-May 1998 he was elected and served as the first Vice-President of the Stock Horse of Texas Association. He was also a member of the original Stock Horse of Texas Leadership Team which was responsible for putting Jack's ideas for the all-around horse into practice.

We miss all of you and know that this Covid-19 situation won't last forever. Be well and be safe.



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If you are interested in helping with this venture, let us know!***