

México Regional Affiliate Finals and México Futurity Show

EXCITING FUTURITY FINALS CLIMAXES THE SHOW.

THE SECOND NRHA MÉXICO Futurity Show and México Affiliate Finals took place November 1–2 at the new Cadereyta Equestrian Center, just one half hour from Monterrey, Nuevo Leon, with NRHA judges Joe Hayes and Ed Cridge officiating. All the classes had more riders than were expected, and the futurity even attracted two NRHA Professionals from the United States—Justin “Gunny” Mathison and Jody Brainard.

México Championship Futurity

The \$5,000-added México Championship Futurity had a close race until the last five riders. Brainard on Custom Blackjack, owned by Claudio Ramon, posted a 145.5 to lead the round with four horses left to go. Then, Mariano Pedrero rode in on West Coast Belle-rina, owned by Alberto Bailleres. Their outstanding spins and good stops tied them with Brainard. Still to come was Mathison riding Inwhizable Smoke, owned by of Prudencio “Chencho” Flores from Rancho Los Alamos in Nuevo Leon. After a great spin and very good circles, it seemed as though the futurity title would be going to an American rider, but the colt stumbled



NRHA Supervisor Show Department Melanie Rinehart, judges Joe Hayes and Ed Cridge, and NRHA Representative Raul Leal Cavazos.

NRHA MEXICO REGIONAL AFFILIATE FINALS

OPEN		
HORSE	RIDER	OWNER/LOCATION
1. Chic Man Can	Prudencio T Flores	Raul Leal Cavazos/Guadalupe NL
2.T. Hollywood Dandy Doll	Mariano Pedrero	Alberto Bailleres/Morales-Palma
2.T. Sparkin With My Chic	Alejandro Gonzalez	Carlos Gonzalez/Monterrey, NL
4.T. Lucky Lena N Bert	Mariano Pedrero	Mariano Pedrero/ Leon, Guanajuapo
4.T. Hicardi	Hilario Rodriguez	Hilario Rodriguez/ San Nicolas De Los Garza
LIMITED OPEN		
HORSE	RIDER	OWNER/LOCATION
1. Chic Man Can	Prudencio T Flores	Raul Leal Cavazos/Guadalupe NL
2. Hollywood Dandy Doll	Mariano Pedrero	Alberto Bailleres/Morales-Palma
3.T. Lucky Lena N Bert	Mariano Pedrero	Mariano Pedrero/ Leon, Guanajuapo
3.T. Hicardi	Hilario Rodriguez	Hilario Rodriguez/ San Nicolas De Los Garza
ROOKIE PROFESSIONAL		
HORSE	RIDER	OWNER/LOCATION
1. Chic Man Can	Prudencio T. Flores	Raul Leal Cavazos/Guadalupe NL
2. Whiz Del Reb	Juan Antonio Beltran Campos	Gilberto Leal/San Pedro

MÉXICO CHAMPIONSHIP FUTURITY

OPEN		
HORSE	RIDER	OWNER/LOCATION
1. West Coast Bellerina	Mariano Pedrero	Alberto Bailleres/Morales-Palma
2. Custom Blackjack	Joel (Jody) Brainard	Claudio Ramon/Del Rio, TX
3.T. Inwhizable Smoke	Justin W. Mathison	Prudencio T Flores/Autrey, TX
3.T. Smart Mr San Peppy	Mariano Pedrero	Alberto Bailleres/Morales-Palma
NON PRO		
HORSE	RIDER	OWNER/LOCATION
1. BR Beauty Shine	Alejandro Gonzalez	Carlos Gonzalez/Monterrey NL
2. Dos Peppy Oaks	Rigoberto Suarez	Rigoberto Suarez/Morelia Michoacan
3.T. Shekittyboon	Luis Guajardo	Luis Guajardo/San Nicolas NL
3.T. Custom Dorado	Ruben Pacheco Cuevas	Ruben Pacheco Cuevas/Oaxtepec Morelos

NRHA MEXICO REGIONAL AFFILIATE FINALS

NON PRO		
RIDER	HORSE	OWNER/LOCATION
1. Rigoberto Suarez	Rooster Brew	Rigoberto Marin Suarez/Morelia Micheacar
2. Alejandro Gonzalez	Sparkin With My Chic	Carlos Gonzalez/Monterrey, NL
3. Alejandro Gonzalez	Mif Summer Dream	Carlos Gonzalez/Monterrey, NL
4. Gilberto Leal, Jr.	Whizmo	Gilberto Leal/San Pedro
INTERMEDIATE NON PRO		
RIDER	HORSE	OWNER/LOCATION
1. Rooster Brew	Rigoberto Suarez	Rigoberto Marin Suarez/Morelia Micheacar
2. Sparkin With My Chic	Alejandro Gonzalez	Carlos Gonzalez/Monterrey, NL
3. Mif Summer Dream	Alejandro Gonzalez	Carlos Gonzalez/Monterrey, NL
4. Whizmo	Gilberto Leal, Jr.	Gilberto Leal/San Pedro
LIMITED NON PRO		
RIDER	HORSE	OWNER/LOCATION
1. Alejandro Gonzalez	Sparkin With My Chic	Carlos Gonzalez/Monterrey, NL
2. Alejandro Gonzalez	Mif Summer Dream	Carlos Gonzalez/Monterrey, NL
3. Gilberto Leal, Jr.	Whizmo	Gilberto Leal/San Pedro
4. Hilario Rodriguez	Heza Hollywood Angel	Hilario Rodriguez/San Nicolas De Los Garza
ROOKIE		
RIDER	HORSE	OWNER/LOCATION
1. Alonso Aguilar	Red Taris	Alberto Aguilar/Lomas Estrella
2. Alberto Aguilar	Magnums Nu Dream	Alberto Aguilar/Lomas Estrella
YOUTH 13 & UNDER		
RIDER	HORSE	OWNER/LOCATION
1. Jose G. Gonzalez	Reeses Whiz	Carlos Gonzalez/Monterrey, NL
2. Alonso Aguilar	Red Taris	Alberto Aguilar/Lomas Estrella
3. Jose G. Gonzalez	Hollywood Sequel	Carlos Gonzalez/Monterrey, NL
YOUTH 14-18		
RIDER	HORSE	OWNER/LOCATION
1. Alejandro Gonzalez	Mif Summer Dream	Carlos Gonzalez/Monterrey, NL
2.T. Alberto RAZ Aguilar	Magnums Nu Dream	Alberto Aguilar/Lomas Estrella
2.T. Gilberto Leal, Jr.	JXL Inwhizable Pep	Raul Leal Cavazos/Guadalupe NL

during the lead change, losing a step, just enough to lose one point per judge and finish in third with a score of 144.

The last rider, Chenco Flores, a local trainer, entered the arena full throttle on Mattamatics, owned by Gabriel Ochoa of Monterrey. With their long sliding stops they proved to be the crowd's favorites. However, in the back up, the horse stepped on his tail and sat down. Flores tried to stay mounted without touching the horse or the saddle, but it was all over for him. (He tied for sixth on Gerardo Leal's Smart Hicardi.)

There was a run-off between Pedrero and Brainard, but when Brainard had to leave for the airport to return home that automatically made Pedrero and West Coast Bellerina the winners of the 2008 México Championship Futurity. Pedrero also tied for third riding Smart Mr San Peppy, also owned by Bailleres.

Ancillary classes

The Mexico Futurity Show also offered a full slate of ancillary classes, including a \$2,000-added open. Taking the first three slots was Mathison riding JXL Inwhizable Pep, owned by Raul Leal Cavazos, for first; Von Won It, owned by Arturo Leal for second; and Lucky Satin Jac, owned by Gerardo Leal.

The \$2,000-added non pro was won by Rigoberto Suarez riding Rooster Brew, and Alejandro Gonzalez taking second on Sparkin With My Chic and tying for third on Mif Summer Dream. Both horses are owned by Carlos Gonzalez. ♦