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For Immediate Release:

Byars, Oklahoma – July 15, 2002 - Donnie Bricker, of Temecula, California, rode to the Limited Open Championship on Tuxskeeto, a gray gelding owned by his wife, Laurie. Donnie purchased Tuxskeeto from Don Murphy last November at the AQHA World Show. "Laurie needed a nice horse to show and I had always liked the way this horse worked. I had seen him late into his two-year-old year and liked him."

The pair had a nice go in the herd, but Bricker was disappointed in the reined work. "I didn't prepare him right. The ground was deeper than it was in the go-round and I didn't have him ready for that."



Donnie Bricker & Tuxskeeto owned by Laurie Bricker

Bricker's disappointment faded after the cow work. With a score of 152 down the fence, Donnie and Tuxskeeto turned in the highest score of the whole show. "It was awesome! This was by far the absolute best run of my life! Smoky Pritchett was right after me and he was smiling as I came out. He said I marked a pair of sixes and I thought he was pulling my leg. I looked at Nelle Murphy and she said that I marked a 77, 76 and a 76. I was so excited!"

Patty Pollard made a long trek from Gainesville, Texas to claim the Derby at Woodside \$50,000 Limited Non Pro title on Jays Story. Patty Pollard has shown her 5-year-old gelding for two years and is currently leading the AQHA Amateur Working Cow Horse standings. She also ropes on him and plans to qualify in the heading.

Pollard was pleased with his performance at Woodside and their total score of 424.5. "He was so good for me here. I was nervous on the day of the finals but Jay held together for me."

The Reserve \$50,000 Limited Non Pro title went to Tish Wilhite of Clovis, California on Tequila Slide. Fresh off her win of the NRCHA Hackamore Classic just two months earlier, Wilhite put together a score of 420.5 for the reserve finish.

Amateur honors went to Bo Davis of Kingsburg, California, on Whos Your Papa. Besides winning the Amateur title, which is based on the first round of competition, she also qualified for the Non Pro Finals and finished eighth.

The major presenting sponsor for the NRCHA Derby at Woodside was Johnson & Company Jewelers. Also lending sponsorship support were Diamond Cut Jeans, Joe Putnam and Ratto Construction.



Patty Pollard & Jays Story



Bo Davis & Who's Your Papa

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