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ARC CATTY DUAL & PHIL RAPP TOP PRELIMINARIES IN OPEN FUTURITY



Back in his native state of California, Texas trainer Phil Rapp was right at home aboard ARC Catty Dual when he piloted the mare to the highest composite score of 434.5 in the first two go-rounds of the PCCHA Open Futurity. By Dual Pep and out of Cat Mist, by Highbrow Cat, ARC Catty Dual is owned by National Reining Horse Association Hall of Famer Eleuterio Arcese of Verona, Italy.

“She has been my number three horse all year,” said Rapp of ARC Catty Dual, who recently carried him to the Open Futurity Reserve title at the Brazo’s Bash. “She’s a very consistent mare and doesn’t make many mistakes.” He added, “Today I was blessed to draw in the third or fourth hole to work. We cut two cows I was confident in, and a third that my herdman Todd Bimat picked out. I liked today’s run better than the first go-round.”

Rapp and the mare earned a 217 in the first round, and a close 217.5 in the second. “She was a little more dramatic in the first run, and more conservative in the second,” he said. “I didn’t want to make any mistakes today, so we could advance to the semi-finals.” A composite score of 420 composite was needed to advance to the semi-final round of competition.

2007 PCCHA OPEN FUTURITY

Today's Schedule

Beginning at 8 am

Open Cutting Stakes-1st Go
Open 5/6 - 1st Go

Saturday's Schedule

Beginning at 8 am

Open Cutting Stakes- 2nd
Open 5/6 - 2nd Go
Ranch Cutting - 1st Go
Vendor Party-Vendor Lane
(Hosts Frank & Bonnie Martin)

Sunday's Schedule

Beginning at 8 am

NP & \$200k NP Fut.-1st
Open 5/6 FINALS
Pro/Am-1st (trainer)

PPH A REAL PLAYGUN CARRIES PHIL HANSON TO GELDING STAKES LEAD



Oregon trainer Phil Hanson guided PPH A Real Playgun to a 218 in the second go-round of the Open Futurity to earn the lead composite in the Open Gelding Stakes.

Right on Rapp's heels were PPH A Real Playgun and Oregon trainer Phil Hanson, when the pair marked a 218 in the second go-round to garner the second highest composite score of 433 overall. The performance also earned the high combined score in the Open Gelding Stakes. PPH A Real Playgun is by Playgun and out of a Genuine Doc mare and is owned by Washington residents Tom and Cheryl Petersen.

So far in the season, Hanson has ridden the gelding to finalist positions at the Northwest, Idaho and El Rancho futurities. "He's doing really good and is just a very consistent horse," he said. "He's got a good stop and a lot of eye

appeal...and he's just honest. That's probably the best thing about this gelding. He does his job every time."

Hanson admits he is a big fan of a gelding stakes program. "There are a lot of horses that would be better if they were gelded; and their just mediocre stallions," he explained. "I think the Pacific Coast has been a leader in this, and it's a really good program. It helps the stallion owners, because there are people who will breed to their stallions because of the money involved in this. It brings the value of those geldings up with that competition available." He added, "If NCHA would step up and do something like this in the Futurity, I really think it would be a great deal."

ILIKETHEWAYYOUMOVE & CHRIS JOHNSRUD CONTINUE TO LEAD \$50K

Ilikethewayyoumove, a mare by Ill Be Smart, and Chris Johnsrud topped the \$50K Limited division of the Open Futurity after they marked a 215.5 that earned them the \$50K division lead for their 432.5 composite, as well as tied them with CD Silk And Lace and Will Nuttall for the third place finish in the preliminary go-rounds of the Open Futurity.

“I was just trying to be really careful out there today,” said Johnsrud of his run in the second round of competition, where he had an adjusted score bump him up from a 210.5 to a 215.5 for a questionable switch on a cut. “I drew up in the third to the last work again in the set, but it worked out ok. The mare was great, she’s awesome. Every time I go show her, she’s just great every time. If I just get her a decent cow, she’ll do her job.”



Johnsrud, who trains for the Atwood Stony Creek Ranch in Orland, California, attributes much of his success to fellow trainer Shad Platt. “Shad has really helped me a lot all year,” he explained. “He sits up there and watches cattle with me and coaches me a lot.” The second go-round high-score was had by Little Miss N Texas and Cameron Verstegen who marked a 218 that gave them a 421 finish in the preliminaries, which advanced the pair to the Open Futurity finals.

OPEN FUTURITY \$50K LIMITED COMPOSITE LEADERS 420 SCORE TO ADVANCE TO SEMI-FINALS

1. Ilikethewayyoumove, Chris Johnsrud, Suzanne Silverberg, 432.5
2. Mr. Haida, Brent Erickson, Hanley Ranch, 426.5
3. Lil Miss N Texas, Cameron Verstegen, Green Gables Ranch, 421

OPEN FUTURITY COMPOSITE LEADERS
420.0 TO ADVANCE TO SEMI-FINALS

	horse	Rider	owner	Score
1	ARC Catty Dual	Phil Rapp	Arcese Quarter Horses	434.5
2	PPH A Real Playgun	Phil Hanson	Sheryl & Tom Petersen	433.0
3-4	CD Silk N Lace	Will Nuttall	Switchback Cutting Horses	432.5
3-4	Ilikethewayyoumove	Chris Johnsrud	Suzanne Silverberg	432.5
5-6	Cats Full Moon	Tim Smith	Brinkman Ranch, LLC	432.0
5-6	Smart Cha Ching	Russ Miller	Russ & Jill Miller	432.0
7-8	Pouncin	Russ Miller	Jonathan & Kathy Foote	431.5
7-8	Samantics	Andrew Coates	Scott Gaddy	431.5
9-10	Haidas Heritage	Matt Sargood	David Phair	429.5
9-10	Rubys Royal CD	Phil Hanson	Frank & Bonnie Martin	429.5

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