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IM COUNTIN CHECKS CARRIES MATT GAINES TO OPEN 5/6 YEAR-OLD LEAD

Im Countin Checks, a five-year-old stallion by Smart Lil Ricochet and out of Autumn Boon, by Dual Pep, dominated the first round of competition in the 5/6 Year-Old Open on Thursday with Texan Matt Gaines in the saddle. Owned by Tommy Manion, Aubrey, Texas, the horse marked a 221 for the lead over the 219.5 run delivered by Sierras Dual Flash and California trainer John Ward.



Matt and Tara Gaines

Im Countin Checks previously carried Gaines to a third place finish in the 2005 NCHA Open Futurity, as well as the 5/6 Year-Old Open Championship at the Bonanza earlier this year, as well as a Reserve Open Title at the Breeder's Invitational. Prior to arriving in California, the pair had accrued over \$292,000 in winnings. "He's a special horse that tries hard

and gives a lot of effort," said Gaines, who has had the stallion in his barn since his two-year-old year. "He stops hard...and he's smart and has really been a good, solid horse. He's got what it takes to be a winner."

Drawing up second to work in the sixth set of the day, Gaines said the cattle took some adjusting to when he arrived in California. "It's always a little tough at first coming out here and working steers," he mentioned. "We're so used to working heifers (back in Texas). It's a little different feeling. These cows today have been tough to read." He added, "This horse has a really big heart, and every run I've had on him the past six month - he's given me all he has under some tough conditions."

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Today's Schedule	Sunday's Schedule	Monday's Schedule
Beginning at 8 am	Beginning at 8 am	Beginning at 8 am
Open Cutting Stakes- 1ST cont.	Open Cutting Stakes-2nd	NP & \$200k NP 5/6 - 1st
Open 5/6 - 2nd Go	Open 5/6 FINALS	NP & \$200k NP Fut. - 2nd
Ranch Cutting - 1st Go	Pro/Am-1st(trainer)	NP & \$200k NP Stakes - 1st
Vendor Party-Vendor Lane		
(Hosts Frank & Bonnie Martin)		

SR RUFF CHOICE & MATT SARGOOD TOP 5/6 GELDING DIVISION

The Gelding division of the Open 5/6 Year Old class was led by Acampo, California trainer Matt Sargood and SR Ruff Choice. The horse, owned by David Phair, Sunnyside Stock



Farm, LLC of Chula Vista, carried his trainer to a 218.5 run in the first go-round of competition, giving the team a one-point margin advantage over the next highest score of 217.5 earned by CD Hombre & Gary Gonsalves.

“He’s been a nice horse ever since we got him near the end of his four-year-old year,” said Sargood of his six-year-old mount by SR Instant Choice and out of Freckles For Sure, by Colonel Freckles. “He’s won a little more than \$32,000 since I’ve had him. He’s a little tiny horse, but he tries his heart out and he stops real good and is really quick. I just love him.”

“There needs to be something for the geldings,” commented Sargood. “This horse’s owner, for example, only has geldings. He doesn’t care to promote a mare or stud. We can currently get into a better gelding for less money than a mare or stud prospect. Having purses like this makes it that much more desirable to buy a gelding.

If you’re going to run a gelding through a sale, having incentives out there to show that horse is all the better reason to buy him.”

Matt added, “I personally owned a stud that is now deceased. I own four two-year-old colts by him, three of which are geldings. I subscribed the stallion in order to have a shot at the 3yr Old Gelding Stakes money.”

OPEN 5/6 GELDING DIVISION 1ST Go-Round Leaders

Sr Ruff Choice	Matt Sargood	David Phair	218.5
CD Hombre	Gary Gonsalves	Iron Rose Ranch	217.5
Credible Cat	Phil Hanson	Bobbie Howe	217.0
Mr Lizzy	Andrew Coates	Greg Reyes	217.0
Cf Playboy	Lee Francois	Ted Turner	217.0
Merada Rey	David Costello	Steve & Kay Petterson	216.0
Play Stocks	Gavin Jordan	Bill & Cindy McCarver	216.0
Quixote Special	Mitch Davis	Stacy Fox	215.5

OPEN 5/6 YEAR –OLD 1ST GO-ROUND LEADERS

Im Countin Checks	Matt Gaines	Tommy Manion	221.0
Sierras Dual Flash	John Ward	Susan & Jerry Levees	219.5
Autumn Acre	Phil Rapp	Autumn Alliance, Lap	219.5
Pepto Rio Playboy	J B McLamb	Tim Brewer	219.5
Emanates Algeria	Russ Miller	Kathy Raiser Foote	219.0
Frecklesareinstyle	Tim Smith	John & Kara Kratzer	219.0
Sr Ruff Choice	Matt Sargood	David Phair	218.5
Absolutely Stunning	Phil Rapp	Tommy Manion/ Karen Freeman	218.0
My Wife	David Costello	Steve & Kay Petterson	218.0
Woody Be Tuff	Don Crumpler	Jill Peacock	217.5
CD Hombre	Gary Gonsalves	Iron Rose Ranch	217.5
Precious Lil Pearl	Scott Weis	Dana/rod Heinrich	217.0
Lenas Dualin	J B McLamb	Tim Brewer	217.0
Cf Playboy	Lee Francois	Ted Turner	217.0
Credible Cat	Phil Hanson	Bobbie Howe	217.0
Mr Lizzy	Andrew Coates	Greg Reyes	217.0
Etickets Cat	Tim Smith	Wagonhound Land/livestock	216.5
Playing On An Acre	Salvador Cabral	Oliver Gunnels	216.0
Play Stocks	Gavin Jordan	Bill & Cindy Mccarver	216.0
Merada Rey	David Costello	Steve & Kay Petterson	216.0
Rio Gato	Dell Bell	Jackson Land & Cattle	216.0
Allota Playtime	Phil Hanson	Bobbie Howe	216.0
Color A Star	Lee Francois	Starkey Smith	216.0
Rey Jay Play	Phil Hanson	Lazy H Ranch	216.0 .0

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