

## CHRISTY ACHTERHOF WINS NRSHA NATIONAL CHAMPIONSHIP

National Ranch and Stock Horse Alliance, Guthrie, Oklahoma – Christy Achterhof of Newcastle, Wyoming, captured the All-Around Novice Amateur National Championship at the inaugural National Ranch and Stock Horse Alliance (NRSHA) National Championship Show held in conjunction with the Zoetis AQHA Versatility Ranch Horse World Championship Show on June 16 at the Lazy E in Guthrie, Oklahoma.

Achterhof showed Kings Silk, a 2014 blue roan American Quarter Horse mare by BA King and out of Silks Amazing Grace. Shawn and Darcy Acord of Weston, Wyoming bred the mare.

Nearly 725 entries competed in ranch trail, ranch reining, ranch riding, ranch cutting, ranch boxing and ranch cow work. In total, more than \$62,000 in cash and\_prizes was awarded at the event. The All-Around Novice Amateur Champion received a prize package that included a sterling-silver buckle by Awards Recognition Concepts and specially



designed logoed jacket sponsored by Plan 4 Progress by Carter Ranch Horses.

The newly formed National Ranch and Stock Horse Alliance is comprised of six ranch/stock horse associations – East Coast Stock Horse Association, National Versatility Ranch Horse Association, Oklahoma Stock Horse Association, Stock Horse of Texas, Western States Versatility Ranch Horse Association and the American Quarter Horse Association.

NRSHA classes were held concurrently with the Zoetis AQHA Versatility Ranch Horse World Championship Show classes. More information about NRSHA can be found at <u>www.ranchhorse.net</u>. Full results can be found at <u>www.aqha.com/versatility</u>.

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