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GOLD STIRRUP AT RODEO AUSTIN HAS ANOTHER SUCCESSFUL YEAR

Austin, Texas, March 13, 2016 – The Gold Stirrup Horse Show at Rodeo Austin, presented by Johnny âCarino’s, is a show for riders with special needs across Texas.

Rodeo Austin introduced the Gold Stirrup Horse Show in 2010. For these competitors, riding is an important tool in both recreation and rehabilitation. Riding is also a type of therapy, helping strengthen muscles, improve both concentration and balance and build self-confidence.

Gold Stirrup contestants can participate in an array of events including barrels, trails, western equestrian, English equestrian and showmanship.

Bailey Baker, an 11-year-old from Georgetown, Texas, is a returning competitor and enjoys getting the opportunity to compete and work with horses.

“My favorite part of my week is riding my horse, Copper,” Baker said.

He also stated that coming here has been fun for him and his family. “I have been here once before in 2013, and I am back to show now,” Baker said. “I have had fun today.”

Baker won Showmanship, Level BI, and competed in barrels, trail and western equestrian. He said he will continue to ride, and is a part of the Towns Mill Equestrian Team.

Media interested in attending should contact Presley Holloway, Marketing Coordinator, at Presley@RodeoAustin.com or 512-919-3000.



Rodeo Austin will continue to showcase horse and livestock shows through March 26, 2016.



**2016 GOLD STIRRUP HORSE SHOW
Buckle Results**

CLASS	Division	Placing	Heat	Exhibitor	Club
1	Trail, Level AI	1		Dillon Smith	Stable Strides
	W/T/C Independent				
2	Trail, Level BI	1		Abigail Smith	Stable Strides
	W/T Independent				
3	Trail, Level BS	1		Aden Thompson	S.H.A.R.E
	W/T Supported				
4	Trail, Level CI	1		Ashlyn Crites	Stable Strides
	Walk- Independent				
5	Trail, Level CS	1		Melissa Flowers	JoyRide Center
	Walk- Supported				
6	Showmanship, Level AI	1		Anna Kehoe	Stable Strides
	W/T Independent				
7	Showmanship, Level BI	1		Bailey Baker	Towns Mill Equestrian
	W/T Independent				
8	Showmanship, Level BS	1		Alexa Nykaza	Dream a Dream Therapeutic Horsemanship
	W/T Supported				
9	Showmanship, Level CI	1		Joel Haltom	Stable Strides
	Walk, Independent				
10	Showmanship, Level CS	1		Marissa Mason	AWARE
	Walk, Supported				
11	Western Equitation, Level AI	1		Dillon Smith	Stable Strides
	W/T/C Independent				
12	Western Equitation, Level BI	1	1	Brooke Oerliti	Stable Strides
	W/T Independent	1	2	Abigail Smith	Stable Strides
13	Western Equitation, Level BS	1		Peyton Gutierrez	R.O.C.K
	W/T Supported				
14	Western Equitation, Level CI	1	1	Danny Helmuth	Marbridge Longhorn Equestrian Team
	Walk, Independent				
15	Western Equitation, Level CS	1	1	Melissa Flowers	JoyRide Center
	Walk, Supported	1	2	Taylor Yarnell	Marbridge Longhorn Equestrian Team
		1	3	Julie May	Marbridge Longhorn Equestrian Team
16	English Equitation, Level AI	1		Dillon Smith	Stable Strides
	W/T/C Independent				
17	English Equitation, Level BI	1		Jessica Rogers	Stable Strides
	W/T Independent				
18	English Equitation, Level BS	1		Jordan Powell	Dream a Dream Therapeutic Horsemanship
	W/T Supported				
19	English Equitation, Level CI	1		Ashlyn Crites	Stable Strides
	Walk, Independent				
20	English Equitation, Level CS	1	1	Sofia Jimenez	Healing with Horses Ranch
	Walk, Supported	1	2	Melissa Flowers	JoyRide Center
22	Barrels, Level BI	1	1	Raeann Herrera	Dream a Dream Therapeutic Horsemanship
	W/T Independent				
23	Barrels, Level BS	1		McKenna Thatcher	Beyond the Arena
	W/T Supported				
24	Barrels, Level CI	1		Veire Vandavere	R.O.C.K
	Walk, Independent				
25	Barrels, Level CS	1		Jack Joseph	Marbridge Longhorn Equestrian Team
	Walk, Supported				