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OUTSTANDING WORLD CHAMPIONSHIP APPALOOSA YOUTH SHOW FOR KRISTA HETRICK

JACKSON, Miss.—The Appaloosa Horse Club (ApHC) and the Appaloosa Youth Association (AYA) would like to congratulate Krista Hetrick of Finleyville, Pa., on her accomplishments at the 62nd National Appaloosa Show & 2009 World Championship Appaloosa Youth Show, June 22-July 4, in Jackson, Miss. Krista and her Appaloosa gelding, Taris Rebel, rode their way to victory in multiple classes.

Krista and “Rebel” kicked off their hot streak with a win in the open Rope Race—one of the show’s most competitive classes—during the National Show. The pair fought out their opponents of all ages to earn a National Championship in the class!

Krista and Rebel then went on to earn the Youth World Reserve Championship in Camas Prairie Stump Race, 13 & Under, as well as 9th place in Figure Eight Stake Race, 13 & Under.

Though Krista and Rebel performed well at the both National Show and Youth World Championship, the victories did not come without hard work and perseverance.

“It has been a challenge training my own horse,” Krista said. “I lost plenty of times, but kept working hard.”

Krista is deservedly proud of her own hard work and accomplishments, but she was also thrilled to see Rebel succeed at the shows.

“I’m so excited to see Rebel do well,” Krista said. “He constantly tests me—nothing with him is easy—but he is my once-in-a-lifetime horse and I love him.”

The National Appaloosa Show, the longest-running single breed championship show in the nation, takes place each summer. The 63rd National Appaloosa Show & 2010 World Championship Appaloosa Youth Show will once again be hosted in Jackson, Miss., June 21-July 3.

For more information regarding Krista and Rebel, please contact Lynn Hetrick at (724) 348-6145/

For more information about the ApHC and its events, please visit www.appaloosa.com.

The Appaloosa Horse Club (ApHC) was established in 1938 with a mission of preserving, promoting and enhancing the Appaloosa breed. The ApHC has since registered more than 670,000 Appaloosas, which are known for their distinctive color, intelligence and even temperament. True to their reputation as an extremely versatile breed, Appaloosas can be found in nearly every discipline including racing, endurance riding and serving as reliable family horses. The international breed registry is headquartered in Moscow, Idaho, the heart of the Palouse region—the Appaloosa breed’s namesake and point of origin.

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