

## **Great Promotion for cutting: top-class sport without bridle**

The very best promotion for western riding: Americana offered a bridleless cutting for the first time on Wednesday evening. Eleven riders showed world class cutting, and that with a neck ring only!

The first female rider presented a powerful performance: Famous Sheri Mason, an American trainer who is living in Italy, worked three cattle with her Paint stallion Smartys Lil Cowboy and scored point by point: in the end she had a score of 146, which meant fourth place. Bad luck for Denis Pini: his second cow didn't really want to participate. He couldn't collect any plus points at this stage. With a score of 144 he finished fifth.

## **Tie on first place between Yvonne Heinzer and Martina Annovazzi**

Yvonne Heinzer was the third starter to make a big splash. Supported by her trainer Sheri Mason, who was happy after the ride, the Swiss lady started from the first second. She and her Snappy Hunter hypnotized the first cow in the middle and were able to work it for a very long time. So she collected a lot of plus points and ended up with a 149. That was the Championship. But Yvonne Heinzer didn't take it alone, because Martina Annovazzi was supposed to be co-champion. Martina Annovazzi is well known to many Americana visitors, without them perhaps knowing. The Italian is this year's Americana poster motif. With Iminent Cat she also showed Cutting in world class format especially when working with the first cow! And that was 149 points in the end, the prize money was divided up accordingly. Ute Holm secured third place on Cat Garrett with 147.5 points - and was rightly very proud of it.

## **Italy takes lead in Nations Cup after Herd Work**

As expected, Italy proved already in the first discipline of the Nations Cup why they are considered to be the favourites of this competition. In the Herd Work, the Italian team with Alessandro Coppari on Thaz a boy, Ricky Bordignon on Player Cat, Samuele Poli Barberis on Highbrow Fletch and Markus Schöpfer on Peptos Lil Bingo collected a total of 658 points. Ricky Bordignon set Top score in the Herd Work with a 223.

Switzerland took second place after the Herd Work. Christoph Seiler on Magic Nu Cash, Shirley Schalcher on Big And Sweet BB, Eliane Gfeller on Walla Dundee Whiz as well as Antoine Cloux on Barrossab colonel provided 638.5 points. Austria started as the third best team. For the alpine country Hannes Winkler on Cattin Downtown, Peter Trixner on Chics Fluffed, Christian Kammerlander on JP A Berry Hot Chex and Nadine Hartmann on Okleos Holi Gold. They scored 625.5 points.

Fourth with 623 points after the Herd Work are the Czechs. For this team Tomas Barta on Smartest Aristocrat, Radek Holub on Chelsea Little Bar, Jitka Radosova on Metamoorpohosis and Jiri Rouicek on This Cats Light will start. The German team finished fifth after the first competition with 619 points. Joschka Werdermann on

Rock Me Graygun, Martin Schemuth on MR Chesmu Peppy Boon, Patrick Settler on Mas Quiero and Philipp Haug on Snapper Lil Bingo will compete for this team. Sixth was France (585) with Xavier Bailly on Bluster Rambolena, Jacky Molliex-Donjon on Bakers Premium Choice, Marine Richard on GS Top On Whizard and Buttigliero Laurent on Spangled Speedy.

### **Reined Work: Italy continues to extend its lead**

In the Reined Work of the Nations Cup, Italy further extended its lead. Also in this discipline Italy scored 658 points and now has 1316 points. Switzerland defended its second place. In the Reined Work, this team scored 645.5 points, a total of 1284 points. The Czechs worked their way up with 633 points and now a total of 1256 points to third place in the intermediate standings. Also Germany climbed one place to the front. They scored 635 points in the Reined Work (1254 in total). The Austrians slipped to fifth place (608 / 1233.5), France is still sixth (614 / 1199).

### **Kenzie Dysli with surprise guests Grischa Ludwig and Maik Bartmann**

The second highlight of Wednesday evening was the demonstration of Kenzie Dysli, who gave her own tricks and tips as she drew the connection from old Californian riding to freedom dressage. Surprising guests of her show were Grischa Ludwig and Maik Bartmann, who were swinging on the horses of Kenzie Dysli and presented single changes and pirouettes of the finest quality.

### **Markus Schöpfer claims the ERCHA Hackamore Open 5years and under**

With Oh Cay MC, Markus Schöpfer claimed the ERCHA Open 5years and under. He rode highscore both in Reined Work (221) and in Fence Work (216.5) which was a composite score of 437.5 points. Second was Joakim Pettersson. The Swede showed Nic It Cowboy to a composite score of 399 points. Styrbjorn Persson finished third and fourth on Wimpys Gold Spoonful (384.5) and SK First Timer (374.5) respectively, Michele De Simone took fifth place.

### **Marion Janousch wins ERCHA Novice Rider**

Marion Janousch won the ERCHA Novice Rider. Aboard Tuckerlinas Way she earned a 214.5 in the Reined Work and a 211 in the Fence Work. That was a total of 425.5 points. Dominik Schaeffer on Step Aristocrat MR and Hannes Winkler on PRF One Time Thunder tied for second place scoring a 420 each. Karl Simon on Bricks Smart Player finished fourth ahead of Roven Langkau on RP Lucky Peppy Day, Uwe Pfeiffer on PQH Spot on Chic, Mariella Pfeiffer on My Coco Girl Annie, Karlheinz Wetterich on Lady Tinsel Nic, Clara Marie Heinen on MCR Highgenuineoakey and Kerstin Angermüller on Genuine Dunonlena.

### **New "Equispa" fair novelty against tension in humans and horses**

A fair novelty of the Americana: A treatment means named Equispa for general regeneration and tensions with horse and humans. For this, Petra Zwaller developed the Moor Sole-Water. She can be found in tent A06 on the outdoor area near the Red Grizzly Saloon and already has real fans - including champion cutter Ute Holm.