



# BLAZER TIMES Spring 2024

American Blazer Horse Association

Miss Spokane  
Interstate Rodeo  
Queen 2024

*Amelia Johnson ©*

*New Asset*



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# Notes From the President's Desk

Spring is in the air! We made it through the long and dark winter. This is the time when our thoughts swing towards plans of spring and summer riding, showing, and time with our beloved Blazers...I personally enjoy filling our calendar with activities that we can do with our Blazers! And of course, the first on the list is the Idaho Horse Expo. It is an incredible event that the ABHA has participated in year after year! We always have a booth, a gathering place to discuss Blazers and to meet a Blazer in the corral! Our ABHA Board of Directors did an amazing job filling the booth with Blazers and giving the interested public the opportunity to learn about the history and understand the future too.

We did have to reschedule our Equine Trail Sports Fundraiser this year, unfortunately weather was a factor that couldn't be ignored. The new date is June 1st, and the new venue is Western Riding Club! The show must go on!

The ABHA Board of Directors are hoping that you have opportunities to locate up to date information on our registry, necessary forms to participate in our awards program, register or transfer your new Blazer, and that we are accessible to answer questions! Check out our website, Facebook page, and Instagram too!!

Hope to see you out on the trails soon!!

Thank you for your support!

Crystal Tonto

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New Asset (Newt)

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the  
Date

Monthly Meetings at 7:30 pm MT,  
Idaho Center Tickets Building in  
Nampa, Idaho:

June 26, 2024

July 24, 2024

August 28, 2024

September 25, 2024

Triple B August 10, 2024

Blazer Bonanza August 10-11,  
2024

Annual Banquet October 19, 2024

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2023

# Miss Spokane Interstate Rodeo Queen

by Amelie Johnson

**H**ello, my name is Amelie Johnson and I had the pleasure of reigning as the 2023 Miss Spokane Interstate Rodeo Queen. This job was no small task and I genuinely could not have completed my year without my American Blazer Horse, New Asset, or Newt, by my side. To be a rodeo queen fulfilled a childhood dream of mine. As a little girl, I grew up watching my local rodeos and was completely dazzled by the charismatic, athletic, and stunning women flying past me in chaps and crowns. I knew that one day I wanted to be one of those girls.

Newt and I have been a team for my entire young adult life, he has been my wings through every challenge I've faced us with. So I knew I could trust him to carry me through the



horsemanship portion of the pageant, however, I didn't have full confidence I could carry myself through the pageant. For months, I reviewed and studied cover to cover of the PRCA Handbook, made rodeo term flashcards, and talked with

every rodeo queen I could including former Miss Rodeo America, Katherine Merck. In doing so, I



flourished in the knowledge I received and felt my confidence growing with every passing day. Finally, pageant day arrived and all of my nerves from before subsided and I felt that although I hadn't officially won the crown yet I had earned something much deeper and was happy with whatever outcome the day held. At 2:30 on February 4th, my life changed forever as I was crowned the new Miss Spokane Interstate Rodeo and had won every category in the pageant including my most favorite: horsemanship!

I didn't realize the grandeur of the year ahead of me, but I knew I was going to be the best queen I possibly could be so long as I had Newt by my side. There were several memorable moments with Newt throughout the year, some of which include walking down the streets of Spokane at night covered in dazzling lights and flowy flowers, being asked to use Newt for a group of several children with disabilities to pet and handle because of his soft demeanor, and flying across the Spokane arena with Old Glory in the most beautiful presentation of our colors my coordinator had ever seen. However, one of the best stories I can tell you from my year that beautifully depicts Newt and I's relationship is at the Omak Stampede. The Omak Stampede is a historical rodeo dating back many years. It runs alongside an Indian Encampment and the arena itself is a dome inside a valley. I was warned that horses have a difficult time at this rodeo, they have to run down a hill to get into the arena, the stands hold about 8,000 spectators, and because of the shape and lowered state of the arena every noise in the dirt booms around you. To say I was a little nervous was an understatement as I watched several horses ahead of me lose their confidence and have a difficult time with the atmosphere. However, Newt handled this arena like a





a seasoned pro and this proved to be one of my proudest moments of the year. We ran in and he did his job so profoundly, it brought tears to my eyes! He even had enough confidence to be a buddy horse to other queen horses around him that were having a difficult time! We had two beautiful presentation runs, but on the third day during warm up he tripped and fell in the arena and I knew something was wrong. It took me just a few

seconds to look him over, watch him walk and quickly decide to pull us from the rodeo. I was asked if I wanted to ride another horse for the evening, but I knew at that moment Newt needed me so I gladly declined and we rested together the rest of the evening.

The relationship we are honored to have with these horses is something that should not be taken for granted. Newt proved himself not only to be an incredible horse with a deep confidence in himself and me throughout my year as rodeo queen, but showed me how important our friendship is. We faced many intense situations along the rodeo road which taught me vast amounts of lessons, but the one I treasure most of all is that we are friends and partners first with our animals and competitors second. There is no situation, prize, or crown ever worth jeopardizing that relationship.





# Quarterly Points

## Exhibitor Points

Exhibitor	Points
<b>Youth 10 &amp; Under</b>	
Kyper Vpat	2
<b>Youth 11-17</b>	
Rachel Zenahlik	2
Kayla Zenahlik	2
<b>Adult 18-30</b>	
<b>Adult 31-49</b>	
Katie Zenahlik	2
Anthony Zenahlik	2
<b>Senior 50 &amp; Over</b>	
Darcy Tonto	2
Jan Wallace	2
<b>Specialty</b>	

## National Champions

Equine	Points
<b>Stallions</b>	
Tonka's Legacy	67
<b>Mares</b>	
Champagne's Pop	84
Ebony's Cosima	82
Casey's Echo	52
Shammy's Rose Bud	50
Miss T Magee	10
<b>Geldings</b>	
Pop's Pete	106
Casey's Pilot	75



ALL POINTS REPORTED TO ABHA POINTS COMMITTEE  
FROM 10/01/2023-03/23/2024

# Quarterly Points

## Lifetime Points

Equine	Points
Cowboy's Cadillac	651
Pop's Pete	475
Tonka's Legacy	646
Rusty Red Rugar	374
Casey's Echo	345
Diamond Cutter	307
Canadian Legend	261
Encore By Ebony	250
Casey's Pilot	246
Ebony's Cosima	238
Knight Diamond	217
A Legacy of Diamonds	175
Soft Chenin Blanc	174
Champagne's Pop	164
Shammy's Rose Bud	150
Flamin Jose	112
A Music Legacy	111
Ebony's Classic Jazz	104
Ginger Diamond	79
Legacy's Trace	79
DeVita McGee	69
Meah Legacy	66
Ebony	59
Bold Fresh Asset	51
Style By Ebony	50
Legacy's Castiel	47
Casey's Diamond Jim	37
Streak of Shade	36
Casey's Little Mariah	35
S & S Sweet Lightning Bug	34
Casey's Cleo	30



# Quarterly Points

## Lifetime Points

Equine	Points
Casey's Cowboy	27
Hope's Legacy	24
Black Diamond Catolena	20
Rose By Ebony	20
Clear Streak of Hope	19
La Sombre	18
Legacy's Camino	18
Black Cat's Graceful Legacy	17
Legacy's Diamond Mirage	17
Grande Dias McGee	11
Red's Cody	11
Crystal Clear	10
Miss T Magee	10
Streak of Chrome	9

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10/01/2023-03/23/2024

## Equine Trail Sports National Tournament

Equine	Points
Advanced	
Intermediate	
Novice	
Ebony's Cosima	82
Juniors 12-17	
Youngins 7-11	



ALL POINTS REPORTED TO ABHA POINTS COMMITTEE  
FROM 10/01/2023-12/4/2023

# Quarterly Points

## 2024 Sire of the Year

Stallions	Points
Tonka's Legacy	
Legacy of Diamonds	
A Music Legacy	
Canadian Legend	
Legacy's Castiel	
Hope's Legacy	
Meah Legacy	
Legacy's Camino	
Legacy's Diamond Mirage	
Legacy's Trace	
Total	
Cowboy	
Casey's Pilot	106
Casey's Echo	52
Cowboy's Cadillac	
Casey's Little Mariah	
Casey's Cleo	
Total	158
Ebony Diamond	
Ebony's Cosima	82
Knight Diamond	
Ebony's Classic Jazz	
Rose By Ebony	
Encore By Ebony	
Style By Ebony	
Ginger Diamond	
Total	82

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FROM 10/01/2023-12/4/2023



# Quarterly Points

## 2024 Sire of the Year

Stallions	Points
Blaze's Poppes	
Pop's Pete	106
Champagne's Pop	84
Total	190
Jose Rio	
Flamin Jose	
Total	
Molasses	
Shammy's Rose Bud	50
Total	50
Sleepy's Streak	
Streak of Shade	
Clear Streak of Hope	
Streak of Chrome	
Total	
Straigh Shot McGee	
Grande Dias McGee	
Total	
Crooked River	
La Sombra	
Total	
Little Red	
Red's Cody	
Total	



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FROM 10/01/2023-12/4/2023

# Quarterly Points

## 2024 Sire of the Year

Stallions

Points

Rambo's Santana  
S & S Lightning Bug  
Total

Little Santana  
Soft Chenin Blanc  
Total

CC Cinnabuck  
Rusty Red Ruger  
Total

Blaze's Asset  
Bold Fresh Asset  
Total

## Open Events

Equine

Points

Stallions 3 & Under

Stallions 4-15

Stallions 16 & Over

Tonka's Legacy 67  
Mares 3 & Under

Mares 4-15

Champagne's Pop 84  
Shammy's Rose Bud 50  
Miss T Magee 10

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FROM 10/01/2023-12/4/2023



# Quarterly Points

## Open Events

Equine

Points

Mares 16 & Over

Geldings 3 & Under

Geldings 4-15

Pop's Pete

106

Casey's Pilot

75

Geldings 16 & Over

ALL POINTS REPORTED TO ABHA POINTS COMMITTEE  
FROM 10/01/2023-12/04/2023

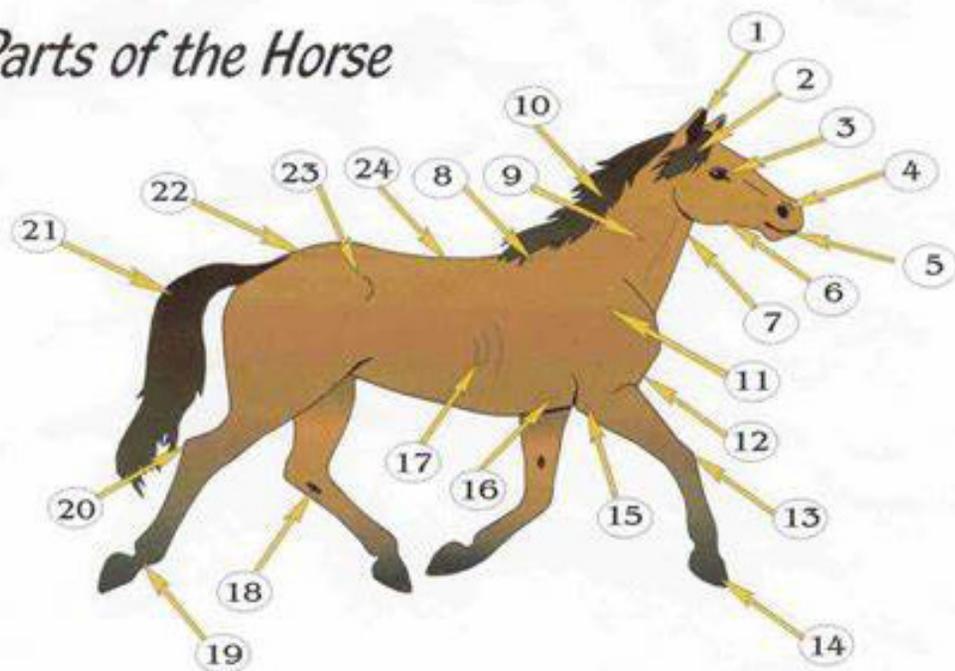
The screenshot shows the homepage of the American Blazer Horse Association, Inc. The navigation bar includes links for Home, Show Program/Awards, Publication, Handbook & Ethics, History, Gallery, Ranches/Stallions, Forms, Calendar, Contact, Member Login, and More. The main header features the organization's name, address (16114 Idaho Center Blvd, Suite #3, Nampa, Idaho 83687), and a logo of a horse with 'ABHA' on its side. Below the header is the mission statement: "To help people everywhere discover, enjoy and remember American Blazer Horses". A yellow box highlights the ABHA Store for apparel, including T-shirts, hoodies, hats, vests, jackets, and trailer decals, with a QR code for the website. A search bar and a "DONATE NOW" button are also visible. A blue sidebar on the left contains announcements: "Check out the Year End Results & Lifetime Standings", "New Fees Effective 1/1/2024", and a list of events with star icons: "Mark Your Calendar for these 2024 dates ABHA hosted ETS, Saturday, June 1, 2024, @ Western Riding Club Arena, 6301-6359 W Amity Rd, Boise, Idaho .", "Saturday, Aug 10, 2024 - Triple B & Blazer Bonanza-halter and Showmanship classes", and "Sunday, Aug 11, Blazer Bonanza- Riding classes". A large photo of a brown horse being led by a person in a cowboy hat is shown on the right.

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## Parts of the Horse



*Match the number with the part.*

- |            |              |              |
|------------|--------------|--------------|
| ___ Ears   | ___ Eye      | ___ Nostril  |
| ___ Neck   | ___ Withers  | ___ Shoulder |
| ___ Ribs   | ___ Girth    | ___ Chest    |
| ___ Hock   | ___ Elbow    | ___ Muzzle   |
| ___ Throat | ___ Pastern  | ___ Hip      |
| ___ Jaw    | ___ Forelock | ___ Mane     |
| ___ Back   | ___ Croup    | ___ Tail     |
| ___ Knee   | ___ Hoof     | ___ Chestnut |





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# ABHA Fees

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Required membership to transact any registry business with the American Blazer Horse Association

Annual Membership	\$35
Lifetime Membership	\$300
Weanling Registration (through the end of the calendar birth year)	\$35
Registration 1-3 years (starts Jan. 1st the following birth year)	\$100
Registration 4 years or older (effective Jan. 1st, 3 years following birth year)	\$200
Advanced to Brood Book:	
Mare	\$30
Stallion	\$125
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Update of Certificate (BHA to ABHA, Stallion to Gelding)	\$15
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Lease Recording Fee	\$25
Name Change (Restrictions apply - see section 5.11)	\$200
Lost Blazer program fee	\$50
Restrictions and board approval apply. Proper documentation of transfers is required.	



# 2024 Idaho Horse Expo

by Yvonna Bocci and Linda Crawford

The 2024 Idaho Horse Expo is in the books for this year. It was very wet outside but warm inside the Idaho Horse Park. A huge thank you to Terri Hinck for her hard work in getting the horses for the stall and people scheduled to man the booth. We introduced a lot of new people to the American Blazer Horse, helping us fulfill our mission to “Help people everywhere discover, enjoy and remember American Blazer Horses.” It is always a pleasure to also talk to people who have owned or still own Blazer Horses and hear their stories.

Friday morning we started the Expo with Rambo’s Santana F967, a twenty nine (29) year old sorrel stallion and his 9 month old sorrel stud colt, Santana and Comet’s Captain in the stall together. They were in the stall for almost 8 hours and were stellar examples of the gentle, well behaved American Blazer Horses. People found it hard to believe it was two stallions together and they were very calm and friendly. They had their picture on Channel 6 News and Linda Crawford did a short interview on the American Blazer Horses.



Friday evening, Allison and Kevin Layton brought Abigail (Abby) their thirteen (13) year old daughter and her horse EEC Better than a Bentley F2066 to be in the stall. They returned again, early Saturday morning to be in the booth stall and also rode in the Breed Showcase Saturday evening. Abby and Bentley represented the American Blazer Horse Association with only 2 days notice. She roped, did barrels, and did jumps including clearing a four (4) foot jump, all while riding bareback! She said she had not jumped that high before. Abby has done all the roping training herself as well as doing cow penning to get Bentley used to cattle. They did a stellar job showing the versatility of the American Blazer Horses. Thank you so much Abby and Bentley, Allison and Kevin Layton





Layton and Abby's friend. A special thank you to them for their extra efforts and going above and beyond to help promote the American Blazer Horses. Bentley was bred by Stevee and Lori Keller and was born in 2017, so he is only 7 yrs old. The Layton's bought him in 2021, they have only had him three (3)

years. Abby and Bentley have been out competing in the barrel racing circuit in the Treasure Valley. Abby and Bentley have also competed in the National Junior High School rodeo for two (2) years now. In 2022 she qualified and competed at Idaho State Junior High School rodeo in the barrels. In 2023 she qualified and competed in the National Jr High School Rodeo (NJHSR) in barrels. This year she plans on competing on Bentley in barrels, pole bending, goat tying and break-away roping at the Junior High School Rodeo Association. We wish them the best of luck.



In the summer of 2023 she competed in Barrel racing at four (4) rodeos in four weeks and won four(4) championship belt buckles, besides doing her weekly barrel racing around the area. Allison and Kevin took Abby and Bentley to the All in Barrel Race in Las Vegas last fall. There she won fifth in the 3D division, competing with riders of all ages, many of which have been barrel racing for years. The 3D division is only one (1) second off the top times in the nation. There were six hundred fifty (650) contestants. What a great job for a twelve (12) year old girl and her six (6) year old American Blazer Horse gelding. Abby and Bentley have earned almost \$10,000 in just 1.5 years besides the 4 belt buckles and a bunch of other horse items.

Saturday afternoon, Shawna Crawford had her twelve (12) year old grulla gelding, Linda's Cowboy F1959 in the stall for three (3) hours. This was his first time off the ranch and around a crowd and lots of new noises. Cowboy did a great job of



representing the blazer horses. He settled down quickly and really didn't react very much to the new noises and commotion around him. Cowboy was very impressive, standing at fifteen hands, stocky, calm and gentle. Shawna had lots of offers wanting to buy him, so she put up a sign, "Cowboy Not for Sale."

Saturday late afternoon and evening, Santana's Dotter F2065, a four (4) year old sorrel filly owned by David Crawford was in the booth stall. She has been at the expo the past 2 years. San-D, as we call her, was very calm and well behaved, except for reaching through the stall bars and trying to eat Yvonna's lunch and unplugging the computers to the booth behind us. She is very inquisitive and mischievous and not afraid of very much. San-D stands about 13.3 and is very stocky and filled out.

Sunday morning, Alexis and Nicole Lansdell brought in Pop's San T F1894, their fifteen (15) year old sorrel gelding to represent the American Blazer Horses for the day. They were there all day helping promote the Breed. San T was very well behaved and did an excellent job representing the American Blazer Horses. Alexis has ridden San T in various 4-H events and other events as well.

Besides those that brought in their horses and helped promote the Breed, we also want to thank Yvonna Bocci, Sam Hiskey, Monica Crawford, Sandy Flores, Cheri Jackson and Shay Fisher, Blayze Messner, Xaidyn Harmon, Maybelle Hartness for their help in the booth or with setup and take down. Job well done. Looking forward to Idaho Horse Expo 2025.



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# 2024 Triple B

Saturday, August 10, 2024  
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Come watch the best of the American Blazer Horse yearlings compete in halter class and in-hand trail! Spectator free. A great chance to network with other horse lovers. Entry forms will be available soon.

## Cutest Baby Contest

Our annual cutest baby contest is coming up!



Spring Time is the best time to get those pictures!

We always want to make sure we are getting the best pictures of our new born blazers!

Please make sure the pictures are high quality, in portrait form and far enough away to see your beautiful foals.



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# New Owner Alert



Steve and Kim B  
with  
Casey's Pilot and  
Legacy's Castiel



Nethia W with  
Bold Fresh Asset  
(Rocko)

Mindie  
Neilson-Howell  
with  
Callie Autum



*Congratulations*





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### What Is A Blazer Horse?

- To be considered a Blazer Horse, the horse must have at least one registered parent with a documented line to the foundation
- Blazer Horses must be between 13 hands and 15 hands at full maturity to be registered.
- Blazer Horses must have a solid coat color with dark underlying skin. These colors include brown, black, bay, and sorrel, as well as buckskin, palomino, and many shades of dun.
- White markings are limited to the face and below the knee or hock. Spotted coat patterns (appaloosa, pinto, paints) are not accepted into the registry.
- To be advanced into the Stud Book, both mares and stallions must be inspected by a veterinarian or certified inspector.



Marni Lombardo riding Encore By Ebony F-2035

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