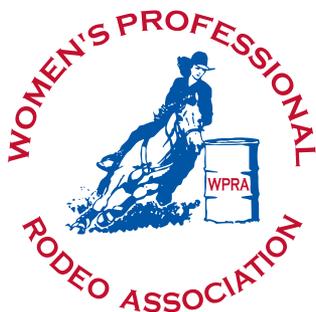


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# FUTURITY/DERBY AND JUNIOR DIVISION



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## FUTURITY/DERBY PROGRAM

The WPRF Futurity and Derby program is the beginning steps of turning barrel horse prospects into champion rodeo horses.

The program, which began in 2006, is for building better rodeo horses that will last through the years. The program gives members a place to take young horses and introduce them to the competition arena but in a more relaxed atmosphere.

The Futurities are open to horses 5-years-

old and younger that are competing for the first time, while the Derby program is for 6-and 7-year-old horses, as long as they did not compete in Futurities as a 4-year old. A horse that starts his competitive career as a 4-year-old has two years of eligibility, but as a 5- and 6-year-old.

The program has proven a great training ground for building rodeo horses of the future.

Lacey Kuschel, riding a 5-year-old sorrel named Western Goldmine, trounced Burger (who didn't enter the World Finals) by placing at six different futurities in Minnesota and Iowa.

Western Goldmine is by Ninety Nine Goldmine – a 16-year-old black stallion by Strawfly Special and out of Bird's Merry by Merridoc. On the bottom side, "Goldmine" is out of Leggy Lark – an old mare by Moon Lark (Top Moon and Tonto Bars Hank) and out of a half-thoroughbred mare.

Ninety Nine Goldmine, standing in Saskatchewan, is also the sire of Jane Melby's black mare RC Back In Black, on whom Melby

## Kuschel is futurity champ; Rios wins Finals

By Julie Mankin

While Mary Burger and Sadiefamouslastwords earned big money at futurities in Arizona and Texas this season, a Midwestern cowgirl edged Burger in points for the WPRF year-end futurity world championship.



Lacey Kuschel captured the 2013 World title in the WPRF Futurity division aboard Western Goldmine after collected 176 points on the year. WPRF photo by Peggy Gander

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won three rounds at the NFR a couple of years ago.

"We actually bought Goldmine because he was out of the same mare as my good rodeo horse, Rare Moon Rising," said Kuschel. "We really like Moon Lark horses – it just takes the right person to get along with them because they're a little flighty."

Moon Lark was a 1976 sorrel stallion by Top Moon and out of a half-thoroughbred granddaughter of Tonto Bars Hank (with a speed index of 94). Kuschel's rodeo horse, 12-year-old Rare Moon Rising, is out of Leggy Lark and by a Rare Jet/Oklahoma Fuel stallion.

WPRF champions are allowed to order their own custom-made trophy saddles, and Kuschel chose a Cactus, which is on the way to her family's cattle ranch in Sebeka, Minn.

"This title is pretty exciting," said 32-year-old Kuschel, who has always trained her own horses. "I have a good consistent horse and he worked good all summer."

Unfortunately, Kuschel didn't have the Finals she anticipated in Waco, although she did place third in the 2D of the derby in one round to earn \$502.

"I've been having some saddle fit issues," Kuschel said. "And Goldmine does better outdoors because he's so ratey."

She'll give Goldmine time off this winter and campaign him at some rodeos next summer unless her parents decide to sell him, she said.

Meanwhile, it was Callie Rios of Texas who

dominated the futurity at the Finals on Blazin Baby J, now owned by Angela Ganter. Rios earned \$4,219 en route to winning the average by two-hundredths over Stevi Hillman, who earned \$4,060.

Blazin Baby J is a 4-year-old colt by Dash Ta Fame and out of a Chicks A Blazin mare that was formerly raced by Aguilar Racing in New Mexico. In five starts as a 2- and 3-year-old, he had earned \$2,591 and a speed index of 87. Hillman nabbed second place on Susanne Moseley's gray horse One Smokin Ride by Blazin Jetolena, formerly ridden by Andrea Cline and Cassie Ward.

## Baur repeats as derby champ, Pozzi wins average

Ashley Baur of Gresham, Wis., repeated her 2012 derby world championship on the same mare – Love Man's Darling – this year with a total of 80 points to edge Sandra Hart and Hart Ta Fame by just two points.

"It was nice to have a chance to win it a second time," said Baur, 24. "I didn't expect it to happen with school keeping me busy."

Baur has just one semester remaining before she graduates and is ready to go to work as a dental hygienist. She had purchased "Darling," her 7-year-old cow-bred granddaughter of Hollywood Dun It, from reining horse trainers in Colorado.

Darling is by The Love Man – an own grandson of Freckles Playboy (crossed on a Doc O'Lena mare) and Doc Quixote (crossed on a Triple Chick granddaughter). On the bottom, he's out of a daughter of Doc O'Lena crossed on a Gay Bar King granddaughter.

And Darling is out of Darlin Dun It, by Hollywood Dun It and out of a granddaughter of Colonel Freckles that also goes back to Boon Bar. Doc Bar is on the papers of this mare no less than five times, and she also has a healthy dose of Sugar Bars crossed on a Leo daughter further back.

Baur and Darling missed competing in the World Finals in 2012 after Darling suffered an abscess in her shoulder that led to laminitis. This year, they were able to run in Waco, but it



Winning the world title in 2013 was extra special for Ashley Baur as she wasn't expecting to be able to defend her title due to her busy schedule with dental school. She has one more semester before becoming an official dental hygienist. WPRF photo by James Phifer

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didn't turn out as expected. Darling wasn't in the money and in fact presented some anxiety at the gate, which is totally out of character for a mare that typically can't be held back.

"I had taken her to the vet beforehand but there didn't seem to be much we needed to do," Baur said. "It was kind of discouraging to have that kind of Finals. With school starting I wasn't able to ride or haul much before Waco. I gave her five weeks off and just kept her in shape but I guess that wasn't the best decision. She was still sore and tired. I had to go home and re-evaluate."

Baur suspected ulcers could be the culprit, and was hoping treatment and other remedies would get the mare feeling great again in time for the Great Lakes Circuit Finals Rodeo in November.

"I've had a good year all the way around," said Baur, who qualified for the first time to the circuit finals.

Her new WPRA derby champion saddle will join last year's on display until she begins to use them. Each year she ordered a Marlene McRae Special Effx saddle made by Cactus – this year's

will feature Marlene's butterfly skirt.

Making the biggest splash in the derby at the World Finals was two-time world champion Brittany Pozzi on the 5-year-old palomino gelding Ima Super Fly Guy. Pozzi edged Latricia Duke (aboard the Schiller Ranch's 5-year-old stallion Epic Leader) by just six-hundredths of a second on two runs to earn \$2,754.

Both cowgirls nearly double-dipped in the derby average rankings. Duke (who trained Pozzi's world champion horse Yeah He's Firen) also placed in a round on Schiller Ranch's 5-year-old Insane For Fame, but hit a barrel on the mare in the other round.

And Pozzi also placed in a round on the DuPeriers' 6-year-old mare She's Free To Flame (also palomino), but took a penalty in the other round, too. Without the penalties, Pozzi and Duke would have claimed three of the top four slots in the derby average payoff – leaving a piece of the pie only to Morgan Mill cowgirl Laurie Jones, who finished third aboard her 6-year-old Royal Quick Dash granddaughter, Madona.

## JUNIOR DIVISION

It remains one of the most indelible images of WPRA history. Blonde curls bobbing, bat clinched firmly between her teeth, a barely teen-aged Clayton, N.M., cowgirl roared into the history books of barrel racing. Charmayne James was just 14 when she and super horse Scamper won the first of a record 10 straight world championships. Along the way, she captured the hearts of rodeo fans across the nation.

The site of young girls guiding their top equine partners flawlessly through a barrel pattern disappeared in the mid-nineties when the Professional Rodeo Cowboys Association initiated a mandatory age limit of 18 years of age for competitors at PRCA sanctioned rodeos. Due to the relationship between the two sanctioning bodies at the time, the WPRA followed suit and little girls no longer had a place in professional rodeo.

Beginning in 2007, the WPRA instituted the WPRA Junior Division for all girls aged 17 and under. The junior division introduces a

whole new group of members to the ranks of professional competition and allows mothers and daughters to compete for world points at some of the same events.

Juniors run in WPRA Junior sanctioned races as well as co-sanctioned divisional races and rodeos to earn points for the WPRA World Finals. Juniors can only earn points in WPRA Junior Division races, in co-sanctioned rodeos, and in the 1D of co-sanctioned divisional races. Juniors do not compete against WPRA members for points are not eligible to enter WPRA events or rodeos.

Among the big name races co-sanctioned for the WPRA juniors is the world renowned Josey Junior World Championship barrel race. Hosted by legends RE and Martha Josey, the 1980 WPRA World Champion, this race has played host to thousands of aspiring barrel racers through the years, many of whom have gone on to tremendous success in the ranks of the WPRA.

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# Terlip captures second Junior World Title in record breaking fashion

By Kristen M. White

A second junior world championship title is just as sweet – sweeter, perhaps, than the first, when it comes in a record-breaking year. Pretty exciting stuff for anybody, especially when you're 13 years old.

Kylar Terlip won her second junior world championship title, finishing the season with \$17,308 in earnings. She picked up \$594 at the Junior World Championships at the WPRA World Finals in Waco, Texas, to stay in first

place and out-earn Cashen Turner and Rylee Elliott, who finished the year with \$14,084 and \$13,482, respectively.

Her winnings are a record for junior world champions, something she didn't see coming earlier in the season but that is mighty exciting.

The previous season earnings record was set last year by Brookelyn Owens of Muldrow, Okla., who won the year-end title with \$16,261.

"I think this one is better (than her first world championship in 2011) because I broke the season record and I'm the first person to win the year-end title twice," Terlip said.

Simply put, she wanted to win again. After claiming her first title at age 11 in 2011, she finished second last year. This season, she knew the only place she really wanted to be was at the top of the heap, but because her horse (Firepowered Jet) has been out since May of 2012, she wasn't sure what her season would look like.

"I didn't know what kind of horsepower I would have," Terlip said. "What's been amaz-



Kylar Terlip of Frontenac, Kan., captured her second world title in the WPRA Junior Division in 2013 after finishing the season with record \$17,308 in earnings. She picked up \$594 at the Junior World Championships at the WPRA World Finals in Waco, Texas. WPRA photo by Peggy Gander

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ing is how many people have loaned me horses. They felt the trust in me and knew I was going to do well on their horses.

“For two years, I won a lot on Jet and I think some people thought I was doing it ‘on that horse,’ so I hope this proves to a lot of people that I’m a good rider and can win on a lot of good horses.”

After using a number of horses through the season, Terlip eventually found a comfortable fit with Nicks Zephyr, who belongs to Lisa McCool. The 13-year-old “Bubba” is “a goofball,” Terlip said. He hadn’t been run in awhile and was out of shape, but Terlip quickly changed that.

“We had a lot of trouble keeping barrels up in the first couple of months,” she said. “But then we changed things up and did well.”

Terlip said Bubba is “not the horse for the average” because he sometimes still has issues keeping barrels up, but going into the junior world championship finals, she knew she didn’t have to win the average, just have a good showing.

“He runs super hard at the first round and then gets freer, so of course we went in and hit (a barrel) in the first round,” she said. “It sounds kind of weird, but I was glad to get that out of the way and then just hope I could have a clean round, so I could win a little bit of money and wouldn’t be catchable for the world title.”

Terlip said it wasn’t until late in the season that she realized not only the world champion-

ship – but the record-breaking winnings – were within possible reach. She said prior to the summer it seemed near impossible, but after placing at several rodeos in a row, it became real.

Since she’s just an eighth grader, school still takes top priority for Terlip, of Frontenac, Kan. She does her “regular school thing” and travels every other weekend or so. Because most of her classmates aren’t up on rodeo, she keeps her barrel racing accomplishments among her family and rodeo-friends.

“I’m kind of the opposite of most people, who go really hard in the summer. We went probably at least once a month this summer, but try to go every other weekend throughout the year. All our horses are over 10, except a futurity colt, so I’m careful when I run the horses,” she explained.

Terlip said she hopes Jet will be making a comeback, but because several other horses were also on the injured list this year, she’s not sure what next season will bring. She’d love a chance at a third world title, but horsepower remains to be seen.

And of course there are always plenty of other up-and-coming girls who’d love a shot at the barrel racing junior world title, giving Terlip plenty to contend with. Winning the average at this year’s junior world championships was Kristen McQuade, who finished in a time of 31.33 seconds on two runs, followed by Caitlyn Wood, in 31.41 seconds.

## WORLD CHAMPIONS

2013 – Kylar Terlip, Frontenac, Kan.

2012 – Brookelyn Owens, Muldrow, Okla.

2011 – Kylar Terlip, Frontenac, Kan.

2010 – Callie duPerier, Bandera, Texas

2009 – Lake Mehalic, Oro Valley, Ariz

2008 – Tara Timms, Leedy, Okla.

2007 – Madison Montchal, Atalisa, Iowa

## CIRCUIT CHAMPIONS

2008

Badlands: Cassidy Kruse

California: Caitlyn Loomis

First Frontier: Rebecca Weiner

Great Lakes: Madison Montchal

Mountain States: Cassidy Wahlert

Prairie: Tara Timms

Texas: Emily Efur

Turquoise: Lake Mehalic

## 2013 WPRO FUTURITY/DERBY POINTS

Official standings as of Oct. 27, 2013

### FUTURITY

NAME	HORSE	POINTS	MONEY
1. Lacy Kuschel	Western Goldmine	176	\$3,538
2. Mary Burger	Sadiefamouslastwords	154	\$22,283
3. Vauna Walker	CP Konea	114	\$6,716
4. Stephanie Newman	French Kiss Of Gold	97	\$8,321
5. Samantha Flannery	CM Dynamite Shake	97	\$6,725
6. Sandra Hart	Magnolias Bubblin Baby	72	\$1,293
7. Jenna Cadwallader/Lora Nichols	Famous Meerkat	71	\$5,178
8. Maren Luedemann	A Dash of Champagne	65	\$2,675
9. Andrea Cline/Stevi Hillman	One Smokin Ride	55	\$4,437
10. Bo Hill	Flaming Boogers	44	\$238
11. Sandra Hart	A Smashing Good Time	43	\$780
12. Hallie Melvin	Charmed N Dangerous	42	\$1,558
13. D’Ann Gelhson	Streakin Sonofagun	41	\$2,274
14. Amy Schimke	Three and Out	41	\$1,098
15. Donna Kalish	DHR Livin Legend	38	\$673
16. Ashley Schafer	Freckles Ta Fame	36	\$3,368
17. Brittney Barnett	Firewater Ellie	33	\$352
18. Callie Rios	Blazin Baby J	30	\$3,920
19. Michele McLeod	NNN Fame Is Easy	28	\$2,197
20. Korrey Hansen	Disco An Perks	28	\$500

### 2D FUTURITY

NAME	HORSE	POINTS	MONEY
1. Colleen Vondra	SH Doctor Nick Bar	43	\$939
2. Sandra Hart	First Rate Special	29	\$1,149
3. Debbie Bloxom/Michelle Alley	Zap Em Ali	26	\$1,851
4. Kallie Johnson	Jackie Bee Short	25	\$666
5. Kelly Neisius	Hickory Sun Tan Marks	23	\$657
6. Sandra Hart	A Smashing Good Time	12	\$511
7. Stephanie Newman	Ima French Captain	12	\$381
8. Desirae Wheeler	TMGemDandy	11	\$1,312
9. Whitney Godnez	Roxy On Firewater	11	\$1,632
10. Skyla Whitters	Biar Frosts Azure TE	10	\$210
11. Desirae Wheeler	TM Missfire	9	\$339
12. Hallie Melvin	Charmed N Dangerous	6	\$1,617
13. Kimmi Byler	Small Memories	6	\$1,004
14. Barbara Johnson	Guys Six Pack	6	\$499
15. Sara Amerine	Dashing Dance	6	\$435
16. Pat Little Soldier	Famous Boston Party	6	\$299
17. Barbara Johnson	Wild N Speedy Guy	6	\$277
18. Sandra Hart	Magnolias Bubblin Baby	6	\$230
19. Noel Cosca	Cruisin For the Cash	6	\$208
20. Brittany Barnett	Firewater Ellie	6	\$198
21. Korrey Hansen	Disco An Perks	6	\$146
22. Chris Gibson	Jess Dashin Together	6	\$93
23. Kristen Holt	Cashin on Graham	6	\$76

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## DERBY

	NAME	HORSE	POINTS	MONEY
1.	Ashley Baur	Love Man's Darling	80	\$2,126
2.	Sandra Hart	Hart Ta Fame	78	\$1,302
3.	Kim Chesmore	Eye Cee Passum	40	\$781
4.	Amy Schimke	Its Complicated	37	\$902
5.	Kendall Purgatorio	Fueled For Fun	33	\$1,146
6.	Savannah Pearson	Easy Dashin Bella	32	\$1,777
7.	Hilary Van Gerpen	Great Funs on Dakota	29	\$1,125
8.	Tammy Whyte	Money N Perks	28	\$486
9.	Brittany Pozzi	I'M A Superfly Guy	28	\$2,173
10.	Sharon Munn	Romance Guy	27	\$233
11.	Latricia Duke	Epic Leader	26	\$1,892
12.	Laurie Jones	Madonna	22	\$1,568
13.	Desirae Wheeler	TM Miss laney	20	\$339
14.	Jessica Maahs	Sass and Dash	19	\$800
15.	Kelly Neisius	Bugs Wise Guy	16	\$313
16.	Sharin Hall	Cartels Fame	15	\$1,654
17.	Latricia Duke	LK Watch Me Rock	15	\$496
18.	Kallie Johnson	Take Em Down Moving	14	\$282
19.	Charity Seeger	Kodiak French Chick	14	\$168
20.	Valinda Johnson	Famous Dr. John	13	\$866

## 2013 FINAL WPRA JUNIOR STANDINGS

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1.	Kylar Terlip, Frontenac, Kan.	\$17,308
2.	Cashen Turner, Plains, Kan.	\$14,084
3.	Rylee Elliott, Newberry, Fla.	\$13,482
4.	Merrill Mundy, Parrish, Fla.	\$11,563
5.	Channing Witt, Palm Beach Gardens, Fla.	\$7,112
6.	Cayla Melby, Burneyville, Okla.	\$5,695
7.	Emilee Jackson, High Springs, Fla.	\$5,463
8.	Jacqueline Ganter, Abilene, Texas	\$5,377
9.	Megan Rogers, Dade City, Fla.	\$5,224
10.	Darby Duncan, Cameron, Okla.	\$4,347
11.	Cierra Chapman, Kiowa, Okla.	\$4,341
12.	Jacie Etbauer, Edmond, Okla.	\$4,193
13.	Haley Wolfe, Flora Vista, N.M.	\$3,358
14.	Adeline Nevala, Sebeka, Minn.	\$3,093
15.	Casey Oliver, Belleview, Fla.	\$2,669