



National Equestrian Center
Lake St. Louis, MO

2017 Colt Starting!

The Show Me Equine Summit Colt Starting Challenge is a unique event designed to show the general public the way that young horses are trained to be willingly handled and ridden. The stars of the event are Young American Quarter Horses who have not been trained beyond the ability to lead at this point.

The contestants will have 3 1-hour periods to work with the colts over a two day period. At the end of that time each trainer will be judged on their ability to complete a required set of maneuvers: walk, trot, lope, stop and back. Each contestant will also be given a chance to showcase additional things they have taught their horse in a "freestyle" portion of the event. The freestyle portion will be judged by the audience and will constitute a portion of the contestant's overall score.

JUDGES:

Jim Dudley
Sterling Slemp
Mike Tivoli
Paul Zink

DAY 1

Sat. Feb. 25

3:30–7:30 PM

Arena A

DAY 2

Sun. Feb. 26

1:00–3:30 PM

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Jessica Pratt has been involved in the equine industry for as long as she can remember.

Her career in the horse industry began at Bob Heintz stables. At the humbling age of 8 years old, she started her own equine services business by cleaning stalls and exercising horses. When she moved to Rosebud, MO in 2007, JP Quarter Horses was born. From 2007-2013, Jessica devoted all of the time she wasn't in school to shaping herself

as a better horsewoman. She gave lessons, trained her own horses as well as customer horses, bought horses to develop and sell, showed and competed all over Missouri, and would sometimes act as a broker for clients looking to purchase or sell. In the fall of 2013, Jessica moved to Columbia, MO to begin her education at Mizzou. Jessica graduated in the fall of 2015 with a Bachelor's Degree in Agri-Business Management. She is a Missouri Rodeo Cowboys Association Money Earner in Barrel Racing and has won thousands all over Missouri competing in different barrel racing events. Jessica is the Show-Me Equine Summit Colt-Starting Competition Reserve Champion from 2016.

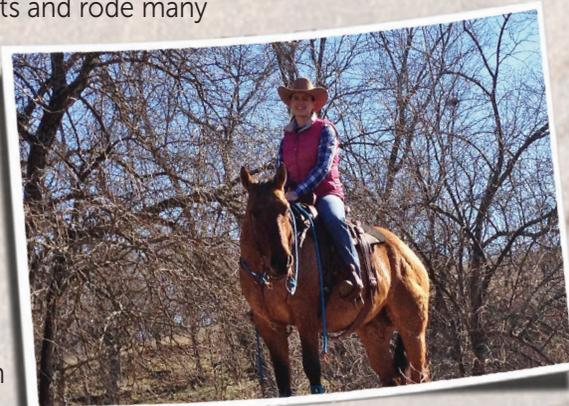
At the age of 23, Jessica currently resides in Ashland, MO and devotes most of her time to breaking and training barrel racing horses of her own and clientele.

Whitney Marrant's lifelong love of horses has directed her down a path of remarkable experiences.

She was riding a horse before she could walk, starting her first colt at age twelve.

Through her teen years, she started colts and rode many horses with the goal of joining Clinton Anderson's Academy, which she started the week after high school graduation and completed in 12 weeks.

Whitney was chosen to be a part of Chris Cox's Horsemanship Showdown, which aired on RFDTV in 2013, where she had the opportunity to start a colt and polish her horsemanship skills with Chris. Whitney worked for 6 months with Sam Smith, who was awarded NRHA's Non Pro 2016 coach of the year. She started



and got the opportunity to ride horses in many stages of their training under his guidance. Whitney stayed in Southern CA this winter, working with world champion Arabians. Her home base in Missouri keeps her busy breeding Quarter horses, participating in the colt division of the Ultimate Horseman's Challenge (UHCA), competing in the Extreme Mustang Makeovers, competing in four and placing fourth in the 2016 Colorado makeover. Whitney is a TIP trainer for the Mustang Heritage Foundation, starts colts of all disciplines, fixes problems between horse and rider, tunes finished horses, and gives lessons and clinics. Her goal is to help horses and riders of all ages and disciplines become safe, willing partners.

TJ Clibborn is a native Australian who came to the United States in 1990.

Soon thereafter, he started his True Partnership Inc. way of training. TJ specializes in training horses for all types of competitions and disciplines. He has numerous jumping champions on his resume and has recently competed in Mustang challenges. He has made the finals in every Mustang challenge he has competed in since 2009. His accolades include:

2010 reserve trail champion in MN

2011 colt extreme trail champion

2012 trail champion at Ft Worth

2013 reserve champion Madison



TJ says his methods have worked on every horse he has had the privilege of working with. He is looking forward to showing the "Show-Me" state his work!