

Youth Bridle Reserve Champion - Colonel Leo Lux
Owned by Aspen Meadows Ranch
Ridden by Sarah Allen 17 Points/\$605

Riding her 11-year-old gelding, Colonel Leo Lux, Sarah Allen earned the Youth Bridle Reserve Championship. The win was rewarding, especially because of the year's rocky start. "We started the year with lots of failed shows and fights between the two of us. I started to lose my confidence, and was afraid to show. But we have finally bonded and found the spot where we can still be friends when we show – but I'm in charge," Allen noted.



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The 18-year-old has ridden "Sunday" for a year, and says his determination makes him a winner. "He's tough and gritty, but he has a soft, kind heart just for me," she said.

In her spare time, Allen enjoys scuba-diving, wake-boarding, snowmobiling, and wake-surfing. She counts Jake Telford and Ted Robinson as mentors.

"Many thanks to my parents for being so supportive, and my sister Mary for being my riding buddy," she said. "Also thanks to Jake Telford and Zeph Schulz for all their help and encouragement. Thanks to my aunts and grandma for coming to my shows."

Although Sarah will be starting college in the fall, she hopes Sunday will still be a part of her life. "My showing will probably slow down, but I will continue riding and loving horses!"