The Ford AQHA Youth World Championship Show is wrapping up in Oklahoma City, Oklahoma. California’s youth qualifying team of 29 riders competed in a large field of exhibitors, with many receiving top honors. We congratulate each California youth for their hard work to attain the goal of attending this incredible Championship show and also to the exhibitors who were successful in placing. The competition is always very deep with the nations’ best riders and horses. Watch for results from our California youth team soon via social media and the Pacific Coast Journal.

Next up in the Championship show lineup is the AQHA Adequan Select World Championship show, held later on in August in Amarillo, Texas. This show is the highlight for select exhibitors and is always a fun, friendly, challenging event. We wish California select rider’s good luck as they compete for Championship awards. If you have never visited the AQHA Museum and Hall of Fame, it is worth the trip to Amarillo to do so.

We hope to see you at the inaugural EMO California State Championship Show and Fall Classic Quarter Horse Show and Futurities, October 4-8, 2017 in Paso Robles, California. Held at the newly renovated Paso Robles Events Center featuring the new covered Pavilion arena, allowed this show to be able to expand the show to include the EMO California State Championships (CSC). CSC entry forms were mailed August 4 to qualified California State Championship exhibitors and the Fall Classic show class list and forms (no qualifying necessary) are online at PCQHAFallClassic.com. In addition to the EMO
California State Championship show, the Fall Classic offers Western, English and Ranch rail classes and 5 futurities. We thank Don Crow and his committee, along with TEEM Shows for their show secretary skills in organizing this show. For details on the EMO California State Championship or the Fall Classic show, go to PCQHAFallClassic.com

We are sad to have lost a good friend at PCQHA. Don Trout, photographer extraordinaire and friend to all who show for as long as I can remember left us in August. We thank Don for the memories and will never forget his talented eye, wit and kind heart. Thank you to his lovely wife, Debbie, who has agreed to be the show photographer at our Fall Classic Quarter Horse Show and California State Championships. We are honored to carry the Trout tradition forward.

Remember, the final PCQHA approved show is the QHEAC Wine & Roses show, October 12-15 at the Rolling Hills Casino in Corning, California. This show offers 4 Versatility Ranch Horse AQHA shows, along with 4 AQHA shows and classes for cattle, rail, trail, jumping, versatility ranch horse, plus class awards, high point awards and qualifying for QHEAC year-end awards. As this is the final PCQHA approved show for 2017, it is sure to be a great show! Go to QHEAC.com for show premiums and entries.

I’d like to take a moment to thank EMO Insurance for their contribution as a major corporate sponsor for PCQHA. They have supported PCQHA for a number of years and had a major influence on our decision to hold the Western States Championship and California State Championship Show. When your insurance is up for renewal, be it horse or ranch or if you are considering purchasing insurance for the first time, please contact them for a quote.

In the next month or two you will hear about ideas that came out of our Strategic Planning Meeting in June. When you have a board that listens to our California exhibitors, innovative opportunities happen in our organization and with our shows. We have such a board. If you would like to share your ideas, or find out how to participate in our committees or learn how to join the PCQHA board, contact office@PCQHA.com

See you at the next PCQHA show,

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PCQHA president