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Christi Kugler and her Im A Smokin Fox shined in Ranch Trail and Ranch Riding classes.

# Surf's Up!

## Surf City Western Series brings it to the beach

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**H**UNTINGTON BEACH -- The competition may be hot, but temperatures are cool for this summer's Surf City Western Series Show Circuit at the beautiful Huntington Central Park Equestrian Center.

The four-show series kicked off May 11 with classes in reining, ranch, pleasure, horsemanship and trail. The kick-off show May 11 had a great feel, and several familiar faces finished at the top of the classes.

King Performance Horses in Chino Hills was well-represented with seven championships. Emma Ikerd rode CBK Holly Blossom to championships in three popular classes, Walk/Jog Open Ranch Riding, Walk/Jog

Open Ranch Trail, and Walk/Jog Youth/Amateur Ranch Trail to lead the way. Kailey King-Hale rode her versatile and athletic Gotta Have Style to championships in Youth/Amateur Reining and Youth/Amateur Ranch Rail, and Didi Engler continued her winning ways this year aboard the Lil Buckskin Baby with titles in Novice Horse Youth/Amateur Reining and Rookie Rider Reining Youth/Amateur.

Rick Baer's barn also shined at the show, including his championship in Novice Horse Open Reining aboard SS Tough Love, owned by Jesse Coker.

Remaining 2024 Surf City Series shows, managed by Track One Events, are scheduled for July 20 and Aug. 17. For additional information, visit the Track One Events website at <https://trackoneevents.com>.

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Lazy Lopin Lilly took five combined championships between Amanda (left) and her mom, Pamela (right).



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Sophia Ritchie took Patricia Houck's I Whiza Gangsta to the Open Reining title.

Sophia Bero and her Karlis Diamond Rio took the Youth/Amateur Ranch Riding.



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Trainer Leslie Thomson coaches Reagan Ford to the Walk/Jog Open Ranch Trail title aboard Josie Lakota.

**2024 SURF CITY WESTERN SERIES #1 CHAMPIONS**  
 May 11, 2024 • Huntington Central Park Equestrian Center

HORSE	OWNER	RIDER
<b>Walk/Trot Showmanship Y/AM</b> VS Cloud Dancer	Kristin Drum	Kristin Drum
<b>Walk/Jog Pleasure Open</b> Playboys Malibu Dream	Evan Morissette	Lisa Morissette
<b>Walk/Jog Pleasure Y/AM</b> Lazy Lopin Lilly	Pamela Karle	Amanda Karle
<b>Basic Rider Pleasure Y/AM</b> Chocolate Dun Dee	Lauren Firner	Reese Kropf
<b>Youth/Amateur Pleasure</b> Chocolate Dun Dee	Lauren Firner	Reese Kropf
<b>Favorite Gait Pleasure</b> Playboys Malibu Dream	Evan Morissette	Lisa Morissette
<b>Walk/Jog Horsemanship</b> Lazy Lopin Lilly	Pamela Karle	Amanda Karle
<b>Basic Rider Horsemanship</b> Lazy Lopin Lilly	Pamela Karle	Pamela Karle
<b>Youth/Amateur Horsemanship</b> Chocolate Dun Dee	Lauren Firner	Reese Kropf
<b>Walk/Jog Open Trail</b> VS Cloud Dancer	Kristin Drum	Kristin Drum
<b>Walk/Jog Y/A Trail</b> Lazy Lopin Lilly	Pamela Karle	Pamela Karle
<b>Basic Rider Trail Y/A</b> Lazy Lopin Lilly	Pamela Karle	Pamela Karle
<b>Youth/Amateur Trail</b> Im a Smokin Fox	Christi Kugler	Christi Kugler
<b>Open Trail</b> Im A Smokin Fox	Christi Kugler	Christi Kugler
<b>Novice Horse Open Reining</b> SS Tough Love	Jesse Coker	Rick Baer
<b>Novice Horse Y/A Reining</b> Lil Buckskin Baby	Engler, Diana	Didi Engler
<b>Rookie Rider Reining Y/A</b> Lil Buckskin Baby	Engler, Diana	Didi Engler
<b>Youth/Amateur Reining</b> Gotta Have Style	Kailey King-Hale	Kailey King-Hale
<b>Jack &amp; Linda Baker Qualifier</b> SJR Playin Smooth	Jesse Coker	Jesse Coker
<b>Open Reining</b> I Whiza Gangsta	Patricia Houck	Sophia Ritchie
<b>Walk/Jog Open Ranch Trail</b> Josie Lakota Reagan Ford	Reagan Ford	
<b>Walk/Jog Ranch Trail Y/A</b> Lil Boon Ricochet	Darlene Becica	Darlene Becica
<b>Basic Rider Ranch Trail</b> Bella Nitro Sam gangsta	Sam Mello	
<b>Youth/Amateur Ranch Trail</b> Im a Smokin Fox	Christi Kugler	Christi Kugler
<b>Open Ranch Trail</b> Im a Smokin Fox	Christi Kugler	Christi Kugler
<b>Walk/Jog Open Ranch Rail</b> CBK Holly Blossom	Heather Ikerd	Emma Ikerd
<b>Walk/Jog Y/A Ranch Rail</b> CBK Holly Blossom	Heather Ikerd	Emma Ikerd
<b>Basic Rider Ranch Rail</b> Bella Nitro Sam Mello	Sam Mello	
<b>Youth/Amateur Ranch Rail</b> Gotta Have Style	Kailey King-Hale	Kailey King-Hale
<b>Walk/Jog Open Ranch Riding</b> CBK Holly Blossom	Heather Ikerd	Emma Ikerd
<b>Walk/Jog Y/A Ranch Riding</b> Electric Sparkles	Sylvia Collins	Sylvia Collins
<b>Green Horse Ranch Riding</b> Tinsel Berri Katie Fellion	Katie Fellion	
<b>Basic Rider Ranch Riding</b> Bella Nitro Sam Mello	Sam Mello	
<b>Youth/Amateur Ranch Riding</b> Karlis Diamond Rio	Sophia Berro	Sophia Berro
<b>Open Ranch Riding</b> Im a Smokin Fox	Christi Kugler	Christi Kugler