

Chesler Cutting Two for Two

March 16, 2013 Okeechobee, Florida-also known as 'cowboy country' found Frankie Chesler second twice in the featured 'buckle classes' of both recently held competitions held by Gold Coast Cutting Horse Associations hosted by Frankie at her newly opened Trinity Ranch in Okeechobee, Florida. Both shows were beautiful sunny days with narry a cloud in the sky, with the first competition judged by Buddy Adams and the second judged by Brad McFarlane. Vendors such as McClellands Saddley since 1892, brought their detailed stitching, leather tooled, hand engraved silver trimmed saddles and bridles. Of course, the events would not be complete without a healthy serving of 'pulled pork', a local favorite. Everyone was sporting a cowboy hat and as Gene Autry, America's favorite singing cowboy sang, *I've Got Spurs That Jingle, Jangle, Jingle*-spurs in every size and musical sound.



Frankie Chesler & Pat Parelli

Both turnouts were great with cows learning the game and becoming even more difficult making the horses dig in and plant their feet even more for a better test. However, the competition really heated up for the buckle classes that Frankie Chesler could not crack as world renowned rider/clinician Pat Parelli added to his buckles. Frankie said, "He is a great feel rider and his horses are really in tune with him as mine are with me. However, if you must be second to someone, he would definitely be my choice. He winters in Florida and arrived with his six Team Parelli horses that we turned out in a paddock together and he simply saddled up one at a time." Frankie commented further, "I was so pleased with how consistent my horses have become with near innate mirror reactions to the cows." All in all, Sugarbadger Two won the \$2,000. Limited Rider and the \$10,000 Novice Horse Class with Handle of Faith second and she and Frankie were also second in the \$15,000 Novice Horse and \$5,000 Novice Horse Buckle Classes.

Riders were keen and their horses were intent on stealthly cutting out their cows and then making them their own in the fastest times. Loads of laughter resulted in both days with an eye on the calendar for a near future date. Presently Frankie is as she calls it, 'putting a barrel pattern' on two green horses, Pepper and Blue, a white/grey framed foal raised paint for sale. And don't forget 'Let Your Seat Feel the Beat.'