



Spotlight on OKYRHA Member Emma Holbrook

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2010 Oklahoma Youth Reining Horse Association Member – At - Large

OKYRHA Treasurer for 2010 and, NRHyA South Central Regional Delegate 13 & under Emma Holbrook is 13 years old and a 7th grader at Perry Public Schools, in Perry, OK. Her parents are Todd and Vickie Holbrook.

Emma likes to play basketball when she is not helping out at the family ranch. Her interest in Reining just kind of happened naturally, since she grew up around her mom and dad showing. This year they are expecting three foals, the first of which is by Smart Like Juice. One of her favorite things to do is play with the foals.

Emma's first horse was a pony named Riper. Emma's newest show horse is a mare named Starbucks Mocha by Smart Starbuck. She has been showing for approximately eight years. Her favorite part of the reining pattern is the spins because they feel so "smooth and fast."

Emma's favorite professional rider is Clint Haverty, because when she was little she had a horse that didn't want to walk into the show ring at the Lazy E Arena, in Guthrie OK. When she finally got the horse into the pen, Mr. Haverty must have been impressed with her because he hollered "Yeah, that's what I'm talking about," and that's something she will never forget.