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## Appaloosa Horse Club Announces 2016 Race Champions

**MOSCOW, Idaho**— Each year a new crop of Appaloosa Race horses hit the track, and each year, outstanding champions emerge and are recognized by the Appaloosa Horse Club.

Appaloosa Racing's *Horse of the Year* award was bestowed to the bay gelding STAR POWER INTENT. This gelding found his stride in 2016, also earning titles as the *Champion Three-Year-Old Gelding* and *Champion Claiming Horse* with lifetime earnings of \$41,349. STAR POWER INTENT is sired by the Appaloosa With Intent and out of the AQHA dam Power Buggy by Power Train. STAR POWER INTENT was bred by Daniel Grotheer from Kansas and is owned by Oscar Nunez of El Reno, Oklahoma. Our congratulations to everyone associated with this great horse.

The Appaloosa Horse Club is also pleased to recognize the outstanding COL BUCKS as the *Supreme Champion Two-Year-Old and Champion Two-Year-Old Gelding*. The dark bay gelding sired by the Quarter Horse PYC Paint Your Wagon and out of Appaloosa dam Joyball by Whirling Fastball, AQHA, earned \$34,629 – the second highest for all Appaloosa starters in 2016 only behind Star Power Intent. COL BUCKS is owned and bred by race horse breeder Gary Vaughan of Coalgate, OK and trained by Luis Villafranco. Congratulations Gary and COL BUCKS!

The following Appaloosas earned prestigious titles for their racing prowess in 2016:

- **Jess Cuz**– Champion 2-year-old Filly
- **Col Bucks** - Champion 2-year-old Gelding
- **Train Wreck** - Champion 3-year-old Filly
- **Star Power Intent** - Champion 3-year-old Gelding
- **Naughty at Night** – Champion 4-year-old and older Mare
- **KJ Cash** - Champion 4-year-old and older Gelding
- **Star Power Intent**- Champion Claiming Horse

Not only are Appaloosa horses honored for their contributions to racing, the ApHC is proud to announce the Leading Breeder, Leading Owner, Leading Trainer and Leading Jockey based on wins in 2016.

- **Jeff Adams** of Oklahoma was named Leading Breeder,
- **Becky Grant** of Idaho was named Leading Owner,
- **Dee Keener** of Oklahoma was named Leading Trainer, and
- **Randy R. Wilson** of Oklahoma was named Leading Jockey.

Congratulations to all the Appaloosas, owners, breeders, trainers and jockeys in Appaloosa racing. The ApHC is looking forward to another exciting race year in 2017! For more information, please visit [www.appaloosa.com](http://www.appaloosa.com) or email [racing@appaloosa.com](mailto:racing@appaloosa.com). For complete coverage of the 2016 race awards, pick up the April, 2017 issue of *Appaloosa Journal*.

### Appaloosa Racing

*Appaloosas have long been an integral part of one of America's most popular spectator sports—horse racing. The Appaloosa Horse Club (ApHC) officially recognized the sport in 1962, beginning Appaloosa racing history with 4 races and 23 starters competing for \$12,000 in total purses. In 2016, 73 starters competed in 189 races for \$1.93 million in total purse money. Racing fans can find Appaloosas crossing the finish line in, Arizona, California, Idaho, Montana, Nevada, Oklahoma, Oregon, Texas and Wyoming.*