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## Appaloosa Horse Club Announces 2018 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.

This year, one gelding stood out above the rest and was named Appaloosa Racing's *Horse of the Year & Supreme Champion Two-Year-Old*. Congratulations to **ADMIRAL TOM** and owner/breeder Gary Vaughan of Coalgate, OK for an impressive 2018. Admiral Tom proved to be a consistent runner in 2018. In addition to year-end Appaloosa awards, ADMIRAL TOM was named the Triple Crown Hi-Point Champion for placing second in the Speedhorse Graham Paint & Appaloosa Futurity–G1, second in the Speedhorse Paint & Appaloosa Futurity–G1 and fourth in the Speedhorse Lone Star Paint & Appaloosa Futurity–G1. He had 9 starts in 2018 with 2 wins, 4 places and 2 shows and earned \$87,642 for the year. ADMIRAL TOM is sired by the \$2 million sire Red Storm Cat QH by Mr Jess Perry and out of Tiny Dash of Cash by Dash For Cash. His dam is Eyesa Knockout by Mr Eye Opener QH by Dash for Cash. Her dam is the mare Wego For Cash by Rocket Wrangler QH. ADMIRAL TOM was trained by Luis Villafranco. Congratulations Gary Vaughan and ADMIRAL TOM for an outstanding two-year-old campaign.

The following Appaloosas earned prestigious titles for their racing prowess in 2018:

- **First Down Geno** – Champion 3-year-old Colt
- **Lota Black Beauty** - Champion 3-year-old Filly
- **D Railed** - Champion 3-year-old Gelding
- **Jess Cuz** – Champion 4-year-old and older Mare
- **A Time For Cash** - Champion 4-year-old and older Gelding
- **Lota Black Beauty** - 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 2018.

- **Jeff Adams** of Oklahoma and **Becky Grant** are tied for Leading Breeder,
- **Jeff Adams** of Oklahoma and **Becky Grant** are tied for Leading Owner,
- **Dee Keener** of Oklahoma was named Leading Trainer, and
- **Jose Vega** 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 2019! 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 2018 race awards, pick up the February/March 2019 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 2018, 71 starters competed in 169 races for \$2.174 million in total purse money. Racing fans can find Appaloosas crossing the finish line in Idaho, Nevada, Oklahoma, Texas, Utah and Wyoming.*