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Great Kids and Perfect Weather For 2018 Tony Nicoletti Memorial Jackpot

YREKA – The Siskiyou Golden Fairgrounds hosted the 2018 Tony Nicoletti Memorial Jackpot Cattle Show and junior exhibitors from across the west came to Yreka to compete at the annual Mother’s Day weekend event.

The Scott Valley Bank fitting contest started off the weekend with Clara Delong, Corning and Blakely Hittson, Yreka taking home first place. The competition was extremely close in 2018 and the members of all the competing teams received show supplies from Sullivan Supply and prize money. The golden jackpot started in 2010 and was renamed in honor of Tony Nicoletti in 2013. Tony Nicoletti was instrumental in getting the jackpot established in Yreka and was a firm believer that livestock kids need events where they can compete and build lifelong relationships with others in the industry. “Our jackpot show is one of the premier shows on the west coast,” stated CEO, Cliff Munson, “and it is our partners that keep it that way.”

Saturday morning, it was a pleasure to welcome Texan Brady Ragland, Livestock Director at the San Antonio Livestock Show & Rodeo as the official judge for 2018. In recent Tony Nicoletti fashion, Ragland was a member of the 2011 National Champion Collegiate Livestock Judging Team finishing as the high individual. The steer show was very competitive with several steers showing up in Yreka with jackpot victories in other shows. Ragland sorted three divisions English, Black/Black Cross and All Other Colors with Kambrie Murray, Lebanon winning the English Division, Lacey Augustus, Mt. Angel taking the honor in the Black/Black Cross Division and Madison Cox, Eagle Point winning the All Other Colors. Lacey Augustus walked away with the trophy halter and the \$1000.00 added purse. Reserve was won by Madison Cox. Madison was awarded the halter and \$500.00 added purse. The reserve steers in each division were; Emyli Palmer, Gerber, Ca. in the Black/ Black Cross, Melissa Stroing, Red Bluff Ca in the AOC and Riley Thomas, Bonanza Or. in the English.

Judge Brady Ragland was impressed with the quality in the heifer show. The Angus division champions were both shown by Seth Cox, Eagle Point. The Hereford division champion and reserve were both won by Hadley Harrison of Big Springs. The All Other Breeds division had Clara Delong with the division champion and Kambrie Murray, was reserve.

In the Commercial division Jenna Scherer won the division and Laynie Wright was reserve. The highly competitive heifer show culminated with Seth Cox winning Grand Champion with his division winning Angus female and reserve champion was Hadley Harrison with the winning Hereford female. Both Champions received a trophy halter and the added prize monies. Showmanship winners were Clara Delong for the 16 and older, Laynie Wright was the 13 -15 winner and Hailey Bare won the 9-12 division. The overall buckle was won by Clara Delong, Corning. In the Pee Wee division Hadley Harrison, Montague won the beautiful buckle.

In the local show on Mother's Day, the Mother's Day show was won by Carrie Brown. The local steer show was won by Nora Harris, Yreka with "Cop Car" her black and white steer and Payton Wood, Gazelle was reserve. The Heifer Champions were the top quality Hereford females both shown by Hadley Harrison, Montague.

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