

HOME OF DUN IT FOR WHIZKEY AND DUN IT FOR CHEX, CARDINAL RANCH IS LEADING THE WAY IN THE REINING INDUSTRY.

t's seldom that a person jumps into the reining business and has an immediate industry-wide influence. However, that's exactly what Brazilian native Joao Marcos has done. Since 2013, Marcos has put together a team of elite horsepower, leading trainers, and a facility second to none. Currently serving on the NRHA Board of Directors, he is a passionate advocate for growing reining on an international front, using his extensive professional experience in international relations. While 2017 marks its fourth consecutive year as an NRHA Corporate Partner, Cardinal Ranch has also been a marquee sponsor for numerous major reining venues both in the United States and internationally.

Dun It For Whizkey - Dominated the 2016 Futurities

Thanks to a stellar group of carefully selected mares, Cardinal Ranch has jumped to the

forefront of breeding, developing, and showing the best reining horses in the industry. A good example is Cardinal's phenomenal stallion, Dun It For Whizkey.

Shown by the ranch's head trainer, Brazilian native

Franco Bertolani, Dun It For Whizkey dominated futurity competition last year thanks to his extreme physical talent and trainable disposition. Showing against the best in the world, the duo won the Tulsa Classic L4 Open Futurity Championship and the AQHA Congress L4 Open Futurity Championship. Then, at NRHA's biggest event, Bertolani guided the flashy gray stallion to the NRHA Futurity Lucas Oil L4 Open Co-Reserve Championship out of 376 entries. All in all, Dun It For Whizkey won \$159,000 in only three outings.

A blue blood through and through, Dun It For Whizkey is a result of the Cardinal Ranch breeding program. Sired by NRHA's All Time Leading Sire Topsail Whiz—an NRHA Hall of Fame inductee and Eleven Million Dollar Sire—Dun It For Whizkey's dam is a leading NRHA producer, Dun It For Chex. Owned by Cardinal Ranch, Dun It For Chex has produced offspring that have earned over \$669,000. Just as impressively: crossed on a variety of stallions, 16 of the mare's 17 show age offspring are NRHA money earners.

Standing at Cardinal Ranch in 2017

Due to an overwhelming demand, Dun It For Whizkey will be standing at Cardinal Ranch this year for an introductory fee of \$2,000, while continuing his show career. Sited on 200 stunning acres in Aubrey, Texas, Cardinal Ranch has a state of the art breeding facility, fully equipped for all breeding operations such as frozen and cooled shipped semen, full time mare management, foaling out, and embryo transfers.

In addition to Dun It For Whizkey, Cardinal Ranch will stand another leading stallion Inferno Sixty Six (Gunnatrashya x Snip O Gun). This flashy stallion and Bertolani were the 2015 NRHA Futurity Lucas Oil L4 Open Reserve Champions (after a run off), and the stallion has earnings of over \$161,000. Owned by Slide or Die, LLC, Inferno Sixty Six was in high demand last year and will again stand at Cardinal in 2017 for \$2,500.



Dun It For Whizkey • NRHA LTE: \$159,828 2013 Gray AQHA Stallion (*Topsail Whiz x Dun It For Chex*) 2016 Tulsa Classic L4 Open Futurity Champion 2016 AQHA Congress L4 Open Futurity Champion 2016 NRHA Futurity Lucas Oil L4 Open Co-Reserve Champion Breeding Fee: \$2,000, includes chute fee *Owned by Cardinal Reining Horses*

Inferno Sixty Six • NRHA LTE: \$161,993
2012 AQHA/APHA Stallion (Gunnatrashya x Snip O Gun)
2015 NRHA Futurity Lucas Oil L4 Open Reserve
Champion, after run off
2016 High Roller Reining Classic L4 Open Stakes - 3rd place
Top Ten L4 Open Finalist at NRHA Derby, NRBC Derby,
AQHA Congress
Breeding Fee: \$2,500, includes chute fee
Owned by Slide or Die, LLC



Mare Power

Cardinal Ranch is breeding and developing the best, and was named NRHA's #3 Owner out of the Top 20 Owners for 2016. The select group of reining mares behind this success not only include Dun It For Chex, but also Mifs Doll, a mare that earned \$25,000 in the show pen, and has since produced offspring earning over \$364,000. Another top show mare is Wind Her Up Chic, earner of over \$109,000 and producer of \$132,000. Younger mares are being added to the herd as well, including NRHA Open Futurity Finalist MadeOf Pure Spangled and Watch My Guns, an NRHA money earner and full sister to NRHA Champion, Americasnextgunmodel. Open Futurity Bertolani has proven to be more than skilled at training and showing the offspring of these standout mares. Horses bred by the Cardinal Ranch program have gone on to great success, both in non pro and open competition.

Training Talents

Boasting one of the largest covered arenas in the world and over 200 stalls, it's no wonder that Cardinal Ranch



serves as home base for numerous trainers. In addition to Franco Bertolani, several other leading trainers base their training operation out of Cardinal Ranch (see sidebar). With such a large group of trainers and clientele, buyers often make Cardinal Ranch one of their first

Dun It For Chex: Dam of offspring including Dun It For Whizkey and Starbucks Sidekick. Offspring Earnings of \$669,000.

stops when looking for reining prospects or finished show horses. And for two days in October, the ranch becomes a mecca for reining horse buyers and sellers when it hosts the annual Legacy Reining Breeders Sale. Whether you're looking for your next reining horse, or simply want to learn more about the reining horse industry, please feel free to contact Cardinal Reining Horses—we would love to hear from you! cardinalreininghorses.com

Training Talent

Cardinal Ranch is home base for a talented group of reining professionals.

Franco Bertolani - NRHA LTE: \$816,145 Cardinal Reining Horses Head Trainer

#4 Top Professional in 2016, 2016 NRHA Futurity Lucas Oil L4 Co-Reserve Champion, 2016 Tulsa Classic L4 Open Futurity Champion, 2016 AQHA Congress L4 Open Futurity Champion, 2015 NRHA Futurity Lucas Oil L4 Open Reserve Champion (after run off), 2013 NRHA Derby L3 Open Champion.

Brian Bell - NRHA Million Dollar Rider, LTE: \$1,314,1024 Time NRHA Open World Champion, NRHA L4 Open Futurity Reserve Champion

Ruben Vandorp - NRHA LTE: \$725,417

2012 NRHA L3 Open Futurity Champion, NRBC Derby L3 Open Champion, NRBC L4 Open Reserve Champion

Ann Salmon-Anderman - NRHA LTE: \$115,584

Multiple NRHA Open Futurity and Derby Finalist, NRBC Open Finalist

Monte Anderman - Trainer of multiple Open Finalists at the NRHA Futurity and Derby, NRBC Derby

Billy Williams - NRHA LTE: \$121,801

2016 High Roller Reining Classic L3 Open Stakes Champion, multiple NRHA Open Futurity and Derby Finalist