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### **Mills Reining Horses Reigns Supreme at Sun Circuit**

**SCOTTSDALE, ARIZONA** - At the 2009 Sun Circuit Horse Show in Scottsdale, Ariz., it was a great show for Matt Mills Reining Horses.

Mills won the Junior Reining Circuit Championship on Leans Highlight, a 4-year-old stallion owned by Tracy Bryce and Roberta Fagan.

"It's a great way to start the year off, and that stallion is a talented horse," Mills said after his win. "I really want to thank the owners, Tracy and Roberta, for giving me the opportunity to ride him."

In addition to Mills, several of his clients also finished in the winners' circle.

Ashley Anixter of Scottsdale, Ariz., was the Novice Amateur Circuit Champion on Whizbingbangboom, winning all four days under all eight judges.

"Ashley really stepped up and did a fantastic job at the show," Mills said. "She's recently made the transition from hunter/jumper classes to reining, and she's a very talented rider. We're proud to have her in our barn."

George Ranzau, another non pro who rides with Mills, took home the title of Rookie Champion on Silk N Hollywood at the Sun Circuit, while Bill Sefton won the Amateur Select Reining on Dun With Caution on Sat., Jan. 31.

"I'm really proud of everyone in my barn," Mills said. "We had a great show, and I think this is just the beginning of what is going to be an excellent year."