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FAVORITA AND DELEGADO

CROWNED NATIONAL BEST-IN-BREED HORSES

The prestigious list of Chilean halter champions welcomed new additions on Sunday, January 19: Aguas Claras de Huelquén Delegado and Arcángel Gabriel Favorita, crowned Grand Champion Stallion and Grand Champion Mare at the 2025 National Halter Show in Calle Larga.

Following category judging on Saturday the 18th, the selection of Grand Champions was overseen by judges Cristián Court, Julio Mohr, and Ernesto Forster. Aspirants Cristián Barrenechea, Patricio Muñoz, Rodrigo Millacura, and Luis Gustavo Torres served as stewards, while Rubén Navea acted as track secretary.

After opening remarks from Roberto Standen, president of the Federación Criadores de Ca-

ballos Raza Chilena, category winners took the field for the final selections.

The following champions, along with their respective reserves, were recognized:

Champion Colt: Pallocabe

Bochorno

Champion Junior Stallion: Aguas Claras de Huelquén Delegado Champion Senior Stallion: Santa Isabel Intruso T.E. Champion Filly: Aguas Claras de Huelquén Fiesta Linda Champion Mare: Remolino Matorral Purísima Champion Senior Mare: Arcángel Gabriel Favorita

Next, Best Stallion Head was awarded to Santa Isabel Normando, and Best Mare Head to Alas del Cóndor Regálateuna. In the group distinctions, the Breeding Farm Award went to Aguas Claras de Huelquén for its horses Curioso, Delegado, and Fiesta Linda; and the Sire or Family Award was given to Claro de Luna Caramelo for his offspring Borrasca, Cantero, and Profeta, from Rinconada del Monte Breeding Farm.

Recognition for Outstanding Presenters was given to Juan Carlos Pérez Serrano (Arcángel Gabriel Breeding Farm), Gabriel Morales (Puerto Cisne Breeding Farm), and Miguel Ángel Fuentealba (Cutipay Breeding Farm).

Selection of the Grand Champions

This led to the most anticipated moment of the afternoon, with two horses from the same breeding farm facing off to define the Grand Champion Stallion: Delegado and

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Intruso T.E., from Aguas Claras de Huelquén.

The judges favored Delegado, born on November 1, 2020, a son of Intruso and Santa Isabel Fantástica, bred by **Agrícola Asturias Ltda.** and exhibited by **María José Vergara Peñafiel**.

Herman Chadwick, owner of the Aguas Claras de Huelquén Breeding Farm, commented on this new title, following the one won by Intruso himself in 2023. "It was a perfect day. Delegado won Best of Breed, competing in the final against Intruso, his own sire. Though I have tremendous affection for Intruso and infinite gratitude for the exceptional offspring he's given our stud farm, as a breeder, this is exactly the outcome you dream of-producing a horse even better than his father. That makes me incredibly happy. I want to thank the entire team who works with me, especially Francisco Rojas, who's the heart and soul of this farm, and my family. We've worked hard to reach this point, earning more awards than we ever imagined, including Best Breeding Farm. My thanks also go to the Federation and Los Andes Association for this outstanding event," he said.

The event continued with the selection of the Grand Champion Mare, where Remolino Matorral Purísima faced Arcángel Gabriel Favorita.

The judging panel chose Favorita, born April 14, 2016, daughter of Santa Elba Comisario and Corrales de Piedra Rodaja. Breeder and exhibitor Juan Carlos Pérez Orellana expressed deep emotion at her victory.

"The emotion is overwhelming. About fifteen years ago, I was interviewed for the yearbook and said my dream was to become Chile's morphology champion. As I like to say—I envisioned it, be-

lieved it, and now I've achieved it. It's an incredible feeling, impossible to fully describe, especially with my entire family here. This mare is my granddaughter's favorite, and she's always brought us success. Now, she's topped it off by becoming the Champion of Chile," he said.

The National Exhibition concluded with awards presented to judges Cristián Court, Julio Mohr, and Ernesto Forster, as well as aspiring judges who served as stewards: Cristián Barrenechea, Patricio Muñoz, Rodrigo Millacura, and Luis Gustavo Torres.

Championship Titles – National Expo 2025

Grand Champion Stallion:Aguas Claras de Huelquén Delegado

Registration #297009

Date of Birth: 11-01-2020

Sire: Santa Isabel Intruso T.E.

Dam: Santa Isabel Fantástica

Breeder: Agrícola Asturias Ltda.

Exhibitor: María José Vergara Peñafiel



Grand Champion Mare: Arcángel Gabriel Favorita

Registration #265685

Date of Birth: 04-14-2016

Sire: Santa Elba Comisario

Dam: Corrales de Piedra Rodaja

Breeder and Exhibitor: Juan Carlos

Pérez Orellana





Champion Colt: Pallocabe Bochorno

Registration #325884. Date of Birth: 11-19-2022 Sire: Pallocabe Talentoso. Dam: Pallocabe Ramada Breeder and Exhibitor: Francisco Garcés Jordán



Reserve Champion Colt: Arcangel Gabriel Burlesco

Date of Birth: 02-15-2023. Registration #314381 Sire: Santa Isabel Picarón. Dam: Arcángel Gabriel Esencia Breeder and Exhibitor: Juan Carlos Pérez Orellana



Champion Stallion: Aguas Claras de Huelquén Delegado

Registration #297009. Date of Birth: 11-01-2020 Sire: Santa Isabel Intruso. Dam: Santa Isabel Fantástica Breeder: Agrícola Asturias Ltda. Exhibitor: María José Vergara Peñafiel



Reserve Champion Stallion: Las Callanas Descoronte

Registration #316623. Date of Birth: 09-26-2020 Sire: Peleco Morcacho II. Dam: Las Callanas Visión Breeder and Exhibitor: Gonzalo González Moraga



Champion Senior Stallion: Santa Isabel Intruso T.E

Registration #248793. Date of Birth: 01-22-2014 Sire: Santa Isabel Escorpión. Dam: Santa Isabel Intrusa Breeder: Agrícola Santa Isabel Ltda. Exhibitor: María José Vergara Peñafiel



Reserve Champion Senior Stallion: Santa Isabel Normando

Registration #236601. Date of Birth: 09-28-2011 Sire: Santa Isabel Escorpión. Dam: Santa Isabel Duquesa Breeder: Agrícola Santa Isabel Ltda. Exhibitor: Juan Carlos Loaiza MacLeod



Champion Filly: Aguas Claras de Huelquén Fiesta Linda

Registration #314112. Date of Birth: 10-05-2022 Sire: Río Elqui Con Tuti. Dam: El Tani Omega Breeder: Agrícola Asturias Ltda. Exhibitor: María José Vergara Peñafiel



Champion Mare: Remolino Matorral Purísima

Registration #295291. Date of Birth: 10-27-2020 Sire: El Chocho de Parral Apenao. Dam: Remolino Matorral Carbonera. Breeder: Rubén Antonio Fuentes Rodríguez Exhibitor: Gabriel Morales Fuentes



Champion Senior Mare: Arcángel Gabriel Favorita

Registration #265685. Date of Birth: 04-14-2016 Sire: Santa Elba Comisario. Dam: Corrales de Piedra Rodaja Breeder and Exhibitor: Juan Carlos Pérez Orellana



Reserve Champion Filly: Corralón de Alcones Angelita

Registration #323673. Date of Birth: 08-31-2023 Sire: Agua de los Campos y Maquena Malambo Dam: Alta Gracia Incrédula

Breeder and Exhibitor: Cristian Izquierdo Etchebarne



Reserve Champion Mare: Taitao II Diligencia.

Registration #298636. Date of Birth: 11-20-2020 Sire: Doña Dominga C.S Flagelo. Dam: Taitao II Jugadora Breeder: Diego Pacheco Alvarez Exhibitor: Marco Antonio Pozo Vázquez



Reserve Champion Senior Mare: Claro de Luna Discordia

Registration #289126. Date of Birth: 12-08-2019 Sire: El Tani Oropel. Dam: Claro de Luna Billetera Breeder and Exhibitor: José Elías Rishmawi Cumsille



Best Head Stallion: Santa Isabel Normando

Registration #236601 Date of Birth: 09-28-2011 Sire: Santa Isabel Escorpión Dam: Santa Isabel Antillana Breeder: Agrícola Santa Isabel Ltda. Exhibitor: Juan Carlos Pérez Orellana



Best Head Mare: Alas del Cóndor Regálateuna

Registration #231356 Date of Birth: 11-04-2007 Sire: Santa Isabel Acero Dam: Alas del Cóndor Regalía Breeder: Theresse Ann Matthews H. Exhibitor: Felipe Fariña Ramírez



Best Legs Stallion: Santa Isabel Intruso T.E.

Registration #210781 Date of Birth: 10-12-2007 Sire: Santa Isabel Escorpión Dam: Santa Elba Chupilca

Breeder: Agrícola Santa Isabel Ltda. Exhibitor: María José Vergara Peñafiel



Outstanding Presenters:

Juan Carlos Pérez Serrano (Arcángel Gabriel Breeding Farm), Gabriel Morales (Puerto Cisne Breeding Farm), and Miguel Angel Fuentealba (Cutipay Breeding Farm)



Best Legs Mare: Remolino Matorral Purísima

Registration #298636 Date of Birth: 10-27-2020 Sire: El Chocho de Parral Apenao Dam: Remolino Matorral Carbonera Breeder: Rubén Fuentes Rodríguez **Exhibitor: Gabriel Morales Fuentes**



Sire or Family Award: Claro de Luna Caramelo

For his offspring: Rinconada del Monte Borrasca, Rinconada del Monte Cantero, and Rinconada del Monte Profeta



Breeding Farm Award: Aguas Claras de Huelquén

For their horses: Curioso, Delegado, and Fiesta Linda

PERFORMANCE EVENTS:

BARREL RACING, OPEN REIN, AND CATTLE SORTING CROWNED THEIR CHAMPIONS

The Calle Larga 2025 Performance Event Finals were held at the Pocuro Equestrian and Sports Center on January 17, 18, and 19, crowning national champions in Chilean Barrel Racing, Open Rein, and Cattle Sorting.

The first event decided was the Chilean Barrel Racing, with nearly 40 participants judged by Cristián Barrenechea and Alejandro Acevedo. The winners were Celeste Vergara riding Riberas de Cachapoal Descuido with 51.31 seconds in the Youth category;

Fernando Labarca riding Ña Fran Estrellón with 51.81 seconds in the Junior category; and Paulo Contreras riding Los Tacos de Rumai Referente with 50.25 seconds in the Adult category.

Celeste Vergara commented: "I was really excited to participate. It looked thrilling, and I couldn't wait to get here. We practiced a lot so my horses would perform well, and it paid off with this award."

Fernando Labarca said of his victory: "It feels amazing. I worked hard for this, trained consistently, and it

paid off with my horse. I'm very happy about our win."

Paulo Contreras said: "I'm extremely happy. The competition was tough, with many strong pairs competing. This event keeps growing, and it was fantastic to see such a large audience and so many huasos embracing this discipline."

Open Rein

The Open Rein competition was judged by Acevedo and Barrenechea, accompanied by **Diego Kort** and **María Eugenia Cristi**.

to define the categories: Children, Novice Horse, C, B and A.

In the Junior category, Argentine rider **Guadalupe Otoya** claimed victory with 34 points on **Quimpomay Torero**. The champion expressed, "I feel great. Thank you to Gastón (May) for lending me his horse. I prefer the 'rayada' (leg entry). The competition was really good. I dedicate this victory to Gastón."

The Novice Horse Category went to Matías Aliaga on Claro de Luna Escobilla with 33 points. "It's something I didn't expect. The mare is super new, she started recently and is just starting to mature. It's nice, I'm going to get more into this, because it's the second time I move," Aliaga valued.

Pilar Otoya, also Argentinean, won the Category C title, after scoring 37 points on Quimpomay Aladino. "I was surprised by the quality of the Chilean horses. I loved this experience; I am very happy with the result and I also want to thank Gaston May for lending the horses to my sister and me. I liked everything about Aladino", explained Pilar, Guadalupe Otoya's sister.

In **Category B**, Raúl Poblete claimed victory riding Paidahuén Recaída, totaling 46.5 points and securing the highest honor in **Open Rein** for the second consecutive







year. "I'm extremely happy. It was a long journey, but the mare performed at her best. I feel great, and my family is my biggest support—they understand when I have to be away. I come from San Javier," commented Poblete.

Finally, in **Category A** for expert riders, Emmanuel Silva took first place riding Cantagua Agraciao with 56 points, pushing Argentina's Gonzalo Nievas on Santa Isabel Óptimo to second place with 52.5 points. "I'm very happy with the experience. This initiative is fantastic, the category was exceptional, and the competition was tough against my friend Gonzalo Nievas, who really gave me a challenge. I finished feeling great, thanks to the support of the people, my family, and my team," said Silva.

Cattle Sorting

The Los Aromos team successfully defended their Cattle Sorting title in an exciting final held on Sunday, January 19. The trio, consisting of Hugo Labarca on El Olival Encañao, Patricio Villar on Las Lomas de Ovalle Antojada, and Paulo Contreras on Los Tacos de Rumai Referente won with a total time of 1 minute and 23 seconds, correctly sorting six cattle.

The second place went to Criadero Santa Ana, with Hernán Ramírez on Santa Ana de Collipulli Sultán, Juan Pereira on Santa Ana de Collipulli Sicario, and Andrea Castagnoli on Santa Ana de Collipulli Capitán General, finishing in 1 minute and 52 seconds, also sorting six cattle.

The third place was claimed by Quimpomay, featuring Marcelo Troncoso on Quimpomay Mago, Sebastián Huenquelef on Laderas del Llanquihue Colmada, and Raúl Poblete on Paidahuén Recaída, with a time of 1 minute and 53 seconds, successfully sorting six cattle as well.

After the victory, Patricio Villar commented: "I'm surrounded by incredible teammates—lifelong friends, my trainer (Labarca), and a friend who rode a mare we bred at Las Lomas de Ovalle. His son also performed excellently in his own team, alongside Hugo's son.

This is a team full of passion and determination. Paulo is also the Barrel Racing champion, so we are beyond thrilled and extremely happy."

Paulo Contreras expressed his excitement: "I'm beyond thrilled—I can't even describe what I felt out there. The first round was tough, the second improved, and by the third, everything came together perfectly. I want to thank my teammates, Hugo and Pato, because this is a team effort, and that's what makes it all worthwhile."

Hugo Labarca shared his thoughts: "It was a beautiful experience, and I'm really happy. Patricio invited us to compete—I had participated a couple of times before with my son, and things just fell into place. The first round wasn't great since we didn't manage to pen all three cattle, but in the second, things started improving, and by the third, everything worked out perfectly."

Before the competition, Valentina Campos and José Miguel Cacciuttolo selected Santa Ana Capitán General as Best Stallion and Quimpomay Colmada as Best Mare.

The judges for the Cattle Sorting Final were Gabriel Varela, Cristián Barrenechea, and Alejandro Acevedo









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RESULTS OF THE CALLE LARGA 2025 PERFORMANCE EVENTS FINALS

CHILEAN BARREL RACING

Junior Category

1st Celeste Vergara on *Riberas del Cachapoal Descuido* (#235369) – 51.31 seconds 2nd Rafaela Véliz on *El Guayo de Ovalle Agüita de Miel* (#261109) – 51.37 seconds 3rd Maite Cardoza on *Lomas de Polcura Torontel* (#227682) – 52.50 seconds

Youth Category

1st Fernando Labarca on *Ña Fran Estrellón* (#226832) – 51.81 seconds 2nd Valentina Cáceres on *Marhueco Amor Fugado* (#195672) – 53.24 seconds 3rd Maite Gajardo on *Laderas del Llanquihue Conteniéndolo* (#264924) – 53.27 seconds

Adult Category

1st Paulo Contreras on *Los Tacos de Rumai Referente* (#265912) – 50.25 seconds 2nd Jhan Adones on Alhambra Babylon (#289621) – 51.00 seconds 3rd Eugenio Vásquez on Carampangue El Flecha (#245451) – 52.04 seconds

OPEN REIN

Junior Category

1st Guadalupe Otoya on Quimpomay Torero (#195782) – 34 points 2nd Alonso Pacheco on Lago Verde La Reina (#217239) – 30.5 points 3rd Matías Caimanque on Agua Amarga Chamicera (#198438) – 25.5 points

Novice Horse Category

1st Matías Aliaga on Claro de Luna Escobilla (#296210) – 33 points 2nd Jhan Adones on Alhambra Alba (#289618) – 31.5 points

Category C

1st Pilar Otoya on Quimpomay Aladino (#223285) – 37 points 2nd Valentina Rodríguez on La Taquilla Estupenda (#201885) – 35.5 + 22 points 3rd Paulo Pavez on Boticalán Cardenal (#230537) – 35.5 + 20 points

Category B

1st Raúl Poblete on Paidahuén Recaída (#271049) – 46.5 points 2nd Marco Castillo on San Juan II Cruel (#186426) – 43.5 points 3rd Rodrigo Sepúlveda on Doña Yusary Postergada (#309042) – 43 points

Category A

1st Emmanuel Silva on Cantagua Agraciao (#275472) – 56 points 2nd Gonzalo Nievas on Santa Isabel Óptimo (#245764) – 52.5 points 3rd Jhan Adones on Alhambra Kala (#239448) – 41.5 points

CATTLE SORTING

1st Los Aromos Breeding Farm – Hugo Labarca on El Olival Encañao (#267087), Patricio Villar on Las Lomas de Ovalle Antojada (#261055), and Paulo Contreras on Los Tacos de Rumai Referente (#265912) – 1'23" with six animals penned.

2nd Santa Ana Breeding Farm – Hernán Ramírez on Santa Ana de Collipulli Sultán (#258441), Juan Pereira on Santa Ana de Collipulli Sicario (#250416), and Andrea Castagnoli on Santa Ana de Collipulli Capitán General (#241294) – 1'52" with six animals penned.

3rd Quimpomay Breeding Farm – Marcelo Troncoso on Quimpomay Mago (#262039), Sebastián Huenquelef on Laderas del Llanquihue Colmada (#264911), and Raúl Poblete on Paidahuén Recaída (#271049) – 1'53" with six animals penned.

EL CARMEN DE NILAHUE

WINS THE BREEDERS' RODEO FINAL

The 2025 Breeders' Rodeo Final, held at Medialuna de Pocuro in Calle Larga and organized by the Asociación de Criadores de Caballos Raza Chilena de Los Andes, crowned Criadero El Carmen de Nilahue as champion. Owned by Pablo Baraona, the team of Aníbal Baraona and Pablo Aninat secured victory on mares Convencida and Carabela, earning 35 points.

The second place went to Criadero Carimallín, with Pedro Espinoza

and Arturo Ríos riding Don Choño and Elegante, scoring 33 points. The third place was taken by Criadero Palmas de Peñaflor, with Alfredo Moreno and Juan Ignacio Meza on Tay Mal and Bien Pagada, totaling 32 points.

The fourth animal also featured Carimallín, with Pedro Espinoza and Arturo Ríos on Relincho and Listo No Más with 31; Palmas de Peñaflor, with Alfredo Moreno and Luis Eduardo Cortés on Barquero and Romancero with 27; Pele-

co Breeding Farm, with Gustavo Valdebenito and Felipe Garcés on Messi and Mamo with 25; and Alhambra Breeding Farm, with Sebastián Dabed and Rodrigo Astorga on Kala and Acadio with 20.

The **Breed Seal**, judged by Juan Carlos Loaiza, Rolando Varela, and Gabriel Varela, was awarded to the stallion *Palmas de Peñaflor Romancero*, ridden by Luis Eduardo Cortés.

Meanwhile, in the Junior Movement to the Rein category, José

Francisco Núñez claimed victory on Las Ciénagas Artífice en Domingo with 36 points. In the **Senior Division**, the winner was Luis Eduardo Cortés on *Palmas de Peñaflor Bien Vista* with 55 positive points.

The ceremony prior to the Champions Series was attended by members of the board of the Federación Criadores de Caballos Raza Chilena, directors of the Los Andes Association, and the municipal administrator of Calle Larga, Pablo Santibáñez.







Mateo Rodríguez, Secretary General of the Federation, and Francisco Hanke, President of the Los Andes Breeders, raised the national flag and addressed those in attendance, highlighting the support of the Municipality of Calle Larga, led by Mayor Dina González and her team.

The Breeders Federation honored Hanke, while the Los Andes Breeders Association recognized its vice president, José Miguel Cacciuttolo.

The Novillo del Silencio was run by Sebastián Dabed, director of the Breeders Federation, and Diego Vial Lira, grandson of Gonzalo Vial Vial, in memory of those who passed away during the season.



FINAL RESULTS OF THE BREEDERS' RODEO — CALLE LARGA 2025

CHAMPIONS SERIES

- 1.- El Carmen de Nilahue Breeding Farm, Aníbal Baraona and Pablo Aninat (Santiago Sur Association) on Convencida and Carabela with 35 good points (11+3+12+9).
- 2.- Carimallín Breeding Farm, Pedro Espinoza and Arturo Ríos (Maipo Norte Association) on Don Choño and Elegante with 33 (5+7+12+9).
- 3.- Palmas de Peñaflor Breeding Farm, Alfredo Moreno and Juan Ignacio Meza (Santiago Sur and Colchagua Associations) on Tay Mal and Bien Pagada with 32 (13+9+5+5)

FOURTH ANIMAL

- Carimallín Breeding Farm, Pedro Espinoza and Arturo Ríos (Maipo Norte Association) on Relincho and Listo No Más with 31 (7+8+11+5).
- Palmas de Peñaflor Breeding Farm, Alfredo Moreno and Luis Eduardo Cortés (Santiago Sur Association) on Barquero and Romancero with 27 (5+7+9+6).
- Peleco Breeding Farm, Gustavo Valdebenito and Felipe Garcés (Malleco Association) on *Messi* and *Mamo* with 25 (6+9+8+2).
- Alhambra Breeding Farm, Sebastián Dabed and Rodrigo Astorga (Limarí Association) on Kala and Acadio with 20 (9+5+7-1).

CHILEAN EQUESTRIAN TEAMS PERFORM AT MAJOR FESTIVALS IN MEXICO

everal Chilean equestrian teams participated in significant events in Mexico. On one hand, Herencia Huasa and members of Hacendadas de Aculeo took part in the III Festival de la Mujer a Caballo in Apaseo el Grande, Guanajuato, from February 28 to March 2. Meanwhile, Mujeres de Río Grande and the Escuadra Ecuestre Patagónica Huasas y Gauchas attended the International Horse Festival in Guadalajara, held from February 22 to March 2.





SELECTION OF CHILEAN HORSES FOR THE 2027 DRIVING WORLD CHAMPIONSHIP COMPLETES SUCCESSFUL FIRST STAGE

he Caballo Raza Chilena will be present at the 2027 Driving World Championship, and the first selection phase has been successfully completed. This process was led by Edouard Simonet, a three-time world champion in the discipline and current Spanish champion. Simonet visited Chile to evaluate horses at various breeding farms.

The project is headed by José Miguel Guzmán, owner of Lo Campino breeding farm, and is backed by the Federación Criadores de Caballo Raza Chilena.

PERFORMANCE EVENTS JUDGE CANDIDATES ATTENDED THE OPEN REIN FINAL IN ARGENTINA

he Chilean Horse Breeders Federation sent two Functional Testing judge candidates, María Eugenia Cristi and Rubén Navea, to a training program in Argentina. They attended the Felipe Z. Ballester Rienda Open Rein Final in Jesús María, Córdoba Province, Argentina.





VISIT FROM EUROPE

n a historic international event and as a result of connections established with European breeders during visits to SICAB in Spain and other fairs, Johanna Lahnsteiner from Marchtrenk, Austria, visited Chile to experience the Chilean Horse, its performance events, and huaso culture firsthand.

She is the daughter of Robert Lahnsteiner, President of the Criollo Breeders Association of Austria, Germany, and Switzerland.

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