



M.T.P.A.

"Around The Pen in 2004"

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Manitoba Fall Classic Team Penning

The Brandon Keystone Arena was the place to be on October 29th & 30th, 2004. The Fall Classic Team Penning held a very exciting and enjoyable event with approximately \$10,000 up for prize money. Two classes were held: #8 Class (20 teams) and an Open Class (26 teams). There were two runs per event, one held on Friday and one on Saturday, with the top five teams of each event competing for the majority of the prize money.

Prize money was up for the fastest times for both classes in the first and second go around only for both days. The fastest time winners were:

Friday (16.72 seconds)

Ruth Batchelor * Garry Joynt * Ron McLaren

Saturday (22.02 seconds)

Garry Joynt * Wayne Klassen * Greg Naylen

#8 Class – Top 10 Winners

1st Garry Joynt, Wayne Klassen, Greg Naylen

2nd Kelly Bortsmayer, Quinton Bortsmayer, Herb Cox

3rd Kelly Bortsmayer, Quinton Bortsmayer, Glen McMillan

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5th Ruth Batchelar, Garry Joynt, Ron McLaren

6th Greg Naylen, Betty Naylen, John Naylen

7th Greg Naylen, David Kory, Neil Whelpton

8th Betty Naylen, John Naylen, Garry Joynt

9th Chelsea Dreidger, Wayne Klassen, Neil Whelpton

10th Quinton Bortsmayer, Herb Cox, Glen McMillan

Open Class – Top 6 Winners

1st Casey Brown, David Kory, Chelsea Steeves

2nd Casey Brown, Buck McEwen, Jake Steeves

3rd Kelly Bortsmayer, Quinton Bortsmayer, Herb Cox

4th Fran Fitzpatrick, Reg Fitzpatrick, Miles Vass

5th Ray LeSage, Buck McEwen, Jake Steeves

6th David Kory, Greg Naylen, Jake Steeves

The times were fast in these events. The top 5 teams in each event had times of:

#8 Class

1st – 22.38 seconds

2nd – 32.17 seconds

3rd – 34.70 seconds

4th – 38.18 seconds

5th – 41.43 seconds

Open Class

1st – 21.41 seconds

2nd – 30.60 seconds

3rd – 30.94 seconds

4th – 31.86 seconds

5th – 35.17 seconds

There are many people to thank for making this penning a huge success. They include a large number of sponsors, mainly from the Brandon area, the organizing committees and all the people who physically worked at this event, from cattle handlers to show announcers.

Manitoba Fall Classic Team Penning (cont'd)

The penners would like to thank the following

Sponsors:

- Murray Moran, Farrier Service – Brandon
- Stuart Lambert, Farrier Services – Westburne
- Zenith Paving – Brandon
- Kal Tire – Brandon
- Keystone Motor Inn – Brandon
- Vivian Motor Inn – Brandon
- Mar-Dee Enterprises – Brandon
- Profile Paving Ltd. – Brandon
- Mill Co. Steel – Brandon
- Solstice Spa & Elkhorn Resort – Clear Lake
- Regent Rental & Supply Ltd. – Brandon
- Traction R.C.B. Truck & Trailer Repair – Brandon
- Manitoba Team Penning Association

Special thanks also to the **Fall Classic Team Penning Committee:**

MTPA - Rick Andrews * Ken Dalgliesh * Wayne Klassen * Ron LeMay * John Naylen * Neil Whelpton

Bill Harding – Announcer

Laurie Kohinski – Secretary

Randy Muiers – Judge

Lawrence Ruddick – Line Judge & Arena Boss

Cattle handlers, Timers and Everyone who helped make this event a huge success

Also a special thanks to the MRCA Finals and 50/50 committees for being such a great bunch to work with.

Submitted by Chris Dunning

M.T.P.A. Annual Meeting

The 2004 MTPA Annual General Meeting was held on November 13, 2004 at the Days Inn in Steinbach, MB. It was followed by the Awards Banquet and Dinner/Dance in Giroux.

The first question at the AGM was WHERE IS THE MEMBERSHIP? This meeting was poorly attended but we thank the members who made the effort to attend! The board can interpret this lack of attendance as either lack of interest or that members feel the board is doing a great job and to continue along this progressive path.

I may be blonde but I'm not naïve enough to think that it's door #2 ...and feel it's a little of both. As we move in to 2005, there are many challenges that your board faces to strengthen and enhance this association and the membership's support is a vital part of this progress!!!

We anticipate that holding the AGM early in the season will allow us more time to plan for the 2005 show season. Your new board will be meeting shortly to discuss important issues and plan for the new year. Some of these issues will include:

- Membership Drive
- Sponsorship Initiatives
- Developing New Judges
- 2005 sanctioned shows & special shows

Your ideas and input related to how we can increase our membership, find new ways to increase sponsorship and any incentives related to these two are greatly appreciated. Give any of the board members a call, fax or email with your ideas!!!

Are you interested in becoming a judge? Judging clinics will be organized in 2005 for all interested and the costs are covered by the CTCPA!!! Give your name to any board member if you're interested or at least pass this information on to any other interested member or potential member!

Please note:

Financial information presented at the AGM covered January 1, 2004 to October 31, 2004. Financial information to the end of December 31, 2004 will be available from Launa Thiessen in early January 2005. Please call her at 685-2765 if you would like a copy of this document.

2005 MTPA Board of Directors

Here are the new directors for 2005 (and contact #), as elected at the November 13, 2004 AGM. Please contact any of them if you have any questions, suggestions, etc.

Name	Phone #	Fax or E Mail
Wayne Klassen President & CTCPA rep	H: 725-0276 C: 729-5145	727-3748
Harry Harder Vice President	H: 422-5570	422-5570
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John Naylen	H: 556-2609 C: 748-7013	556-2609
Doug McLaren Past President	H: 476-2785 C: 476-6248	476-2785 jmdfarms@mts.net

(* relected to 2 year term, ** new directors)

A Big Welcome to our new directors Ruth & Neil!

The board would like to acknowledge and thank departing board members **Rick Andrews** and **Edna Wilson** for all their contributions to the MTPA board over the years. They have been strong, experienced directors with a huge commitment to this association. Also thanks to all the directors who agreed to stay on another term and assist Wayne in the continued success of the MTPA.

A Word from Our President

Hello everyone and welcome to the 2005 Team Penning season. I would first like to thank everyone involved with the awards banquet and AGM held recently in Steinbach. It was easily seen by the wonderful awards, numerous Chinese and silent auction items not to mention the great meal that a tremendous amount of work went into holding this event. For those of you that could come, thanks for your support, for those of you that could not attend you missed a great time.

I would also like to thank Rick Andrews and Edna Wilson for all the work they have done for the MTPA. Rick and Edna are stepping down from their positions on the board. Their boots will be very difficult to fill indeed. I would also like to introduce as new board members Neil Whelpton and Ruth Batchelar. Their input and ideas will be most welcome.

In honor of the MTPA's tenth anniversary the board has some special events in mind and as always we have sponsorship money to raise as well as new members to welcome on board. Your support in these endeavors is both needed and appreciated.

Thank Again and I hope to see you all in the new season

Wayne Klassen, President M.T.P.A.

Did You Get Your 2005 Membership?

Included in this newsletter will be the application forms for the MTPA, CTCPA and Manitoba Horse Council (MHC), which also includes subscription requests for the Northern Horse Review Publication The benefits of getting all this completed ASAP are:

1. You will continue to receive your insurance coverage with MHC (your current coverage expires December 31, 2004)
2. You won't experience any breaks in shipment of your Northern Horse Review publication

3. We will be able to assign numbers and cards to members more quickly to enable you to organize your teams for 2005 in a more timely manner

Please note that a cheque for the MTPA and CTCPA memberships should be sent directly with your forms to Launa Thiessen, Box 582, Macgregor, Mb. R0H 0R0. Your Manitoba Horse Council membership application and cheque should go directly to MHC. Remember, you'll **save \$10** if you submit your MHC **before December 31, 2004.**

Some members completed their memberships at the banquet and we thank you!! Please use the forms enclosed for any **new** or **previous members** that would like to join.

2005 Shows – Let's Get Those Dates in Place ASAP!

Are you interested in hosting a show in 2005? We would like to get the applications for sanctioned shows from you ASAP so that approvals can be done as early as possible to accommodate all the dates. Contact Wayne Klassen for the show package and he can explain any changes that may be applicable in 2005. We anticipate that there will be added prize money available but we can't comment on the value until we receive firm commitment from our sponsors.

We Need Your Ideas, Comments

Not only do we look forward to your ideas about how we can increase our membership, improve our sponsorship program, etc., but we'd like your feedback on any changes the board made this year (Finals, Awards Banquet, Revised payout system, etc.)

This Just In.....

You may have noticed some changes to the newsletter, including a new editor!! Betty so graciously took this task on 2 years ago when we had no "other takers" and committed to one year only. She willingly took it on a second year and we are grateful for her commitment to MTPA and enjoyed her folksy newsletters! We never knew what joke was going to appear either!! Thank you from all the members Betty!! I'll do my best to get the information to you that

you need and hopefully provide some other bits and pieces that will be of interest as fellow penners. Please feel free to send me any articles or information that you feel would be of interest to the membership. My email address is barbeg@mts.net and mailing address is Box 13, Grp. 540, RR5, Winnipeg, MB. R2C 2Z2. Hopefully I'll have a fax number soon to provide.

A Comment From Our Betty!

Two years have passed quickly by and having only penned for one year, there was a lot to learn as to how the board functions. I have enjoyed working with Everyone! You are a great crew and the MTPA is going to continue to grow and do well with dedicated members like you guiding this organization. Good Luck! To the new communications secretary, I am sure you will receive the same support I have. It has been great getting to know everyone and don't forget, my phone number is 204-556-2609.

My last bit of advice for you all is that "sooner or later, those who win are those who think they can..."

See you next year, "In the Pen"

Betty Naylen

M.T.P.A's Shutterbug...

The M.T.P.A. would like to acknowledge and THANK Alice Barkman, who has been taking official photographs at our shows and awards banquets for the last couple of years. Her commitment to this task has been greatly appreciated and assists the communications secretary in linking photos with articles submitted to miscellaneous publications. Thanks Alice!!!

Quote of the month:

The question is not what you look at but what you see."

- Thoreau

... AND MANY TIMES I CAN'T SEE THOSE DARN NUMBERS.....