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"Around The Pen in 2005"

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Welcome New Penners

The MTPA Board of Directors welcomes all new members to the association and say "Welcome Back" to all former members who have re-joined the association! We look forward to a great season!

2005 Show Schedule

April 30/May	Steinbach (Barkmans)*
May 14/15	Teulon*
May 28/29	Gilbert Plains*
June 11/12	Kola/Virden (Naylens)*
July 2/3	Dauphin
July 30/31	Neepawa*
August 6/7	Kola/Virden (Naylens)*

Note:

- Gilbert Plains show has \$3000 added money and proceeds from the gate receipts will also be going to added prize money.
- All other shows with "*" have \$500 added money

Sept 3/4	FINALS	Neepawa
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Manitoba Horse Council Memberships

Did you remember to send in your membership for the MHC at the same time you renewed your MTPA membership? This is **VERY** important as we

all need to be members of MHC, who provides insurance coverage for us at our shows! If you haven't mailed in your membership, DO IT TODAY. If you require forms, contact Barb at 224-0143 or contact Shannon at the MHC office at 925-5718. We have also included a copy of the MHC membership application on our website (www.mantcpa.com).

Reminder

Just a reminder to everyone to ensure that you display your CTCPA member card on your saddle when competing at all sanctioned shows. If you did not receive this card, contact Wayne Klassen at 729-5145.

MTPA Membership Lists

We'll be mailing out a membership list to members in the next month or so but in the meantime, if you're looking to see whose a member and their rating (to make up teams), check our website - www.mantcpa.com

The Great Folks who are supporting MTPA

The following businesses are generously supporting the MTPA in 2005 – make sure you support them whenever possible!! Tell your friends, tell your family, get new friends if you have to!!

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The R.G. Mazer Group – Brandon, MB.

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Brandon Bearing Ag & Industrial Supply – Brandon, MB.

JMD Farms – Neepawa, MB.

East End Tire – Macgregor, MB.

Neepawa Canvasworks & Dry Cleaning – Neepawa, MB.

Member Profile

I'd like to introduce one of our more recent "penning" families, who have taken to this event like ducks to water. The Barkmans (Dale, Alice, Clint and Jessica) are also the hosts of the first 2005 MTPA sanctioned show (and judges clinic), being held on April 30th and May 1st.

The Barkman family were born and raised in Steinbach, MB., Dale growing up on a hog, beef and grain farm and Alice was raised just west of town on a hobby farm. Both Dale and Alice

had "the horse influence" in their younger years and carried on this strong interest into adulthood. To this day, Alice's parents still own horses, one of them being "Mi Black Cloud", an Arabian stallion who stands at Dale and Alice's AliDale Farms.

They have been heavily involved in various horse clubs over the years such as the Southeast Manitoba Draft Horse Association, Canadian Western Horse Association, Manitoba Arabian Horse Association, Manitoba Quarter Horse Association, Central Canadian Reining Horse Association, 50/50 Super Horse Futurity and now the Manitoba Team Penning Association AND they enjoy trail riding and camping when there's time. I'm not sure where they find the time for it all..raising Clint (17) and Jessica (14) and all their activities (midget hockey, snowmobiling, BMX biking, more hockey (Jessica the goalie!) and volleyball). Whew, I just get tired thinking about all that activity. Alice is also an avid photographer and this has proved very fortunate for the MTPA as she has generously donated many hours of her time taking photographs at all our competitions and banquets! While filling many of their waking hours involved with horses, the family is also very active in their local church!

What possessed this incredibly active family to get involved in Team Penning? According to Alice "it's the friendships that we have made that are going to last a lifetime. We have met so many wonderful people that have become very dear friends. The support that has been given to our children has been a tremendous testimony to the other team penning competitors. They have always made them feel very welcome. A big "Thank You" to all of you who have made our team penning experience such a wonderful journey".

I referred to the Barkmans taking to this sport like "ducks to water".... looking back at the accomplishments of this family since they began team penning, it's obvious that they love this sport and will continue to be part of the MTPA family for some time! We appreciate your support of this association and for providing

such strong competition! We also thank you for hosting the first show of the season and wish you good luck in 2005.