MQHA Members E-NEWSLETTER – May, 2011

NEWS:

#1. The 2011 MQHA Horsemanship Skills Clinic with clinician Bruce Vickery, AQHA World & Congress Champion Trainer was held on May 6-8, 2011 and was a great success. Photos and a post event report from clinic co-ordinator Shelley Minaudier will soon be posted on the MQHA web site.

#2. Congratulations to: 2010 Justin Rookies of the Year: Youth – Breanne Plett showing ***Nothin Buta Te*** and they were #4 in the nation as of Dec 31st in the AQHA Youth Rookie 14-18. Amateur - Darcy Bolton showing ***Chocolat***. Photos will soon be posted on the MQHA website.

#3. Congratulations to: Larry Clifford on being newly elected as the AQHA Director for Manitoba and Marnie Somers on being elevated to AQHA Director At Large for serving for 15 consecutive years on the AQHA Board of Directors during the 2011 AQHA Convention in Grapevine, TX.

#4. Correction to 2010 MQHA Year End Awards: HI PT HALTER GELDING:

- Champion: HEZA PERPETUAL KID—Pat Odlum
- Reserve Champion: CAN DO CHOCOLATE—Lynn Sandercock

#5. 2011 MQHA Year End Points System being reviewed: watch the MQHA website for updates to be posted following the May Board of Directors meeting. Changes will be highlighted for ease in determining what's new/revised.

#6. AQHA Approved Working Cow Horse Class: for the first time MQHA is offering a Working Cow Horse Class at our annual June show (MQHA Summer Sizzler – June 3-4-5/11). This class will take place Saturday, June 4th, late afternoon. The Sat/Sun show is a split/combined show; the advantage is all classes, include the W.H.C. Class will be double-judged with two sets of points awarded. Please check your AQHA rules (online at http://www.aqha.com). The W.C.H. Class will start the evening Crocus Cow Horse Show program. No admission, all horse enthusiasts welcome. For more information on the MQHA Summer Sizzler or the Cow Horse Program, contact Larry Clifford (204) 763-8911 Ranch or (204) 727-3661 Office.

Coming Events:

Band City Quarter Horse Shows – May 21-23, 2011 at Moose Jaw, SK for more information visit the SQHA website: http://www.sqha.org

MQHA Summer Sizzler Quarter Horse Shows – June 3-5, 2011 at ACE Arena, Brandon, MB – Contact Traci Perchuk (204) 763-8997 or email: tracik@prairie.ca. Includes Working Cow Horse Class – see News Item #6 above. Show information is posted on the MQHA website at:
http://www.mqha.ca/summer_sizzler_quarter_horse_show.htm.
For special room rates at Canad Inn ($99 versus their regular rate of $159 please call the Inn @ 204-727-1422 and request the MQHA Group rate – booking deadline is MAY 18, 2011).

Manitoba Horse Council's Horse Week – celebrate Saturday, June 4 to Sunday, June 12, 2011.

Brandon Summer Fair Quarter Horse Shows – June 10-12, 2011 at ACE Arena, Brandon, MB – Contact Brandon Fairs website: http://www.brandonfairs.com

Minot Horse Club – Tim Kimura Trail Clinic – June 22-23, 2011 at Minot, ND. Contact Carla Evenson @ 701-721-9132 for more information.

Northern Lights Quarter Horse Shows – July 1-3, 2011 at Dryden, ON. Contact Jan Halvorsen @ 807-724-9002 or email: jdhalvor@jam21.net or visit NSQHA website at: http://www.nsqha.com

Region Three Championship – July 13-17, 2011 at St. Paul, MN. Visit the MQHA website at: http://www.mqha.ca/reg_experience_page.htm for more information.

Wadena Quarter Horse Shows – July 29-31, 2011at Fergus Falls, MN. Contact Carla Blaha @ 218-445-5269 or email: cblaha@weta.net

(Tentative) Interlake Classic Quarter Horse Shows – August 6-7, 2011 at Eriksdale, MB.

Borderland Quarter Horse Shows – Aug 5-7, 2011 at Emo, ON. Contact Jan Halvorsen @ 807-724-9002 or email: jdhalvor@jam21.net or visit NSQHA website at: http://www.nsqha.com

Saskatchewan Versatility Ranch Horse Event – September 1, 2011 at Moose Jaw, SK. For more information visit the SQHA website: http://www.sqha.org

Harvest Gold Quarter Horse Shows & Futurity – September 2/3 & 4/5, 2011 at Moose Jaw, SK. For more information visit the SQHA website: http://www.sqha.org

MRCHBA Quarter Horse Shows – Sept. 10-11, 2011 at ACE Arena, Brandon, MB Contact: Eryn Butterfield (204) 573-7807 or email: e.butterfield@mrchba.com

5th Annual MQHA/AQHA Ranch Horse Versatility Show – Friday, Oct. 7, 2011 at the ACE Arena, Brandon, MB Contact: Larry Clifford (204) 763-8911. For special room rates at Canad Inn ($99 versus their regular rate of $159 please call the Inn @ 204-727-1422 and request the MQHA Group rate – booking deadline is SEPT. 21, 2011).

MQHA Thanksgiving Classic Quarter Horse Shows – Oct. 8-10, 2011 at the ACE Arena, Brandon, MB – Contact: Larry Clifford (204) 763-8911. For special room rates at Canad Inn ($99 versus their regular rate of $159 please call the Inn @ 204-727-1422

and request the MQHA Group rate – booking deadline is SEPT. 21, 2011).

Don't forget: the MQHA web site http://www.mqha.ca offers **free "classified advertising"** to current MQHA members, and **free links** to MQHA member breeders, trainers & business web sites. Contact the webmaster to place/update your classified ad, exchange a link, or to suggest improvements to the website at: marnie@horsescoops.com

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