

Fall Copper Penny Barrel Series

Fall Series Complete

With fall nearing an end and winter on its way it is comforting to say our fall series came to a successful close on October 1, 2006 at the Pederson arena.

With the weather working against us for the 3rd and 4th jackpots of our series the pressure was definitely on us. We wanted our first series to be a success not only for those of us planning it but for the competitors and sponsors as well.

Finally when the weather decided to cooperate we jumped at the opportunity presenting itself and doubled up our original final day for a two day final weekend. Everyone in attendance can attest to the fine fall weather and excellent ground conditions. Even the 1/2 centimeter of rain on Saturday night couldn't dampen our spirits and we forged ahead with excellent grounds completing the series with some fantastic times posted.

All things considered we had a great turnout. The barbeque social after-

ward gave organizers, competitors, volunteers and their families a chance to visit and relax after days of arena preparation, organizing and competing all weekend with the awards presentation for competitors and volunteers wrapping things up on a definite high note.



Competitors from the final day of the Fall Copper Penny Series

A Special Thanks to our Generous Sponsors

On behalf of all of us I would like to thank all of the generous sponsors.

UFA, Plains Marketing Canada Ltd. and Canadian Natural Resources Ltd. were major sponsors of the 2006 series. Their generosity to our community event allowed us to present all in attendance with a series T shirt as well as purchase prizes for various divisions.

Aardvark Welding Ltd., Waschuk Pipeline Contracting Ltd. and Mighty Enterprises Ltd. were also invaluable sponsors to our series. To top off a fantastic list of sponsors we had the ABRA, Bling Bling, Bioniche, Huckleberry's Restaurant, Interval Timing Canada, Rodeo Classified and W4 Tru Touch Therapy.

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Special points of interest:

- 2006 Copper Penny Series a success
- Thanks to our sponsors big and small
- Winners and sponsors of the 2006 Series
- Photos of winners with prizes
- CNRL representative present for awards
- Preparations for 2007 series underway

All the Youth are Winners



Our Youth competitors consisted of 16 strong over the course of the series. Although not all were in attendance the final day of the series those that attended

were not disappointed.

Kelsey Wittynick and her horse "Key" was our lone 1D finalist and took home the beautiful embroidered cooler sponsored by Aardvark Welding Ltd.

Megan Twertoclib and "Royal" were the big winners in the 2D and were rewarded with a cooler also sponsored by Aardvark Welding Ltd.

Pictured left to right:: Brenna McCollough, Kendra McCullough, Megan Twertoclib, Devon Hollar, Kyla Hollar, Kelsey Wittynick. Spencer Young kneeling In the 3D Kendra McCullough and "Gypsy" received the cooler sponsored by UFA. Brenna McCullough and "Jinks" in second received a "Bling Bling" halter and spurs. In third Devon Hollar and "Spirit" also received a "Bling Bling" Halter and fold away hoof pick.

Kyla Hollar had some hard luck bumping a barrel the final day but "Wings" will be sporting a new halter for their efforts.

The one lone Pee Wee of the final day was Spencer Young. She and all the pee wees that attended the final 2 days took home pails filled with various prizes donated by Aardvark Welding Ltd.

It is our hope that the pee wee and youth increase in numbers in the years to follow

Gordon Patriquin and his grooming machine!

Any one that attended the Fall Copper Penny Series can attest to the quality of the arena's surfaces and the fast times turned in throughout the series.

With our two arenas only 4 1/2 miles apart and Janet Patriquin as one of the directors we were able to "employ" Gordon as our ground volunteer. Even with the wet weather that seemed to plague us we were able to turn things

around and run our final two days in safety due to repeated grooming. Not only does it prepare to the depth required but in our case helped to fluff and dry areas that were sticky and packing.

Gordon a faithful volunteer arrived early to help prepare the arena and also instead

Fast times with out incident!
Thanks to Gordon Patriquin and
his arena groomer.

of requiring an multitude of raking volunteers he worked the pattern every 5 horses for an exceptional surface for competition.

Our thanks goes out to Gordon for his interest and

participation in our series!

Local Representative of CNRL attends Series

Our series success was not only due to the generous sponsorship by Canadian Natural Resources Ltd but also the local CNRL representative volunteer.

Howard Knull a battery operator for CNRL and local farmer along with his wife Cheryl were two of our local volunteers and avid spectators. A special thanks goes out them!

With the long hours required to work and

farm events like ours allow locals a chance to get out and participate in horse related functions they otherwise would not have the time to attend.

Howard Knull presenting

Janet Patriquin with a CNRL award



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Open Champions

The series consisted of 4 jackpots held at 2 different arenas with 48 competitors on 66 horses. Points were awarded from 1st to 10th place at each jackpot for each division. Attendance and consistency were the ticket to the winners circle. The fast time of the series was a 17.837. The fast time from the final weekend was an 18.389 both runs were on a regulation pattern.

Teresa Pederson riding a new gelding "Vegas" was the Open 1D Champion. They were awarded a gorgeous winter blanket donated by Might Enterprises Inc.

Jen Wittynick and her solid horse "Becker" are sporting the 2D blanket donated by another generous sponsor Plains Marketing Canada Ltd.



3D Champion Janet Patriquin and her consistent mare "AJ" proudly accepted the blanket donated by Canadian Natural Resources Ltd.

Congratulations goes out to all 3 ladies and their mounts.

We hope to see you sporting those blankets at future functions.

Teresa Pederson, Janet Patriquin and Jen Wittynick pose with awards

Runner Up Champions

Thanks to Lorrill Waschuk of Waschuk Pipeline Contractors Ltd. in Red Deer, Alberta we were able to present our runner up in each division with an embroidered wool lined canvas blanket.

Each winner also received a 25 dollar gift certificate for Rodeo Classified.

Teresa Pederson and her racy new mare "Shesam" gathered points at all 4 jack-

pots to become the 1D runner up winners.

Janet Patriquin and "Pace" a new but consistent 2D mare are sporting the 2D runner up blanket.

Tara McCullough a new comer to the barrel racing scene and mother of two of our youth winners maneuvered "Lady" to a 3D runner up win.



Prizes and Sponsors



Third place in each division received an embroidered hay bag sponsored by UFA as well as a gift certificate for a W4 Tru Touch Therapy and halter shank.

Teresa Pederson and "Taylor" were the 1D winners.

Janet Patriquin and "Pace" raced into the 2D winners circle.

Laurie Hansen and her new gelding

"Rocky" cinched the 3D title.

In 4th place in the 1D was Rhonda Henry and her solid mount "Warrior".

The 3D 4th place winner was Laurie Hansen on her new 5 year old gelding "Shrek". (center left in photo)

Both Rhonda and Laurie received a pail with a Derma Gel from Bioniche as well as some other fantastic prizes.

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Your never too young or too old to horse around!

The Copper Penny Barrel Racers is a group organized by 3 barrel racers from the New Sarepta area. Every one that competes at the series jackpots is a Copper Penny Barrel Racer.

Our goal as organizers and directors is to promote the exciting sport of barrel racing in our community for competitors and spectators alike. We hope to bring back the "old days" of attending a horse sporting event without the travel but with present day rewards.

The quality of horse flesh has increased and with that the prices. Trucks, trailers, fuel, tack and entries are some of your expenses with no guarantee of payback. We compete for the win, not necessarily the cash reward which is welcome but mostly for the glory.

Our sponsors mean the world to us as they are the ones that help bring our dreams to reality.

Preparations for the 2007 Copper Penny Series

The 2006 season is behind us and the snow is about to fly. We must not allow ourselves to lose focus. In two short months 2007 will be here and with it our need to compete.

It is our hope to plan a series that is "bigger and better" than the last. So far plans under way are to start the series as soon as weather allows. Dates will be set and booked with alternate dates in the event of rain outs.

The stress of inclement weather has driven us to a series completion some time in August. Although in the planning stages we have been tossing around the idea of an open final day double run in which everyone entered competes for the day money and those with the qualified number of runs compete for the prizes as well.

Approved jackpots would be scheduled later to count toward the 2008 season.

This brings me to my biggest agenda

public relations and sponsorship. It is my hope to retain the invaluable sponsors of the 2006 and add to that to increase our prizes. More prizes equals more interest.

More interest equals more competitors. This in turn draws spectators increasing the interest in the sport. With that comes a larger return for our sponsors.

Sponsorship is advertisement. So how do we give our sponsors the most bang for their buck? We arrange for sponsorship early on so they have maximum exposure. Selection of award items that sponsors names can be attached, also if they are items the recipients can use when out in public. The cost for this type of item is higher however the rewards are greater as well.

It is with this I welcome any

new sponsors as well as request our previous sponsors consider investing in us yet again!

