



2009 SERIES RESULTS

Copper Penny Year End

Yes...our 2009 series came to a close September 20th...but it went out with a BANG!!

Competitors that turned out for that final day were anxious to see how their efforts of the year would pay off. Everyone appeared to have a great time at the social chatting and sharing horse stories over a great meal.

We have been hosting this series for 4 years now. In that time we have come to know many of the competitors and their horses as if they were family. We look forward to the weekend when they join us and share something we have in common...barrel racing.

Whether you are a competitor, a family member, spectator or volunteer it seems to get "in your blood" and no matter how tired you are at

later on I want to congratulate all of the 2009 winners and their horses. I know it takes a lot of hard work and determination to get there and even though it feels great to win...it is nice to be acknowledged. I hope you all rewarded your trusty steeds for their efforts as well!

So stay with me and read on to get a feel for our series. You will get a chance to learn how great our sponsors are, who are the loyal participants, the friends and family that take part and help make our series a success!



the end of the day, you are willing to head out and do it all over again.

In case I don't get a chance

Sponsors...we APPLAUD You!!!!

This is like winning an academy award...where do I start? THANK YOU!!! You make it all possible.

Canadian Natural Resources Ltd, Enerplus Resources Fund, Plains Midstream Canada Ltd, Aardvark Welding Ltd and Lorrill Waschuk. As our major sponsors, we hope you know

how your sponsorship dollars help us to put on what we think is a one of kind series. We really could not do this without you!

County of Leduc Grants, Bob and Sandy Hood, Blacktof Angus Farms and Lomheim Saddlery. Your sponsorship dollars and donations are a

generous showing of your support and interest in the sport of barrel racing. I thank you on behalf of every one involved.

Competitors, volunteers and organizers...I ask you all to tip your hats in thanks to our generous sponsors!!! Let them know how much we appreciate them !

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- Enerplus Weekend
- Peewee's are our future.
- Thank goodness for volunteers!
- Photos of winners.
- Photo Collage of the final day.
- Farewell 2009...

ENERPLUS Weekend - Bonus Prizes

2009 was the second annual Enerplus Weekend and once again we had a fantastic turnout! With 36 open , 17 youth and 6 peewees to run through twice on a scorching hot July day we were “plum tuckered” by days end.

We receive so many promotional items from Enerplus we decided last year to hold an Enerplus weekend. This year the ABRA allowed hosts to hold double jackpots on the same day so the turnout was fantastic. Everyone can enter 2 jackpots at one location and win prizes for their combined times.

Youth Standings

1D

1st - Mellisa Miller - Bailey,
2nd - Shelby Robbins - Bud, 3rd
- Taylor Melin - Kikiao

2D

1st - Raely Pederson - Monty,
2nd - Camille Ahlstrom - Scoot,
3rd - Katie Miller - Larkey

3D

1st -Raely Pederson - Smoothy,
2nd - Tamara Davies - Smoke,
3rd - Molley Robinson - Luna

Open Standings

1D

1st - Sandy Hood - Charger, 2nd
-Vanessa Chalifioux - Vida, 3rd
- Dianne Miller - Jay, 4th - Stacey Veldhuis - Buttons

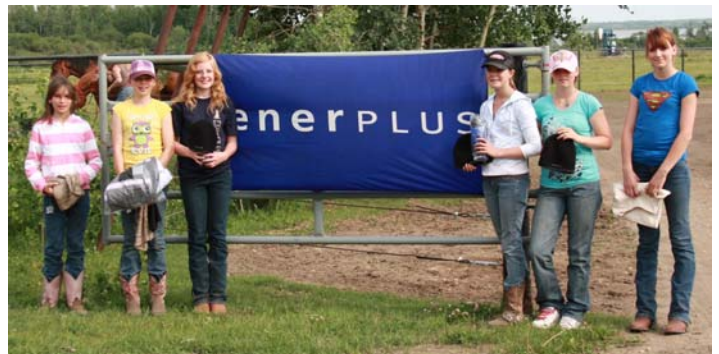
2D

1st - Stacey Veldhuis - Rafter,
2nd - Sara Stahl - Legs, 3rd -
Bernice Cherry - Spur, 4th -
Vanessa Chalifioux - Chyna

3D

1st - Jocelyn Daines - Willy, 2nd
- Laurie Hansen - Lotto, 3rd -
Lisa Ried -Breeze, 4th - Dianne
Austad - Smoke

Congratulations to our winners of the Enerplus Weekend. We hope to see you all back next year.



Meet the Peewees - Our Future Competitors

If you haven't been to one of our jackpots you should stop in and check out the young talent that shows up to ride. These little tykes are as cute as a button and ALWAYS have a great time. They could certainly teach some of the older riders a lesson in sportsmanship. Winning...isn't everything!

To be a Peewee you must be 8 years or under and willing to ride whatever your Mom and Dad put you on. Most of these little rid-



ers buck up and “take it in stride”. You may be surprised but there is not a lot of crying going on. These little cowgirls and cowboys are in it for the FUN.

At all of our jackpots their entry fee entitles them to their choice of items from the booth. On our special days such as Enerplus Weekend and our Series Final every peewee takes home prizes. We like to reward them just for showing up. They love whatever they receive and on Enerplus day it was no exception, each peewee goes home with something.

The peewee with the fast time gets an additional prize for their effort...quite often it is something to share with their trusty steed.

No one leaves empty handed or without a smile on their face...that's a guarantee! I am pretty sure if they were doing the driving they wouldn't miss a jackpot. We can't wait to see the talent 2010 brings our way. Hope to see you all next year...saddle up your ponies and head on over...we'll be waiting for ya!



Open 1D - Champion, 2nd, 3rd and 4th

It seems every year is a charm for Teresa Pederson and her 16.2 hand gelding "Docz Highrollerz". Those of you that have been following the series already know this New Sarepta team has taken the 1D championship 4 years running. Teresa and 10 year old Vegas now have a lovely Horseware Ireland fleece blanket and jacket to wear sponsored by Plains Midstream Canada.



2nd place honors went to Edmontonian Sandy Hood and her 11 year old QH gelding "Go Charge a Bar". Sandy is a newcomer to our series but a

40 year veteran of the sport. Charger has 4 years experience but gives her a great run every time out. His efforts won them a fleece blanket sponsored by Plains Midstream Canada and a Bronc Halter donated by Blacktof Angus Farms.



Dianne Miller and her 11 year old QH gelding JTR Crimson Jay of Calmar decided to take up barrel racing together 4 years ago. She and Jay have not missed a series...nor a trip to the pay window. They have been learning together and improving each time out. Jay can be found lounging around his paddock these days in his comfy fleece cooler sponsored by Plains Midstream Canada.

Wait...there's more! The 4th place



travel bag and halter sponsored by Enerplus went home to Camrose with Anne Flynn and 17 year old Duke. This seasoned duo combined Duke's 12 years of experience and Anne's 30 plus years to improve their times and break into the 1D level.

Congratulations to all of you on a "job" well done!



On a Special Note

Let me take this opportunity to introduce our major sponsors.

Aardvark Welding Ltd, other wise known as Mark, Teresa and Sammy Pederson. They not only provide the location for the series and other items but are a major monetary sponsor that helps to pay miscellaneous expenses of our series

Canadian Natural Resources Ltd. have supported us every year since conception. Our arena sits in the heart of their Joarcam Field next to the battery

itself. Howard Knull was a battery operator for them and volunteers at our jackpots.

Enerplus Resources Fund / Enermark came on board our second year and have been a fantastic supporter. With all the extra promotional items they provide we started the popular Enerplus Weekend.

Plains Midstream Canada have also been a loyal sponsor since the beginning. They are an oil shipper with pipelines and trucks in our area. They were

our first sponsor to come on board when we decided to start this series.

Lorrill Waschuk and her son Zeke have sponsored us almost every year. This year Lorrill also managed to attend and volunteer at the jackpots. Her sponsorship generally pays for the attendance awards we give out as well as other miscellaneous items required.

For those of you that have not run a series, sponsors mean everything to you. Without them, we cease to exist. They are Special...each and every one!!!

Peewees + Prizes = Happy Faces!!

Open 2D - Champion, 2nd, 3rd and 4th

With a repeat performance of 2007 Laurie Hansen and Docz Rocz On claimed the 2D Championship. Last year an injury set them back but the duo returned this year and battled it out with a very tough field of competitors. Hailing from New Sarepta, Laurie and her 10 year old QH gelding Rocky have been a team for 4 years now. They will be sporting their matching finery a Horeware Fleece blanket and jacket sponsored by CNRL.



In his second year of barrel racing Lotto Streakin along with rider Teresa Pederson blazed in for a 2nd place finish. Lotto is the “go to guy” at the Pe-

erson's and has proven to be a very successful mount. At 13 he has definitely proven he gets better with age. Lotto and Teresa took home a cozy Horeware Fleece sponsored by CNRL and a Custom Bronc Halter donated by Lomheim Saddlery.



Hailing from Devon newcomer Ginger Baily and her 5 year old QH Roo chose our series to launch their barrel racing career and it appears to have paid off. This duo took full advantage of the jackpot schedule with near perfect attendance to improve their chances and were happy to claim the 3rd place Horeware Fleece sponsored by CNRL.



Tammy Lee Taylor and her 15 year old mare Caprie claimed the 4th place Horesware Tote and Halter sponsored by Enerplus. This was a special win for this duo from Sherwood Park as Tammy a 20 year veteran decided Caprie should end her career after 9 years of faithful service.

Congratulations!!! See you next year.



More on the Youngsters

Our Peewee of the year was Miss Lakota Bowers. At the ripe old age of 5 she was a fierce competitor. Lakota started out on a pony with her Mom running shotgun. However mid way through the year she wore them out and moved on to Cody, her 21 year old QH who coincidentally just started barrel racing this year as well. Lakota and Cody took home a bucket full of prizes for their efforts. I think Lakota had one of the biggest smiles of the day!

The young fellow pictured behind her is 8 year old Carter “Zeke” Waschuk. He



and his Mom are sponsors and volunteers at our series.

Also, to the left of the barrel is 6 year old Sammy Pederson. He is a host, sponsor and soul owner of “Sammy’s Snacks” the Copper Penny jackpot eatery. He often helps with the arena duties, or is busy entertaining youngsters that attend so he “employs” his great aunt to run the eatery when he is busy.

Volunteering, sponsoring and competition with sportsmanship . What a learning experience this is for them!

Open 3D - Champion, 2nd and 3rd

Sandy Emery and her 10 year old QH gelding TE of Edmonton took the Championship his first year on barrels. They will be nice and cozy in there Horseware Fleece blanket and jacket sponsored by Aardvark Welding. Sandy could have given anyone a run for their money for the biggest smile award!



Talk about new, the duo of Alexis Wartman and VJ Tic Tac Solo both with 4 months of barrel racing under their belts claimed the 2nd place Custom Bronc Halter donated by Lomheim Saddlery and the Horseware fleece sponsored by Enerplus. Wow...what a first year! We can't wait to see what they do next year.



Courtney Lomheim and Miss Go Loona of Tofield returned for their second year of competition to take home the 3rd place Horseware fleece sponsored by Enerplus. This year was a bit of a struggle as "Lou" was on the injured list for part of the season but they have plans to return in full force 2010.



Our Gate Guy - Howard

If you have ever been to one of our jackpots you have met Howard. Although most are on a first name basis with him, newcomers know him as "The Gate Guy".

For 4 years, since our first jackpot, Howard has manned the competitor gate. No matter how busy he is with his own commitments he rarely misses a jackpot. This year the hurricane like winds made everyone's job more difficult, including the gate. We try to lend a hand to make things a little easier, but if we can't you won't catch Howard complaining.



Volunteers are generally the unsung heroes, but not at our jackpots. We are darn lucky to have a volunteer like Howard! Thanks from all of us!!!

Thanks Helen and Cheryl!

Anyone recognize these ladies? You should! Helen Hansen (right) is our Secretary / Announcer and Cheryl Knull (left) is her faithful Assistant. These two have been handling the most important part of our jackpots since conception. Tracking the times and handling the payouts is a necessary position with very little glory. Helen has never missed a jackpot and up until Howard's retirement Cheryl had a pretty solid record as well.

Many competitors take them for granted...but we don't! They handle a very large work load with very little assistance or praise. This year they stayed with us in stifling heat, blazing sun, typhoon like winds and choking dust like in the "days of the great depression". What were they thinking?

We hope they were enjoying themselves...but most of all we hope they realize how much we appreciate everything they do!

Helen and Cheryl... THANKS!!!! Let's all "cross our fingers" they return in 2010!





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WOW...does anyone know where the time went. I could swear I just finished the 2008 newsletter and here I am again.

19 Jackpots over 10 Sundays...I am exhausted just thinking about it! I don't remember having a break all summer and Christmas is screaming up on us. I don't know if you realize it but it is time to start the sponsorship drive.

Looking back on this year, remembering all the work that went into it, I also remember all the great people and companies that volunteered, sponsored or offered their verbal support. Every comment such as "great show", "nice prizes", "well run", "We'll be back next year" and yes...of course "Thanks" makes it all worth it! We had a great time hosting...even if the heat, wind, and hours of prep time seemed to take its toll after a while. The million dollar question at this point...is there a series

next year?

As long as we have the sponsors and competitors we will return for 2010. It will be our 5th consecutive year...how will we top the last one? It's getting tougher every year.

Already in the planning stages the awards lineup looks to be a good one. If sponsorship falls into place I hope to have everything organized and ordered early so I can focus on our individual jackpots. Our Enerplus weekend is a hit each year so I would like to make a few other jackpots special as well. Perhaps there is another sponsor out there that will help make our series the place to be! I have a few ideas, we will see how things turn out.

Once again we need to encourage others in the community to become involved. Every year we have newcomers to our sport and inquiries from locals on how

they too can participate. Ours is a perfect venue for someone just starting out. We offer a low pressure environment for you and your horse to learn and improve. The 3D format allows for several levels of riders and horses. Not ready to pay an entry fee...try a "time only" which offers the same arena time as a regular run without the stress of making a "money run". You can progress as fast as you and your horse are able, without the cost and pressure a regular entry brings. Everyone is welcome...young or old, amateur or seasoned veteran...just be sure and have fun!

Now it is time to bid a fond farewell to 2009 and everything it brought us. Some good...some bad...but don't despair. 2010 is fast approaching and we must prepare for what ever it has in store. For many, this could be your year to shine! GOOD LUCK ALL!!!!