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5th Copper Penny Series

Another year has passed again...count them...FIVE years! I can't believe it...we have been planning, organizing, riding, working, thanking, rewarding and congratulating for five years. WOW!!

Our loyal sponsors were there for us one more year and our tireless volunteers never let us down. The competitors turned out jackpot after jackpot, many have been here year after year others just starting out. All of us here for one thing, our love of the sport of barrel racing.

This year we ran 19 jackpots! No small feat with the weather we endured. The wind was memorable...to say the least. Rain of course really puts a damper on things. Can't say as we ever complained it was too hot though. Yes...if you hadn't guessed already...we are in Alberta!



The ever popular Enerplus Weekend was once again a success. All of it leading up to the grand finale...that final jackpot, dinner social and the

awards presentation. Everyone turned out with their trusty steeds and their smiling faces to hopefully share in the "bounty".

Now, to all the 2010 win-

ning teams... congratulations! Well done!

To all the rest of you...don't go away, I invite you to spend some time with us...and see where the "chips fell"! Read about our generous sponsors, participants, hard working volunteers, our hosts,

organizers and everyone else that makes this event what it is.

You may be surprised at what you learn!

Sponsors...you never let us down!!!!

Year after year our generous sponsors come through for us asking little in return. We must let them know how much we appreciate them!

Canadian Natural Resources Ltd, Enerplus Resources Fund, Aardvark Welding Ltd, Lorrill Waschuk, Sammy's Snack Shack, Epona Consulting

Inc, Top Line Stable, Virginia Achen, and Bob & Sandy Hood. Your sponsorship dollars go a long way to make our series unique. We really could not do this without you!

The **County of Leduc** grant dollars help us to upgrade our facility. As well we would like to thank

Sharon Stepanick for her thoughtful donation of bedding plants. The arena planters are another way we try to make our jackpots a little more special.

To all of you from all of us...**Thank You** for generously supporting our local event, the exciting sport of barrel racing!.

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- The Awards
- Thank goodness for volunteers!
- Featuring "Sammy Pederson"
- Photo Collage of the final day.
- Farewell 2010

2010 ENERPLUS Weekend...Double Run = Double the fun!

Once again the Enerplus Weekend was a hit with the competitors. We had a great turnout, everyone had fun, and the winners took home some great prizes! There were 36 open, 9 youth and 3 peewees battling for the prizes which are awarded to the fastest combined times in each division. Our Pee Wee riders don't have it as rough...they all get prizes.

Every year Enerplus gives us promotional products to award so we decided to do something extra with them. We divvy up these



1st - Teresa Pederson - Vegas, 2nd -Charlotte Downey - Cash, 3rd - Kelly Cartwright - Fancy, 4th - Kim Hummel - Hummer, 5th - Dianne Miller - Jay

2D

1st - Kim Hummel - Spice, 2nd - Christine Rusnak - Change, 3rd - Laurie Hansen - Rocky, 4th - Jackie Hebert - Sam, 5th -Tara Andrews - Vader

3D

1st - Sandy Emery - Tee, 2nd -Shelby Serniak - Lena, 3rd -Christine Rusnak - LD, 4th -Brittany Robbins - Cassidy, 5th - Michelle Miller - Chick

Youth Standings

1D

1st - Morgan Sparrow - Taylor, 2nd - Courtney Chubocha -Moody

No 2D qualifiers

3D

1st -Morgan Sach - Char, 2nd -Sara Wheale - Jesse, <u>Open</u> <u>Standings</u>



items...we add some additional items with their sponsorship dollars to round out the prizes...and the Enerplus Weekend was born!

Some of our smaller Pee Wees tuckered out by the time we

finished for the day but Kaytie Lynn Downey was not going to let anything stop her. She and Quixote had done a hard days work and she was going to collect her "loot"!

Congratulations to our winners of the Enerplus Weekend!! We hope you had as much fun as we did!



The "Up and Coming" Talent...

Every year we are amazed at the young talent that turns out. Some of the little "gaffers" can barely walk on their own but have learned to ride. These fearless little cowboys and cowgirls come in all shapes and sizes...riding ponies or "Moms Old Barrel Horse". Some of the mothers get quite a bit of exercise guiding them around the standard barrel pattern...but it is worth it in the end. Sure there is a bit of crying for first timers but most of them are seasoned riders out to have some fun!

There are very few guarantees in life, but at the Copper Penny Jackpots the Pee Wees have come to learn, Everyone WINS! It doesn't take much to make these little riders feel special so "Sammy's Snack Shack" provides their choice of treats when they complete their ride. Also, at selected jackpots, the Enerplus Weekend and Final there are prizes for them and their horses to share. They are smiling whether they win or not, so why not reward that attitude.

To be a Peewee you must be 8 years or under and willing to ride whatever your Mom and Dad put you on. With no set minimum age there are some tiny little riders starting out each year.

One such Pee Wee this year was 3 year old "Logan Cartwright", he is just breaking into the barrel racing world and has enlisted the help of "Fancy", one of moms seasoned barrel horses . His mom has been getting quite a bit of exercise running barrels with him but I am sure we will see him out there on his own soon. His mom "Kim" and dad "Kelly" both started out young so they wanted to



make sure "Logan" was afforded the same opportunity. Logan has a baby sister that is going to need a horse in a couple of years so there is a little pressure on him to make sure Fancy is doing her job safely! By the looks of her here...there is nothing to worry about.

Barrel Racing really is a sport for all ages! Our jackpots offer a venue where the whole family can attend and compete. No matter your age or skill level, everyone can bring their horse or lawn chair and have a lot of fun!!!

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Sponsors and the Awards

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!

This year we did not specify as to which division the sponsorship went. We added it up and started deciding what to award. This means, everyone must thank ALL of the sponsors for being on board with us.

Early on we decided we wanted to do a custom made halter copper and black nylon with the name "Copper Penny Series" over the nose and the year "2010" on the left cheek. These along with a matching shank were awarded to each Open winner 1st to 4th placing.

1st to 3rd place in each division received cozy Horseware Ireland Nemarket Throws. These match the fleece coolers awarded last year...not sure if anyone noticed.

The Champions and Runners up were also lucky enough to take home a Horseware Ireland Newmarket Bridle Bag to store their bridles from the dust and weather.

Lastly, the Champions in each division could choose custom ordered Pro Orthopedic Sports Support Boots in the size and color of their liking.

Just wait...there is more! Every competitor that qualified for the series went home with a beautiful etched leather saddle cross embellished with swarovski crystals, and a two tone rope edged barrel racer concho.

When was the last time you went to a series with awards like these?!

Open 1D - Champion, 2nd and 3rd

They have done it again! Teresa Pederson and "Docz Highrollerz" have managed to hold on to their 1D championship 5 years running! This 16.2 hand QH gelding she fondly calls "Vegas" is an 11 year old home bred she has trained herself, and barrel raced his dam and sire as well! Hundreds of horse and rider teams have tried but this team has been unbeatable. They also hold the record for the fastest time ran at the Pederson Arena. Is it the team or is there luck in a name?



Dianne Miller and her 12 year old QH gelding "JTR Crimson Jay" of Calmar have been barrel racing together for 5 years and have not missed attending our series. This year the duo seemed to really "click" and found themselves the 1D runner up! This should have been a very rewarding win for them but regrettably Dianne had to accept their awards for both of them. Unfortunately "Jay" passed away in mid August, but the two had already qualified for the series so for Dianne the day of the awards was a bitter sweet victory.



The 1D 3rd placing went to Teresa Pederson and her 14 year old gelding "Lotto Streakin". With only 3 summers of barrel racing under his belt this 16.3 hand Oklahoma ranch horse has taken the barrel arena by storm! Look out "Vegas"..."Lotto" is looking to bump you and take your spot in the "A" team.

Congratulations to all of our 1D winners...we hope you enjoy your "spoils of war"!



5 years of Loyal Sponsorship= Success!! Thanks!!!

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

2010 was the 3rd 2D Championship claimed by Laurie Hansen and "Docz Rocz On". This 11 year old 15.2 hand QH gelding may be small in stature but makes up for it with ability and confidence. Purchased when he was a week old, Laurie started "Rocky" on barrels fall of 2005 and they started competing the following spring.



Alexis Wartman and her 8 year old Bay QH "VJ Tic Tac Solo" claimed the 2D Runner Up award. Alexis trained "Tic Tac" herself and the two of them have become regulars at our jackpots. I think barrel racing might be in their blood now...don't you?

The 2D 3rd placing went to Sandy Emery and "TE". No stranger to the barrel arena Sandy has been training 10 year old "Te" for 2 years now. Things

really starting to come together for the duo, last years 3D Champs were delighted to move up into the 2D awards.





After 2 years of barrels Ginger Baily has been "bitten" by the barrel racing bug. She and her 6 year old QH gelding "Roo" travel from Devon to compete at our jackpots. All their hard work and dedication has paid off as they claimed the 2D 4th place and a Rambo Bridle Bag for the "Youngest Horse Award".



Congratulations to all the 2D winning

teams!!! Enjoy your awards!



Sponsors

Who are those sponsors anyway? Do you know?

"Canadian Natural Resources" Limited and "Enerplus Resources Fund" are local oil companies that like to give back to the community.

"Bob and Sandy Hood" from Ft Saskatchewan are rodeo and barrel racing enthusiasts / competitors / mentors.

"Lorrill Waschuk" is a friend of organizer Laurie Hansen. She sponsors and tries to help out at the jackpots when she can come down from Athabasca.

"Aardvark Welding Ltd" is Mark, Teresa and Sammy Pederson, sponsor and host of the jackpots.

"Sammy' Snack Shack" is Sammy Pederson.

"Virginia Achen" of Edmonton is our aunt, volunteer and cheering section. She is also an artist that paints water colors.

"Top Line Running Quarter Horses / Top Line Stable" is the partnership of Teresa Pederson and Laurie Hansen. They raise and sell prospects for race and barrels as well as trained barrel horses.

All are top race and barrel bloodlines with much of their TAAA breeding stock purchased state side.

"Epona Consulting Inc" is Laurie Hansen. "Epona" is currently a dealer for Horseware Ireland, Pro Orthopedic Products and Flair equine nasal strips. The line up of products is growing as quality products are researched and selected.

All of these sponsors have decided barrel racing is worthy of their support...are they correct? Let them know!

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

This years 3D Champion was Thorsby native Michelle Miller and her 13 year old Paint mare "Bonaltas Serria Lynn". Michelle, an on a gain off again barrel racer, purchased "Chick" February of 2010 and made the Copper Penny Series their jackpots of choice. Good planning on their part!



Anne Flynn has placed at 3 of our series and this year was no exception. Her and her QH mare "Wimpy Eyed Sage" earned the 3D Runner up awards. Also her husbands rope horse, Anne has been training "Sage" on barrels for a number of years. This year was her first year competing on her but it looks like it won't be the last.



25 year old Jinny Gummow of Leduc (pictured left) and her 10 year old gelding "Spirit" had a really good first year. Jinny raised him and has used him as her all around / ranch / trail horse. An avid rider since the age of 6 this May she decided they would become barrel racers. This fall they proved they were with their 3D 3rd place win. Maybe we will see them next year...unless they move on to something else.



well for them...they also won a Rambo Bridle Bag and Art Print for the "Most Improved Award" as well!

Congratulations to all of you and your trusty steeds... We hope you all had fun!!

3D 4th place went to two new comers Sharon Stepanick and her 7 year old appendix gelding "Mr Magics Illusion". Sharon and "Grady" started learning together last fall and this spring decided to try their luck at the jackpots. As you can see it went very



Most Loyal Volunteer!

Howard Knull has manned our competitor gate for all 5 years of our series since our very first jackpot! At this point I think he has become the most famous "gate guy" around...all the regulars know him by name!



This year we had custom halters made with the series name and year so it was only fitting Howard should receive one as well.

He is the volunteer others could only dream about. Taking time out of his own commitments to lend a hand...we are forever grateful!!!

Thanks Howard ... you could consider this the "Best Neighbor" award !!!

Thanks Helen and Cheryl!

How do you thank these two loyal volunteers for 5 years of faithful service? Helen Hansen is our Secretary / Announcer and Cheryl Knull is her faithful Assistant.





Everyone counts on them to register competitors, announce, track the times to calculate the winners, calculate the payout, then hand out the payout to the winners. All this while dealing with whatever weather "Mother Nature" decides to dish out. Did I mention we run double headers almost every time as well! They have the have the busiest job...with the least amount of Glory!

You may think we take them granted...but we don't! Helen and Cheryl... THANKS...THANKS...AND THANKS AGAIN!!!!!

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Youth Qualifier

What do you think your first year barrel racing would end up like? 11 year old Danielle Burgardt couldn't have dreamed she would win the youth 1D Championship...but she did! Thanks to 23 year old "Spicy Brue" a barrel racing veteran of 18 years.





Who better to teach Danielle than Brue. With his years of experience including several barrel racing finals it was decided he would come out of retirement. "Brue" started teaching Danielle barrels summer of 2009...and, with a lot of patience from him and their seasoned coaches Bob and Sandy Hood, the team was trotting the pattern by fall. In the spring they were ready to compete. And what a season it was for

them. They took home several great prizes as well as the award for the oldest horse.

As for "Brue"...he is looking younger every day...now that he has his very own little girl to look after him. The rest...as they say...is history!



Our Youngest Sponsor!

Meet Sammy Pederson...7 year old proprietor of "Sammy's Snack Shack".



3 years feeding and watering the competitors he is also our youngest sponsor. He is the sole sponsor of the Pee Wee's as well as any additional awards that he thinks of.

He operates his "Snack Shack' with the help of his great aunt Virginia. She attends every jackpot to ensure he has help when things get busy. Things are hopping for him when the temperature is up and everyone is looking to cool down with an ice cold beverage! Sammy is pictured here with a friend and fellow sponsor Carter Waschuk. "Zeke" as his friends call him and his Mom "Lorrill" have been one of our very loyal long time sponsors. They also enjoy coming to watch the action and maybe help out with the booth or other duties. I would say these two young fellows are off to quite a start learning to give back to the community when you are able



This year Sammy also gave some very special awards to two of our long time competitors. Over the winter Anne Flynn lost "Duke" her 17 year old buckskin gelding. Then this summer Dianne Miller's 12 year old gelding "Jay" lost his

fight with colic. At our final awards function Sammy presented them both with lovely western picture frames so they can keep a photo of their beloved barrel racing partners close to them.



Many Thanks "Sammy", that was very considerate of you...and I am sure very much appreciated by the ladies!

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THANK YOU - From the Winners

Every year I thank our sponsors repeatedly for supporting us! This year I wanted to do something special, so here is a personalized Thank You from each of our grateful winners!

I am in a very unique position being a competitor, jackpot host and sponsor which makes me aware of all three sides of the "barrel racing triangle". All are important and strong together but also require the other two sides to exist successfully. It is a wonderful to see a venue that all the levels of competitors and horses can come together on an equal playing field to challenge their abilities. But to create a venue which rewards success with such wonderful prizes, even a participation reward to all the qualified riders, is truly something I am proud to be a part of.

My son Sammy, age 7, is in his third year running "Sammy's Snack Shack" and is the sole sponsor of the Pee Wee class as well as a special presentation to two barrel racers that lost their horses during the season. Sammy is learning entrepreneurial skills as well as the importance of giving back. Barrel racing creates a community which teaches many life lessons to many people beyond horses and horsemanship.

In conclusion, I would like to take this opportunity to thank all of our generous sponsors for supporting the Copper Penny Barrel Racing Series. Hats off to all of you!!!

Teresa Pederson (1D Champion / 1D 3rd placing / Host / Sponsor)

I would like to thank your sponsors for the beautiful prizes we are given at the year end. I have been coming to the Copper Penny for the last 5 years and have really been enjoying meeting new people and becoming good friends with them. The atmosphere at these jackpots are so friendly and fun. To receive an award at the year end makes it so much more special.

Thanks, Dianne Miller (1D Runner Up)

As a competitor and organizer I would like to thank each and every sponsor for their generous support! Without you we could not put on a function of this caliber. You give us the opportunity to compete in a sport we love and be rewarded for our success. I am proud to be a competitor and organizer of the Copper Penny Barrel Series. So with a tip of my hat..."I Thank You" for supporting the 2010 Copper Penny Series!!

Laurie Hansen (2 D Champion / Organizer / Sponsor)

Thanks for reminding all of us to take a moment to remember the sponsors...Without them we don't get a chance to enjoy the great ground, competition and camaraderie. Thanks just doesn't seem like enough! The Copper Penny Barrel Racing Series has given me an opportunity to start barrel racing, without it an avenue I may not have pursued. This even has it all...it is well run and lots of fun with some money to win! Thanks for all the Support it does not go unnoticed!

Alexis Wartman (2 D Runner Up)

I would like to say your series is good all around, with lots of thought and effort put into everything. Your prizes are always unique and good quality and everyone there is always helpful and hardworking, which is thanks to our sponsors, you ladies and all the great people you have helping you and I hope the series continues as it is one of my favorites.

Ginger Bailey (2D 4th Placing / Youngest Horse)

I would like to thank the Sponsors of the 2010 Copper Penny Barrel Racing Series for supporting this event. It is a great family event where everyone comes out to have fun on a Sunday afternoon. This is my first summer completing the Copper Penny Barrel Series and it won't be my last. Thank you Sponsors,

Michelle Miller (3D Champion)

Thank you so much for sponsoring the Copper Penny Series! Always a great series to come to with great prizes!

Anne Flynn (3D Runner Up)

Thank you for all the wonderful prizes and wind up dinner you had for all of us. Danielle and I had a great time just attending the jackpots, everything else was a bonus. We look forward to next year. See you all in the upcoming year.

Thank you so much, Sharon Stepanick (3D 4th Placing / Most Improved Times)

In the past we have seen out youth competitors come and go. This year we had a young girl just starting out and she attended almost all of the jackpots to qualify for the final awards. Below is the Thank You sent in a lovely hand made card!

Thank You ...

Dear Everybody, Hi... my name is **Danielle Burgardt** and I am writing this letter too thank you all for the prizes and the jackpots. The experience was amazing and the prizes were unbelievable. Thank you for the halter, duffle bags, cross and the all in one cooler chair knapsack. I would like to say that it was so much fun to run and meet other people. It was great getting to know you all! Me and Brue are sure to be back next year!!! Brue loved to get out there again... Thank you so much - P.S. Brue loved his award for the oldest horse.

From: Danielle...See you all soon. (Youth 1D Champion / Oldest Horse)

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Add one more to the History Books!

Another Series has come and gone. Did I forget to do something?

5 years running...you would think it would get easier. It does in some ways...but we are always thinking...is there some way to improve?

The arena is great, ground conditions at their finest, good parking area, knowledgeable volunteers, we all know our jobs, snack booth, timers, harrower, menu for social and fantastic awards. Can you ask for anything more? I think we have covered all the bases...if anyone disagrees...I

say prove it!

The Copper Penny Barrel Racers are a not for profit organization. 100% of all sponsorship monies are used towards the awards and social. The only deductions taken from the entries are the standard secretary and timer fee and the ABRA rider fee. All other monies are paid out at each and every jackpot. This may not seem like a big deal but ask around., most jackpot hosts hold back a portion of entry money for their time and effort, which in turn means smaller payouts for the competitors. At the Copper Penny jackpots

there are no deductions held back...not even for the awards or the finals social.

It's no wonder there are not many series around. It takes a lot of money, time, energy and dedication to plan, organize and follow through with them. Something we managed for 5 years! Kudos to us!!!

So as I sit here with the snow blowing outside I think to myself...Goodbye 2010...it really was a wild ride! The new season is fast approaching and who knows what 2011 will bring? Hopefully...Good Luck to all!

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