



Maritime Barrel Racing Association Newsletter

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FRONT PAGE

Featured on the front page of our newsletter is Kati MacIsaac of Antigonish on her mare, Identity First. This pair cleaned up in 2016, let's see what they have in store for 2017!

NEWSLETTER SUBMISSIONS

If you have any news, announcements or events that you would like to see published in our newsletter please send submissions to:
maritimebarrelracing@gmail.com

REMINDER:

If you haven't already sent in your membership, you can find the forms at the end of the newsletter or on our website, www.maritimebarrelracing.com. You can pay for your membership through e transfer or mail payment to Kathy Stevens at payments@maritimebarrelracing.com Please contact Kathy for more information. **Please note the due date for memberships is earlier this year. After May 1st there will be a \$10.00 late fee.**



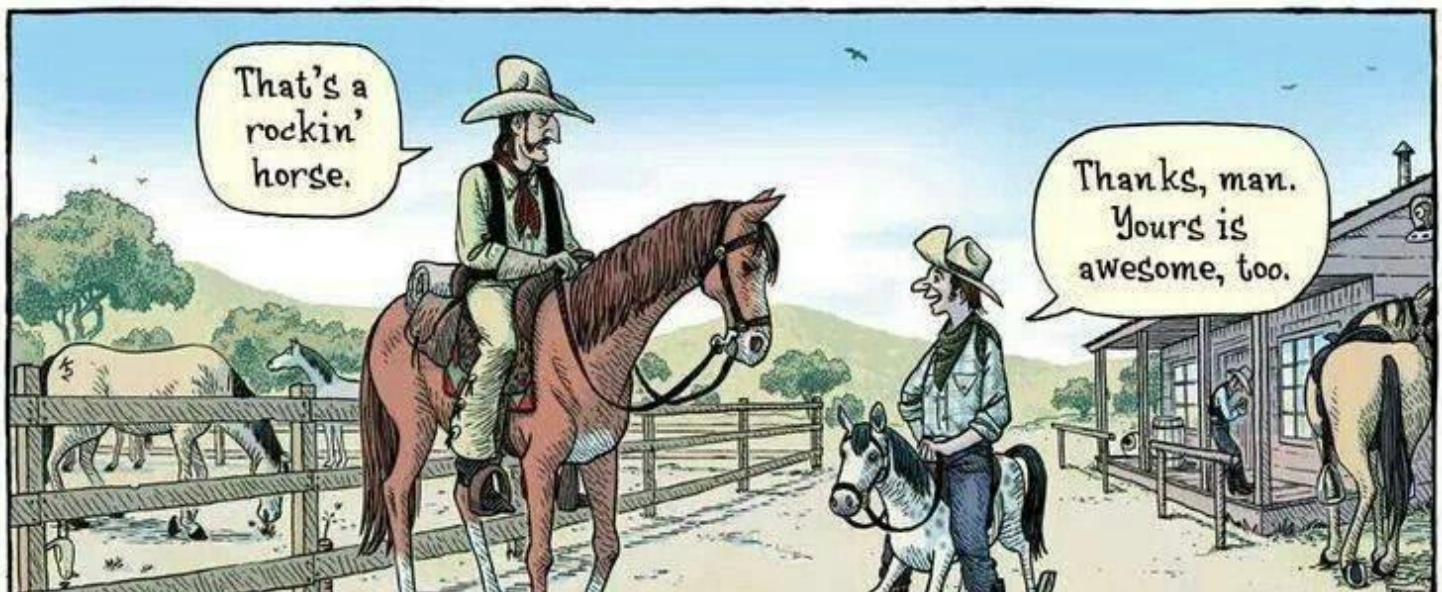
A Message to our Members...

Days are getting longer. Horses are starting to shed. Are you getting antsy to start riding and get your mount fit and ready for the upcoming 2017 MBRA season? I know I am. 2017 will be a jam packed summer of barrel racing, starting with FMEC's show May 13 and 14th. Shelby, Tracey and gang always put on a great show. Get your time booked off early and bring yourself and your family to this early start to 2017. The members in Cape Breton are busy planning for their annual Tom Burt and Mark McGuire Memorial jackpot. This year the show is a little later, June 17-18. Hopefully the sun will be shining, as in addition to the racing there is rumor of an outdoor pizza party being planned, sounds like a fun time.

Another change to the season this year is the inclusion of a full MBRA pointed jackpot in Sussex, NB coinciding with the Balloon fest /RAM Rodeo event in September. Sussex has a fabulous facility (for those that have not been there) and is a great weekend for a jackpot and family event. The Balloon fest is very similar to an "exhibition" that we are used to, midway, booths, food courts, etc. If you have not been this is the year to attend.

We have a great season of racing ahead!

Chris MacLean
MBRA President



2017 Events and Information

Jackpots and Exhibition Dates

FMEC Truro Jackpot, NSPE Grounds - May 13th, 14th

Outdoor Pictou Jackpot, Pictou, NS – June 10th, 11th

Tom Burt and Mark McGuire Memorial Jackpot, North Sydney – June 17th, 18th

Truro Jackpot, NSPE Grounds - July 1st, 2nd

Lawrencetown Jackpot, NS - July 15th, 16th

Sussex Jackpot, NB (in conjunction with RAM Rodeo Balloon Festival) – September 9th, 10th

Truro Jackpot, NSPE Grounds - September 23rd, 24th

The Big Ex, Bridgewater NS - July 25th, 26th

Old Home Week, Charlottetown PEI - August 10th, 11th

Cape Breton Exhibition, North Sydney NS - August 17th, 18th, 19th

Nova Scotia Provincial Exhibition, Truro NS - August 25th, 26th

Eastern Nova Scotia Exhibition, Antigonish NS - Sept. 1st, 2nd, 3rd

Sussex Balloon Festival, Sussex NB - Sept. 9th, 10th

Hants County Exhibition, Windsor NS - Sept. 15th, 16th, 17th

Information and entry forms will be posted on the website as it becomes available

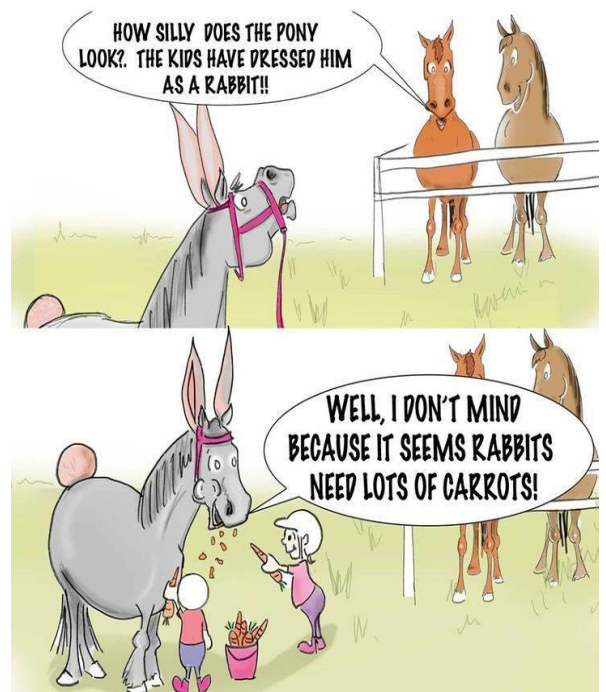
Banquet & Dance!

Mark your calendars, the banquet and dance will be held at the Holiday Inn, Truro on November 18th!

Tickets and more information will be available closer to the date.

MBRA CLOTHING

We're pleased to announce that we will once again be selling MBRA clothing. If you didn't get a chance to order last year, now is your chance! There will be samples available at jackpots. Contact Kathy Stevens for more information.



HORSIE NEWS!!!



This is Sheza Fast Six. Bobby and Kathy Stevens are the proud new owners of this 4 year old beauty! Once again, our junior horse class will have some tough competition. Congrats! :)



Look out folks, this is Jessie Taylors new horse. Farrell's Finest Man, aka, Boujee. He's is an 11 year old gelding who just made his way to Nova Scotia from Mattawa, Ontario. Congrats Jessie! 😊



Check out this beauty! Congrats to Sarah LeBlanc on the purchase of her new horse Down Home Empress, an 8 year old Quarter Horse from Ontario. We're excited to see this duo in action!



Congratulations to Adrienne Benoit on her new mount, Moonlight Maddy. With this mares pedigree combined with Adriennes tenacity, these two will make some team!

I'm sure a few of you recognize this handsome guy!
Congrats to Brooke MacNeil on the purchase of her
new horse, SLS Dash to Holland, aka, Scooter.
Welcome to the club Brooke, we can't wait to see
you two in the ring!



RAM
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Once again, we would like to thank
dodge for their continued support!



Incase You Missed It...

2016 Year End Awards

Smallfry

Overall Champion: Jacob Young and Jacs Last Flash

Overall Reserve Champion: Tenaya Sparks and Mr. Cookie

Pony

Overall Champion: Karlie Slaunwhite and Toughs Hot Shot Girl

Overall Reserve Champion: Victoria McNutt and Jazz it Up Jupiter

Junior Horse

Champion: Kaleigh Denton and Coleasaki

Reserve Champion: Karen Hatcher and A Streak of Alibis

Adult Green

Champion: Tracey Higgins and Iza Wicked Wind

Reserve Champion: Brittany Atwood and Jac Up Hollywood

Youth

Overall Champion: Champion: Samantha Pinkney and Docs Bar Stardust

Overall Reserve Champion: Samanatha Pinkney and Smokin Okie

Novice

Champion Barrels: Shelby Gatti and Maybull

Reserve Champion Barrels: Kate Dew and Tinys Gay Dasher

Champion Poles: Christine Carter and American Honey

Reserve Champion Poles: Sheldon Antle and Three Spots

Overall Champion: Kaleigh Denton and Coleasaki

Overall Reserve Champion: Megan Graves and Kay Doe Nota Chance

Open

Champion Barrels: Karen Hatcher and Going Postal

Reserve Champion Barrels: Chris Baker and Jammer All Fired Up

Champion Poles: Chris Baker and Jammer All Fired Up

Reserve Champion Poles: Karen Hatcher and Going Postal

Overall Champion: Karen Hatcher and Going Postal

Reserve Champion: Chris Baker and Jammer All Fired Up

Champion 1D: Lindsay Baker and Boons Laughing Boy

Champion 2D: Karen Hatcher and A Streak of Alibis

Champion 3D: Chris Phillips and Deacon Eye Boo

Most Improved Horse: Plain White Trash

Most Improved Rider: Tracey Higgins

Sportsmanship: Pat McLean

Tom Burt Fan Favourite Award: Shann Cox

Mark McGuire Fastest Pole Time of the Year: Kaleigh Denton and Coleasaki 20.742

Purina Barrel Champion: Joan Grant and Non Stop Bay Boy

Maritime Barrel Racing Association

General Meeting Minutes

November 19, 2016

I. Call to order

Chris Maclean called to order the general meeting of the MBRA at 12:10pm, November 19, 2016 at Holiday Inn, Truro NS.

II. Roll call

Beth O Leary 30 present at start of meeting, 8\10 more arrived as meeting progressed.

III. Approval of minutes from last meeting

Beth O Leary Read the minutes from the Nov 2015 General Meeting. The minutes were approved as read by Karen Hatcher & seconded by Roddie Benoit.

Treasures Report

Kathy Stevens. Read the Treasures report.

Drug Fees collected \$4765.00, Kathy explained the testing fees.

Review of Main Account.

Report approved by Elaine MacLean & seconded by Cherie Parker.

IV. Old Business

V. Chris MacLean reviewed the Red\Green lighting system the board was to look into in 2016 as an option for notifying riders when the show ring was available for the next competitor. The board looked into this, however has not yet found a workable solution. Board will continue to look into a system\solution for 2017.

VI. Discussion on whether the MBRA needs a Director present when drawing blood for a drug test as per the rule. Moving forward the board will ensure Andrew Lewis is made aware that a Director must be present during drug testing.

VII. Elaine MacLean made a motion:

“The MBRA will keep the **Roll Over Rule**”. See #3.4 in rules.

Seconded by Kathy Stevens

Voted and Passed.

“3D Roll-Over Rule: Each rider has the option, at time of entry only, to choose to roll over the time of their first barrel run of the day and pay the 3D entry fee. The time from that first barrel run will be rolled over to the 3D class and placed accordingly within the class, without having to actually run.”

- VIII. Discussion on limiting entries at horse shows and the best way to select entries when stalls are limited. Several options were tossed around and reviewed.

Ed Grant made a motion:

“Select Top Horses by points (all need to be MBRA members). Plus 2 Wild Card entries which the Show Committee will select. Then 2 Wild Card entries which the MBRA Board of Directors select.”

Seconded by Beth O’Leary

Voted and Defeated.

Chris Phillips made a motion:

“Select Top Horses by points (all need to be MBRA members). Plus 4 local entries. When Competitors join the MBRA they note their local Exhibition which would be considered the nearest to their home address on their membership forms.”

Seconded by Barb Taylor

Voted and Defeated.

No new selection process came from the discussion and therefore the rule # 3.7 will remain unchanged.

“If the last show of the season limits entries, the show will remain a pointed MBRA event. If a show other than the last show of the season limits entries, the method of entrant selection and the decision of whether to point the event or not will be at the discretion of the board of directors.”

IX. New business

- a) Kathy Stevens made a motion:

“Membership due date change from May 15th of each year to May 1st of the each.”

Second by Ed Grant

Voted and Passed.

“With the exception of new members, membership applications received after **May 1st**, 2017 will be levied a \$10.00 late fee. As for Exhibitions; with the exception of new members, membership applications received after the closing date of the Exhibition’s entry form will be levied a late charge that is double the yearly fee.”

- b) Discussion on whether the MBRA needs to look into paying a Ring Crew for each Club run Jackpot.

Motion made by Mary Lou Rankin Denton:

“Take the extra money the club now has and use it to pay a ring crew (those involved in setting the course for barrels \poles) at each club run Jackpot.”

Seconded by Cindy Wamboldt

Voted and Defeated. (9 for\ 11 against)

Motion made by Joan Grant:

“Create a sign-up sheet for members to volunteer as ring crew workers at Jackpots. One person (perhaps called the “Grounds Keeper”) would be responsible looking after the sign-up sheet and getting people to sign it and the work at the chosen time.”

Second by Terry Cole.

Voted and Passed.

- c) Discussion on whether a horse can be substituted on an entry due to injury.

Terry Cole made a motion:

“A rider will be able to substitute a horse.”

Seconded by Elaine MacLean

Voted and Passed

Tommy Fraser made a motion:

“If the 1st horse entered is unable to compete at the show, then the 2nd horse must have enough points in order to be used as a substitution. Rider on the original entry must be the rider on the 2nd entry (substituted) horse.”

Seconded by Kathy Stevens

Voted and Passed

- d) Kaleigh Denton asked if the Pony Classes at the Cape Breton Exhibition could be MBRA pointed. These classes can be pointed as long as they are held on the same days as the Ram Classes and they are open to all ponies.
- e) Chris Maclean on behalf of Wendy Maclean brought up the amount of “Drinking & Riding” that took place at MBRA events in 2016. There appears to be an increased amount of alcohol begin consumed during the day by competitors at MBRA shows. Everyone needs to remember there are members of all ages present. Plus the MBRA events are getting a lot more of the public attending the club’s events. The Directors will be monitoring this as per the “Points of Conduct” in the MBRA rules.
- f) There was a discussion concerning MBRA members whom have been leaving Exhibitions before the times as outlined on the entry forms. It is up to each member to review all rules on each entry form before entering any event to ensure they understand the specific rules, which relate to that event over and above the MBRA rules. Individual Exhibition rules are to be followed in the same manner as the MBRA rules.
- g) Cindy Wamboldt wanted to understand what the MBRA rule was for cleaning stalls and what the penalty was for those whom did not clean their stall when the competitor leaves the event. It was pointed out that there was no specific rule rather an event by event rule as to what condition the stall is to be left in upon departure of the horse. Any penalty applied would be decided by the event organizing committee.
- h) Gerald Dixon presents a proposal to the MBRA Directors outlining changes he would like to make for the Crapaud Exhibition. Gerald’s proposal was outlined at the GM and it was felt that Gerald’s proposal does not meet the criteria for an MBRA Jackpot rather is it more of an Open Show where he would host Open, Small Fry & Pony Classes. Limit of 40 entries. MBRA to run the show and provide a portion of the prize money. Entry Deadline of April 30th. Discussion was held.

Kathy Stevens wondered if the Directors could contact Gerald and suggest that the show be held on a different weekend when both barns would be available to accommodate our growing club and to look at changing his criteria to meet those needed to host an MBRA Jackpot. Chris will contact Gerald.

- i) Discussion was held on Announcers for each Exhibition.

Kathy Stevens made a motion:

“In the letters sent to each Exhibition for 2017 stating that the MBRA will provide the Announcer and Cooler (Ram Rodeo Overall Championship award). The Exhibitions

will be responsible to pay \$250.00 towards the announcer and \$150.00 for the cost of the Ram Award.”

Second by Elaine MacLean

Voted and Passed.

- j) Fundraising – Tickets are becoming more difficult to sell each year. New ideas for fundraising was tossed around. The Fundraising committee will look into other fundraising options.

Nominations began for 2016 Board of Directors:

Beth O’Leary, Terry Cole, Alex Singer, Tommy Fraser, Chris Phillips, Elaine MacLean, Kathy Stevens, Tim & Cherie Parker, Kaleigh Denton, Travis Yorke & Laura Morrison. Barb Taylor & Ed Grand declined the nomination.

Vote was held.

New Board for 2017 is:

Terry Cole, Kaleigh Denton, Tommy Fraser, Chris & Elaine MacLean, Beth O'Leary. Tim & Cherie Parker, Kathy Stevens & Alex Singer.

X. Adjournment

Beth O’Leary made a motion to adjourn the meeting.

Seconded by Elaine MacLean.

Chris Maclean adjourned.

MARITIME BARREL RACING ASSOCIATION

2017 Membership Application

NAME: _____

If applying for a family membership please list all family members with the date of birth of all youth.
Family membership is defined as maximum of 2 adults and any number of youth all residing in the same household. If needed attach a separate list.

ADDRESS: _____

PHONE #: _____

EMAIL ADDRESS: _____

All newsletters and notices will be mailed electronically unless otherwise indicated. Please check here if you need to have yours sent by Canada Post _____

Please list the MBRA numbers you have and the horse associated with that number.

Please, also include any numbers you have and don't currently use. Any numbers not being used for an extended period of time and/or not listed here may be reassigned by the MBRA (If needed please attach a separate list)

Mail form and signed waiver, together with payment to:

**Maritime Barrel Racing Association
c/o Kathy Stevens
1186 Wentworth-Collingwood Rd
RR# 1 Collingwood, NS
B0M 1E0**

With the exception of new members, an additional late fee of \$10.00 will be charged after May 15, 2016. For those entering Exhibitions, with the exception of new members, the fee will be double the original fee if received after the close of Exhibition Entries.

2017 Fees: Individual \$25.00 Family \$50.00

2017 MBRA APPLICATION FOR MEMBERSHIP

By signing this form I/We understand that I/We are applying for membership in the Maritime Barrel Racing Association (herein referred to as the MBRA) and agree to the following:

I/We understand that membership in the MBRA is subject to acceptance by the current board of directors of the MBRA and is a privilege not a right.

I/We understand said membership can be suspended or revoked at any time by the board of directors in accordance with the Bylaws, Rules and Regulations of MBRA and I/We agree to be bound by all such bylaws, rules and regulations.

I/We agree to assume full responsibility for the safety of myself/ourselves and/or my/our Representatives, horses or property during any function or event sanctioned by the MBRA.

I/We understand that the MBRA does not carry personal liability insurance on behalf of its competitors and applicant therefore understands that I am/we are responsible for obtaining such insurance.

I/We agree that I/We and my/our representatives shall conduct themselves in a courteous and sportsman like manner at all times, at all MBRA sanctioned events, and to respect not only the rules and regulations of the MBRA but the rights of others to attend and compete in such events.

Signature of applicant Signature of applicant

NOTE: When applying for a family membership both adults must sign.

Signature of parent/legal guardian for youth

Name of youth and date of birth

Signature of parent/legal guardian for youth

Name of youth and date of birth

NOTE:

- 1) Parent/legal guardian must sign for any and all youth.**
- 2) Unsigned applications will not be accepted.**
- 3) Payment must accompany application.**
- 4) Members are responsible to ensure the association has their current contact information (postal address, phone number and email address information).**