

TO RIDE ON A
HORSE IS TO FLY
WITHOUT WINGS

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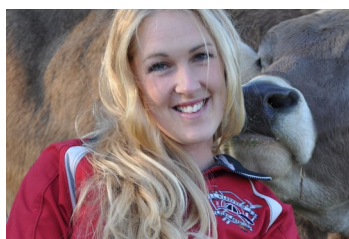
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MHT President's Message

Paige has been the President of Manitoba Horse Trials for the past 4 years. She runs a Dairy Farm, Four Oak Farms with her husband, Marcus and his family, and manages to be an active competitor with two horses in eventing, Zoom and Woody.

What a great season we had in 2017! The MHT board and show organizers went through a few learning curves and I appreciate all of you who stuck with us anyway! We have been making changes to make things run more smoothly and I was happy to see both new and familiar faces this year. I am not putting in the effort with MHT for just myself, I really want to see this sport grow in our province and attract more riders. I was first introduced to eventing when I was a working student after grade 9 and what stood out for me were the people involved with the whole thing. The people are laid back, hard working and welcom-

ing which is why I choose eventing to be my sport.



Paige at her dairy farm with a bovine friend

The big deal this season was the purchase of new portable jumps to help complete the numbers needed to run a Equestrian Canada Silver Sanctioned horse trial this up coming summer in 2018. This sanctioned event will run as a real horse trial! Just as if you were to haul to the states or another province to compete over two or three days with all three phases included. The new jumps gave the course a face lift

and we plan on doing more in 2018 with a clean up and repair week in the works to get things looking great for the summer.

Thank you to all the riders, volunteers, friends and family who keep this sport going. I encourage you to talk about MHT with fellow equestrians and let them know this is the sport to try!

Now try and keep your horses fit, I will see you all in 2018!

If you would like more information about Manitoba Horse Trials, or would like to join our club, please check out our Website www.manitobahorsetrials.com. We always welcome more members to join our circle of Eventing enthusiasts!

Paige Dueck

President, Manitoba Horse Trials

Paige was also 2017 Training Champion on her horse Zoom and Training Reserve Champion on Woody

Important MHT Dates for 2018

February

10 MHT Snowbound Eventing Seminar 1 (Greenhawk Winnipeg)

March

2 MHT Snowbound Eventing Seminar 2 (Brandon, MB)

April

Coggins Reminder (negative test required for every MHT event - valid for 6 months)

15 - 30 Spring Course Clean-up/prep/removal/demolition (course builder in town)

21 - 22 Ian Roberts Eventing Clinic

May

5 - 13 Cross country course open
5 MHT Meet the Fences Clinic
6 MHT Combined Series (BHP XCountry course)

June

9 - 17 Cross country course open
9 MHT Meet the Fences Clinic
10 MHT Combined Series (BHP XCountry Course)
22 - 24 Ladies Retreat/Camp (Willville)
Cross Country Course CLOSED from JUNE 17 - JULY 15

July

1 - 9 Course Clean up and prep
14 - 15 BHP Horse Trials
16 - 31 Cross Country Course Available for Private bookings only

August

3 - 5 Willville schooling and work party
17-19 Willville HT (Carroll, MB) - tentative

Please see the MHJA and DW websites for their show dates.

September

1 - 9 Fall XCountry Schooling dates
8 MHT Meet the Fences Clinic
9 MHT Combined Series (BHP XCountry Course)
10 - 23 Cross country course closed
15 - 17 Otter Creek Fall HT (Wheeler, WI)
22 - 24 MHC Manitoba Equestrian Challenge/PC Derby (BHP)

October

6 MHT Meet the Fences Clinic
7 MHT Combined Series (BHP XCountry Course)

November

10 MHT Annual General Meeting, Fundraiser and Awards Banquet

Two best friends, One horse, First competition!

By Karly Komadowski & Kyla Minsky



Above: Kyla and Jezebel Jynx in their first derby
(Photo: Jan Melnychuk)

Below: Karly and Jezebel Jynx in their first derby
(Photo: Chelsea Boychuk)



There are a lot of emotions that come up when thinking about your first competition. Kyla and I both were excited yet nervous. We couldn't stop talking about the derby for at least a month before. To start the day we were excited, then the nerves kicked in as we rode to the field. First up was Kyla's dressage test.

[Kyla] With a chill in the air and frost on the ground, Jynx was a little on edge. We took a deep breath and entered the ring. Things started off well until Jynx decided she would rather be with her friends and jumped out of the ring! Up next was the pace class where both Karly and I ended up in the ribbons. After that was our starter XC course. I will never forget how nervous I was to remember the course (which I almost didn't) and how happy I was when I took the

last jump and knew my trusted horse had gotten me through it. I cannot wait to event next year and see how far Jynx and I will make it.

[Karly] After Kyla finished her starter course, Jynx was an absolute rockstar and managed to take my butt over the Pre-Entry course. I've never felt more empowered than I did after completing that course. I also didn't realize how much I'd be huffing and puffing after completing it. On the entry course we had a couple refusals. Mostly from my nerves spiking for jumps I had never done before, on a horse I hadn't done any XC on before this derby. All in all, I love the sport and my first time was an amazing experience and has me itching for more! I officially love the sport and plan on attending many more events in the future.

Our first competition and we couldn't have been more grateful for how friendly and kind everyone is that competed and is apart of the MHT. That truly made the event that much better and enjoyable.

From the first time schooling on the XC course, to walking the course in the snow, to being disqualified in the dressage ring, to falling off in the warmup ring, to coming out with a handful of ribbons, we can say we had a blast. Both of us are beyond excited for the following eventing season and cannot wait to see everyone again and have a great year of competing.

Karly and Kyla ❤️

There is something about the outside of a horse that is good for the inside of a man.
- Winston Churchill

The arrival of the shipment of portable cross country jumps

Our New Portable Cross Country Fences

Thank you to Dylan Barry for building and shipping all of our new portable cross country jumps!

Thank you to everyone who came to our painting

party to get all of the jumps painted and stained beautifully!

THANK YOU TO EVERYONE WHO SUPPORTED AND HELPED MHT IN 2017!



Memberships 2018

Recognizing that membership requirements can be confusing, the following may assist you in your planning.

If you are a **COMPETITIVE** member or horse owner in Manitoba and plan to attend EC Sanctioned Horse Trial

Competitions:

1. You must obtain your **Sport Licence** from Equestrian Canada (Bronze, Silver, Gold or Platinum)
2. You must obtain your Eventing National Membership with your Sport Licence from Equestrian Canada (includes Omnibus).
3. If you are competing at Training level or above, your horse must have a digital **EC Horse Recording** (replaces the passport). Available through Equestrian Canada).

Equestrian Canada
308 Legget Drive, Suite 100,
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Tel: 613-287-1515 www.equestrian.ca

4. You must join **Manitoba Horse Trials**. Course user fee must be paid each time the cross country course is used in BHP.

MHT membership form can be found at www.manitobahorsetrials.com and mailed to Marilyn McNaughton Box 801 Grunthal, MB R0A 0R0

5. You must also join **Manitoba Horse Council** which is the Provincial Sport Organization for Equestrian Canada.

www.manitobahorsecouncil.ca

Now you are set for this year's competitive show season!!



Kerry Van Braeckel and WKM the Phoenix 2017 Entry Champions

MHT Membership Fees:		
	Paid before March 31st	Paid after March 31st
Senior	\$55	\$60
Junior	\$35	\$40
Family	\$145	\$150
Course User Fees		
	Individual \$20 per day	
	Group \$200 half day	
	Group \$400 full day	

In a Nutshell: If you are NOT competing in any EC Sanctioned Horse Trials this year, are new to eventing and/or would only like to participate in MHT Combined Series and/or clinics, you need— a MHC Membership, MHT membership and pay a course user fee to use the cross country course.

THE YEAR IN REVIEW 2017

Highlights of 2017

The Big Deal

By far the biggest deal this season was the purchase and painting of new cross country jumps and the kind donation from the Equine Foundation of Canada that made this investment possible. With these new jumps MHT is closer to running a safe and attractive sanction Horse Trial in 2018!

Clinics

MHT held two snow bound clinics in winter, one at Greenhawk in the East and one in Brandon at the Keystone in the West. Both clinics were very well attended and we will be offering the same thing this winter to help inform both new interested riders and those who want to learn more about our sport. MHT also held a Chelan Kozak clinic at Eastridge Farm that gave riders the opportunity to break the ice and get out on the cross country course in the spring.

Derbies

MHT held derbies in May, June, July, and October in 2017. Three of the derbies included Dressage and Cross Country while the July derby was run more like a Horse Trial with all three phases Dressage, Cross Country and

Stadium being offered. In in spring, Meet the Fences was included in the derby weekend to give riders a chance to ride over some of the newly build cross country fences. MHT participated in the MEC this year and it was an invite only show for riders, the top four riders with the most year end points per division were invited to participate in this fun affordable show run by Manitoba Horse Council. Eventing was the highest attended discipline at the MEC this year.

EC Sanctioned HT's

Willville Harvest Horse Trials, held in Carrol Manitoba was the only Equestrian Canada sanctioned Horse Trial run in Manitoba in 2017. It is important to keep running at least one EC sanctioned Horse Trial to give riders a taste of what a formal Horse Trial runs like, as well as it provides our Training level riders the opportunity to collect Canadian Minimum Eligibility Requirements to move up to the Prelim level. MHT is running a Silver level (Training level), EC Horse Trial in Birds Hill Park this upcoming July 2018 so save the date!

Fundraisers

MHT ran a paint night in the winter which went over well by all who par-

ticipated and it helped the club to raise around \$1000 to go towards running the club. The BSS fundraiser and Awards night was such a great event! There were awesome silent auction prizes and exceptional year end awards to be won! We hope to have riders sell more tickets next season as this can raise a substantial amount of money for the club.

Out of Province Rides

This season we had 6 MHT riders travel out of Manitoba both to the U.S and other provinces to gain experienced and exposure in the sport. Way to go all of you who take these trips to further your riding and bring back wisdom to your local club. A little bird has told me that we possibly have 2 riders heading down to Florida this winter to gain some experience and move up the competition levels, way to go guy and have a great time!

Stay tuned for an excellent year this coming 2018!



Desiree Langenfeld and Indy at the Fall derby 2017 MHT Pre-Entry Champion

A horse is worth more than riches. - Spanish Proverb



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2017 Year End Awards Congratulations!

Preliminary

- ◆ Eileen Blais and You're a Good Man Charlie Brown

Training

- ◆ High Point: Paige Dueck and Zoom
- ◆ Reserve: Paige Dueck and Woody

Pre-Training

- ◆ High Point: Helen Martin and Ceatta
- ◆ Reserve: Shelagh Deacon and Fallon

Entry

- ◆ High Point: Kerry Van Braeckel and WKM the Phoenix
- ◆ Reserve: Pat Napier and Charleston

Pre-Entry

- ◆ High Point: Desiree Langenfeld and Indy
- ◆ Reserve: Keegan Armstrong and Horizon Satin

Starter

- ◆ High Point: Dione Armstrong and Luna
- ◆ Reserve: Megan Henry and Ovation Phantom

For eligibility for year end awards, please see the Manitoba Horse Trials website.



Dione Peech and Luna
2017 Starter Champions



Helen Martin and Ceatta
2017 Pre-Training Champions



Important notes:

- ◆ Pinney number holders will be **required** by all riders participating in any MHT shows! These can be purchased at Greenhawk or other tack stores.
- ◆ A course user fee and application must be submitted every time on the cross country course.
- ◆ A negative coggins is required for every MHT event.
- ◆ We have reciprocity with Pony Club for 2018!
- ◆ Reciprocity Agreements with MHJA, DW are under review for 2018. Stay tuned!

A BIG THANK YOU to all the generous donations for MHT's Bud Spud and Steak and Awards Banquet. What a great evening at the Peppercorn restaurant in Oakbank! Thank you for Greenhawk Winnipeg's generous sponsorship of our year-end awards and to Lund Saddlery for donating a beautiful Five-Point Breastplate to our silent auction.

Thank you for making our fundraiser a success: Manitoba Horse Council, Misty River Ranch, Master Feed, Sky Zone Trampoline Park, Lavender Woodman, Red Barn Antiques and Collectibles, Glenn Sinclair Veterinary Services, Winsum Equestrian Center, Eastridge Farm, Nicole Falk Equine Services, Marilee Moss, Jan Stephens, Sheri Parkinson, Dominick Blais, Dione Peech, Dana Young, Geri Sweet, Megan Henry, Robby Tokar, Desiree Langenfeld, Kerry Van Braeckel



MHT also wants to take a moment to thank Greenhawk Winnipeg and The Equine Foundation of Canada for substantial donations towards upgrading our dressage arena and jumps for 2017!

