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Year-End Awards

Here are the year-end awards as presented at our Regional Banquet on October 25, and congratulations to all.

Dressage

Entry Division - Champion was Alex Dewdney of the Maple Pony Club, riding Contessa. Reserve was Sydney Barton, of the Victoria Pony Club, riding Maple. Alex, couldn't we persuade you to re-name Contessa and call her Victoria, just to add to the fun?

Starter Division - Champion was Benjamin Birchfield of the Wausnodae Pony Club, riding Sudden Inspiration. Reserve was Christine Oldridge of Victoria, on Snow Pony Jack Pine.

Pre-Training Division - Jessie Ball of Victoria took Champion aboard Corona's Kiowa "Ki." Reserve went to Michaela Brown of the Kawartha Pony Club, riding Stardust.

Training Division - Johanna McKeen of the Oshawa Pony Club was Champion on Millgate Braveheart. Reserve was Kaley Fountain of Victoria on Thunder.

First Level A - Champion was Kylie Pinder of Victoria on Let's Rhumba. Reserve was Kendal Lehari of the Toronto & North York Pony Club, riding She's All That.

First Level B - Katie Murray of the Durham Pony Club took the Championship of this Division, riding Jamane. The Reserve went to Megan Mattos of Wausnodae on Mickey Talks.

Second Level A - Daina Brown of Kawartha was Champion aboard Moonwalker. There was no Reserve in this Division.

Third Level - Jenny Rae of Victoria was Champion on Avalon. Reserve was Beth Murray of Durham on Guenther.

Starter Freestyle - Champion was Andrea McGill of Durham riding Phoenix Rising. No Reserve here, either.

Training Freestyle - This was a sister act, with Johanna McKeen and Millgate Braveheart the Champions, and Jennifer McKeen (also of the Oshawa Pony Club, of course) the Reserve on Colwyn Tegan.

First Level Freestyle - Kendal Lehari and She's All That took the Championship, with no Reserve.

Starter Drill Team - Honourable Mention went to the Waussnodae Drill Team, which comprised Megan Mattos and Mickey Talks, Benjamin Birchfield and Sudden Inspiration, Gabby Wackerman and Panda, Michael Olscher and Nick, Gordon Lacey and Lumberwagon, and Kayrn Hepburn riding Freddy the Freak.

Prince Philip Games/Mounted Games

C Level - The 2003 C Champions were from the Uxbridge-Scugog Pony Club, with the team including Kaylin Nauta, Mike Nauta, James Cruikshanks, Jane Stephenson and Jessica VanVliet.

B Level - The Pine Ridge Pony Club B Team won the Championship at this level. Members were Jenna Patterson, Erin Boyles, Thomasina Element, Holly Holford and William Dow.

A Level - Temiskaming repeated as A Champions, this year's team comprising Mallory Durling, Shauna Chester, Bethany Brown and Jessica McVittie.

Masters Level - The Uxbridge-Scugog "Cowboys" defended their Championship at the Masters level, with a team made up of Brent Couch, Allison Pascoe, Mike Durward, Lisa Pascoe and Lorraine Smith.

Quiz

Members of our teams that competed at National Quiz in Charlottetown were recognized. They were:

A/B Level - Allison Birdsall of Uxbridge-Scugog, Meredith Smith of the Napanee Pony Club, and Amanda Weston of Uxbridge-Scugog.

C Level - Sarah Bortoluss of Uxbridge-Scugog, Maya Kenedy of the Eglinton Pony Club, Brian MacInnes, also of Eglinton, and Hayley Goodchild of the Tynedale Pony Club.

Rallies

Training Level - Champion was Amelia Jones of Victoria, riding Breezin'. Reserve was Kendal Lehari of Toronto & North York on She's All That.

Pre-Training Level - Champion was Kathryn Robertson of Uxbridge-Scugog, on Kobalt. Reserve was Katie Murray of Durham, aboard Jamane.

Entry Level - Champion was Johanna McKeen of Oshawa riding Mya. Reserve was Laura Fiume of Maple, on Max.

Rally Endurance Award - This award, donated by the Jamieson family, was won by Amelia Jones.

Show Jumping

There were two sets of trophies for show jumping: perpetual trophies for the Regional Finals Champions, and individual trophies for the season high points.

Regional Finals Champions

Pre-Entry A1 Division - Emilie Fox of Kawartha, riding Frosted Flakes.

Pre-Entry A2 Division - Rebecca Simmons of Durham on Shiraz.

Pre-Entry B Division - Andrea McGill of Durham on Phoenix Rising.

Entry Division - Cody Sturgess of Uxbridge-Scugog on Sunny C.

Starter Division - Mallory Jones of Ajax, on Natasha.

Beginner Division - Erin Blakeley of Kawartha, aboard Thunder Wings.

Novice Division - Jade Stalk of Uxbridge-Scugog, on Simple Citation.

Intermediate Division - Kendal Lehari of Toronto & North York, riding She's All That.

2003 High Point Champions/Reserves

Pre-Entry A1 Division - James Cruikshanks of Uxbridge-Scugog was Champion on Mikey, with Emilie Fox of Kawartha the Reserve on Frosted Flakes.

Pre-Entry A2 Division - Rachel McLelland of the Durham Pony Club was Champion riding Braveheart, with Rebecca Simmons of Durham the Reserve on Shiraz.

Pre-Entry B Division - Andrea McGill of Durham was Champion aboard Phoenix Rising, with James Cruikshanks of Uxbridge-Scugog the Reserve on Eskimo Pie.

Entry Division - Katelyn Powell of Durham was Champion on Sundance, with Cody Sturgess of Uxbridge-Scugog the Reserve riding Sunny C.

Starter Division - Madison Reeves of Uxbridge-Scugog was Champion on Pandora, with Mori Cruikshanks, also of Uxbridge-Scugog, the Reserve on Aragorn.

Beginner Division - Julia McGill of Durham was Champion riding D'Artagnan, with Megan Chalmers of the Brooklin Pony Club the Reserve on Skip the Command.

Novice Division - Jessie Barrieau of Victoria was Champion aboard Keep on Dreamin', with Katlyn Hewson, also of Victoria, the Reserve riding Northern Escapade.

Intermediate Division - Kendal Lehari of Toronto & North York was Champion, riding She's All That, with Megan Mattos of the Wausnodae Pony Club the Reserve on Freddy the Freak.

Tetrathlon

This discipline does not have year end awards based on cumulative results, since there is only one competition, but we did recognize Central Ontario's representatives at this year's National Tetrathlon. They were:

Senior Men - Zachary McCue and James McCue, both of Kawartha, and Ian Hutcheson of the Centaurus Pony Club. We must note that these three swept the top three places in the national competition.

Senior Women - Brittany Emery, Kendal Lehari and Courtney Cotter, all of the Toronto & North York Pony Club.

Junior Women - Maddie Baker and Karen Foell, another pair of TNY members.

Central Ontario did not send any Junior Men this year.

Special Awards

Last but certainly not least, we have two special awards, not restricted to any discipline.

The Karen Meuleman Award, for sportsmanship, helpfulness and contribution to Pony Club, went to Beth Murray of the Durham Pony Club.

The Chairman's Award for "Volunteer of the Year" went to our Regional PPG Chairs, Dace Phillips and Sally Chamney.

Memories of OPCTOC

Or

Why Should the Kids have all the Fun?

All the major competitions held at OPCTOC have already been reported and are elsewhere on the COR website. One of the entertainment highlights, however, was the Canada Mounted Games Fossil Division exhibition games, presented in the main indoor arena at York during the banquet. Three teams, two from Central Ontario and one from Western Ontario, competed fiercely in a series of games, most of them much the same as Prince Philip Games but with a few wrinkles (pun fully intended). The teams were:

Charlie's Angels - Charlie Durward, Bill Wray, Michell Cruikshanks, Bev Pascoe and Carol Couch.

The Devils - Audrey O'Handley, Debbie Davies, Pat Nauta, Dennis Pascoe and Rod Couch (except that Rod Couch had another commitment and could not take part, so he sent his son Jeff, a member of the defending Masters Games Canadian Champions team, as a substitute, thus providing The Devils with a "ringer.")

The Good Time Oldies - Chris Nelson, Cindy Johnson, Lorie Jones, Marlene Pettigrew and Sandra Williams.

If you think you recognize some of the surnames in the Angels and Devils, you are quite right. The members of these teams are parents of PPG riders from the Uxbridge-Scugog Pony Club. Notice that spouses have been placed on different teams to spice up the competition, and we won't go anywhere near the issue of possible side-bets.

The Good Time Oldies are from the Fergus area, and the information about them noted that there is another team in the same area, called the Nags, who were the original Fossil Team. Here are more excerpts from the Fossils information sheet.

"The Fossil rider is past puberty (way past), can stay on top of the pony (most of the time), is competitive (optional), fearless (optional except for Charlie), and has a pony or horse of his own (preferably not taken from his PPG child).

"They have participated at competitions in Barrie, Ottawa, New Liskeard, Pennsylvania and Kentucky in teams. There are also pairs competitions held in Little Britain, Fergus, Barrie and Ottawa.

"There are several teams of Fossil riders in the USA. They call their group "The Forever Young" Division, and in Europe they are called "The Wrinklies."

For what it's worth, the competition was won by Charlie's Angels, but the main point of the evening was to have a good time themselves, and to supply endless amusement to the International Mounted Games Exchange competitors, their own children and the rest of the spectators.

COR "Grad" Wins Canadian Eventing Athletic Development Scholarship

John Jamieson, long time member of the Kawartha Pony Club, is one of five recipients of Canadian Eventing Athletic Development Scholarships, awarded by the Canadian Eventing Committee. Each scholarship is worth \$1,000. John, now 22, has been not only an active



member but also a volunteer with Central Ontario Region, helping to organize the 2003 A/B/C Rally. John has competed at the CCI* level for the past three years on his former mount Irish Cream, and hopes to qualify for the 2004 Beaumont CCI* on his new horse, Beam Me Up Scottie. He is a certified Equine Canada Level 1 coach and a farrier.

At the provincial level, John won the Ontario Horse Trials Association high point Training award for 2003, and another award for winning the first event of the season at Grandview.

Congratulations and well done to John!

For interest, ALL of the other four scholarship winners also have Pony Club connections.

Lisa Birchard is a member of the Comox Valley Pony Club in the BC Islands Region, Noel Clark is a member of the Westbrook Pony Club in Alberta South Region, Jaimie Kidston, now 22, was a member of the Misty Pines Pony Club in the BC Interior and Northern Region, and Lesley E. Grant, now 28, was a member of the Leitchcroft Pony Club when she was a teenager.

In any event (pun fully intended), these current and former Pony Club members have done us proud. They join a long and growing list of Pony Club members and graduates who have distinguished themselves at the recognized, national and international levels, not only in eventing but also in show jumping, dressage and modern pentathlon