

Burning of Canadian Western Agribition's Brand Pays Tribute to the Past and Future of Agribition

Monday at Canadian Western Agribition began with the exciting tradition of the Burning of the Brand.

The honour of Burning the Brand was shared by sisters Merle Thomason, Bethune, SK and Marilyn Mountenay, Belle Plaine, SK, daughters of the late George Harlton, a former Agribition Director and granddaughters of the late Charlie Harlton, namesake of the Harlton Barn where the ceremony took place. The Harlton Barn is scheduled for replacement as part of the facility renewal plans at Evraz Place.

The large crowd in attendance included Saskatchewan Minister of Agriculture Hon. Bob Bjornrud and Regina Mayor Pat Fiacco. In their comments, Minister Bjornrud and Mayor Fiacco congratulated the volunteers and exhibitors for their continuing support of Agribition as a significant part of the Regina, Saskatchewan, and Canadian agriculture economy and community.

The Agribition Ranch Rodeo concludes tonight. Six teams from across the prairie provinces will vie for the Agribition Ranch Rodeo Championship. The top six teams include Naylen Land & Cattle Co., Kola, MB; Northfork Grazing, Lundbreck, AB; Quill Ranch, Cowley, AB; Soderghen Ranches Ltd., Airdrie, AB; T4 Ranch, Carnduff, SK and Udal Ranch, Maple Creek, SK.

In the show-ring over the weekend, exhibitors from all four western provinces have taken home Grand Championship banners in the Draft Horse Halter Classes.

In the Clydesdale classes, Banga's Clydesdales, Canora, SK exhibited the Grand Champion Mare while Riverside Clydesdales, Fawcett, AB showed the Grand Champion Stallion. Flatland's Belgians, Kronau, SK exhibited the Grand Champion Belgian Mare and Creek Side Belgians, Rob Gardiner, and Tom Lane, Birtle, MB showed the Grand Champion Belgian Stallion. The Percheron Grand Championships went to Alberta and British Columbia. David Bailey, Calgary, AB exhibited the Grand Champion Percheron Mare while Spade Creek Percherons & Colleen Patterson, Dawson Creek, BC showed the Grand Champion Stallion.

Complete details of Canadian Western Agribition, including the schedule of events and results, can be found at Agribition's website www.agribition.com.

Canadian Western Agribition is Canada's premier international livestock show and marketplace.

The 39th edition of Canadian Western Agribition runs until Saturday, November 28th, 2009 at Evraz Place Regina, Saskatchewan.

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Canadian Western Agribition Show Results:

DRAFT HORSE - Belgian:

Grand Champion Stallion: Creek Side Belgians, Rob Gardiner & Tom Lane, Birtle, MB

Reserve Grand Champion Stallion: K & J Bridgeman & Kevin Bridgeman, Binscarth, MB

Junior Champion Filly (Reserve Grand): Rocky Bar Ranch & Traci Denbrok, Esterhazy, SK

Reserve Junior Champion Filly: Creek Side Belgians & Tom Lane, Birtle MB

Senior Champion Mare (& Grand Champion): Flatlands Belgians Kronau, SK

Reserve Senior Champion Mare: Morsky Roselea Belgians, Grant Gee & Kim Gee, & Carole & Wayne Morsky Virden, MB

DRAFT HORSE - Clydesdale:

Grand Champion Stallion: Riverside Clydesdales, Fawcett, AB

Reserve Grand Champion Stallion: Willow Way Farms Ohaton, AB

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Junior Champion Filly (Reserve Grand): Neil Campbell, Wynyard, SK
Reserve Junior Champion Filly: Boulder Bluff Clydesdales, Strathclair, MB

Senior Champion Mare (& Grand Champion): Banga's Clydesdales, Canora, SK
Reserve Senior Champion Mare: Riverside Clydesdales Fawcett, AB

DRAFT HORSE - Percheron:

Grand Champion Stallion: Spade Creek Percherons & Colleen Patterson, Dawson Creek, BC
Reserve Grand Champion Stallion: Hobman Livestock Ltd. Nokomis, SK

Junior Champion Filly: Rosehill Percherons & Nicole Ruzicka, Viking, AB
Reserve Junior Champion Filly: Lone Oak Percherons, Birtle, MB

Senior Champion Mare (& Grand Champion): David Bailey, Calgary, AB
Reserve Senior Champion Mare (Reserve Grand): Eaglesfield Percherons Didsbury, AB

Canadian Western Agribition Schedule for TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 24:

9:00 AM Carriage Auction Display Canada Centre Arena
9:00 AM Draft Horse Championship Hitch Classes Brandt Centre
9:30 AM Boer Goat Show Barn 4
10:30 AM Milking Demonstration - Dairy Display Stockman's Arena
11:00 AM Bison Sale, Canadian National Stockman's Arena
11:30 AM Milking Demonstration - Dairy Display Stockman's Arena
12:00 PM Mini Chuckwagon Racing and Trick Horse Trainer - Brandt Centre
Jackie Johnson
12:30 PM Milking Demonstration - Dairy Display Stockman's Arena
12:30 PM Youth Showmanship Competition Auditorium
1:00 PM First Lady Classic Stadium
1:00 PM Horse Pulls, Lightweight Division Brandt Centre
1:30 PM Milking Demonstration - Dairy Display Stockman's Arena
2:30 PM Grain Show Awards Ceremony Queensbury Foyer
3:00 PM Boer Goat Sale Barn 4
3:00 PM Carriage Auction Canada Centre Arena
3:00 PM Kirk Stierwalt - Cattle Fitting Demo Auditorium
3:30 PM Horse Pulls, Middleweight Division Brandt Centre
4:00 PM Youth Team Grooming Competition Auditorium
6:30 PM Horse Pulls, Heavyweight Division Brandt Centre

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