

2015 NAERIC Draft Horse Classic Sale & Futurity

April 2015 - The 2015 NAERIC Draft Horse Classic Sale & Futurity took place at the Royal Manitoba Winter Fair, on April 2, 3 & 4, 2015 in the Westoba Agricultural Centre of Excellence. When the points were tallied, **SanLan Montana** was declared the winner. The grey Percheron mare owned by Kent & Marnie Anderson and bred by Cameron Roy was exhibited by Doug Hobman. The Andersons took home \$6,030.90 for the win and the Roys received the breeder award of \$1,857.50. The winning mare was sired by **Rose Hill Mario** and out of **Eyebright's Alberta**.

The complete futurity placings are as follows:

- **SanLan Montana** owned by Kent & Marnie Anderson, exhibited by Doug Hobman and bred by Cameron Roy.
- **Creek Side Xenos** owned, exhibited and bred by Tom Lane.
- **Duhaime's Tanner** owned and exhibited by Gord Ruzicka and bred by Albert, Emma and Nichole Duhaime.
- **Lone Oak 12 Taylor** owned, exhibited and bred by Jim Lane.
- **Rose Hill Shania** owned, exhibited and bred by Gord Ruzicka.
- **Bridgemans Barbie** owned by Nic & Grant Gee, exhibited by Grant Gee and bred by Kevin Bridgeman.
- **Lauricia Mister Montego** owned by John & Karen Ruzicka and Brian & Colleen Coleman, exhibited by Brian Coleman and bred by Laurier Beaunoyer.
- **Bridgemans Balinda** owned and bred by Kevin Bridgeman and exhibited by Lyle Farquhar.
- **SanLan Magnum** owned by Tracey & Blair Bickford, exhibited by Tracey Bickford and bred by Cam Roy.

The winner of the lady driver division was Tracey Bickford, Marquis, Saskatchewan (**SanLan Magnum**).

The three judges for the futurity were Aaron Freitag, Indiana; Steve Gregg, Ontario and Tim Sparrow, Minnesota.

The 14th annual NAERIC Draft Horse Classic sale of yearlings was held on Saturday, April 4, 2015 after the completion of the futurity. The high bid was the "wild card" and brought \$8,500 from Gord Ruzicka for **Rose Hill Usher**, a Percheron colt consigned by Gord Ruzicka. The high selling Belgian was **Gardiner's Vegas** consigned by Rob & Karen Gardiner and purchased by Tom Lane for \$7,500. The high selling Clydesdale was **Evergreen Acres Baxter** consigned by Riverside Clydesdales and purchased by Zane Pickering for \$5,000. The high selling Shire was **Windcharger Chance** consigned by Dale & Maxine Campbell and purchased by Express Clydesdales for \$4,700.

The sale was conducted by Mike Fleury, Saskatoon Livestock Sales. Pedigrees were in the hands of Bruce Roy, Cremona Alberta. The 24 yearlings on offer averaged \$3,587.50 and are eligible to return to the 2017 NAERIC Draft Horse Classic Futurity to compete for a purse of just under \$39,000.