

## 2024 NAERIC DRAFT HORSE CLASSIC SALE & FUTURITY

April 2024 – The 2024 NAERIC Draft Horse Classic Sale & Futurity took place in conjunction with the Royal Manitoba Winter Fair at the Keystone Centre, Brandon, MB on March 28 - 30, 2024. The event saw 12 three-year-olds return to compete for the \$32,210 total purse. Taking home the winner's share of \$6,442 was Rose Hill D-Jade, a Percheron stallion owned by Gordon and Shannon Ruzicka, Viking, AB and exhibited by Gordon. Rose Hill D-Jade was sired by Ryan Day Flash's Jordan by Mount Joy Flash and out of Heier's Jade, and bred by Gordon & Shannon Ruzicka.

The top ten Futurity placings are as follows:

- Rose Hill D-Jade owned and bred by Gordon and Shannon Ruzicka and exhibited by Gord
  Ruzicka
- 2. **Lone Oak 21 Pete** owned by Chopper K Auction & Steakhouse, bred by Jim Lane and David Collier, and exhibited by David Collier
- 3. Eaglesfield Amplify owned & bred by Brian & Colleen Coleman, and exhibited by Brian Coleman
- 4. Northern Grit Bruce owned and bred by Joe & Cathy Plett, and exhibited by Joe Plett
- Rose Hill Dagger owned and bred by Gordon and Shannon Ruzicka and exhibited by Gord
  Ruzicka
- 6. **Creek Side Gibson** owned by Perry Conrad & Family, exhibited by Bobby Jo Conrad, and bred by Tom Lane
- 7. **Lone Oak 21 Jessie** owned by Jim & Darlene Lane and David & Tina Collier, bred by Jim Lane & David Collier, and exhibited by Jim Lane
- 8. Seaman's Desirae owned and bred by Darren Seaman, exhibited by Bryan Scott
- 9. **Edelweiss Azzy** owned by Perry Conrad and Toni Conrad, exhibited by Toni Conrad, and bred by Rod & Lana Delaquis
- 10. Seaman's Demi owned and bred by Darren Seaman, and exhibited by Kevin Seaman

The high point pattern cart class winner was **Rose Hill D-Jade**. The high point halter winner was **Rose Hill D-Jade**. The high point rail winner was **Lone Oak 21 Pete**. The winner of the Lady Driver Division was Bobby Jo Conrad. The winner of the First-time Driver Division was Toni Conrad.

The three judges for the event were Mark Hill, Saskatchewan; James Kuepfer, Ontario; and Calvin Martin, Manitoba.

The sale of yearlings followed the competition on Saturday, March 30 at 3:00 p.m. Jack Auction Group conducted the sale and offered online bidding to prospective buyers. The high bid was the "wild card" and brought \$19,000 from Greg Lurvey of Oconomowoc, Wisconsin for Eaglesfield Jeppetto, a stand-out black Percheron colt consigned by Brian and Colleen Coleman of Alberta. The high selling Belgian, consigned by Tom Lane (Manitoba), was Creek Side Izzy selling for \$15,500 to Perry Conrad, Lucky Seven Ranch, of St. Alphonse, Manitoba. Consigned by Blaine & Trinda Martin (Manitoba), the high selling Clydesdale Boulder Bluff Cedar, sold for \$7,000 to Linda Banga of Canora, Saskatchewan. The 23 yearlings on offer averaged \$7,152 and will be eligible to return to the 2026 NAERIC Draft Horse Classic Futurity to compete for a total purse of \$45,100. For more information: www.naeric.org.