



MARITIME FALL FAIR

NEWSLETTER

2005 Maritime Fall Fair Wrap Up

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This year's Fair welcomed 28,500 visitors. Here's a collection of interesting facts:

- 72% of visitors arrived with their families
- 18% of individuals surveyed said it was their first year attending the Fair doubling last year's 8% who had visited the Fair for the first time
- 34% of visitors went to the fair two or more times this year which more than tripled last year's figure of 11%
- 41% of visitors came from Halifax while 17% came from Dartmouth, 15% from Sackville/Bedford,

9% from other Nova Scotia, 6% from Truro, 6% from Tantallon, 3% from South Shore, and 3% from Timberlea

The Maritime Fall Fair has numerous feature events. The 2005 events included Kubota Cup Grand Prix, Eukanuba SuperDogs, Bengal Lancers Musical Ride, Strongman Competition, Hatfield Farm Fun Zone, AgCot Centre, Taste of Nova Scotia, Maritime Horse Pull, Ox Pull, Country 101 Halifax and Nova Scotia zone Talent Shows, Light Horse Competitions, Heavy Horse Competitions, Cattle and Dairy Competitions, Homemaking Displays and Competitions, Soup it up

Competition, and much more. Competition results from



(Photographer: Cealy Tetley)

events can be found at www.maritimefallfair.com.

Kubota Cup Grand Prix Fills Maritime Fall Fair Arena to Capacity

The Kubota Cup Canadian Show Jumping Series Eastern Championship at Exhibition Park was well received, and kept the crowd on its toes. John Pearce and



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his Oldenburg Gelding, "Archie Bunker", were crowned the first Kubota Cup Eastern Division Champions. John, riding his horse "Champagne", managed to capture his class by .071 seconds over Mario Deslaurier and his horse "Naomi" during the final jump off.

The National Finals took place at the Royal Agricultural Winter Fair in Toronto, Ontario Saturday, November 5th 2005. The finals included twenty-one riders and horses. Both Ian Millar and his horse "Promise Me" and Michael Grinyer and his horse "Alcatraz" ran a clear first round. During the

second round jump off Ian Millar ran a clear round with a time of 33.04 seconds. One rail fell during Michael Grinyer's second round and Ian, in turn was crowned the first overall champion of the Kubota Cup Canadian Show Jumping Series.

The Kubota Cup Series is featured in Kubota's "Along for the Ride" television show. "Along for the Ride" is a thirteen part television series which includes Halifax's Maritime Fall Fair. The episode runs Sunday, December 25th at 1:00pm on Global Halifax.

A Sample of 2005 Competition Results



- Isabelle Leblanc of Cornwall PEI was crowned the overall champion during the Junior Beef Show.

- Wat-Cha Nitrate Explorer 1N, Wat-Cha Land & Cattle and Ken-MacFarm took Supreme Champion Bull. While Charhaven Lady Primrose 416P, Charhaven Farms took Supreme Champion Female.

- Charles Edwards managed to take both Barrel Racing classes #1 and #2 riding his horse "Sand Man".

- Martin Sarty from Annapolis County won the Maritime Horse Pull after his horses "King" and "Rock" pulled 11000lbs an incredible 14 feet. Tom Daniels from Berwick came in a close second with his horses "Dick" and "Sandy" pulling 11000lbs a total of 12 feet 9 inches.

- In the Clydesdale classes Fred (Jr) Arseneau was awarded the Supreme Champion title with his horse "Westerdale Diva". Frankview Farms landed Supreme Champion with their horse "Tony" in the Belgian Classes.

- Lee & Lisa MacKinnon and their horse "Valley Visa Mack" took the Supreme Champion title during Percheron competitions.

- Darren Watkins from Yarmouth, and his oxen "Spark" and "Lion" with a combined weight of 3450lbs, managed a 9000lb pull giving them a 2.608% load to weight percentage landing them in 1st place in the Ox pull.

- In Homemaking classes Merle Taylor's strawberry jam took 1st place. Catherine Zinck's bread and butter pickles landed her a 1st place finish.

- Lois & Kelly Brown of Scotch Village, N.S. and their Dorset Yearling Ram "Highcotton" took home the title of Supreme Champion Ram.

- Halifax contestant Jazz Campbell competed on a national level in Quebec City on Friday November 4th after consecutively winning both Halifax and Nova Scotia Zone talent shows at the Maritime Fall Fair. Jazz performed a dance routine to Michael Jackson's "Billie Jean" which landed him a 9th place finish nationally.

For a complete listing of competition results check out our website at www.maritimefallfair.com

2005 School Program

Students, teachers, and chaperones received free admission for 'Super Student Day' Friday October 7th the first school day of the Fair. The Chronicle Herald and Trade Centre Limited published an insert October 4th to spark student interest and to be used as a classroom learning tool for teachers.

AgCot had an excellent educational and entertaining setup this year. It included live animal displays, cooking demonstrations, agriculture exhibits, and a series of educational booths for students to learn about Nova Scotia agriculture while having fun.



Looking ahead to 2006

The 2006 Maritime Fall Fair will be held from October 6-15.

The Kubota Cup Show Jumping Series made its debut in Atlantic Canada at the Maritime Fall Fair. Kubota will be back for 2006 for another excellent display of professional show jumping. Stay tuned to the Maritime Fall Fair website for more details as they become available. www.maritimefallfair.com

This year we had integrated all heavy horse competitions to the first week of the fair from October 6th-10th and he light horse competitions to October 12th-16th. Barrel racing and pole bending remained in the first week schedule. We had such positive response from both competitors and visitors that we've

decided to keep the new heavy horse and light horse scheduling intact for next year.

This year the Fair unveiled the All-Fair Pass. It was a pass offered at a one time expense that gave the option of a single or family admission for the entire duration of the fair. The passes were very successful and visitors commented on the good value they found in purchasing the passes. We've decided the passes will make a return for 2006.



Thank You

We would like to extend our gratitude and give a warm thank you to all our major and supporting sponsors, competitors, exhibitors, volunteers, Advisory Board Members, and special partners for joining together and making the 2005 Maritime Fall Fair a success.

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