

Local Pony Club Members Compete at National Quiz

By Linda Harrington

Held on Thanksgiving weekend each year, the National Pony Club Quiz brings together several hundred Pony Club members from across Canada to test their horse knowledge.

This year Joey Peters, Rebecca Yorke and Michael Congdon, all members of the

local Opportunity Pony Club, competed at the event in Calgary, Alberta. Michael and Rebecca represented Nova Scotia on the C level team, while Joey was a member of the higher level AB team.

In its 28th year, the Quiz requires teams to compete in written tests, tack identification, and horse based games.

Teams and members each receive a score, and top members form a separate team to compete internationally against teams from the United States.

In addition to the testing portions, the host Alberta South club put on roping and reining demonstrations and there was even line dancing for all.

A highlight of the trip was a tour of Spruce Meadows, where Michael Congdon says the members could envision themselves jumping in this internationally famous ring.

The local members did well, with the following results: AB team - 6th, Joey Peters - 26th, C team - 8th, Rebecca Yorke - 27th, Michael Congdon - 2nd. Michael was also selected for the Canadian Team, which placed first in the International Competition, with Michael placing first individually in the International Competition as well.



Michael with his ribbons from National Pony Club Quiz - 2nd C level individual, 1st International team, and 1st International individual. (Harrington Photo)

The local "Opportunity Pony Club" meets weekly at Opportunity Farm, Onslow Mountain. For more information about Pony Club, or to join, contact Val Shaddick at 902-662-4269.

PHOTO FEATURE Lower Onslow Preschool Fall Fair

Lower Onslow Preschool Fall Fun Fair held Oct. 25th at the Community Centre. (Harrington Photos)



Kaysee Manning, Renee Dearing, Mattia Poelzer, Deena Netzke, Jasper Poelzer, Jaxon Adams and Alissa Adams (left to right) are enjoying decorating pumpkins.



Kaitlyn and Sophia Chesal were having a great time at the cup cake decorating station.



Four year old Fraser Warren is making sure his pumpkin has the perfect finishing touches.



The cute little kitty (Regan Yuill) is not as excited about fishing as is the pirate (Easton Wells).

PHOTO FEATURE Masstown Halloween Party

Masstown Community Association Halloween Party was held on Oct. 31st at Masstown United Church, with treats for the kiddies and pumpkins donated by Blake Jennings. (Harrington Photos)



Jackson Wenham has no problem cleaning the insides out of his pumpkin, with Marilyn Whitewood enjoying the fun, too.



Mark McMasters helps his son Schemar decorate his first pumpkin.



Dracula (Austin Young) and the pirate (Ethan Young) were excited to get right at their pumpkin carving.



Ava and Emma Purdy were giving their carving a bit of creative thinking before making the first cut.

Masstown Market Christmas Events

Bring the kids to Masstown Market, on Sunday, Dec. 13th from 1- 3PM for a complimentary photo with Santa Claus in the Christmas Centre.

Harry Bentham will be providing seasonal music in the afternoon on Sunday, Dec. 6th and 20th.

There will be several food sampling stations on Sunday, Dec. 6th throughout the Market, as well.

Wreath and bow making demos will be held every Friday from now until Christmas and every other Saturday (Nov. 28th and Dec. 12th).

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