



2013 Draft Horse Classic Sale & Futurity *Manitoba Drivers Win!*

March 2013 – Tom Lane, Birtle, Manitoba wins the 2013 NAERIC Draft Horse Futurity. The 2013 futurity was one of the most unpredictable and wide open competitions in the event's history. Seventeen of the 21 foals on offer in 2010 returned for the event. The 2013 Futurity was held during the Royal Manitoba Winter Fair, March 28 & 29, 2013 at the Westoba Agricultural Centre of Excellence.

Between the futurity purse and the breeder award, the victory was worth \$8,620.25 to the winner **Creek Side Voo-Doo** exhibited and bred by Creek Side Belgians, Birtle, Manitoba. **Creek Side Voo-Doo** is sired by **Misters Titanium** and out of the homebred mare **Creek Side Queen**. Tom had high hopes for the sharp sorrel colt with lots of action since buying him back as the wild card lot at the 2010 Draft Horse Classic Sale.

The complete list of top ten futurity placings include:

- **Creek Side Voo-Doo**, owned, exhibited and bred by Tom Lane, Creek Side Belgians.
- **Westbank Vixen**, owned by John Ruzicka & Jason Bexson, exhibited by Brian Coleman and bred by John Ruzicka.
- **Duhaime's Nash**, owned and bred by Albert, Emma & Nichole Duhaime, exhibited by Doug Hobman.
- **Prins View Flash's Molly**, owned by Gerald Hendry, exhibited by Doug Hobman and bred by William J. Prins.
- **Seven Hill's Cooper**, owned by Mark & Natalie Hill, exhibited by Mark Hill and bred by David & Joan Hill.
- **Paramount Stylish Knight**, owned by Gordon, Shannon & Nicole Ruzicka, exhibited by Gordon Ruzicka and bred by David R.C. Bailey.
- **Rose Hill Quest**, owned and bred by Gordon, Shannon & Nicole Ruzicka, exhibited by Gordon Ruzicka.
- **Jaylea's Wario**, owned and exhibited by Grant Gee and bred by Jaylea Farms.
- **Bar RB Royals Bart**, owned and exhibited by Brenda Hunter and bred by Robert Berry.
- **Rocky Bar Allie**, owned, exhibited and bred by Nick denBrok.

The winner of the lady driver division, which has an added purse of \$2500, was Brenda Hunter, Hamiota, Manitoba (**Bar RB Royals Bart**). Kristen Wilkieson (**Willow Way Keno**) was second, Julie Roy (**Maple West Hillary**) was third, and Tracey Bickford (**Sanlan First Degree**) was fourth.

The three judges for the futurity were Gary Miller from Indiana, Randy Robertson from Ontario and Juli Westbrook from Florida.

The 12th annual sale of yearlings was held on Saturday, March 30, 2013 following the futurity. The high seller at \$7200 was the wild card; Tom Lane selected his own consignment **Creek Side Xenos**, a Belgian gelding. The high selling Percheron was **Lone Oak 12 Taylor**, a sharp filly consigned by Jim Lane, Lone Oak Percherons, Birtle, Manitoba and sold to Darcy Strain, Virden, Manitoba for \$6000. The top selling Clydesdale, for the second year in a row, was consigned by Delgaty Clydes, a stallion **Lakebottom Robbie** that was purchased by Brad Delgaty for \$4250.

The sale was held on Saturday, March 30, 2013 with Scott Campbell from Fraser Auction Service doing the selling. Pedigrees were in the capable hands of Bruce Roy, Cremona, Alberta. The 21 yearlings on offer sold steady with an average of \$3500 and are all eligible to return to the 2015 Futurity. The top five averaged \$5490.

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