

2023 YEAR END Results

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Champion - Good Night – Linda Glass Ward

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Sponsor – Michael Hoffman

Reserve – Angel – Leah Eckerich

Champion - Good Night – Linda Glass Ward

Class 4 – Equitation on the Flat

Sponsor – Robert Noble Ltd Ballinafad

Reserve – Shaelyn Dickson - June Bug

Champion – Linda Glass Ward - Good Night

Class 5a – Beginner Walk-Trot 10 & Under

Sponsor – Christina Cooper

Reserve – Elizabeth White - Angel

Champion – Ava Kamnatnik – Little Red Rocket

Class 5b - Beginner Walk-Trot 11 & Over

Sponsor – Allpack Solutions

Reserve – Madison Evans – Delightfully Devious

Champion – Orla Leigh - Jilly

Class 6a – Beginner Walk-Trot Equitation 10 & Under

Sponsor – eurOptimum

Reserve – Elizabeth White - Angel

Champion – Ava Kamnatnik – Little Red Rocket

Class 6b – Beginner Walk-Trot Equitation 11 & Over
Sponsor – SAS Technical Services Ltd
Reserve – Madison Evans – Delightfully Devious
Champion – Orla Leigh - Jilly

Class 7 – Beginner Hunter over X's (max 18")
Sponsor – Kensington Home Improvements
Reserve – Madison Evans – Delightfully Devious
(Tie) Julia Roadknight - Molly
Champion – Orla Leigh - Jilly

Class 8- Beginner Equitation over X's (max 18")
Sponsor – KJ Laser Micromachining
Reserve – Julia Roadknight - Molly
Champion – Orla Leigh - Jilly

Class 9 – Hunter Over Fences (max 2')
Sponsor – Dales Fencing – Ryan Cleary
Reserve – June Bug – Shaelyn Dickson
Champion – Buddy – Abigail Besco

Class 10 – Hunter Over Fences (Max 2'3")
Sponsor – Linda Liddle
Reserve – Angel – Leah Eckerich
Champion – June Bug – Shaelyn Dickson

Class 11 – Equitation over Fences (max 2'3")
Sponsor – Christina Cooper
Reserve – Leah Eckerich – Angel
Champion – June Bug – Shaelyn Dickson.

Class 12 – Open Freestyle (Perpetual Plaque)
Sponsor – Global Imaging
Reserve – Duo – Haidan Cooke- Spook and Dance
Malina Depikolozvane – Flash My Show Tips
Champion – Duo – Linda Glass Ward – Good Night
June Turner - Ariel

Class 13a – Youth Showmanship
Sponsor - Muir Tapes & Adhesives
Champion – Mackenzie Lydan – Im A Natural Gal

Class 13b – Adult Showmanship
Sponsor – I G Custom
Reserve – Julianna Traxler – Flash My Show Tips
Champion – Anika Clayton – Im A Natural Gal

Class 14 – Lead-line Walk
Sponsor – Install Nation
Reserve – Kailey Eisen - Shania
Champion – Ainsley Newman – Calypso

Class 15 – Lead-line Walk-Jog or Trot

Sponsor – *Christina Cooper*

Reserve – Kailey Eisen - Shania

Champion – Ainsley Newman - Calypso

Class 16 – Trail – 12 & Under (includes Lead-line)

Sponsor – *Anne Dales*

Reserve – Im A Natural Gal – Mackenzie Lydan

Champion – Shania – Kailey Eisen

Class 17 – Open Trail

Sponsor – *Sun Life Financial (Michael Bulloch, Advisor)*

Reserve – Spook and Dance – Amy Dicks

Champion – Dreamin' Tonight – Bri Dales

Class 18a – Walk-Jog 12 & Under

Sponsor – *Robert Noble Ltd, Ballinafad*

No qualifiers. We thank our sponsor for their support

Class 18b – Novice Walk-Jog

Sponsor – *Dynamic Systems Engineering*

Champion – SS Roosters Resolve – Mackenzie Stoffelson

Class 19 – Youth Western Pleasure 18 & Under

Sponsor – *Piedmont Plastics*

Reserve – LL Casino Dash – Mackenzie Lydan

Champion – Dun Its Whiz Girl – Addison Spurr

Class 20 – Novice Western Pleasure

Sponsor – *Polymershapes*

Reserve – SS Roosters Resolve – John Laros

Champion – Flash My Show Tips – Julianna Traxler

Class 21 – Open Western Pleasure

Sponsor – *K.S.I. (Signage & Graphics)*

Reserve – Flash My Show Tips – Julianna Traxler

Champion – SS Roosters Resolve – John Laros

Class 22 – Open Horsemanship

Sponsor – *eurOptimum*

Reserve – Haidan Cooke – Spook and Dance

Champion – Julianna Traxler – Flash My Show Tips

Class 23 – Open Ranch Riding

Sponsor – *Rockwood Veterinary Clinic*

Reserve – Teisha Poco Pep – Susan Des Cotes

Champion – Dun Its Whiz Girl – Addison Spurr

Class 24 – Open Reining (Ken Tuck Memorial Trophy)

Sponsor – *Rockwood Home Hardware*

Reserve – Spook and Dance – Amy Dicks

Champion – SS Roosters Resolve – John Laros

Class 25 – Open Keyhole

Sponsor – *Hang It Up Systems*

Reserve – Teisha Poco Pep – Susan Des Cotes

Champion – LL Casino Dash – Emmy Porter

Class 26a – Youth Pole Bending – 12 & Under

Sponsor – *The Dales Family (Barb & Brianna)*

No qualifiers. We thank our sponsor for their support

Class 26b – Youth Pole Bending 13 – 18

Sponsor – *The Dales Family (Barb & Brianna)*

Champion – Spook and Dance – Haidan Cooke

Class 27 – Open Pole Bending

Sponsor – *The Dales Family (Barb & Brianna)*

Champion - Teisha Poco Pep – Susan Des Cotes

Class 28 – Open Stake Race (The Gamers Perpetual Trophy)

Sponsor – *Ty Whiston, ATAK Consulting*

Reserve – LL Casino Dash – Emmy Porter

Champion - Teisha Poco Pep – Susan Des Cotes

Class 29 – Open Flag Race (John Bradley Memorial Trophy)

Sponsor – *Rustic Meadows*

Reserve – LL Casino Dash – Emmy Porter

Champion - Teisha Poco Pep – Susan Des Cotes

Class 30a – Youth Barrels 12 & Under

Sponsor – *Kensington Home Improvements*

No qualifiers. We thank our sponsor for their support

Class 30b – Youth Barrels 13-18

Sponsor – *Equine Omega Complete (Robin Williamson)*

No qualifiers. We thank our sponsor for their support

Class 31 – Open Barrels Frank Robinson Memorial Trophy

Sponsor – *Sun Life Financial (Michael Bulloch, Advisor)*

Reserve – LL Casino Dash – Emmy Porter

Champion - Teisha Poco Pep – Susan Des Cotes

Class 32 – Open Down & Back

Sponsor – *10tation Catering, Toronto*

Reserve – LL Casino Dash – Emmy Porter

Champion - Teisha Poco Pep – Susan Des Cotes

Participation Awards

Harper Dewitt

Olive Allen

Isabelle Ayranto

Rylee Cole

Jessica DiPaolo Misener

Joseph Besco

John Yingbull

Sophia Trento

Shelly McIntee

Hi-point Beginner 10 & Under

Sponsor - Fay Modest

Ava Kamnatnik

Hi-point Beginner 11 & Over

Sponsor – Metrospot Marketing Ltd

Orla Leigh

Hi-Point Open Junior English

Sponsor – Kensington Home Improvements

Shaelyn Dickson

Hi-Point Hack

Sponsor – Envision

Linda Glass Ward

Hi-Point Hunter (Ellis Family Memorial Trophy)

Sponsor – Celco Inc

Shaelyn Dickson

Hi-Point Lead-line

Sponsor– P G Plas

Kailey Eisen

Hi-Point Western Performance Youth

Sponsor – Rob, Peter & Patricia Depikolozvane

Addison Spurr

Hi-Point Western Games Youth

Sponsor – Lisa Mayer

Mackenzie Lydan

Hi-point Western Junior Youth

Sponsor – Heavy Computing

Mackenzie Lydan

Youngest Competing Member (The Porter Perpetual Trophy)

Sponsor – Kubik Inc

Harper Dewitt

Chester Memorial Trophy

Sponsor – Ollie Chase

Molly

Molly has been coming to Rockwood Trail Riders for many years and has always been there for her riders. She's patient and very kind and, even when they have a problem she's there for them. Evidence of this is at show this past year, her rider fell off, and Molly stood beside her, while she regained composure to collect their horse back up. Our lovely Molly may have to retire. She loves her kids and all the treats that come with them.

David & Frances Glidden Memorial Trophy (Most Improved Rider)

Sponsor – The Glidden Family

Ava Kamnatnik

Ava Kamnatnik, started her first year out in 2022, a teary-eyed mess, and through the year, became a confident young rider. In 2022, she was three times Reserve Champion on three different ponies. In her second year (2023) as a Beginner, Ava, and her Little Red Rocket, ended up as Champion in both the Flat Beginner (a) classes and a very good showing in the over fences classes, as well as Hi-point Under 10 Beginner.

She is a prime example of why the Rockwood Trail Riders is so great. It's a show that teaches the kids the fun aspect of our sport and Ava sticks out in the crowd.

Evelyn Dales Memorial Trophy for Outstanding Contribution

Sponsor – John Dales

Christina Cooper

Christina is our English Co-ordinator. She makes sure everything is set up and tasks other with doing making sure all is ready for the shows. She acts as Ring Steward and is not afraid to be the judge's go-between to the competitors. She leads the over Fences set-up and take-down, and all that goes with this job. This, while she has two young competitors to tend. She also brought out her horse and daughter to help Bri mark some trail for our September event. If you need to know, ask Christina.

Pat Dales Memorial Trophy

Sponsor – Dales Fencing

John Laros

John Laros exemplified Horsemanship, Sportsmanship and Fellowship this past year. He rode a young horse to trophies this year. John talks to just about anyone about horses and also offers wise, friendly and gentle coaching to others, including his closest competitors. He also helps out whenever he can, and not only rode the Trail Horse Trials on a green horse, but dragged around the bridge with his not-so-really healed leg for set-up. We should all use John as our example of a horseman, a sportsman and a good fellow to know at RTR.

WALL OF FAME – RUSTIC MATADOR

Joanne was told eight years ago this would happen and here we are.

Rustic Matador showed at Rockwood Trail Riders from 1996 as a yearling until he retired in 2019 at the age of 24.

In that time he carried 28 different riders in 23 different classes. Truly versatile, he competed in English, Western Performance and Western Games divisions, both astride and aside. He also showed in the President's class in harness as a 2-year-old.

He earned 33 RTR class Championships and 30 RTR class Reserve Championships. He also earned his riders 1 High Point Lead-line and 3 High Point Western Performance Youth awards, He received the Chester Memorial trophy in 2016. At the May show in 2005, Matt carried 4 different riders in a total of 15 classes.

These are just his championships, not to mention the Trail Horse Trials, clinics, charity fundraisers and demonstrations Matt did. Joanne cannot count (without a LOT more rummaging through 23 years of riding lesson records) how many total students Matt taught to ride.

Matt also showed at the Rambling Hills Riding Club, the EB-HO Riding Club, the Erin Fall Fair and at Ontario Reining Horse Association shows across the province. He also earned Reserve Champion in Western Activities and Champion Canadian Rider with the International Side Saddle Organization.

We all have our own memories and stories of Matt and his antics both in and out of the ring are too many to share here. We will miss the Matadork!