

## **Metalhic Dual Rey - Last SCHA Stallion Incentive Fund Champion**

Our SCHA Annual Meeting recognized both the winner of the SCHA Stallion Incentive Fund, as well as the end of the program itself! In 1997, thirty-five years ago, the Stallion Incentive Fund was started to help raise money for our year end awards. It was quite a feat to have been able to maintain the program for that length of time and we sincerely thank the stallion owners for their support over the years. We also thank the owners of the colts who had them trained and shown – it was a fun showcase of breeding and training programs. Some of the people participating in this year's On-line Annual Meeting were very instrumental in the program. Barb Stephenson was the one who had the idea to start it; Lloyd Turner was the Committee Chair for most of those years.

The way it worked was that stallion owners paid \$300 to nominate their stud and 5 years later, all the resulting 4-year-olds from the nominated studs were eligible to compete for bonus moneys from the Incentive Fund throughout the year in the SCHA \$3,000 Novice Horse Class (which later became the \$5,000 Novice Horse). Eligible colts were awarded points based on the SCHA Payout system.

The Fund was split so that 30% of the Fund went to the SCHA Year End Awards; the remaining was split: 55% to the owner(s) of the winning colt(s), 9% to the owner of the winning colt's sire, 6% to the owner of the winning colt's dam. The portion going to the winning colts was split according to the CCHA payout based on total points earned.

The first payout was made in 2002 and the Fund ran pretty well until the buying patterns in the cutting horse market changed. More cutting horse prospects were being purchased directly from U.S. breeders and trainers; fewer mares were being bred. The decision was made that 2015 would be the last year that funds were raised, but with the cancellation of the shows due to Covid-19 in 2020, the decision was made to roll the 2015 funds over to the 2021 show year and allow the eligible colts to be shown in 2021 as 5-year-olds.

Lloyd and Jan Turner had at least 1 stud nominated to the Fund every year, so this year it's extra fitting to announce that the Winner of the 2015 Stallion Incentive Fund is Metalhic Dual Rey, owned by Lloyd & Jan Turner of Mortlach, SK. Trained and shown by Michael Belof of Fillmore, SK., Metalhic Dual Rey is sired by Turner's stud, Metallic Coquette, and out of the dam, Georgia Rey, also owned by the Turners at the time of foaling.

Lloyd & Jan received a cheque in the amount of \$3,500.00 and the SCHA received \$1,500.00 from this payout. Metalhic Dual Rey also finished the year as the \$5,000 Novice Horse Reserve Champion. Congratulations!