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**Horse-A-Rama - May 7**

While the “usual” Horse-A-Rama horse fair won’t be happening this year, it surely doesn’t mean that their board of directors hasn’t been busy!

When the former Barn D/Walters building was taken down last year, the Horse-A-Rama board made the difficult decision to cancel their usual horse fair fundraising event in favor of several smaller events.

Unpredictable spring weather on the lakeshore was a major factor in moving the event from April to May a few years back. The board felt the risk of holding presentations outdoors in bad weather was just too great.

Horse-A-Rama’s first mini-event was held on March 19 – a Tack Swap and Fundraiser. The Merchant’s building housed a few select vendors with new merchandise, as well as rented table space for those selling their used or extra horse supplies on their own.

Two Silent Auctions throughout the day, chili lunch, a bake sale and door prizes rounded out the activities. Entrance to the event was free, but many people were happy to donate toward the new agricultural multi-purpose barn.

The next mini-event for 2016 will be a “No Silver-No Sequins” Open Breed Horse Show on May 7.

This will be the first horse show on the Expo grounds in 2016, and fancy show clothes & expensive-looking saddles and bridles will not be required.

A fair number of Beginner classes will be available to encourage those who don’t normally participate in competitive shows to give it a try.

The judge has been instructed to explain the how & why of some of the class placings, and even spectators from the general public may learn a little more about riding and showing a horse.

Typical show fees will apply to those who enter classes with their horses, but the show is open to the public to watch at no charge. There will be an

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**County Fair Dog Show Changes**

The Junior Fair and Open Class Dog Show judging will be done on Saturday, August 13 at the Manitowoc County Kennel Club, 40 Albert Drive, Manitowoc.

Jr. Fair showmanship will begin at 10am, obedience at 11am, and agility at 1pm with teams being judged after obedience in the combined ring.

Open Class will start at 11am with obedience and then agility at 1pm. Open Class will be judged with Jr. Fair with scoring being kept separate.

Jr. Fair entries are due by July 1. Exhibitor must be a 4-H or FFA member or part of a youth organization.

Open Class entries are due by July 15. Open Class entries can be submitted online or mailed by the deadline.

The rules are available online at www.manitowoccountyexpo.com.

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**TIDBITS Newsletter is Online Only.**

Please share this newsletter with friends and family. Email JennellKrizek@co.manitowoc.wi.us to add your email address today!
Words From the Fairest of the Fair

Invitation to All!

What: Crowning of the 36th Fairest of the Fair
When: June 2 at 7pm
Where: Merchants Bldg

Hope to see you there!

As the 2015 Manitowoc County Fairest of the Fair, I would like to take this opportunity to invite you to run for the 2016 Manitowoc County Fairest of the Fair.

You could spend the summer promoting the Manitowoc County Fair with its theme of Blue Jeans ‘N Country Dreams!

The purpose of the Fairest program is to promote the enormous variety of opportunities available each summer at the County Fair.

The skills required to perform the duties of Fairest are many, but the rewards are also considerable.

To run for Fairest you must be 18 years old by January 2017, have general knowledge about the Manitowoc County Fair, excellent public speaking skills, and a desire to promote the Fair.

Throughout the year, you will be in multiple parades, attend picnics, do radio interviews, hand out ribbons at the Fair, run for Wisconsin State Fairest of the Fairs, and much more.

If you are chosen as the next Manitowoc County Fairest you will receive a $1,500 scholarship to continue your education.

Applications for Fairest are due to the Expo Office by May 1 and crowning will be held on June 2. Applications are available online at the manitowoccountyexpo.com under the Fair tab. I hope to see everyone on June 2!

Sincerely,

Cheyenne Mueller
2015 Manitowoc County Fairest of the Fair

2015 Manitowoc County Fairest of the Fair Cheyenne Mueller along with Expo-Ice Center Board members Dick Pollen, Rob Voss, and Russ Zipperer.

Family Friendly Pricing

The Manitowoc County Fair’s daily admission of $10 per person is Family Friendly Pricing!

For less than the cost of seeing a two hour movie at a theater, your paid daily admission includes: unlimited carnival rides, admission, parking, grandstand shows, music pavilion entertainment with a full line up of bands, pony rides, animal exhibits, AG Adventureland activities, demonstrations, seminars, Kandu Magic Show, TaDa, Jr. Fair and Open Class exhibits, Chainsaw Carving, and other events.

Watch for all of the daily events listed in the 2016 Manitowoc County Fair
Brochure.

Other ticket price options are:

- Season $30
- Senior $6
- Veterans $6

These tickets do not include rides.
Manitowoc Speedway Races

Come and join us at Manitowoc Speedway for an exciting 2016 season. With a weekly lineup of 360 Sprints (360), Late Models (LM), IMCA Style Modifieds (MOD), IMCA Style Sport Modifieds (SM), Grand Nationals (GN), Street Stocks (SS), Thunder Trucks (TT), and Sport Fours (S4).

Returning to the Manitowoc Speedway for two appearances in 2016 will be the Bumper to Bumper IRA 410 Sprint Cars.

The green flag drops on our season opener 6 May with the first appearance of the Bumper to Bumper IRA Sprint Car Series and returning for the final run at the Speedway on 1 July.

Special celebrations throughout the 2016 season will include Ladies Night at the Races on 13 May. All of the ladies that pass thru the grandstand admission gates will receive $8 admission and a voucher for a free beverage of their choice.

On 27 May we will celebrate the Memorial Day weekend with free admission to all of our active duty Military personnel and veterans, with ID.

We will also be having a number of car shows/ fund raisers at the Buffalo W ild W ings in Manitowoc. Our first event will be held Sunday 1 May with drawing and raffle being held throughout the day. Come check out the cars and Stars of Manitowoc Speedway before the season opener.

Manitowoc Speedway and Hometown A&W of Manitowoc are giving young fans a chance to join Rooty’s Junior Racers, a fan club for youngsters giving them the chance to participate in games, and giveaways, along with a special shirt when they sign up.

We want to thank all of our 2016 Sponsors for coming on board, helping us prepare for a fantastic season of racing on the Lakeshore. For more information and updated schedules, please check our website www.ewcsracing.net and for more information, email us at ewscsracing@gmail.com.

Race Schedule
• May 6 - EWSC Opening Night - Bumper to Bumper IRA 410 Sprints (IRA, GN, SM)
• May 13 - Mother’s Day Celebration, Lady’s Night at the Races. All ladies receive $8 admission with a Free beverage. (LM, MOD, GN, SM, TT, S4)

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Horse-A-Rama cont...

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area for kids to make their own stick horse, with a free competition class before the “real” horses start riding at noon.

The Horse-A-Rama Inc Board of Directors, in partnership with the Expo, is happy to announce that construction on the new multi-purpose agricultural building (replacing the former W alters building) will be starting soon, and the building should be usable for the county fair.

Thanks to several, recent generous donations - and a lot of little ones over the years - this new building will be a fine addition to the fair grounds.

As plans begin for 2017 fundraising events, additional board members, volunteers and sponsors will be needed.

Anyone interested in promoting the Expo equine facilities and bringing more people to visit the Manitowoc area is welcome - horse experience is not required! Contact Marilyn Lentz at 920-323-7394 for more information.

Check out www.horse-a-rama.org for the latest details, or “like” us on Facebook.

Horse-A-Rama, Inc. is a volunteer organization with a 501(c)(3) status, and a public charity to which donations are tax deductible. All profits from our fundraising events go directly to educating the public about horses, as well as the building and maintenance of the equine facilities at Manitowoc County Expo.
Current Lifetime Members

The Manitowoc County Expo Ice Center Board are pleased to announce that the Lifetime Membership Passes sold by the former Manitowoc County Expo, Inc., will be honored for the life of the person who purchased the membership, and will not sunset in the year 2020 as previously advertised.

New Passes are Required for Lifetime Members
Each Lifetime Member must get a new pass issued in the form of a picture ID card before the 2016 Manitowoc County Fair. This new ID card will replace the current black and gold Lifetime Membership card, which will no longer be honored at the gates. Lifetime Memberships are nontransferable.

Stop by the Expo Office with a valid picture ID on one of the following dates and times to have a picture taken for the new Lifetime Membership ID Card:
- May 5 10am-2pm
- May 10 5:30pm-7pm
- May 12 9am-11am
- May 16 3pm-6pm
- May 19 5:30pm-7pm

For questions regarding the New Lifetime Membership ID Card, please contact the Expo Office at 920-683-4378 or email JennellKrizek@co.manitowoc.wi.us.

Good Sams Rally

Hello Manitowoc!

Good Sams Rally will be held at the Manitowoc County Expo June 16-19. The theme for the rally is “off to the races.”

Daily passes will be available at the gate, so come and join us and learn more about Good Sams club.

There are 19 chapters throughout the state and 240 members.

Our goal is to stimulate interest and principles of good camping, respect all people and wildlife, giving back to the community and always wear a smile. Good Sams name was derived from a “Good Samaritan” and this is what the Good Sams club strives to accomplish.

The Good Sams Club will be collecting coats for the Salvation Army of Manitowoc. This is a great way for us to be the Good Samaritan and help our community.

At the rally, there will be games, seminars, booths, and good fellowship.

The Good Sams Club members are looking forward to being in Manitowoc and hoping we will see you there.

Robert & Marlene Ruh
Wisconsin state directors

Showing Animals at the Fair

All exhibitors showing animals at the Manitowoc County Fair are required to complete the Animal ID Check In form located on the website at www.manitowoccountyexpo.com.

Exhibitors must turn in the form at the time of entry at the fair.

Exhibitors showing swine are encouraged to properly vaccinate swine for influenza according to the Department of Agriculture rules and regulations. Please visit www.datcp.wi.gov for more information.

Any other questions, please contact the superintendent listed on the department rules or call the Expo office at 920-683-4378.
Multi-Purpose Building Construction Begins

The Expo-Ice Center Board, Expo Foundation, and Expo staff are pleased to announce that the Agricultural Multi-Purpose building will be constructed in time for the 2016 Manitowoc County Fair!

The campaign was kicked off by a $100,000 donation from the Horse-A-Rama (HAR) organization. HAR realized the need for the building stating the main concerns were safety and biosecurity.

The Expo Foundation also received a generous donation from the West Foundation and recently received a donation for $5,000 from Investors Community Bank.

The agricultural multi-purpose building will be 200’x80’ with 14’ high overhead doors. The increased size of the building and overhead doors will allow for ample room for horse shows as well as Holstein shows and future county fairs.

Valley Building Systems will begin construction of the new building beginning in May with completion date by end of July.

Join us for the 2016 Manitowoc County Fair, August 23-28, and check out the new agricultural multi-purpose building!

Races cont...

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- May 21 - Test & Tune - Gates Open at 9am, Test & Tune - 10am-3pm, Pit admission $15, free grandstand admission.
- May 27 - Manitowoc Speedway Memorial Day Celebration. All Veterans receive Free Admission with ID. (LM, MOD, GN, SM, TT, S4)
- Jun 3 - Regular Race Program. (360, MOD, GN, SM, TT, S4)
- Jun 17 - Father’s Day Celebration. Men’s Night at the Races. All men receive $8 admission with Free Beverage. (LM, MOD, GN, SM, TT, S4)
- Jun 24 - Holiday House Night at the Races. (360, GN, SM, TT, S4)
- Jul 1 - 2nd Annual Harbor Town Showdown. (Race Program TBD)
- Jul 8 - Odyssey Fun Center Night at the Races. (LM, MOD, GN, SM, TT, S4)
- Jul 22 - Back to School Night. Everyone can donate school supplies at the Kid’s Club Building. (LM, GN, SS, SM, TT, S4)
- Jul 29 - Sponsor Appreciation Night. 360, LM, MOD, GN, SM, TT, S4)
- Aug 5 - Grand National Nationals Pink Heals Racing Away Cancer Night. Badger Brew & Que Night at the Races. $1 per Ticket to Pink Heals, $1 Per Ticket to KAN. (MOD, GN, SS, SM, TT, S4)
- Aug 12 - Past Champion’s Night. Topless Night for All Divisions. (LM, MOD, GN, SM, TT, S4)
- Aug 19 - Police, Fire, EMT Night at the Races. Fill the Boot Fundraising Drive. (LM, MOD, GN, SM, TT, S4)
- Aug 24 - Manitowoc County Fair Night at the Races. Hagar’s Bonus Night. (360, LM, GN, SS)
- Sep 3 - Manitowoc Speedway Season Championship Night. (360, LM, MOD, GN, SM, TT, S4)

Please note - this is a tentative schedule and subject to change, continue to follow @mantyspeedway on Twitter, on Facebook and www.manitowocspeedway.com.

For Cancellations
Cancellation information is available by calling 920-683-4361.
HAZARDOUS WASTE CLEAN SWEEP

Bring your hazardous waste items to the 2016 Clean Sweep.

Accepted disposal items include pesticides, cleaning products, automotive chemicals, home improvement products and mercury.

Households can participate for free. Farms and businesses must pre-register. For Clean Sweep guidelines call 683-4333 or visit www.manitowocrecycles.org.

REDUCTION IS YOUR FIRST CHOICE!
Before you buy:
- Read the labels
- Choose safer alternatives
- Buy the smallest amount needed for the job

After you buy:
- Follow directions for safe use
- Store properly in the original container
- Share what you can’t use
- Dispose of leftovers properly

Compost Site Spring Update

Beginning April 1, the Basswood Road and Woodland Road Compost Sites will have new hours.

The Basswood Site yarn material drop off area will be open Monday-Friday, 7am to 6pm and Saturday from 8am until 6pm.

The Basswood Site is located at 3000 Basswood Road in Manitowoc.

The Woodland Site, located at 4191 Woodland Drive in Two Rivers, will be open Monday-Friday, 10am to 6pm and Saturday from 8am until 6pm.

The Recycling Center Main Office will be open on Saturdays from 8am to noon beginning April 2.

When using the sites please follow the posted guidelines. Remove items from plastic bags. Take your empty plastic bags home with you to dispose of in your garbage or reuse.

Acceptable items for the yard materials pile include leaves, grass, garden waste, fruits, vegetables, weeds, flowers, woodchips and sawdust from untreated wood, and sod that has had the soil removed.

Acceptable items for the brush pile include brush, branches and trees cut less than 6 inches in diameter and 5 feet long.

Items that are NOT ACCEPTED include soil, sand, rock, ashes, animal waste and lumber. Leaving these items at either compost sight is considered illegal dumping.

Acceptable items for the 2016 Clean Sweep.

• Saturday, May 14, 9 am - Noon
  Manitowoc County Highway Shop, 3500 HWY 310

• Friday, May 13, 2pm – 4 pm
  Manitowoc County Highway Shop, 3500 HWY 310
  Farms and businesses must register by calling 683-4333

ACCEPTABLE ITEMS

Pesticides
- Insecticides, Herbicides, Fungicides, Rodenticides, and Other poisonous repellents or banned chemicals (DDT)

Paints/Solvents
- Varnishes, Shellacs, Turpentine, Thinners, Lead Based Paints, Oil Based Paints, Aerosols, Wood Preservatives

Cleaners/Cleaners
- Oven Cleaners, Spot Removers, Polishes

Other Materials
- Used Oil and Filters, Contaminated Oil, Hydraulic Oil, Antifreeze, Gasoline, Bulk Mercury, Mercury Devices and Compounds, Acids/Bases, Mothballs, Pool Chemicals, Photographic Chemicals, Wood Coating, Stripping and Preservative Chemicals

UNACCEPTABLE ITEMS

- Explosives such as ammunition
- Radioactive materials such as smoke detectors
- Compressed gas tanks and high pressure cylinders such as fire extinguishers and propane tanks
- Unknown chemicals
- Tires
- Infectious and biological waste including sharps and needles
- Light bulbs
- Computer components and TVs
- Batteries
- Appliances
- Freon gases
- Pharmaceuticals

*All residents are encouraged to dispose of latex paint in their regular trash. Just take the lid off and let it dry or add paint hardener or cat litter. Once hardened, latex paint can be disposed of in the trash.

Compost and Wood Mulch is available while supplies last and as weather and site conditions permit.

For more information contact the Recycling Center at 920-683-4333 or www.manitowocrecycles.org.

SCREENED COMPOST
- 1 bushel: $2.50
- 1 cubic yard: $13.00
- 6 cubic yards including Delivery Charge: $108.50

UNSCREENED COMPOST
- 1 bushel: $0.75
- 1 cubic yard: $1.50
- 6 cubic yards including Delivery Charge: $39.50

WOODCHIPS:
- 1 bushel: $0.75
- 1 cubic yard: $8.00
- 6 cubic yards including Delivery Charge: $78.50
Schedule of Events

- **May 1** - Fairest of the Fair Entries Due
- **May 6** - EW SC Race Program Grandstand
- **May 7** - Horse-A-Rama - Horse Arena
  Read Article on main page
- **May 13** - EW SC Race Program Grandstand
- **May 14** - Private Party - Merchants
- **May 21** - EW SC Race Program Grandstand
- **May 21** - Private Party - Merchants
- **May 29** - WI Appaloosa Horse Club Horse Event - Horse Arena
- **May 30** - Memorial Day - Expo Ice Center Offices Closed
- **May 30** - Private Party - Ice Center
- **Jun 2** - Manitowoc County 36th Annual Fairest of the Fair Competition & Reception - Merchants Bldg - 7pm
- **Jun 3** - EW SC Race Program Grandstand
- **Jun 4** - Small Animal Testing and Fun Day - Poultry and Rabbit Building
- **Jun 5** - Branch River Riders Horse Event - Horse Arena
- **Jun 9-11** - WI Badgers Family Motor Coach RV Rally Expo Grounds
- **Jun 10** - EW SC Race Program Grandstand
- **Jun 11-12** - 4-H Open Pleasure & Gymkhana Horse Show Horse Arena
- **Jun 16-19** - Good Sams Club Rally Expo Grounds
- **Jun 17** - EW SC Race Program Grandstand
- **Jun 24** - EW SC Race Program Grandstand
- **Jul 1** - Jr. Fair Entry Deadline
- **Jul 1** - EW SC Race Program Grandstand
- **Jul 2** - Private Party - Merchants
- **Jul 4** - Fourth of July Expo Ice Center Offices Closed
- **Jul 8** - EW SC Race Program Grandstand
- **Jul 9** - Private Party - Merchants
- **Jul 9-10** - 4-H Spring Horse Camp/Clinic Horse Arena
- **Jul 12** - Newton Lions Fun Day Merchants
- **Jul 15** - Open Class Entry Deadline
- **Jul 15** - EW SC Regular Race Grandstand
- **Jul 16** - Manitowoc Cranes Company Picnic - Merchants
- **Jul 17** - Spirit of Arabian - Horse Show Horse Arena
- **Jul 23** - Private Party - Merchants
- **Jul 23** - WI Appaloosa Horse Club Team Tournament - Horse Arena
- **Jul 29** - EW SC Regular Race Grandstand
- **Jul 30** - Parker Hannifin Company Picnic - Merchants