



## Equine Review launched the 2008 season at the Princess Louise Park Show Centre

Sussex, NB – May 5, 2008 – Over 2,000 people enjoyed the 2008 Equine Review, sponsored by the Maritime Quarter Horse Association, held over the week-end at the Princess Louise Park Show Centre in Sussex.

On his first visit to the Show Centre, Al Patterson, President of Equine Canada – the sport governing body for the equine industry in Canada – said, “It is a fantastic place. What’s been done here for the province and for the horse industry in the region is terrific. It shows what can be done by people who come together with a vision. The value of the horse industry often goes unrecognized; and facilities like this and events like this really help.”

Exhibitors and vendors were very happy with the spectator crowds on Saturday, although numbers could have been better on Sunday, many felt. “This is only the second time that the event has been held over a two-day period and it takes a while for people to become accustomed to change,” said Ceci Flanagan-Snow, Manager of the Show Centre facility.

Still, Wayne Wilson, one of the MQHA event organizers, said that overall he was pleased with both the event itself and the level of attendance.

The opening ‘act’ for the evening Horse Gala Saturday night was the Fundy Agility Sports Team. The dogs and their handlers wowed the crowd with their antics and the heart-warming stories behind some of the canine team members. Many were rescued through the SPCA and other groups. As high energy animals, they were lucky to find owners who would help them direct that energy into productive training and play – helping them to become happy and well loved family members.

Clinician Kevin Crane and the “KC Dancers” entertained the crowd with a human and equine choreographed dance. Performed to the song “Cotton Eye Joe” the routine had everyone tapping their toes and clapping along as horse, rider and dancers moved in unison.

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### About Us

The Princess Louise Park Show Centre is located in Sussex, New Brunswick, near the 8<sup>th</sup> Hussars Sport Arena. The Show Centre is home to shows, training clinics and competitions, celebrating our agricultural heritage, from early May through late October. Parking is plentiful and free and admission to most events is free, too.

Coming up next week-end: A riding and driving training clinic with Robin Groves

To check on the schedule for upcoming events, go to [www.plpshowcentre.com](http://www.plpshowcentre.com) and click on the Calendar.

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