

CALDRA NEWS

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Special points of interest

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- Nomination forms for Caldwell, Manitoba in October 15, 2005.
- M. J. Downing
- **New Galloping Gossip Column.** light hearted news snippets from across the nation:

Sample: from BCCTRA:

At the 2004 CCTRC's last summer most will remember the search that went on for one missing BC horse on the Saturday. It ended well with the safe return of Black Majik to his owner Lori Benz (VP for BCCTRA). Undaunted by her stressful experience and determined that all would not be lost to them after a very long trek from BC to Manitoba, Lori and Majik entered the 50 mile Endurance Ride on Monday. They did great and finished 11th.

CalDRA wishes Lori and Majik a great 2005 season.

A NEW LOOK TO CALDRA

April 09, 2005 saw 16 +/- members of CaLDRA gather in Toronto to discuss the issues facing our organization. Members of the Trail Riding Alberta Conference participated thru a conference call.

Those attending voted in the new strategic plan which gives CaLDRA it's new look. The structure follows as such—at the top is the President, followed by the executive members titles of Executive Vice President Executive Secretary, Executive Treasurer, The next level in the three discipline categories are Executive VP of Endurance, Executive VP of Competitive Trail Riding and executive VP of Ride and Tie. Each VP of the three disciplines have a secretary and each discipline can have one director from each province. This is a positive step to increase valuable participation from the broader spectrum of the membership, allowing each discipline to be in charge of their own so to speak. It will make our organi-



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zation stronger.

In the discussion that followed we struggled with the Equine Canada mandate to the formation of Endurance Canada. In CaLDRA's strategic plan the VP of endurance would be a part of Endurance Canada reporting to both EC and CaLDRA. This point is yet

to be approved by EC.

After much vigorous debate it was decided that CaLDRA is still very much alive and needed but it is recognized that there is much work for the new executive to do.

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