2026 Annual General Meeting
October 1, 2026
Brandon, MB

1. Meeting called to order at 8:07 pm with 58 in attendance.

2. Charmaine Grad introduce the board of directors.

3. **2025 Minutes:** The 2025 AGM minutes were read by Secretary Wanda Helmeczi, no errors or omissions.
   Motion – Melanie Drier moved to accept minutes as read. Donna Sagin seconded the motion.

4. **2025/2026 Secretary Report**

Memberships
2026 MBRA had 923 memberships/permits (down 1) including 441 open (down 6), 103 select/open (up 7), 213 youth/open (down 3), 137 pee wee (up 3) and 29 permits (down 2).

2027 memberships as of Sept 27th – 39 total – 13 open, 4 select/open, 11 youth/open, 3 pee wee and 8 permit.
Year over Year

YEAR	MEMBERSHIPS	PERCENTAGE GROWTH/DECLINE
2015	634	
2016	741	+16.88%
2017	799	+7.82%
2018	826	+3.38%
2019	800	-3.15%
2020	108	-86.5%
2021	500	+362.96%
2022	619	+23.8%
2023	No data available	
2024	771	+24.55%
2025	924	+19.84%
2026	923	-0.10%

2026 Sanctioned Jackpots.
We had 339 jackpot sanctions come through with 52 cancellations.

2027 Sanctions this far we have 46 jackpot sanctions with 5 cancellations.
Year over Year

YEAR	JACKPOTS	% of GROWTH/DECLINE
2017	194	
2018	220	+13.40%
2019	182	-17.27%
2020	27	-85.16%
2021	No data available	
2022	183	+577.77%
2023	No data available	
2024	No data available	
2025	265	+44.80%
2026	339	+27.92%

5. **Financial Report**

We had a 2025 compilation done by Takk Accounting. The reports from Takk have been handed out.

Of Course the 2026 year is not complete but the 2026 lowdown is as follows:
Sanction Fees – $2554
Prize Fund - $26,861
Memberships – $44,530
Sponsorships – $28,800

Finals Income:
Entries – $107,950
Stalls & haul in – $47,700
Shavings – $13,330
Programs - $1,475
Trade Show - $2,750

General Expenses:
Office expense (secretary fees, internet, forms, website etc) $12,000

Projected Finals Expenses:
Awards / award – projected to be $49,000
Finals Staff – announcer, timer, photographer etc – projected $20,350
Facility – projected $60,000
Payout - Projected payout for the 2026 finals.- $79,000 plus $30,000 added money $109,000

Motion: Wanda Helmeczi moved the report be accepted as given. Dawn Vandersteen seconded the motion.

6. **2026 Motions**

Motion #1
Board motion on mortality.

Whitney motioned and seconded by Charmaine.
I would like to put in a motion on behalf of the board
Mortality clause. If a competitors horse dies after the qualifying cutoff date for the current years finals and before the start of the current years finals and is the only horse that competitor has qualified on they may substitute their entry on a horse that has not qualified. This substitution must be made in writing to the MBRA Office with a death certificate from their vet certifying date of the death and the name of the horse.

Motion carried: 39 in favour, 10 opposed, 2 abstained

Motion #2
Motion by Marla Grad and seconded by Wanda
That a person can only purchase one Permit Membership per year. After filling their permit for that competition year, they must purchase a full membership in order to compete."

Motion carried: 47 in favour, 1 opposed, 0 abstained

Motion #3
Motion made by Whitney and seconded by Stacey Johnson & Colleen Goertz
No one under the age of 18 is allowed to be strapped in while competing unless they have a medical ailment, confirmed by a dr. This includes Velcro sure grip straps, or any physical restraint strap that binds a youth or peewee to the saddle.

Motion defeated: 3 in favour, 23 opposed, 29 abstained

Motion #4
The board motions on buy ins.
To allow buy in for the finals. The required Manitoba soil jackpots would still be a must. You would then be allowed to buy in the other jackpots required. The buy in money would go directly to added money at the finals.

Motion carried: 44 in favour, 10 opposed, 0 abstained

7. **Election of Officers**.

President: Charmaine Grad - 1 Year Remaining
Vice President: Whitney Gallant - 1 Year Remaining
Secretary / Treasurer: Wanda Helmeczi - 2 year term is up for renewal or application

Directors:
Sherri Moffatt - 1 Year Remaining
Donna Sagin - 1 Year Remaining
Jennifer Culling - 1 Year Remaining
Taylor Drier-Merkley - Open for Election

Robyn Denbow - Open for Election
Lorie Watson - Open for Election
Aisah Janssen - Open for Election
Skylar Mailhiot - Open for Election

Nominations:
Paula Mohagen-Derby – nominated by Melanie Drier, seconded by Wanda Helmeczi
Stacy Johnson – nominated by Whitney Gallant, seconded by Melanie Drier
Megan Tully – nominated by Donna Sagin, seconded by Aisha Janssen
Judy Klassen – nominated by Taylor Drier-Merkley, seconded by Whitney Gallant
Skylar Mailhiot – nominated by Whitney Gallant, seconded by Aisha Janssen
Lorie Watson – nominated by Charmaine Grad, seconded by Taylor Drier-Merkley

Five director's spaces needed to be filled. All members were given ballots and votes were counted.

New directors are Paula Mohagen-Derby, Stacy Johnson, Megan Tully, Skylar Mailhiot, and Lorie Watson.
Whitney Gallant made the motion to destroy the ballots, seconded by Donna Sagin.

Meeting adjourned at 9:30 pm

Winners of the draws:
Membership – Dianne Allan
Cup – Kelly Walker