



Profile - Triple C Farms

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(proud mother and grandmother)*

The Triple C Farms herd name comes from the names of three children that have found a love for goats, specifically LaManchas, and have developed a very strong, healthy herd of LaMancha goats that have proven themselves in the pail and in the show ring.

Crystal Larocque, and Colin and Colton Commodore make up the partnership forming Triple C Farms. They started raising LaManchas with a LaMancha doeling that Sharon Pedlar, Pine River, Manitoba gave to Crystal. As the other two children wanted a goat as well, grandma purchased a doeling for Colin and a buckling for Colton.

As things go, when farming, the unforeseen happens. The doeling Crystal had couldn't be bred but the doeling Colin had was Black Ice, who went on to become a GCH and have many, many wins for the children. Black Ice died last summer and although she leaves beautiful daughters behind, she is sadly missed. It just doesn't seem the same without her around.

All three children participated in four years of 4-H and took a wide variety of projects within those four years. But they always carried a goat project, every year, no matter what. They enjoyed 4-H but as soon as Crystal and Colin were a little bit older, they got part-time jobs so there was no time for these other interests.

The children have seen several of their animals go Grand Champion in the ring and achieve permanent GC status, but the ultimate accomplishment was achieved this year when one of their home bred animals achieved her permanent Grand Champion status.

Although a hobby farm, Triple C stands for an animal that is strong, healthy and productive. The children have strived to produce good animals that can produce well without a lot of extra input costs.

Triple C has partnered with Roxey Gordon to bring in several bucks with fantastic bloodlines to hopefully provide a lot of different genetics to other breeders in the business.

All three children believe in the Manitoba goat industry and are very serious about the goat business. Even though Crystal and Colin are busy with schooling and work now, they still provide their input into breeding decisions, etc.

Colton is the most active partner in the business now and comes out to the farm to work with the animals whenever he can.

Triple C Farms will continue to support the goat industry in Canada and most specifically Manitoba.



Colton Commodore introduces Triple C Pixie to Sherrie Semple's grandson, Jayden Semple-Harrison, at the 2005 West National Dairy Goat Show in Okotoks, Alberta. The little girl on the left is Sandy Larocque's 4 year old granddaughter, Sydney Fleming. Sandy is in the background at the far right. Photo by Jackie Dunham.