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Brenda & her TWH mare, Grace



## CRTWH DIRECTORS

We are pleased to welcome Brenda Woodall to the Board. Brenda has accepted a position as an appointed Director for 2016. She has already been keeping tabs on the Ride/Drive/ALT Program for CRTWH, and we look forward to her input.

We are also happy to welcome back Jo-Anne McDonald as the B.C. Director and Leslie Hunchuk as one of the three Alberta Directors, for three year terms by acclamation.

We received no nominations for Saskatchewan or Manitoba.

## CRTWH EVENTS

### CRTWH BOOTH at MANE EVENT,

Red Deer, AB, **April 21 to 24.**

We need help both in the booth & in setting it up (21st) and taking it down on the 24th.

If you can spare a couple of hours on any of those days please contact Karla - **403-597-7991** or at [rideeasy@hotmail.ca](mailto:rideeasy@hotmail.ca).

### CRTWH ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING

will be held on **Saturday, May 7, 2016.** at Klondike Victory Farm near Sylvan Lake, AB. *Mark your calendars and reserve the date.*

### GAIT FROM THE GROUND UP CLINIC

With Bill Roy, Clinician. **May 7 & 8, 2016**

We are taking names for the waiting list.

Contact Bill at [woodhill@telus.net](mailto:woodhill@telus.net) or **250-379-2022** or Dianne Little at [ddlittle@telus.net](mailto:ddlittle@telus.net) **403-271-7391**

### POSSIBLE CLINIC NEAR WESTLOCK

If there are 8 to 10 people who would like to attend, there is the possibility of having a Trail Clinic with Bill Roy near Westlock, AB. If you are interested please send a private message to the **CRTWH fb page** or to [ddlittle@telus.net](mailto:ddlittle@telus.net).

## IT'S TIME TO REGISTER THOSE 2015 FOALS

We've included the fee schedule below for your convenience in looking up info and fees for registering your 2015 foals. Do it **NOW!** It is the cheapest time to do it and you'll likely be a lot busier come spring and summer.

Buyers - if you want a registered, purebred Walker, be sure that is what you are getting. Do not buy a horse without first seeing its original registration certificate and making sure that the person you are buying the horse from is the last recorded owner listed on the back of the certificate.

The owner is responsible for transferring the horse into the buyer's name, so make sure that a transfer is filled out and signed before you pay for the horse and take it home. Too many sellers just hand on the papers without transferring the animal properly through CLRC. Remember, legally it is not your horse until your ownership is recorded with the Registry.



## CANADIAN REGISTRY OF THE TENNESSEE WALKING HORSE

### CURRENT SCHEDULE OF FEES

<u>1. MEMBERSHIP</u>		<u>Fees</u>
a. Full Membership (Individual, Family, Corporation, Partnership - Canadian residents.) Voting, member fees apply		\$25.00/yr
b. Individual Life Membership (Individual). Voting, member fee schedule applies		\$200.00
c. Youth Membership (Individual, under 18 years of age). Non-voting, member fee schedule applies		\$10.00/yr.
d. Associate Membership (Individuals, organization, groups - Canadian Residents). Non-voting, non-member fees		\$15.00/yr.
e. Non-Canadian Resident Membership. Non-voting, member fee schedule applies		\$35.00/yr.
f. Non-Canadian Resident Lifetime Membership. Non-voting, member fee schedule applies		\$250.00
<b>2. REGISTRATION OF FOALS or HORSES NOT ALREADY REGISTERED</b>	Member Fees	Non-Member Fees
a. Within 12 months of foaling ( <b>PLUS</b> add DNA fee - see 6a below)	\$40.00	\$80.00
b. After 12 but less than 18 months of foaling ( <b>PLUS</b> add DNA fee - see 6a below)	\$60.00	\$120.00
c. After 18 but less than 24 months of foaling ( <b>PLUS</b> add DNA fee - see 6a below)	\$125.00	\$250.00
d. After 24 months of foaling: ( <b>PLUS</b> add DNA fee - see 6a below) <i>Non-refundable fee of \$125.00 if application is rejected.</i>	\$300.00	\$500.00
If the sire and/or dam of the unregistered foal (or horse) is not registered with CRTWH, submit a photocopy of both sides of the parent's U.S. registration certificate along with the foal's registration application.		
<b>3. REGISTRATION OF HORSES ALREADY REGISTERED in U.S.</b>	Member Fees	Non-Member Fees
<i>Applications must be accompanied by a photocopy of both sides of the U.S. certificate</i>	\$45.00	\$90.00
<b>4. TRANSFER OF OWNERSHIP</b>	Member Fees	Non-Member Fees
a. Within 1 month of date of sale	\$20.00	\$40.00
b. After 1, but before 3 months of date of sale	\$30.00	\$60.00
c. After 3 months of date of sale	\$50.00	\$100.00
<b>5. ALTERATION OF CERTIFICATES ISSUED</b>	Member Fees	Non-Member Fees
a. Change of colour	\$20.00	\$40.00
b. Change of gender (gelded)	\$15.00	\$15.00
c. Death of a registered horse ( <i>certificate will be returned</i> )	\$5.00 credit	No charge
d. Change of Name: <i>Provided animal is no more than five (5) years of age and has no registered offspring. Subject to the approval of the Board of Directors. Submitted fees are non refundable if application is rejected.</i>	\$50.00	\$100.00
<b>6. OTHER SERVICES</b>	Member Fees	Non-Member Fees
a. DNA Hair Analysis Profiling for an unregistered foal. DNA kits are available from CLRC. Pay CLRC for DNA kit when registration application is submitted.	\$75.00	\$100.00
b. DNA Hair Analysis Profiling for a Registered animal: CLRC Request form for DNA kit is required. Pay CLRC when application for DNA kit is submitted to CLRC.	\$75.00	\$100.00
c. DNA Profiling for a Registered animal from blood stored at Maxxam Analytics. Submit fee with a letter of request stating the name & number of the animal to be DNA profiled, & the Blood Case # (where known).	\$57.00	\$57.00
d. Blood-typing/DNA updated certificate for mature horse.	\$10.00	\$25.00
e. Registration of Breeder's Prefix	\$45.00	\$90.00
f. Registration of Lease	\$20.00	\$40.00
g. List of Progeny of Individual Breeding Stock	\$20.00	\$40.00
h. Surcharge on incomplete or incorrect applications	\$20.00	\$40.00
i. Duplicate Certificate: <i>Shall be issued upon application by the registered owner accompanied by satisfactory proof of loss accompanied by a Statutory Declaration.</i>	\$40.00	\$80.00
j. Rush Fee	\$15.00	\$30.00

Fees are in Canadian currency, based upon postmark of the application and membership status of the applicant.

**ALL REMITTANCES ARE PAYABLE TO CANADIAN LIVESTOCK RECORDS CORPORATION.** (Visa & Master Card accepted.)

*Please submit to:*

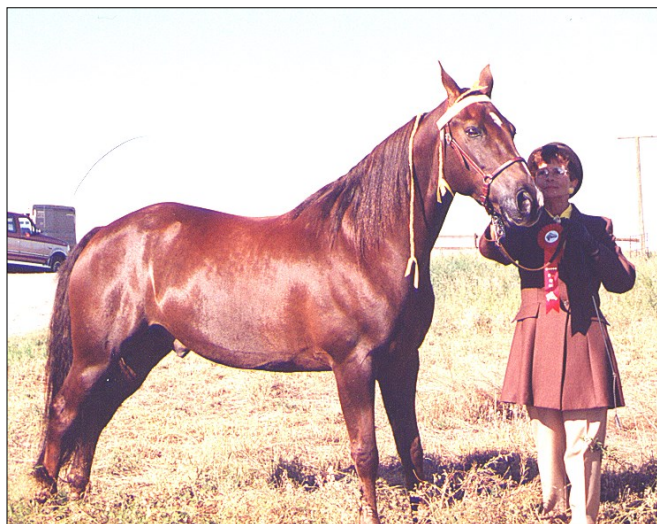
CLRC, 2417 Holly Lane, Ottawa, ON K1V 0M7 Fax 613-731-0704, Telephone **613-731-7110** Toll free **1-877-833-7110**.

The CRTWH accepts either Blood Typing or DNA Hair Analysis Profiling for parentage verification.

Both parents must have blood, or both must have DNA records on file for the foal to be parentage verified.

CLRC [www.clrc.ca](http://www.clrc.ca) CRTWH Home Page: <http://www.crtwh.ca> e-mail: [secretary@crtwh.ca](mailto:secretary@crtwh.ca)

## DONNA AND KOKO - CENTURY PARTNERS



I nominate Donna Edwards and Shadow's Koko Boy (*above*) as Century Partners. Donna and Koko or "The Old Boy" as he is lovingly called by the Edwards family, have surpassed the eligibility number for this nomination by four years. Donna and Koko, accompanied by husband Frank, were welcome exhibitors at a majority of Alberta shows and parades. Donna and Koko have been a constant team since they first met in 1991. Their relationship and accomplishments personify the philosophy of the CRTWH Century Partners and they deserve the honor of being recognized as such.

Respectfully,

*Dianne Little*



**Donna and Koko  
begin their journey.**

DONNA EDWARDS is now 76 and the horse referred to as Koko is 28. SHADOWS KOKO BOY (Canadian Registration 566 and US registration 871472) is by Luckys Koko Prince {Rambler's Lucky Socks x Sundown LaMarr} out of Shadow of Riverview {Go Boy's Shadow x Lad's Hot Shot}. He was bred by Bill Howes of Walking Horse Junction, Ardrossan, AB. He is a chestnut gelding with a broken strip.

Donna has been in love with horses all her life. Donna lived in Tofield, Alberta and rode to school on a horse. She fondly remembers a very smart Shetland or Shetland crossbred pony who would lie down in the middle of a puddle if she felt like it. The horse had no concern for the rider so the rider just learned to cope with the peculiarities of the horse. This early lesson has remained part of Donna's experience with horses to this day. Donna's husband Frank remembers when he first saw Donna on horseback: "She was riding bareback like a wild thing. I have never forgotten that vision".

In 1991 Donna and her husband Frank knew nothing about Tennessee Walking Horses when Donna saw an ad for a registered TWH. The ad stated the horse was related to Roy Roger's 'Trigger'. Donna was intrigued and contacted Jim Tyschuk, the owner of a horse related to Allen's Gold Zephyr on the sire's side. Donna and Frank travelled from Whitecourt to Onoway to try out the horse. The horse (named Trigger, of course) was not really broke, but Donna liked what she saw. She rode him, then bought him. Once the horse was on their property, Donna changed his name to Koko. She quickly discovered that Koko disliked men and jangling spurs, but as Donna was neither a man nor wore spurs, they got along. Donna accepted Koko and Koko accepted Donna.

It was not long before the Edwards family moved exclusively to easy gaited horses. At the same time Donna bought Koko, Frank bought a Paint. He rode it for two months until he got "ticked off" because he could not keep up to Donna on Koko. He then searched for a TWH for himself.

Bought as a trail or pleasure horse, Koko soon showed he could handle mountain trails, pack deer and bear, and had enough stamina for the longest and most difficult trails.

Looking for further experiences, the Edwards turned to the show ring. Donna rode Koko in both English and Western classes. Neither Donna nor

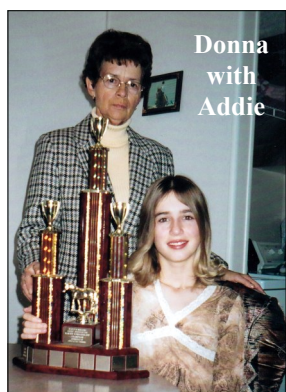


Koko were satisfied with two gait classes, but entered all the three gait classes they were eligible for. Koko had a lovely canter – the true ‘Rocking Horse’ canter with no pulling or pushing by Donna. When Frank became interested in driving, Donna and Koko joined right in. Koko and Donna experienced a jump course more than once. They competed in gymkhana where Donna showed her fearlessness as well as her connection with Koko. Donna and Koko were tough competitors in the show ring. Although they excelled in most events, they could claim bragging rights in Trail Competition. They were seldom beaten and especially remembered for the manner in which they backed through a narrow ‘L’. “Koko picked his way through, barely touching the sides of the narrowest ‘L’.”



**Donna and Koko prepare to finish a side pass to the narrow ‘L’**

There was a strong bond between Donna and Koko. Frank explained it this way: “He took care of her and she took care of him. The first parade they rode in was at Edmonton Klondike Days. The weather was bad and neither Koko nor Donna had been in that type of situation previously. At the end of the parade back in the staging grounds, Donna turned him loose and Koko went through mud and rain to wait for his family at the trailer.” There were times that he was not tied properly at the trailer. Koko never left and was always waiting for Donna.



**Donna with Addie**

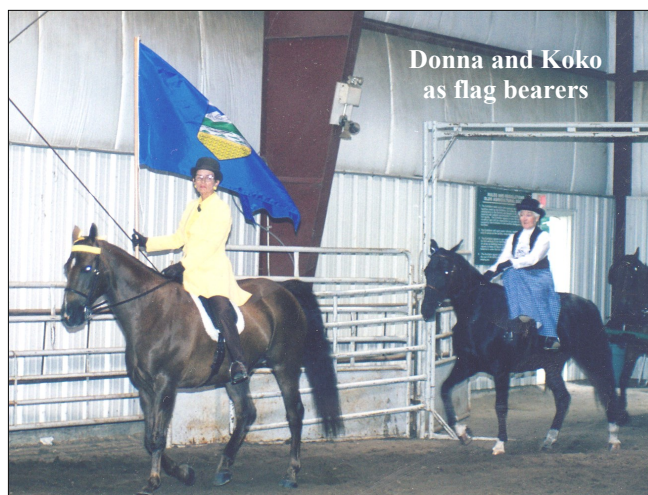
Koko was the chosen mount when granddaughter Addie wanted to ride. Addie and Koko joined the show circuit with Donna and Frank, and Koko did double



**Ponoka Parade 1995**

duty, carrying both Addie and Donna to memorable rides and awards.

Donna and Frank and their gaited horses were a frequent presence at parades in the area. Because of his disposition and calm manner, Koko was chosen as the mount of choice for the RCMP.



**Donna and Koko as flag bearers**

Donna and Koko were often flag bearers at horse ceremonies and shows as they were always dependable. Donna was never one to let an opportunity or challenge go by. Although they never took their horses to the US, Donna and Frank spent a number of winters in the US, primarily Nevada. They drove longhorns from NV to CA and then back again at one time. This was with a Dude setup with 20 longhorns, and 8 videographers for a documentary video. The headline in the paper was “Canadians show how to drive cattle from Nevada to the Heart Ranch in California”.

The love affair with the TWH that began in 1991 continues to this day. The Edwards have owned a number of TWH and MFT, but the horse



that stole Donna's heart still resides at their home. He is ridden only for short distances now, but continues to be a wonderful example of the TWH in disposition and movement. He is always ready to introduce people to the TWH.

The 'Old Boy' will spend the remainder of his life with Donna, Frank, a MFT named Rocky,

**Frank and Rocky**



two donkeys and two dogs, in the familiar pastures of their home in Carnwood, Alberta. Koko and Donna are wonderful examples of the special connection between horse and human.

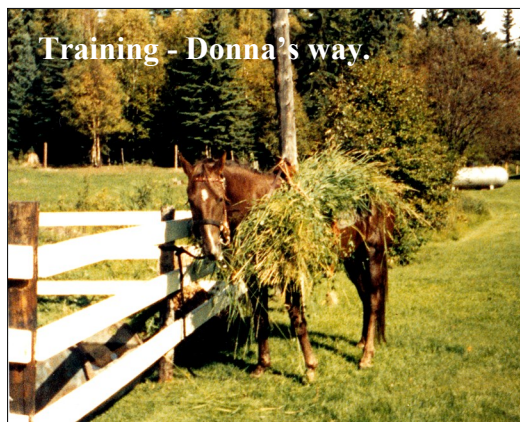
*Right, Pasture Companions.*

Koko in September 2015, at age 28, Below.

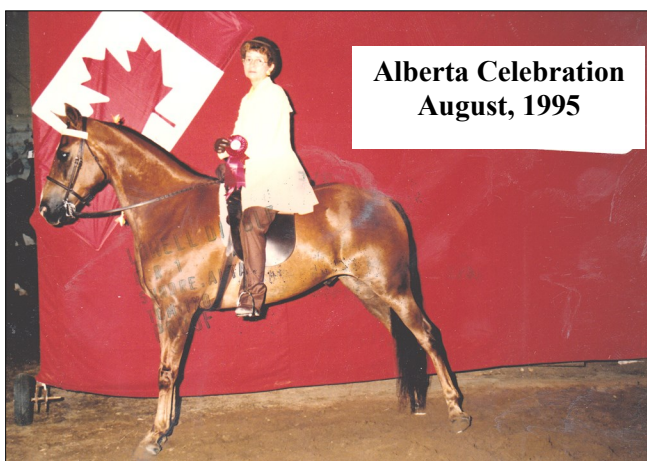


*The story of Donna and Koko, Century Partners, was written by Dianne Little and first published in Walking Horse News, December, 2015.*

**Training - Donna's way.**



**Alberta Celebration August, 1995**



**A versatile horse, Koko was also trained to drive.**