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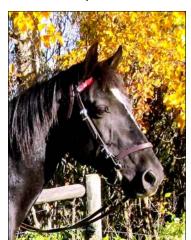
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The three adventurers and their All-Tennessee Walker saddle and pack string are shown riding into Banff National Park on the 'Great Bison Hunt' this past summer. See Keith Oberle's story and Blane Charles' photos on pages 14 & 15.

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Dear Subscribers.

It's officially fall now, and the trees are turning colour, the nights are much cooler, and I hope the bugs will soon be gone. (Seems the face flies have been especially numerous this year.) But there should be some great riding weather ahead!

A reminder to everyone who is thinking of entering a horse in one of the Canadian Challenge programs the deadline for mailing in your video is October 31. If you can't quite make that, you can send it in later with an extra "late fee" and still have it assessed for 2017. See all the details of the Program For Excellence and the Training Levels on crtwh.ca.

It's also time once again to consider advertising in the Walking Horse News colour cover ads. See page 24 for details. I'd like to ask everyone who has Walkers to sell, a stallion to promote, or a horse service or equipment to provide, to look at the very reasonable costs, then get in touch with me. Our cover advertisers support the professionally printed colour covers that Walking Horse News has featured for the past 15 years. WHN will give you the *best* print advertising in the Canadian TWH world!

There are many and varied stories and photos in this issue. Hope you enjoy it!

Marjorie



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## MEMORIAL SERVICE for JO KINGSLAND

Just a short note to let folks know that the memorial for Jo Kingsland will be held at the Mirror Community Hall on October 21 at 2:00.

Mirror is located at the intersection of Hwy. 50 and Hwy. 21. The hall is located on main street at 51 Street and 50 Avenue.

Please come and bring your favourite stories and special memories of Jo.

For more information you can reach me at norm.liz@hotmail.com or call/text 587-679-2649.

Saturday, October 21, 2017, 2:00 pm, at the Mirror Hall, Mirror, AB Please let me know if you plan to attend.

Liz Levangie, Mirror, AB

## There will be a Celebration of the Life of

## SUSAN LELLMAN of FALKLAND, BC on October 8, 2017

at home near Falkland, BC.

Bill Roy and family invite friends and relatives to come and remember Susan on this Thanksgiving Sunday afternoon.

The address is 3370A Hwy 97, west of Falkland, BC.

Please let Bill or Lorie know if you will be able to attend.

Phone 1-250-379-2022 or email woodhill@telus.net.



Susan, 3rd from left, at the 2017 CRTWH AGM.



## NEWS - NEWS - NEWS



Photo above is Blaise of Glory with Fran riding and leading CSR Money's Gold Penny. Fran says, "This is what you do when you have too many horses to ride!"

FRAN KERIK, CHRYSTAL STAR RANCH, TWO HILLS, AB writes, "Summer has come and gone in a flash! It was a hot one on our farm with enough rain for a change so we've had bumper crops of hay and green feed and the grain looks good too."

"Soon it will be time to wean our two foals; they are looking so good. It is truly amazing to watch them trying out their gaits as they scoot around the field."

"I will also be weaning my goat kids and getting ready for early winter breeding and December kidding. But before I get too far ahead of myself I am going to enjoy some fall riding... No bugs and big fields! This year I concentrated on riding CSR Blaise of Glory. What a terrific trail horse she is - fast and smooth, but will slow down to ride with the slower horses. I'm hoping to get her Trail Challenge finished up and her Bronze, Silver and Gold submitted for the PFE."

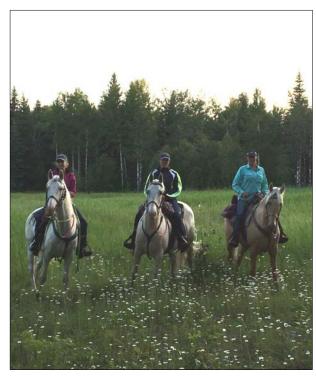
"We just finished riding with the Wild Pink Yonder fundraiser for cancer research in the Donalda badlands, and will be out for the poker rally held there at the end of September with the AWHA. Here's to awesome fall riding, Everyone!" Had this note from ROLANDA EADIE, RIMBEY. AB. "Thanks for the *WHN*!"

"I still have five Walkers and our family all rode together this morning through our river pasture. Don and I joined some friends at the Ya Ha Tinda Ranch a couple of weeks ago and I joined my sister for a Cowboy Challenge in Ardrossan just before that."

"I am back to school now. I got a new position - I am the new Vice Principal in Ponoka Elementary School. Two of my boys are in university and my youngest is in grade 11."

From KIM PIELAK, NITON JUNCTION, AB "We are back from our mountain trip in the Willmore Wilderness. Something about the mountains that does great things for the soul. Bill and I and our grown kids enjoyed ten days in Willmore. We went to Blue Grouse and spent a few days day-riding from there. Love seeing new territory and exploring new trails."

"I wanted to share this picture with you. Two other ladies and I ride weekly and we all ride full sibling Walkers. L-R, I am riding Casper. Cathy Apoll is riding her mare, Splash, and Tina Barrett-Hamilton is riding her gelding, Tucker. These siblings are great trail partners."



From NATALIE SPECKMAIER, VANCOU-VER, BC, "I was actually able to ride for the first time since last fall. Lynn and I went for a short ride on a trail I hadn't been on yet. Trigger was happy to get out and on the way home she let us know that there was something in the bush. There has been a bobcat sighting besides the bears, and coyote, and someone said cougar!"

"After the ride we put the horses in Lynn's pasture and when I got home there was an email and videos from Lynn telling me I missed the show. A bear came to the top of the pasture and both horses marched (yes, I'm told "marched") right up to him, hooves on hips, and stared him down. "No funny business in OUR pasture - our grass, be gone!" and he vamoosed."

"Later the saga continued with yet another close encounter of the bear kind. Brer Bear was making a fool of himself showing off for the captive audience. He pretended he was a horse by grazing, and rolling over with feet in the air. "Lookit me, lookit me" he yells as he leaps in the air to grab at tree branches. Trigger glances at the showoff, says "meh" and keeps on eating. Bear keeps trying to get the horses to play by lumbering after them, but they just prance away. Very gracefully, I might add."

"The best part is in the final video where Trigger has had enough and charges him. When staring him down doesn't work, she charges him again and he decides it's time to hit the road. Trigger turns, tail in the air, prances back to Dakota and gives a mighty snort. If she could, she would have dusted off her hooves and given a high five to her buddy. Best entertainment we've had since the last time!"

"There must be many stories of animal encounters and I hope we get to read about them in WHN."

KARLA HANSEN, RIDE EASY RANCH, PONOKA, AB writes, "I hope everyone enjoyed the fantastic riding season we had. I thought it was fabulous, not much for mosquitoes or flies here at Ride Easy Ranch. I was able to get out a few times this summer, and have had lots of visitors to see our two new foals. I have enjoyed seeing all the pictures of the clinics and mountain rides, and also I'm so pleased at the number of cowboy challenge events that the Walking Horses are excelling in."

"Thanks for all the hard work you put into the *Walking Horse News*, and for keeping it going. I always like to see what's happening and who is doing what, where!"

"Enjoy the fall, and hope to see you on the trails."

#### **D-J'S PEPPI TWO #438**

March 1986 - September 2017

Beauty's Trail's End x Miss Stroll-O-Way (by Queen's Lil Joe).



I had sad news from Charis Cooper recently. She had to have her mare D-J's Peppi Two put down at the age of 31. Charis and Peppi have been partners ever since Charis bought her in September, 1993 when Peppi was seven.

Peppi and Charis did so many things together. They participated in parades on behalf of the Easy Rider Division of the AWHA as well as on their own. They were active participants in Three Day Eventing in Alberta, and, I think, the only TWH team to compete on a Provincial level. They were also part of the group who participated in the Battle of the Breeds at Spruce Meadows for many years.

Later Charis began riding Peppi sidesaddle and she took to that just as well as she did everything else asked of her. At home the pair rode regularly to check the cows and fences on the Coopers' Turner Valley property. She was an exceptional horse.

When Peppi was 25 Charis wrote: "She is a model of Tennessee Walking Horse endurance and smoothness, and is still a wonderful riding horse."

A heartfelt tribute to her partner of so many years.



# What Do YOU Do With Your Walkers?



Moon & Splash

Sue Gamble gives hers toys to play with. Fixie has the pedestal while Koki gets the ball, *above*.

Keith Oberle, Tony Fisher and Blane Charles took theirs on a pack trip into Banff National Park, *below*.



Anna and Terry Langlois drive their horses! The two photos *below* were taken by Anna Langlois at an August family reunion, The two horses are the full brother and sister team, Splash of Silver and Premier Silver Moon.



#### **READERS WRITE**

From BRENNA SULLIVAN, KELSEYVILLE, CA, whose article about her experiences in Endurance riding with her TWH Ebony's Blue Sky was in the August *WHN*. She writes, "Both Lora Wereb and I completed the Tevis this year; it was such an amazing experience. I'm still riding the high! Our Walkers, Sky and Merlin, came through the ride looking fantastic."

"Susan Garlinghouse vetted this year and didn't ride, but will be back in 2018 to go for John Henry's 6th buckle. John Henry is my hero! Very exciting! Thank you for your excellent recognition and coverage of Walking Horses in endurance!"

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Sue Gamble found this interesting item on facebook. It turns out that John Henry has *matched* the old record of highest number of completions of the Tevis Cup ride for an easy gaited horse, not *broken* the record.

Susan Garlinghouse, owner of John Henry, comments, "And so John Henry now needs to do it again. Maybe twice more."

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The confusion arose because the previous record holder, Snider's Three Sox # 644940, a registered TWH, won in 1970 under Carolyn McCullough. Then he completed the rides again with John McCullough in '71, '74, '76 and '80 under the name Three Sox. But it was the same horse for all five rides. He was a lovely golden palomino, by Saremm's Moonstorm (Golden Moonbeam C. x Sammye Wilson) out of Lady Deb (Golden Moonbeam C. x Moonbeam's Daisy)

The pedigree of Snider's Three Sox goes back from Golden Moonbeam C. to Barker's Golden Moonbeam to Barker's Moonbeam #380497. If you follow bloodlines, you'll recognize *him* as the sire as well of Allen's Gold Zephyr 431975... aka Trigger Jr.

So to those of you with Walkers that have Trigger Jr. in their pedigree, you can be assured that he came from a family that was *more than* "just a pretty face" and golden coat!

From ERNIE AND MAVIS WALL, SASKATOON, SK, "You can remove us from the CRTWH website's Map List. We have retired and no longer will be doing any breeding. We still have two Walkers, one being a stallion we plan to geld, the other a gelding."

DENNIS NIEDERMOSER, ROCKY MOUNTAIN HOUSE, AB, writes, "It would be great to leave my contact information on the CRTWH website's 'Map List', leaving out the part about the stud and horses for sale since I have cut back to a couple of riding horses. I do enjoy telling people about my Walkers though and they usually get interested when I tell them that I have one mare that goes back to Trigger Jr. It seems like that's a horse that most people know... Wonder why?!"

From BRENDA WOODALL, LINDEN, AB, "I met two wonderful women riding Tennessee Walking horses at the Ya-Ha-Tinda this past week. They are aged 70-75, driving separate truck/trailer units, and driving from Ontario to Alberta. They'd ridden at various scenic places both there and back. They went through the States on the way to Alberta and are staying in Canada for their trip back. They have promised to write a short article for the *Walking Horse News* as soon as they get back home."

JANET CROCKETT, FIR RIDGE FARM, COURTENAY, BC writes, "I just wanted to let you know that I am putting a cheque in the mail for our renewal for the mailed editions of the *Walking Horse News*. Thank you for your work on putting out the magazine!"

'It is extremely dry here in B.C and the wildfire situation is extreme. It's very sad for so many people and their livestock. Fresh pasture is definitely running out. It is time for showers and rain."

Our thoughts are with ROBERTA BREBNER, WILLIAMS LAKE, BC. Roberta has been coping with the wild fires devastating her area all summer. She said they were evacuated quite a while ago but were allowed to come home with a permit for farming because they had hay to make. Every day the big water planes and helicopters have been going over. There has not been much rain so the fires keep burning. Roberta's horses are still up in Prince George. Even though the evacuation order for Williams Lake is off now, her area is still off limits. We hope cooler fall weather and some much needed rain will help your situation, Roberta.



#### READERS WRITE

BILL HOWES writes, "It was great to get the *Walking Horse News* once again, down here in 'rainy' MEXICO. I was pleased to see Susan Banks' involvement in 'our' *Walking Horse News*. Also I appreciated reading the comments from Carol Hall about her father, Ron Williamson, whom I had the pleasure of meeting some many years ago at a clinic at their place. Mostly what I remember of that clinic was that old horse, Midnight Jester E., sire of Hilton Hack's old stallion, Calta Midnite Victry, with his loose 'way of goin', and that so many wanted to ride him."

"What sparked my interest in commenting was Allanna's very nice and informative promoting of old Luckys Koko Prince and his offspring. I thought it worth mentioning that he has a total of 17 registered offspring with the TWHBEA and four which were Canadian registered only. 15 of the total were colts. I had a hard time finding the record of 'Canadian Flicka', the mare Koko was bred to. Was that Dixie's mare, do you know?"

"I would like to give honorable mention to Donna Edwards' horse, Shadows Koko Boy, and as well Zephers Koko Sun #871473 who was the prize in a silent auction at the show that Roy Rogers 'almost' attended. As his son Dusty told me at the time of his father's inability to attend, "Dad says his horse is getting taller and his bowling ball is getting heavier!" I've recently found videos of some old RR movies that I enjoyed as a kid and they have revived a lot of old memories of 'Cops & Robbers' and 'Cowboys & Indians', played in the barns and back alleys of Sylvania, Sask."

"Luckys Koko Prince sired at least a couple a dozen partbreds in the 11 years at our place, Walking Horse Junction, and as well, I believe Mary Henderson of Tees, AB, was producing some Tennessee Walking ponies with him, prior to Dixie acquiring him."

"I must say, I like that \$10 charge for the very nice 'online version' of Walking Horse News; now to figure a way to get the dollars to you! Mexican postal services are the pits!"

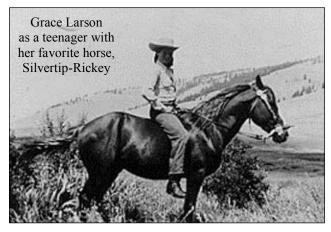
"Keep up the Great work, Marjorie!"

#### SADDLE WISE

Check three or four times a year that your saddle still fits correctly. Your horse's shape will change over the year according to the quality of grazing and the amount of exercise he's getting.

From Handy Hints for the Horse Person by Karen Bush

#### **GRACE: AN AUTOBIOGRAPHY**



As a young Montana ranch girl what Grace wanted most was to be someone's beloved wife and a stay-at-home mom. Instead, at 16, she married an alcoholic and was thrust into big city life, a life filled with depression and courage.

In the late 1960's trying to support five children she learned how to paint houses inside and out. The early 1970's found her skidding logs; 200 logs a day with a Pettibone Skidder. When this stopped she tried for a job with a paint contractor. Working for someone else was scary - could she meet the standards expected in a trade filled with men?

Grace went on to become a journeyman painter, a contractor, foreman, and supervisor. Later she worked as an addiction counselor, a horse breeder, and in retirement she has become an author.

From racing bareback on her favorite Walking horse over the hills and valleys in Western Montana to the Twin Cities, and back to her beloved Montana, Grace's path was not easy. So many decisions ended up being mistakes. Grace places 76 years of her life in this book. Her life was controlled by circumstances throughout those years. Because of this she wore many different hats as she struggled to survive. As Eleanor Roosevelt said, "You do the things you think you cannot do."

The autobiography 'GRACE' is available through the website **www.montanagracelarson.com**.

Grace's other books are also available on the website. They include An Immigrant A Homesteader And Sheep, Once In A Lifetime Comes A Man, The Making Of A Con & Bum Lambs.

#### GENERATIONS...

I am always interested to see families of Walkers that have been maintained through the maternal lines. That is what I have done with my horses, and I am not alone in that. Here are some stories and photos that came in quite spontaneously from *Walking Horse News* subscribers over the past two months.  $\mathcal{MCL}$ 



DONNA CURTIS, WINFIELD, AB writes, "Above is my 2017 filly by Cee Dee's Sadie's Fudge out of Cee Dee's Lady's Halo, born in May. 'Xena' is descended from my original Anglo Arabian mare. Time has a way of slipping away too quickly... She is the sixth generation filly from the line that I have kept since my kids were little in the sixties.

KIM PIELAK, NITON JUNCTION. AB says, "Wanted to send along this three generation picture of my black stud colt, enjoying Decker, some oats standing next to his mom, Hillbilly Molly. His grandmother, Sun's Prairie Lady, is next to her. Decker is 4 months old now and growing up fast.



From KARLA HANSEN, RIDE EASY RANCH, PONOKA, "I've been wanting to show off my new foal, born August 14<sup>th</sup> at 10:30 A.M. She is the long awaited filly from my favorite mare, Karlas Fancy Raven x Uphill Heir Trigger. I held off posting on Face Book, so she could make her exclusive debut in *Walking Horse News*!"

"She's my fifth generation Walker, going back through her mother, Raven by Cherokee's Dark Knight. Raven's mother was Karlas Fancy Shadow born 1994 by Kary's Jeepers x Shadow's Ginger May by Go Shadow Go. Shadow's Ginger May was a daughter of my very first TWH mare, Windrift, by He'za Walker. I purchased both Windrift and Ginger May in 1993, and they were the beginning of my TWH herd and the start of the whole adventure!

Readers, Do you have a 'Generations' story?

Send it in with a photo or two!





# What Do AWHA Members Do With Their Walkers?









Top, above, & right photos were from the

AWHA Cadomin Scavenger Hunt.



Above photo from the

#### Wild Pink Yonder Ride

to raise funds for cancer research.
A number of AWHA members took part in this ride near Donalda, AB.



## THIS N' THAT from the ALBERTA WALKING HORSE ASSOCIATION

The Alberta Walking Horse Association has certainly been active this summer.

Brent Trout Clinic & Gathering: July 22 & 23, 2017, Sawhorse Ranch, Mayerthorpe.

The Sawhorse Ranch once again hosted The Gathering for 2017. The focus of the gathering was to help those who are working on their CRTWH Triple Challenge elements by providing support and knowledge to all riders. This year it was decided to work on the Horsemanship elements of the program. Brent Trout was our clinician for the weekend. He taught, inspired and laughed with us throughout the clinic. Everyone went away with high praise for the methods he used. Brent worked with each rider individually and as a group, answered questions and worked with horses outside of clinic time. His dedication to both the horse and rider impressed the group. A trail ride was held Saturday evening for those working on their trail levels or just to be out on the trail. For those who stayed behind, entertainment was provided by Windi and her musician friends. A Huge thank you to Windi and Dale for putting on this event again this year!! So much fun for all involved and we can hardly wait to do it again next year

#### **AWHA Cadomin Scavenger Hunt:** July 24-28 2017 Whitehorse Falls, Cadomin Area.

19 people attended, and with 15 riders our first Cadomin Scavenger Hunt was a huge success! In anticipation of a good turnout, all the equine campsites had been reserved. The Scavenger Hunt winners were: under 18, Kat Brennan and Dani Johnston; 19-30 Amanda Martell; over 30 Windi Scott and Allen McKenzie. From the morning get together to the evening campfires (made even better by Connie's cookies) a great time was had and new friendships made. Hope to see you at our next outing!

#### **AWHA Cutoff Creek Ride:** Aug 11-16 2017, Cutoff Creek.

14 people attended, with 12 riders. Allen McKenzie was our trail boss. What an experience it was to see the wild horses up close in their natural habitat. We counted up to 42 wild horses in one spot. We woke one morning to a herd of range cattle in our camping area! (The horses took it very well.) Again a wonderful group of people enjoyed their breakfast and laughs together in the morning and great riding and stories at night around the campfire. Get your AWHA membership and join us on our next adventure!

AWHA Windup 2017: Join us in Donalda for the Willy Bronze Poker Rally, Sept 30 and Oct 1.

Arrive in Donalda at the Agricultural Society on Sept 29 by late afternoon/evening. Campsites available on the grounds **Contact Brenda: thewoodalls3@gmail.**com to reserve a campsite or book an outside stall for your horse. (Serviced sites \$25/day, no service \$15/day, outside stall \$10/day. Poker Rally Registration Saturday & Sunday 10 am to noon. \$10 per hand or 3 hands for \$20.

Join AWHA for a Potluck supper & campfire Saturday evening. AWHA will be providing special prizes for those attending. This is a great opportunity to bring friends along to see if they would be interested in joining AWHA. 2018 Memberships will be available.

Contact Alynn if you plan on attending. 780-706-1724

Please note: all AWHA events require AWHA and AEF Membership.

AWHA Membership: Contact Lisa Parrish 780-237-2904 lisaparrish 72@gmail.com

AWHA Jackets: available for purchase. Call/text Bobbie 780-706-1706 for information.

HAVE A GREAT FALL & WALK ON!



Alberta Walking Horse Association



## FOAL CALL



BLACK SABINO FILLY by (SCW Counting Cadence x SCW Ready for Midnight), born 7-11-2017. SCW Shimmy Shakin' Tina is sold and will be going to Texas. Pacovskys Slush Creek Walkers, Bainville, MT



PALOMINO FILLY (Uphill Heir Trigger x Karlas Fancy Raven) born Aug 14/17 Owned by Karla Hansen RideEasy Ranch, Ponoka, AB Below at 2 1/2 weeks.





PALOMINO FILLY – Uphill Heir Trigger x G2's Bonnie's Queen (Left)

CHESTNUT SABINO COLT (Karlas Hustler x G2's Ebby's Bonnie) Both are owned by Terry & Heidi Brown, Okotoks, AB

BLACK COLT (Toddy's Royal Image x Hillbilly Molly) Kim Pielak, Niton Junction, AB. Below











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#### WHERE CAN I FIND A WALKER NEAR ME?

Once again it is time to update the 'Map List' on our CRTWH website.

All current members are entitled to be listed by name and address, along with their info if they wish. Please go to the website crtwh.ca and check your information. Then email, write or phone to let me know if it is correct as it is, or what changes need to be made.

And if you are a member but not on the list yet and want to be included,

please send your information to me by the end of October.

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#### THE GREAT BISON HUNT 2017

by Keith Oberle, with Tony Fisher and Blane Charles

It all started the way most things of this nature get started - a couple of friends sitting around chatting, the topic moved to the government and Parks Canada's idea to re-establish bison (sometimes referred to as buffalo), and someone, probably Tony, said, "Wouldn't it be fun to go and see them in their new homes"?

The "new home" happens to be in an area of Banff Park that I have passed through two or three times before on pack trips. I know the area. I have, or can get, the necessary equipment to pack in. The problem is that I haven't done any serious packing for probably 10 years and am many moons past my 70<sup>th</sup> birthday. Tony is about 5 years older than me. How would a couple of old "crocks" manage?

Tony was in California last winter at the same time that I was. We met for lunch at his residence. I took my old maps and he downloaded some information about the bison relocation program. The notion, formed earlier, of a great adventure began to take shape. Some possible dates were discussed. The way that it works to take horses into the Park one needs more than one date. There are limited places to camp and graze horses and they are reserved on a first-come basis. As it turned out, we got the sites that I wanted on the first try. It appears that there are not as many outfitters working there now and the horse camps are not heavily booked. The permit and grazing fees came to about \$130 for three riders, six horses, three nights.

The issue of "old guys" had to be dealt with. The answer is - take a young guy along! Blane has been riding with Tony and me for several years. We all have TWH. Blane hasn't started to collect his pension, so he qualifies as a young guy. Let's do it! Blane rides Poison Matrix (better known as Jack!), Tony rides Skyline's Sirius (aka Star) and I ride Skyline's Regulus (aka Reggie). The pack horses were also TWH - Brassy, Sugar and Hunter.

The first time that I outfitted a trip on this trail, a fire ban was instituted the night before we left, which meant scrambling for propane stoves and a sufficient supply of propane. How could this happen again? Anyway, with stove and propane, we left for the Ya Ha Tinda ranch Sunday noon, arriving in time for a short ride. Final distribution of the pack loads was done Sunday night so that we were ready to go Monday morning. Three saddle horses and three pack horses for four days. Pack loads averaged 120 lbs. (54 kg) to start. We took the third pack horse as a spare in case of an injury to one of the others. That also permitted taking two bags of horse feed pellets.



Our first night's destination was a nice spot near the Scotch Camp Warden cabin. Had we not spent about three hours having lunch and visiting at The Outpost at Warden Rock, (I have known the owner, Tim Barton, for many years) we would have been there by early afternoon. As it was, we arrived by five, which gave us lots of time to unsaddle and set up a simple camp before dark. Since we were to be on the move every day there was no point in making anything elaborate. Dinner that night was fresh fried chicken, pasta with alfredo sauce and kernel corn.

After a breakfast of hash and eggs, coffee, powdered juice, and the breaking of camp, day two on the trail began. The trail leads over the Snow Creek Pass. It goes pretty much up for a couple of hours and down for the same. Not too steep in any part. Unfortunately the sky was grey with smoke and cloud and a brisk cool breeze blew all day. The scenery was not too great. Fortunately, the breeze took out the smoke for the next day. At the end of the Snow Creek Pass was our ultimate destination of the Upper Panther Warden cabin and the horse camp across the creek from it.



The warden cabin horse pasture had been seconded by the bison managers for the preliminary period of adjustment of the bison. Once the cows had calved, the gate was opened to a larger pen of about 40 acres along the Panther River's north side. Eventually the gate to this pasture will be left open and the bison will be allowed to roam. Some fences have been built across certain trails and it is hoped that the bison will not stray too far.

We could see the junction of the trail and the rivers and some of the bison pasture as we rode along the last section of the trail to the upper Panther. We did not see any bison (yet). Upon arrival at the horse camp, there was the usual activity of getting the horses out to pasture and the camp set up. The dark skies suggested that we set up an overhead tarp in case of rain. It did not rain. Dinner was grilled pork loin, pasta and cheese sauce and canned peas.



Same breakfast, with the addition of a concoction made by reconstituting dehydrated fruit overnite, then adding a top of Bisquick dough put on the heat to allow the steam to cook the dough. A little maple syrup on top for a very tasty addition.

Before leaving the Upper Panther to begin our trip home, we crossed the creek to visit the warden cabin in hopes of finding someone to talk to about the program and its progress so far. Unfortunately by the time we got there, everyone was out working (or that's what the sign on the door said). Missed our chance by not going over the night before when we saw some lights on in the cabin. Anyway, somewhat disappointed, we began the ride home.

The plan was to ride the perimeter of the pasture along the Panther in hopes of seeing the bison that morning. We didn't have to go that far! 10 minutes out of camp, there was the whole herd, visible about a half mile away. We watched them for awhile. Eventually some went down to the stream

for water. Now we could go home satisfied!

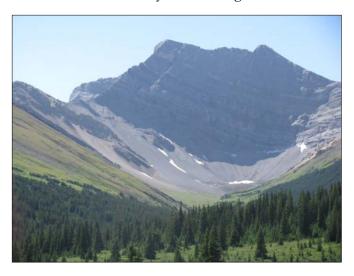


We reversed our trip, climbing back up the Snow Pass trail to the Scotch Camp area for which we were permitted. This day the weather was fantastic - sunny, light breeze. The scenery on this trail is indescribably beautiful. We took pictures, but pictures never seem to do it justice. Dinner was a thick steak and Bush's beans.

Breakfast the last morning was eggs scrambled with bacon and onions, and coffee. A short side trip took us to the Scotch Camp warden cabin. We poked around there for awhile, then continued to the Ya Ha Tinda.

According to Blane's GPS, our round trip was about 90 km. The ride from Scotch Camp to the Ya Ha Tinda is fairly flat and there were times that we were doing over 10 km/hr. A great finish to a trip in some of the most beautiful scenery in the world. Great friends, fantastic horses, wonderful scenery, good food - this trip would have been a huge success even if we hadn't found the bison.

Below: View on our way home through Snow Pass



#### 'PERFORMANCE' HORSES? by Franne Brandon

When horsemen hear the term "performance horse", they have visions of race horses thundering down the stretch, stadium jumpers clearing impossible obstacles, hunters keeping a perfect pace as they tackle the terrain where they are working. Or if they are more western oriented, they may envision barrel racers turning for home, reining horses demonstrating perfect sliding stops, or roping horses holding steady with a calf in the loop. Dressage horses, either English or Western, epitomize the highly trained horse, while driving horses demonstrate skills for either cross country courses or arena maneuvers. A performance horse is a skilled animal, trained, honed, ready to do its best for whatever the activity might be.

UNTIL - a person enters the world of the Tennessee Walking Horse, and then a term that is easily understood across breed lines takes on a new and sinister meaning.

The plantation walking horse which provided the seed stock for the breed now known as the Tennessee Walking Horse was bred to be a fine saddle horse. In the American South, especially 50 to 100 years ago, the term "saddle horse" meant a smooth gaited riding horse with a balanced canter that could carry its rider for miles with no stress to either horse or rider. A fine saddle horse was not bred for flash in the show ring nor was it bred for speed, although the underpinning of native mares crossed both Standardbred was to and Thoroughbred bloodlines. In the show ring, the plantation horses were not judged on speed. An exaggerated gait was not what the judges were looking for. But when drought and farm mechanization led to the demise of the old farmers' horse, those left to compete in the show ring changed. Bloodlines were selected with more fire and forward motion. Pads and bell boots and artificial tail sets became the norm during the fifties. After the fifties, horses were expected to show with built-up shoes and in bell boots, and there were very few classes in which the class sheet indicated that the horse was to be flat shod and shown as a pleasure riding horse.

I myself do not recall when the term "Performance Horse" was first coined for show Tennessee Walkers. Leon Oliver, whose family has been involved with the breed for four generations

now, served in the United States Army until 1965, and did not join TWHBEA until 1977. He remembers the term as originating at some point in the mid-to-late eighties. Allanna Lea Jackson, author of Back Yard Walking Training Tips, got her first walking horse, Sacia's Pride, in 1981, at which time she began following breed activities around the country through various publications. Allanna remembers reading both the term "performance horse" or the alternative "high performance horse", as descriptions for the padded up show horse as a means to distinguish it from the natural movement of the "plantation horse" which was becoming popular as a show horse in the early eighties. The plantation horses of this period were carrying a normal shoe and performing a gait that would be considered acceptable by most other horsemen around the world

But the times, and the shoes, they were achanging. As flat shod pleasure competitors in the American Southeast began competing in shoes that were wider, thicker, and heavier to create an artificial show gait, so the padded show horses lost the smooth lines of the old padded competition packages that looked like long toes. They began wearing a bigger, heavier stack of shoe, pad, and wedge that eclipsed the size of the horses' hooves. While the term "high performance horse" might have caught on to distinguish a high breaking show horse from its naturally moving cousins in the ring, the shortening of the term to simply "Performance Horse" had other implications.

A performance horse in the general sense of the term indicates a horse that is highly skilled in whatever the task is that has been set before it. When this term is applied to a show horse that performs an exaggerated gait, it skews the perspective of the breed fancy to the belief that all horses within the breed should emulate this exaggerated show ring movement. Bloodlines within the breed that have not been developed for this exaggeration are often denigrated as being inferior stock. Horses within the performance lines that do not exhibit exaggerated movement are rejected as well. Ordinary trail horses, the work horses of any breed today, are expected to "look through the bridle" and exhibit movement that is faster and flashier than what a working trail horse

would be expected to show. The entire breed perspective can be compromised by use of this one term.

The Tennessee Walking Horse Celebration has completed its annual run as I finish up this column. Hurricane Harvey impacted the show as everyone in Middle Tennessee experienced several days and a couple of nights of rain, although not torrential. The premium list for this show is readily accessible online. The classes are broken into four divisions: the Halter Division, the Equitation Division, the Flat Shod Pleasure Division, and the Performance Division. The premium list states "in all flat shod pleasure classes, a four beat walking gait with a cadenced head motion (note the term "nod" is not used) is required. Manners and suitability are paramount." The description goes on to list other attributes under which the flat shod horses will be judged.

For the Performance Division, no gait description is provided, rather requirements of how the horse is to be shod, with the addition of gait-accentuating chains and a set tail as essentials to competition. From reading this premium list, a newcomer to the breed could finally decide that the highest echelon of the breed is reserved for professionally trained horses performing an exaggerated but undefined gait that could easily vary from horse to horse.

The walking horse breed has seen many changes since I was a kid watching the padded show horses with rapt attention. I have learned with time that my daddy was correct when he scoffed at the show horses we watched a couple of weekends a month as being "totally artificial". The padded-up show horses of today wearing huge stacked packages are even more artificial than those which brought out my father's laments. I, for one, will not refer to these show ring competitors as Performance Horses.

The original horses of the breed, and the old show horses of eighty years ago that my father had groomed, were horses of an entirely different category. Some were trained by professionals, but others by owners after the chores were done in the evenings. These horses performed nodding and relaxed gaits that were cadenced and smooth. They cantered on signal in the show ring and on the trail as well. These horses set the performance standards for the breed, and they are the ones setting the standards for the horses that I ride today. I don't think I will ever ride or breed a Merry Wilson, but a gal can dream!



#### **ASK REGIE**

If you have any questions about registering a Walker in Canada with CRTWH, you can go to the website for frequently asked questions under the 'Ask Regie' heading, and check the Schedule of Fees. If you don't find your answer there, send your query to any of the Board Members and the CRTWH Registration Committee will be happy to help.

Here is a question that is often asked:

Dear Regie,

We have a Tennessee Walker that is only U.S. registered. We'd like to register him in Canada since he was born and bred here, and also we are thinking of entering him in one or more of the Canadian Challenge Programs.

What do we have to do to get him registered with the Canadian Registry of the Tennessee Walking Horse?

Signed: I Like a

Challenge

Reply: We are always happy to hear from someone who likes a challenge! But your question isn't too hard to solve.

If you have the U.S. papers on your TWH and they are recorded in your name, all you have to do is photocopy both sides of them. You then send the photocopy to Canadian Livestock Records in Ottawa, accompanied by a properly filled out CRTWH registration application for the horse. You can get this form on-line or from CLRC. The fees are currently \$25 for membership in CRTWH and \$45 to register an already U.S. registered horse and bring it into the Canadian Registry.

I hope that answers your question, but if not, just ask again! We're here to help.

Regie



#### **PASSING HANDS**



From FRAN KERIK, CHRYSTAL STAR RANCH, TWO HILLS, AB, "Congratulations to Donna Homer of Fruitvale, BC *above* on her purchase of CSR Lucky to be Gold. Donna is really looking forward to her next riding partner.

ULLU ALEXANDER, RIDING MOUNTAIN, MB, writes, "Congratulations t Debi Jenkins of Souris, MB. She has bought Aristocracia Chiquita who is in foal to Tsuniah's Dark Delight. Last year she purchased Trigger's Peppi Bionda Z, so now has two TWH mares."

"I still have Petra (Shaker's Pet). She was in a fair this fall, shown by a novice rider of 14 years."

MAXINE DONER of BRIGHTON, COLORADO purchased Karlas Little Miss Pepper in July from CATHY APOLL of YELLOWHEAD COUNTY, AB. Maxine and a friend were up in Alberta attending the Calgary Stampede, and also keeping an eye out for a good TWH saddle horse. They looked at a number in the province and it was this solid black, ten year old mare that Maxine chose. All the best of luck with your new riding partner, Maxine!

KELLY THOMPSON, DAWSON CREEK, BC has sold her big black 15 year old gelding, Shaker's Ebony, advertised in the last *WHN*, to a friend who lives nearby. She will be able to visit him and see how he's doing; maybe even ride again once in a while.

BARB GILMOUR, JASPER, AB writes, "I was unable to ride this summer so instead of letting Leroy stand around all summer I sold him to Reg Marek of McBride, BC. Leroy wintered with Reg and Krys and over the winter Reg became quite attached to him. Reg and Krys went on a 16 day backcountry trip in August to the Willmore Wilderness with Leroy as part of their string. He was ridden and packed and thoroughly enjoyed. So as sorry as I am not to have him anymore, I'm glad he's somewhere where he is used a lot and enjoyed just as much."

BILL ROY of FALKLAND, BC is pleased to congratulate Bobbie Buck of Whitecourt, AB on her recent purchase of the pretty mare, Duplicate Diamond (Uphill Heir Trigger x Maybee's Memory). Wishing you and 'Cate' many happy trails together in the years ahead, Bobbie!

On their way home from B.C. with Cate, Bobbie, Alynn and Linda stopped in at Uphill Farm with 'Flip', (Chet's Promise). This 22 year old daughter of Kary's Jeepers is currently getting acquainted with the rest of the girls here at the farm.

Below: Bill ponying Cate.



## INTERESTING TIMES WITH MOSES by Trish McCarthy



This summer we have had an interesting time with our TWH horse Moses (aka Dusty's Touch 'N Go). I was able to go on two small group rides with people in our wonderful local riding club called "Wheels and Saddles."

Moses and I also participated in a riding clinic and I rode Moses in Moosomin's Canada 150 Parade on July 8th, 2017. As a team, my horse and I did fairly well in the regular chaos of a parade.

In late July, we headed out to Barrie, Ontario where we often rent a cabin at a Church camp so that we can connect with my side of the family. My mother Jean is in a retirement home in Burlington and four of my five siblings live nearby. So, you can imagine how precious is this time with family, even though it is high season for horse riding.

It took us five days of driving to get to Ontario in our pick up truck, as both Art and I were pretty tired from getting ready for vacation. But within a day of arrival in Ontario, I got a concerned call from the gentleman who boards Moses south of Wapella here in Saskatchewan. Moses had impaled himself with a tree branch! The large gash was in his hind quarter just inside the flank, close to his intestines. Of course, our friend, Hal Garrett called the vet and they "did what they could." Moses had two needles of antibiotics. Hal and his wife Shervl irrigated the 14 inch deep by 8 inch wide wound with a cold water hose three times a day for four days and then twice for a few more days. Each time of wound cleaning, they packed the irrigated wound with gauze soaked with iodine. The only way such a wound can truly heal is from the inside out. The first few days after the injury, Moses had a distinct limp. But soon after he was walking somewhat normally.

By the time we got home from Ontario, there

was only a wound the size of the top of my small finger. Moses was full of himself and herd-bound. I called him "Mr. Resurrection." After a couple of irascible incidents, and some coaching from Hal Garrett, Moses and I soon had to, in a safe way, come to a common understanding about his Alpha attitude with me. Once we reached this common understanding, we have had some more lovely rides in the land near the farm where the horse boards.

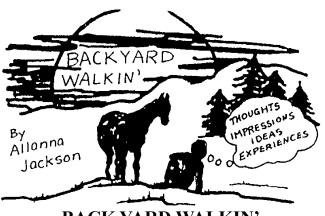
It was very hard to believe that this horse was so close to death if you had seen him within weeks of his injury! As it turns out, the sharp branch could have hit a major artery or a major organ and in either case Moses would have lived only a matter of minutes or hours. After a vet bill and a thank you gift to our hosts, we are so thankful that Moses is as fit as a fiddle.

The pictures were taken in June 2017 before Moses' injury by Sheryl Garrett. In it, my husband Art Howell and I are harnessing up, then heading out the Garrett farm lane for a short drive on St. Andrew's Church 20-acre property adjacent to the Garrett's home quarter.

Currently, I am looking forward to bringing my horse to the courtyard of the Moosomin Anglican church which I serve for our annual Pet Blessing. Once we arrive by trailer, we tie Moses to the horse trailer away from the crowd and Moses looks on. He turns his head each time he hears my voice broadcast over the outdoor sound system. Each pet gets a blessing such as: "Moses, may the eye of God be upon you, to bless and protect you."

While the more intense riding season is passed, at the end of this month, I am likely to ride Moses in Moosomin's "Ride for Refuge" to raise money for "Harvest of Hope," a grain mission to the third world. It is clear that Moses loves riding with other horses and riders so the riding club certainly is fun. With the mosquitoes pretty well gone now, other September rides near or on the Garrett property or nearby should be very pleasant.





#### **BACK YARD WALKIN'**

By Allanna Lea Jackson

#### CINNAMON'S SADDLE SAGA

Part 1: **BEGINNINGS** © Sept 4, 2017

Cinnamon did a running walk and loped circles on the correct leads in both directions quite nicely at two days old. She did flying lead changes at liberty as a yearling. It was quite entertaining watching Cinnamon and Velvet play together even though Velvet is two years older. Velvet has always been the faster of the two, and Cinnamon has always been the more agile of the two. When they played tag and ran in a straight line Velvet easily ran over Cinnamon. Cinnamon quickly learned to escape this by kicking up at Velvet, then changing direction with a spin and rollback. This maneuver always left Velvet wondering where Cinnamon had gone when Velvet finally got herself stopped on the other side of the corral. Cinnamon's athleticism at liberty indicated she did indeed have the potential to become the mountain trail horse and versatility horse I expected a foal by Luckys Koko Prince to be.



When I introduced Cinnamon to lunging at around two years of age she was so rebellious about galloping or cantering on a circle that I mostly gave up on lunging her. I took her along on my walks in the

National Forest, or ponied her with her dam Blue, or with Sassy, and later with my gelding, Sunny. The first saddle Cinnamon wore was Sassy's western saddle. Cinnamon was only two years old so I was only getting her used to wearing a saddle. I waited until she was four years old before I rode her. I did lunge Cinnamon with the saddle, but she bucked at the faster gaits. This is not unusual behavior for a young horse, but I wanted to minimize it. Sassy's saddle had fit Koko okay but when I checked the way it fit Cinnamon more closely I realized that at only two years old Cinnamon was already wider across the back and shoulders than Koko had been as a mature stallion! The dressage saddle I'd bought for Cinnamon's mother, Blue, seemed to fit Cinnamon okay then so she wore it a few times while being ponied by Sunny.

Since Cinnamon detested lunging transitioned her to ground driving as quickly as I could, but Cinnamon was not very fond of that either. Cinnamon seemed to know she was bred to be a trail horse. She was happiest being led or ponied out on the trails so we did a lot of that when she was two and three years old to get her ready for riding. I rode Cinnamon for the first time when she was four years old, using a home-made side pull bridle and a Tennessean western saddle that National Bridle Shop in Tennessee had advertised was specifically designed to fit Tennessee Walking Horses. Cinnamon was ready to go out on the trails under saddle for her 15<sup>th</sup> ride.

I did not ask Cinnamon to canter under saddle until she was 4½ or 5 years of age. When we did start canter work in a circle in her corral at home she learned both leads fairly easily, but had more trouble with the left lead and fell out into a pace or cross canter rather easily. When circling left on the left lead she wanted to spiral into the inside of the circle by diving over her left shoulder when she wasn't crossfiring or flat-out pacing instead of galloping or cantering. She had a tendency to do the left lead with a misalignment between shoulders and hips and a right curl in her body. She also galloped more often than doing a true canter and was often rushing and heavy on the forehand. At first I was not overly concerned about these problems because she was young and just learning to canter under saddle. I didn't push her about the cantering, and she was happier about it when we cantered on a straight line out on the trail, in the few places where it was safe to do so, but the rushing and balance problems persisted. I begin to wonder why we didn't seem to be able to improve her canter.

The Tennessean saddle seemed to fit Cinnamon when she was four years old and I used it on her for about five years, but in addition to the Cinnamon canter problems we were also having

trouble finding any middle gait consistently. Sometimes, on the way home on a long trail ride Cinnamon would find an excuse to buck one jump. I began to suspect that all these problems might be symptoms of a saddle fit problem so I looked more closely at the way the Tennessean saddle fit Cinnamon. She had reached her mature height at four years old but I realized she had gotten stockier and broader across the chest, body, and hips as she attained full physical maturity at five or six years of age, and it wasn't just fat. The Tennessean saddle did not fit any more. Or maybe it never had fit her.



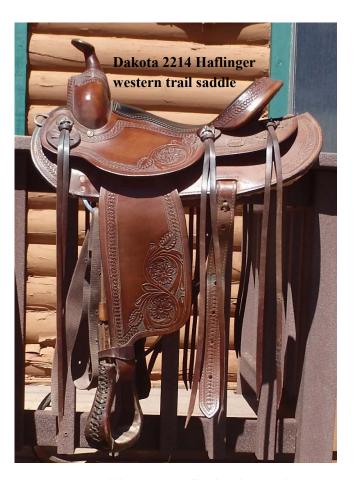
Above, Cinnamon's ninth ride using the Tennessean saddle.

In the late winter and early spring of 2011 I thought Cinnamon was pregnant, though she turned out not to be. I gave her several months off from riding while I searched for a saddle that fit her. In addition to Sassy's western saddle, the Tennessean saddle by Fabtron, and the Regent Saddles dressage saddle I tried at least a dozen other saddles on Cinnamon: Semi-Quarter horse saddles and Full Quarter horse saddles in multiple models, both barrel racing style and trail/pleasure style with Ralide trees, Big Horn trees and Circle Y trees, a Mountain Horse Saddle by National Bridle Shop, a Wintec western synthetic saddle, a neighbor's Timber Ridge Saddlery barrel racing saddle, a Big Horn 291 saddle, a Fabtron Lady Flex saddle FQHB 7152 7154, a Tucker 261 FB wide Black Mountain saddle, and an Australian saddle. Nothing fit Cinnamon!

After three months of searching, I settled on a Dakota 2214 Haflinger western trail saddle as being the best fit I could find for Cinnamon, and bought a new one in March, 2011. Cinnamon seemed happier with the Dakota saddle than she was with the

Tennessean saddle. Her middle gaits and canter improved and she quit the one-jump bucking at the end of long rides.

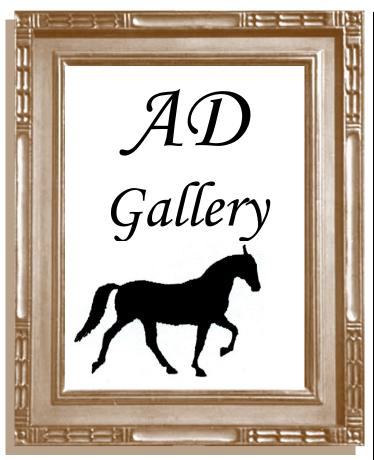
One day when cleaning Cinnamon's Dakota saddle I discovered an imprint of the weave pattern of the wool saddle blanket on the underside of the saddle seat. That was an alarming discovery because it implied that the underside of the saddle was touching Cinnamon's spine! I knew that saddles should never touch the horse's spine. I tried adding a pad under the saddle blanket, but that made the saddle roll on Cinnamon's back which wasn't safe. I settled for using two wool blankets under the saddle, monitoring the situation, and keeping an eye out for other saddle options that I hadn't already tried. I used the Dakota saddle that way until May, 2017.



Meanwhile, I realized that Cinnamon preferred a sidepull headstall to any of the snaffle bits I'd been using on her since 2006 so I began riding her in the sidepull all the time. The sidepull allowed Cinnamon to relax and improved our communication and her middle gaits.

#### CINNAMON'S SADDLE SAGA

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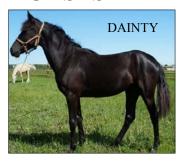
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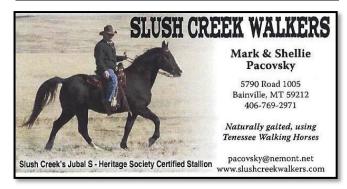
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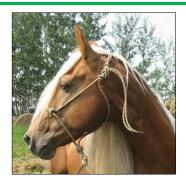
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