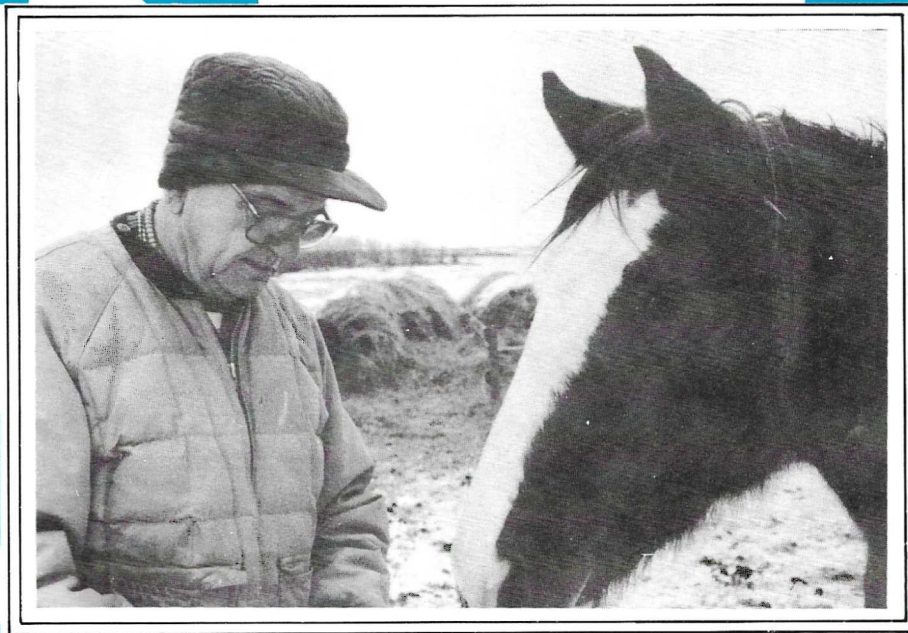


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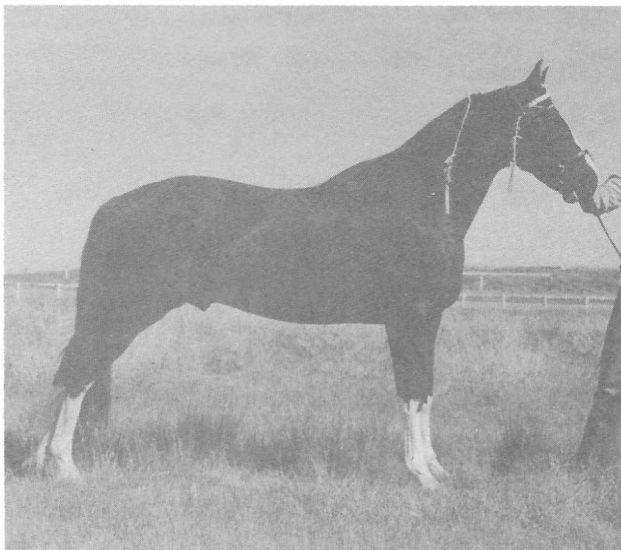
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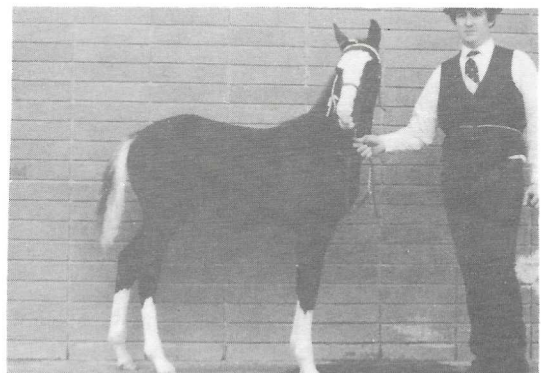


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Dear Subscribers,

Happy Spring, Everybody! Perhaps it hasn't arrived in your part of the world yet, but I know it's on its way - after all, the first Walking Horse foal is already born.

A big 'Thank-you' to everyone who sent in news, notes, opinions articles and ads. We appreciate your support very much. There's no News without you. Costs have gone up considerably with the new cover and larger issues, so your ads are really helping keep the News solvent. And I think most people find that their ads pay off. So let's hear from you! (A special thanks for your 'bouquets' on the cover.)

There's a varied menu for you in this spring issue, so I'll let you get to it. Good luck with those new babies.

Marjorie C. Lacy

COVER PHOTO: ELLWOOD SMITH of DONALDA, ALBERTA with his seven year old TWH mare, Marquita's Rambler M.

Ellwood, or 'Al' to his friends, has a very deep love of horses. He first met Walkers about twenty years ago. His horse at that time was a very easy-gaited Thoroughbred x Standardbred, but his wife Marjorie's horse was, in comparison, very rough to ride, and Al started searching for another smooth mount for her. He became interested in the TWH from reading articles about them, but remember, in the sixties there were very few TWH in Alberta, and finding one for sale was a real challenge.

Eventually he saw five TWH in a special class at a Calgary show and that convinced him that the breed was worth searching for. He found one for sale in North Dakota and set off, prepared to purchase, only to find on arrival that the horse had already been sold. His search continued into Montana, and he came home with a young mare, Zepher's Sunset Girl H. Zepher proved to be an excellent smooth riding trail horse. She is now 22 years old and still raising a foal every year.

Al was a founder-director of the YWHA. In 1980 he stood as director for the TWHBEA and was elected for a three year term, being the first Albertan to represent the province after it attained enough members to split off from Region 1 and have its own Director.

Al rides and drives his Walkers, loves participating in local parades and builds and repairs buggies in his spare time. He continues to be a staunch supporter of Walking Horses but this year he says he HAS to retire, and, regretfully, has offered his horses for sale - good homes essential.

We thank you, Al, for your dedicated support and encouragement in the formative years of the Canadian Walking Horse Industry. Best Wishes for a long and happy retirement - from Walking Horse News.

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Colour Inheritance in Horses: Part I: Go For the Gold!

This is the time of year when horse breeders, impatiently waiting for those new foals to arrive, sit back and speculate on what colour the baby will be. (And quite often you're still speculating six months after foal has arrived and the registration papers are due!) Colour inheritance in horses is very complex and is not completely understood. However, there are basically two colours in horses - black and chestnut. Then a whole host of different genes modify these basic colours to produce the variations that we all know as bay, brown, liver chestnut, sorrel with flaxen mane and tail, palomino, buckskin, cream or white. And let's not forget grey, roan, tobiano or overo pinto - the list goes on and on, and we haven't even mentioned any Appaloosa patterns.

I've talked to several people lately about the most likely breedings to produce palomino or buckskin. According to Castle in The ABC of Color Inheritance in Horses, the surest route would be to breed a cremello (almost white, mane even lighter, eyes blue, skin pink) whose parents were both clear, golden palominos with very white manes and tails, to light maned chestnuts or sorrels to produce palominos, and to bays to produce buckskins. (You'd likely get a few palominos from the cremello x bay matings too, depending on the bays' genotypes.)

What about breeding palomino to palomino? Again, according to Castle, the odds are that out of four offspring, you'd get one cremello, one chestnut (sorrel) and two palominos. Palomino bred to sorrel or chestnut should give you an equal chance for either parent's colour.

What is a palomino, anyway? A palomino horse is 'gold' coloured with a white mane and tail. Genetically, it is a sorrel or chestnut whose colour has been 'diluted' by the action of another gene known as the dilution gene. If a horse has only one of these dilution genes, it appears as a palomino. If it inherits two, it turns out to be a 'white' - actually an ivory or cream shade with blue eyes and pink skin known as a cremello. The two dilution genes have 'washed out' the chestnut or sorrel colour entirely in that individual, though it will still carry the genes for chestnut (sorrel) colour.

I have a palomino mare that has produced eight offspring. Here is her record. Bred to sorrel roan stallions four times, she had one roan and three palominos. Bred to chestnuts three times, she had two palominos and one chestnut. Taken to a black horse, she produced a dark, almost black, bay - and I can hardly wait to see what she has this year, again bred to a black. Maybe a buckskin?

The buckskin colour, golden body with black legs, mane and tail, and sometimes black ear tips, dorsal and leg stripes, can be produced from a base colour of bay, in much the same way that palomino is produced from chestnut. A 'bay' that inherits one gene for the dilution factor will appear as a buckskin; if it inherits two dilution genes it will be an ivory white with slightly darker, rusty appearing points, sometimes called a perlino.

Russ and Rose Davies used to own a white TWH stallion from a buckskin mother and a palomino sire. Bred to a black mare, he sired a buckskin colt. It would be interesting to know the colours of all his offspring - I'd guess that all would have been dilutes of various shades.

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1986 CALENDAR OF EVENTS

- APRIL 12 - AWhA Showmanship Clinic
- APRIL 19 - YWhA Showmanship Clinic
- MAY 3/4 - AWhA Queen Competition
- MAY 4 - Westridge Farms Fun Day
- MAY 10/11 - AWhA Trail Clinic, Bowden
- MAY 11 - Byemoor 4-H All Breed Demo
- MAY 16/19 - Kootenay Plains Trail Ride
- MAY 31 - TWh Challenge of the Breeds Ride-off
- JUNE 6 - Innisfail TRAC Ride
- JUNE 14 - Festival of the Gaits, Red Deer
- JUNE 14 - Northfork Farm Auction of TWh, Red Deer
- JUNE 14/15 - Berwyn Agricultural Fair
- JUNE 27/28 - Devon TRAC Ride
- JUNE 28 - Driving Show, Alix
- JUNE 28/29 - YWhA Gaited Horse Show, Hobbema
- JULY 18/20 - Parkland TRAC Ride
- JULY 19/20 - YWhA Summer Show & Futurity, Ponoka
- JULY 23/26 - Challenge of the Breeds, Edmonton
- AUG. 1/3 - Kananaskis TRAC Ride
- AUG. 10 - Wetaskiwin Show
- AUG. 15/17 - Edmonton TRAC Ride
- AUG. 22/24 - Dawson Creek TRAC Ride
- AUG. 23/24 - Fall Classic, Calgary
- AUG. 23/24 - Big Country Field (Dog) Trials, Coronation
- AUG. 29/31 - Rocky Mountain House TRAC Ride
- SEPT. 5/7 - Grande Prairie TRAC Ride
- SEPT. 10/14 - Equifair, Alberta Breeds for the World, Spruce Meadows
- SEPT. 20 - Canadian Tennessee Walking Horse Futurity, Red Deer
- SEPT 20/21 - Alberta Horse Improvement Show, Red Deer

BREEDERS' CORNER: GO FOR THE GOLD by Marjorie C. Lacy (concluded)

Now, to mix things up a bit more, there are two Buckskin Registries in the States (the IBHA & the ABRA) that claim that their horses breed true for the colour seventy to eighty percent of the time. And then there are the wild equines, the Tarpan and Przewalski's Horse, that all are buckskin or dun in colour. So perhaps there is a true breeding buckskin as well as the one that results from the dilution of bay. I suspect that the 'dilution' buckskin is the only one found in Tennessee Walking Horses.

I could keep rambling on indefinitely on the subject of colour in horses. It is fascinating and there is so much to learn. Pinto inheritance, for example, can be as wild as those pinto patterns! I'm especially interested in roaning in Walkers, since I've seen examples that simply do not follow the 'rules' according to the textbooks. But more on that in another issue.

In the meantime, as you wait to see how those babies turn out, keep in mind that no good horse was ever a bad colour.

- References: ABC of Color Inheritance in Horses by Castle
The Horse by Evans, Borton, Hintz, Van Vleck

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YELLOWHEAD WALKING HORSE ASSOCIATION REPORT

by Lenora Shiels

The YWHA is in full swing for 1986 with many activities in the planning stages.

April 19 is the date of our first clinic. It will be held at Dawnville Farm, Leduc, and is tentatively scheduled to be a Halter Showmanship Clinic, with Debbie Thompson as clinician. Further information can be obtained from Val Klatt, 986-3795.

May 31 is the TWH Challenge Cup to be held in the Edmonton area. This competition is for Alberta owners of Tennessee Walking Horses who are interested in competing at the Challenge of the Breeds July 23-26 at Edmonton Northlands. The competition is made up of six classes: Trail Horse, Hunter, English and Western Pleasure, Obstacle Driving & (speed) Barrel Racing. The horse and rider combination with the highest score overall in these six classes will represent our breed at the Challenge of the Breeds. The winner of our Challenge Cup will receive a perpetual trophy donated by the YWHA and a keeper cup as well. Interested persons can contact Carole Nipshank, 963-6019.

The Gaited Horse Show will be held June 28-29 at the Panee Memorial Agriplex at Hobbema. There are 54 classes for TWH, the Peruvian Paso and the Icelandic Horse. Entry forms and information are available from Marilyn Armstrong, 878-3759.

The first ever YWHA Summer Show is scheduled for July 19-20 at Diamond 5 Rodeo Ranch at Ponoka. This show features a full slate of 58 classes for Tennessee Walking Horses. Information and prize lists can be obtained by contacting Lenora Shiels, 963-6019.

Unconfirmed to date but in the planning stages is a trail ride to be held in September. It is hoped this will be a two day affair in the Ministik Sanctuary with a base camp at Joseph Lake. The proposed base camp is the operation of the Little Bits Riding Club which houses their summer camp facilities. Little Bits is a riding club for the disabled which operates out of Edmonton. In exchange for use of the facilities, our club will provide a work party for the camp.

We are also hoping to schedule other clinics, trail rides and social activities, and look forward to an exciting year with our horses.

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AWHA 1986 QUEEN CONTEST

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TRAINING YOUR WALKER WITH DIANE MEIS-SEPT

QUESTION: I would like to show in some horse shows this summer but don't really understand what the different classes are or what is expected. Could you talk about differences in such classes as equitation and pleasure?

ANSWER: In horse shows you have basically two types of classes; those that judge the horse and those that judge the handler.

Classes that are titled pleasure judge the horse on his ability to give a pleasurable ride. Some will be 2-gait pleasure classes in which the horse is asked to do the flat walk and running walk. If the class is not specified as a 2-gait class then it will require that the walk, running walk, and canter be performed. The horse will be expected to rein back in both the 2-gait and three gait classes.

Pleasure classes can be either English or western. An English pleasure horse is ridden in English (Saddle Seat) appointments. (This will be covered in a coming article.) The horse is ridden with two hands on the reins with a light contact on the mouth. The English pleasure horse carries himself in a collected manner.

The western pleasure horse is ridden in western appointments. Reins are held in one hand with a looser rein, not sloppy, than the English pleasure horse. This horse is balanced but with a longer frame than the English pleasure horse. If a cow runs into the ring, the horse should look as if he could show that cow a thing or two.

Pleasure driving classes judge the horse as to his ability to be a pleasure to drive "down the road." The flat walk and running walk are asked to be performed.

Classes that are titled either equitation or showmanship judge the handler. Equitation classes judge how the handler rides his horse and what actions he takes to achieve whatever the horse may be doing at a particular point. For example, it is quite likely that a rider on a horse that puts forth a less than perfect showing may place over a rider on a horse that goes perfectly. Why? Because the one rider was able to do a good job of "actually riding" a difficult horse whereas the other rider may just have had to sit there and be a passenger as his horse did whatever the announcer asked. There are many things that come into consideration here.

In equitation classes you may be asked to do individual tests. These can range anywhere from reining back, figure eights at the canter or, changing mounts with another rider in the class. Once again, equitation can be either English or western.

Classes titled showmanship judge the handler on how he shows his horse "in hand." The class is judged as if the horse were being judged for conformation. The handler will be asked to walk the horse either around the ring or in a particular pattern, at the judges discretion, and also to stand the horse. The handler will be judged on how he presents his horse for judging. Grooming is very important in this class . . . for both horse and handler.

Traditionally the Walking Horse is shown in English (Saddle Seat) appointments. However, western is acceptable as long as western equipment (show halter) and attire are used totally. Likewise with the English mode, be sure to use all English equipment. This includes either an English bridle or show halter and English (Saddle Seat) attire. The horse is shown only in a headpiece with no saddle.

TRAINING YOUR WALKER WITH DIANE MEIS-SEPT - continued

Let us move to the conformation classes that judge the horse under the same conditions as the handler is judged in showmanship. These classes may be titled halter, line, in hand or, model. In all but the model class the horse will be judged at the flat walk and also while standing. In model classes the horse is judged only while standing.

Once again, English (Saddle Seat) or western appointments are acceptable as long as horse and handler are consistent in their appointments.

Another popular Walking Horse class is the Southern Belle class. This is restricted to ladies on geldings or mares. A side-saddle and antebellum costume is required for this class. This is judged 50% as a pleasure class would be judged and 50% on costume.

Individual show committees have no limit to the types of classes they can offer. They can follow the guidelines of the basic classes and specialize them for whatever purpose they wish, such as, youth, adult, novice, men, ladies, etc. In these cases, the prize list should explain the specialty. They may have gymkhana type events; pole bending, barrel racing or just plain fun classes; dress up, bare back dollar bill.

There is NO limit.

Now, after all our discussion about which classes judge horse and which judge handler, I want you to remember a very important fact. No matter which individual is specifically being judged, the other half of the combination has to make a difference. So, if you are riding your horse in a pleasure class, you sit up there as if it is a pleasure to ride that horse. Give your horse every opportunity to do his best. It is a joint effort.

I hope that you have FUN showing your horse.

"That hoss wasn't built to tread the earth,
He took natural to the air,
And every time he went aloft,
He tried to leave me there."

-Anonymous tribute to an unmanageable horse

Please send any questions you may have in regards to your Tennessee Walking Horse to: Diane Sept, Westridge Farms, Box 28, Site 2, RR 8, Calgary, Alberta T2J 2T9

ACTIVITIES UPDATE

The Alberta Walking Horse Association Queen Contest will be held on May 3 & 4. The contest is open to young ladies 13 to 21 years of age. Please refer to the Jan./Feb. issue of Walking Horse News for more information or contact Kristin Hack 285-9450 or Diane Sept 931-3614.

THE SPRING CLASSIC is no longer. Scratch it. It was supposed to be a show with the Saddlebreds and Welsh in Hobbema, but they changed the date so it conflicted with the Festival of the Gaits so the Walking Horse contingent dropped out.

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THOUGHTS ON TRAINING A YOUNG WALKER

by John Gardner

(Editor's note: John Gardner of Madison, Mississippi, now in his eighties, has trained bird dogs from the back of a Walking Horse for over half a century.

He has used Walkers as few of us ever will, and has acquired a deep knowledge of the breed. His observations will interest all those who plan to train their own Walking Horse.)

A Walking Horse has to be 'carried' to a certain extent by the bit in its mouth. To do that, the rider starts horse from leg & heel pressure. The horse should be started in a flat walk, giving the rider time to collect his reins, get saddle seat & feel of the horse. Then cluck to the horse and let it continue to walk but at a faster gait. At this stage most people throw the reins at them, spur as if planning to rope a calf or cut a critter back in the herd, the horse loses its balance, shifts gaits, and probably wonders, "What the Hell ...!"

My opinion is that a horse's brains are in its mouth - it takes a bit the horse likes, not just any bit.

Also, I personally do not think that a rider can get the proper seat for riding a Walking Horse in a stock saddle. (I know I can not.)

The best training any horse can get is a wet saddle pad. Ride one ten miles, with no one along, and chances are, if the horse was started in a flat walk, bitted properly, and if the rider has steady hands, that horse will be doing a true running walk, flat shod, and overstriding at the end of the ride.

You have to be alone so you can ride without talking to someone or having another rider ride ahead or behind to get the horse's mind off what you are trying to do.

Put some kid with good hands on a three year old and hang something down the trail from five to ten miles. Let him go get it and see what kind of a horse you have.

Remember, the Walking Horses can do a helluva lot better walking than most riders can getting them to do it.

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WHY WON'T MY WALKING HORSE WALK:

OR

WHAT DIFFERENCE DOES IT MAKE? by Beverly McPherson

The ad in the newspaper reads: FOR SALE: 2 1/2 year old reg. TWH gelding. Finest bloodlines. Should be a fantastic versatility horse. Green broke, reasonably priced.

That sounds interesting, doesn't it? We go have a look see and, sure enough, Joe Doe has a really fine looking, airy moving horse to show us. Joe tells us that the horse has been ridden a couple of times and hasn't given him a minute's trouble. The horse seems friendly, with no fear of people. We have him saddled and take a few turns around the barn lot on him and he sure enough rides easy. So we buy him.

Now we get ol' Charlie Hoss home. He gets ridden very sporadically for 6 months. Things seem to be sort of rough in the saddle mostly. Charlie just won't settle down and do what we heard that a TWH is supposed to do, but we have an idea that ol' Charlie ain't doin' it. The upshot of the whole deal is: Charlie is labeled a "bad buy" and we badmouth TWHs every chance we get as not being very good horses.

Now, to the first question: "Why doesn't my Walking Horse walk?" Just as all Thoroughbreds are not Triple Crown winners, all TWHs are not World Grand Champions. Why? Not all horses are blessed with the same amount of ability, heart or training.

Ability and heart are two things that are genetically programmed. These two factors come into play when coupled with training. To me, training is the great variable. A person with sensitivity to a horse's ability and heart can help an otherwise mediocre individual become quite an acceptable mount.

I feel that a lot of people, me included, in their effort to promote TWHs as versatility horses, have fallen into the trap of leading people to believe that a Walking Horse is ready for the show ring the first time he is ever ridden. We give the impression that our horse is so natural that training is not very necessary.

Well, folks, I'm sorry to say: "It just ain't so." A Walking Horse is just like any other breed of horse. You're going to get out of him what you are willing to put in. And that's effort. Maybe your Walking Horse won't walk because you haven't time to train him to do his thing. The best advice I ever got concerning how to train a plain-shod walker was: "RIDE. Ride until you can't ride any more, then let somebody else ride." We are not talking about shotgunning a horse around at high speed. We are talking about a good, steady, ground eating swinging, business-like walk. Notice...WALK!

Which brings us to the main point. The reason most Walking Horses fail to walk is the fact that a lot of folks simply won't let them. In our society of instant everything and "I want it yesterday," we have a terrible tendency to rush everything. When we go horseback riding, some of us do it like we were going to a fire...the faster, the better. It seems to me we completely defeat the purpose of riding a horse--that being: to get closer to nature, to relax, to be able to see things we would otherwise miss.

Again, I must emphasize...in order to get a TWH to walk, he has to do exactly that: WALK. He has to learn to maintain a good, steady, swinging stride at a moderate speed (Very moderate). After you get your horse going right at this speed, then is the time to ask for more, always remembering to maintain that good steady, swinging stride.

Don't be constantly fighting for the horse's head either. Let a young horse set his head where he wants it. Nine chances out of ten, he will set his head in an acceptable manner with a little time and subtle encouragement from you. If you worry his head a lot when starting him out, you will tend to make him tighten up thereby shortening his stride. This is the very thing you want to avoid.

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If your horse tightens up on you anyway, it's time to do circles and figure eights. Not only do these two exercises loosen a tight horse, they also encourage flexibility and promote athletic ability. Also, it is important to get your horse's attention back on what you want if his mind wanders from the task at hand. I feel circles and figure eights are a pretty good attention getter. Don't get sloppy, though.

Some horses have the idea that the barn is the place to be and they don't want to settle into the proper gaits. To help this, I occasionally carry a little feed with me when riding and at about mid-point of my ride I stop, loosen the saddle and give the feed. This gives ol' Slick the idea that home isn't the only place for treats.

Sometimes a horse is so anxious to get home, he does every lick but the right one. This advice from a fellow trail rider has done a lot for me. The instant the horse breaks gait, I stop, back him up a few feet, hold him in position for a minute, then signal forward. I do this every time he breaks gait. It usually doesn't take very long for a horse to realize that to get where he wants, he is going to have to give what you want FIRST. NEVER, NEVER, NEVER, EVER rush a horse home if it can at all be helped!!!!

If you are starting a young horse, ride him barefooted (the horse, not the rider) for awhile. You need to know what your horse has a natural tendency to do before you start trying to shoe him. You need to give him time to learn to cope with the weight on his back. He needs to gain a sense of balance and rhythm before you introduce the extra weight of shoes.

There are quite a few natural TWHs. But there is also the individual that has a tendency to trot or pace. The rule of thumb when shoeing a trotty type horse is to put heavy shoes on the back feet, leaving the front feet bare. This has a tendency to make a horse get his back legs up under him and helps to develop stride in the rear end.

If you are dealing with a pacing type horse, simply reverse the shoeing and put heavy shoes on the front feet. I have never found it wise to leave shoes off the back feet, however, because the feet get tender and the horse will try to work on his front end.

There is much more that can be written about training and the different ways to get the results we want when working a plain shod TWH. Time and space just doesn't permit here. Most of it is just simple common sense. And most of it is applicable to training any horse.

I would now like to turn my attention to my second point. What difference does it make whether my TWH walks or not as long as I'm satisfied? I have been asked this question often.

Now for the shocker....it doesn't make a bit of difference whether your Walking Horse walks or not! It makes no difference at all whether he fox trots, jigs, racks, etc., etc. It makes no difference what gait you let your TWH do if you are willing to settle for less than the best. But if you really want the best your horse has to offer, it makes ALL THE DIFFERENCE IN THE WORLD.

The plain shod TWH as yet has not become the top power in the Walking Horse industry. But we who love and care for the much maligned TWH are looking forward eagerly to the day when a good plain-shod TWH receives the respect and attention that is due him.

I, personally, look forward to the day when Plantation Shows are the normal thing and not events that are few and far between. I think it would be grand if TWH shows had many classes for plain-shod walkers and only one or two classes for built-up horses.

I believe in the versatility of the TWH. I believe that TWHs can be a very important power in the over-all horse industry. When this happens, it will be the plain-shod TWH leading the way. It will be vitally important that these horses are trained to do the WALK, RUNNING WALK AND CANTER P-R-O-P-E-R-L-Y!!!!!!

One of the main reasons for the growing emphasis on plain-shod TWHs is that people have been awakened to the abuse that many built-up horses are subjected to, to get them to do the "big lick." (continued on next page.)

But, also, many folks are, in these difficult financial times, realizing the tremendous expense it is to train a built-up horse. The plain-shod TWH is within any horse lover's reach. With a little common sense and asking a few questions, you can train your own horse.

When you train your own horse, you can achieve a rapport with him that is almost impossible to gain when a "pro" has to do most of the job for you. And to top it off, the only place you can ride the built-up horse is in an arena or show ring, because with all that junk on his feet, he could break his leg or yours if he just happened to hit the ground wrong.

Again, what difference does it make whether my Walking Horse walks or not? None....until you decide you want to show him and he has no idea how to execute the WALK, RUNNING WALK, AND CANTER. None, until you need to advertise your TWH for sale and he can't perform the proper gaits and you have to take a lot less for him than you should.

It does make a difference when you realize that it really wouldn't have been all that difficult to train your TWH right. But....lack of time, lack of patience, lack of incentive....what difference does it make.....?

by Beverley McPherson, Elkton, Kentucky. Thank you for allowing us to reprint your article, Beverley. There's a lot of food for thought in it. Also, thanks to The Walking Way, where this article was originally published in February of 1983.

ONTARIO NEWS

From RAILI TENKULA, NOLALU, "Spring must be just around the corner; the horses are starting to shed their long, thick winter coats. The mares are walking around as if they've swallowed beach balls, they're so big and heavy with foal. Most of the mares are due in April and May. So it's going to be a busy two months with six mares having babies."

"I would like to thank Mrs. Laurie Carlson of Pass Lake for buying Go Boy's Jamocha Fudge #832343 from us. This young black colt we purchased in 1984 from Eastern Ontario and we were going to use him. But with the purchase of Blue Gunsmoke, we just had one too many stallions on the farm, so the youngest one had to go. I'm sure that Jamocha is going to make a fine stud for Mrs. Carlson's broodmares, which also came from the Tenkula Farm. The Carlsons now have six TWH on their place. So best wishes go to them and their new TWH."
(Raili sent in an impressive sales list of Walkers. Check the ads.)

SHERI STOBE, SOUTH GILLIES, writes, "I am waiting, not very patiently, for my first Walker foal, due in April. It has already been sold to my neighbour, Mrs. Barb Loffredo, so I will have a chance to see it grow. I would like a complimentary copy sent to her. We are both excited since this is my first foal - ever - and it is her first horse. She has been coming down here every week for 'lessons' on riding and caring for a horse. Sure hope it's healthy."

"I went to my first Hey Day last fall, in Duluth; won my first trophy and had a great time. Walker people are great!"

Welcome back to IRENE THOMAS, now at HAMIOTA, Man. She says, "Our horses came through the winter in good shape. Spit Fire's Country Bo struts around with his tail over his back and his son, Bo's Ramblin Rocky, tries to do better but finds his sire hard to outdo! Just a note: I bought my first Walker stud colt in 1964, from Irvin Kiehn, and have owned them since." Mrs. Thomas' previous address was High Level, Alberta.

SASKATCHEWAN NEWS

STAN & JEAN RITCHEY, NEILBURG, write, "Connie (our granddaughter) comes down and she and Stan go horse back riding together. They both feel it's not often enough. Duchess (Connie's TWH x pony) has got her 'figure' back now, so can have a saddle on - she was too paunchy for a long time."

"I have some sad news. Dolce Eversen from Lloydminster passed away suddenly at the end of January. It was a heart attack."

From MARY & IRVIN KIEHN, JANSEN, "Winter certainly hasn't been hard to take this year. We have 16 registered Walking Horses all wintering well. Four of the mares are in foal to Cathey's Bum."

"We sold a lovely four year old sorrel mare, Keen's Sugar Babe (Bay Ballyhoo x Go Boy's Melody Sue), to Diane Sept of Calgary. We'll be watching the show ring for this one. Also, Terri-Ann Hamilton of Leroy, Sask. bought her second Walking Horse from us, a three year old sorrel gelding, Keen's Merry Bum (Cathey's Bum x Beauty Redwing). It's a pleasure to see this horse in action. Please send a subscription to the News to Terri-Ann."

"If Val Klatt from Leduc would write us, we have some of the information she wanted on Bay Ballyhoo. Irvin imported and trained him, and we also have many fine offspring of his."

"Every day finds Irvin outdoors working his horses and playing cowboy. We'll be video taping some of our horses in action again this summer."

LEXIE COLE, CABRI, writes, "Hi there! Has spring arrived in your corner of the world? I think it has here. (I say that warily, as this country is so unpredictable. We are looking for our first foals any day now. Foaling is always an exciting time around here. We expect six babies this year, three from Eagle and three from Oz."

"I'd like to have you put this next item in the news for me. I'm wondering if anyone is interested in a clinic this year. If they are, I'd like them to contact me as soon as possible so I can set one up. I'd like their ideas on what type of clinic they'd like too - group sessions or one to one - and their preference on dates, etc. I won't plan one unless interested people contact me."

ALBERTA NEWS

KAY MITCHNER, SPIRIT RIVER sent along an ad and this note: "There have been some changes. We have decided to sell all our horses as with Lee and I both working full time, we aren't able to devote the time that they deserve to them. Of our four Walkers, we have already sold two. We would like to congratulate Jayne Walker of Dawson Creek on the purchase of two terrific horses, Cap's Candy Striper and Go Boy's Crown Royal. Royal will be standing at stud at McDonalds' Farm at Pouce Coupe, B.C. We enjoyed and loved these horses while we had them and know Jayne will too."

Enclosed with the Futurity pages was this message from Dianne LITTLE, CALGARY. "The 1986 Futurity is on its way again. I'm rather hesitant to believe we will have the tremendous results of last year, but I can only hope. Once again the Horse Industry Branch has generously allowed us to 'piggyback' with the 1986 Horse Improvement Programme, so location and timing is once again super."

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ELSIE MacKAY, MANNVILLE, phoned recently. She has bought Bushbaby and Chapie's Shadow from the Chapmans at Stettler, and plans to use them to raise quality Walking mules.

ALBERTA NEWS

JACK GURNETT of RIMBEY phoned a while back to place an ad for their June 14 auction sale of reg. Walkers at Red Deer. Jack also sent gift subscriptions to Vernon & Jeanne Lauck at High Prairie, and Frank & Laura Kramberger of Airdrie who are new owners of Northfork Walkers, and wishes them all the best with these young horses.

BILL HOWES, ARDROSSAN, stopped in for a visit here at Uphill Farm in January. He says there is a new Walking Horse Association being formed in the Edmonton area, and promised to send details of the new group's constitution when it is ready. Bill & Jan are looking forward to two new foals this spring by their fine fifteen year old stallion, Lucky's Koko Prince. One will be from their black Go Boy's Shadow mare and the other will be from their new mare, Zepher's Third Lady S. by Laddie's Monte Ray out of Zepher's Sunset Girl H. This 11 yr old mare was bred by Ellwood Smith.

From MADELAINE CHAPMAN, STETTLER, "Thanks to your newsletter, our ads brought some results. We sold two '84 mares and one '85 mare to Jean Rempel of Winfield. We also sold three coming 3 yr old geldings and one 3 yr old stud colt to Robert Miller of Great Falls, Montana, and the 16 yr old mare, Shakedown's Bay Gem FF to Larry & Margaret Shorhen of Keoma." (Since then, I've heard that Chapmans have sold two more mares.)

AL GERING, EDSON, has purchased the 14 yr old chestnut mare, Merry Robinette (Fritzches Merry Boy x Sage King's Flash) for his wife. The mare was formerly owned by Linda Block of Breton. Now Al is looking for a Walker for himself and plans to go the States to find one.

JEAN REMPEL, WINFIELD, sent me a photo of her new filly, Bushbaby's Beauty (Kary's Jeepers x Bushbaby), and she looks like a nice one. She writes, "We have been spending time breaking the Bushbaby filly to lead and act like a good horse. She is coming around great now, leading on a loose lead and lets you pick up her front feet. Misty & Belle are settling down well. Misty is the quieter of the two and curious also. Misty is 14:1 hh and Belle is 14 even. It looks like they will be big mares. Misty and Beauty will be the start of the Rocky Slopes Walkers. Wish I could have afforded to get into Walkers 20 years ago when I got my first horse. Have been doing some ground driving with Misty. She does real well; turns, stops and backs up a few steps and doesn't put up a fuss about going away from the other horses. I started driving her with the saddle on and long lines through the stirrups. She went along with her nose down at the stirrup level, so I changed over to a single driving harness where the lines go up to the back pad rings & there was a change for the better."

"I enjoy the News so much. It is great to be able to read what other owners are doing, the show results, training hints and articles, and the stallion issue. I used the '85 stallion issue to see what Kary's Jeepers breeding is. The new cover sounds nice but I like the contents of the News so much it wouldn't matter to me about a cover."

ROSEMARY JORDAN, LEDUC wrote me a nice letter and mentioned that she's waiting - "Not patiently, but waiting" - for Answer to Prayer's first full crop of foals. He's going well under saddle, and Rosemary says riding him is like "riding on a magic carpet - you just sort of float along."

SUE MARSLAND, COCHRANE, sent in a subscription and ad for dispersing her Walkers. She says, "Was facing facts - it's time to sell the horses. I spend most of my time at the University or in Montana now, and we only ride once or twice a year."

NEWS FORM OUR U.S. SUBSCRIBERS

JOHN GARDNER, MADISON, Mississippi, writes, "Appreciated the new Walking Horse News. I had no idea there were as many Walking Horses in Canada as was shown."

"Right now I've got a 15/16 son of Honey Boy's Rebel, coming 4, that I am being careful not to overdo it with. We have eight of Rebel's get here in the barn. The ones that are broke will do our job and keep doing it. There are four 15/16; rest are 3/4 or 7/8. They cross out with the Flowing Sundust mares for us. (I have one 15/16 that's not out of a Flowing Sundust mare.) All our Rebel colts look as if they are going 15:2 or better, so no one should be afraid he'll throw small horses."

"Our weather has been crazy here all winter. Was 84° day before yesterday and is in the high thirties toni ght. I have had a cold since before I left Canada last fall. We have been staying away from field trials as the quail are as crazy as the weather this year. But going to two in the next couple of weeks. "

I received an ad from MARSHA WICKMAN, CONRAD, Montana for the black stallion, Reflection's Namrons 811487. This five year old black is by Perfect Reflection out of a Blue Namron daughter. Blue Namron (Merry Boy x Mary Alice) was also the grandsire of his second dam.

From CRISTINE HOLT, DUBUQUE, Iowa, "I have been hearing more and more about our greatest competition, the Paso breed. Their claims are just as open and sweeping as ours are, and I am discovering more and more that their horses are no more 'naturally' gaited than ours are. They also have trotters and pacers, and their horses improve with age and training ... and can also be ruined by careless handling. They are a beautiful breed in their own right although my preference lies with the Walker because of certain traits the Pasos possess. I like a more substantial leg and bone on a horse as well as the wider range of size. I don't care for the winging of the Paso (no matter what fancy name they give it) and I've gotten so used to the lovely relaxed flowing motion of the Walker that I just can't be satisfied with the tighter, stiffer gaits of the Racking Horses (though most of my horses also rack), Fox Trotters and Pasos. Give me a Walking Horse and I'll be happy."

LEONARD ELIASON, DEER LODGE, Montana sent in an ad for all his remaining Walkers and writes, "As you might guess from my ad, I'm painting my way ou. It has been interesting and fun. I plan to stay in touch and admire the good horses, the good riders and the good breeders."

Welcome to new subscriber, Laurel Whiting of Sanford, Colorado. Laurel and Jim operate Wild Goose Chase Ranch, and Laurel read about us in The Walking Way.

SASKATCHEWAN CLINIC ?

ATTENTION ALL SASK TWH OWNERS! If you are interested in a clinic please get in touch with Lexie Cole. She is willing to organize a clinic if there is enough interest.

Please contact: Lexie Cole Phone 1(306)626-3645
Box 5, Site 2
Soon! CABRI, Sask.
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* The dilemma of the Walking Horse owner a young lady - so keen to show off her Walking Horses to the visitors - set off at dawn, bridle in hand - could just barely see the animals - caught the black and jumped on - nothing happened - horse stood still. Turned out that in the poor light she'd caught the wrong black horse - and was sitting on the "as yet" unbroken three year old! ... Marvellous demonstration of Walking Horse temperament ... (True story.)

* At the Western College of Veterinary Medicine, pregnancy in the mare can now be diagnosed at 11 or 12 days of gestation, using Ultra-sound scanning equipment. However, it will be some time before this method is commercially available, as the equipment costs around \$18 thousand dollars per unit and it is not very easy to move from place to place.

* In Western Ontario - Thunder Bay area - the Walking Horses are competing in All-Breed Shows in specially designed classes that they have called "Recreational Classes".

* The organisers of the Berwyn Agricultural Fair are just dying to accommodate Walking Horses in their show. They need to hear from prospective entrants, and will arrange classes to suit. Date - June 14/15. Contact George or Jan Pimm at Grimshaw, 332-4942.

* The all-breed demonstration at Byemoor is developing well. They have top cutting horses coming, and Champion Quarter Horses, some from the USA. Invitations have gone out to other 4-H clubs, and some are planning to make the event one of their club outings.

* Dressage enthusiasts ... we now have some Novice and Preliminary Dressage Tests designed for Walking Horses.

* I'd like to welcome new subscribers to the News - George & Jan Pimm of Grimshaw, in the Peace River country. Sixteen years ago, Jan and I spent many happy hours on horseback, exploring the prairies around Trochu. This was my introduction to Western riding, just a year after we had emigrated from England. George, Jan, Scott and Kimberley are all keen riders, and have been very active in 4-H and rodeo organisation, as well as 'riding the range' at home. Now, after a back injury, Jan is considering the purchase of a TWH in order that she may continue to enjoy riding. They would love to hear from TWH owners in the Peace River area, and see first hand just what Walking Horses can do. Their phone number is 332-4942.

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* Here are two responses to the question in the last 'Manes & Tales' about using Freeze Branding to identify registered horses.

From Marjorie Lacy, Edson: "Yes, I'd like to see such a system in place. At present we are hot branding the horses we take out into the mountains, so we will have visible proof of ownership in case a horse goes astray. However we'd prefer to freeze brand if it were properly done, and accepted by the registries and in the show ring."

From Jean Rempel, Winfield: "Four yrs ago we got together with a neighbour and set about freeze branding four horses, all different ages and colours. (We used liquid nitrogen from an AI tank.) We followed the freeze branding written up in the 1971 May issue of Western Horseman. The results? No brands 'took'. All our horses are branded hot iron way now, as some horses seem to get lost."

CANADIAN WALKING HORSE ASSOCIATION

The C.W.H.A. was formed in August, 1982. In January of 1983 the CWHA Registry was ready to register Tennessee Walking Horses in Canada, through the Canadian National Live Stock Records, under the rules and regulations set up in their own breed association constitution. Before this, TWH could be registered in Canada, but only in the General Stud and Herd Book.

The fees are as follows:

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| Annual membership | \$12.00 | | |
| Registration (within 6 mos) | 15.00 (members) | \$25 | (non-members) |
| " (after 6 mos but before 12) | \$20 | " | \$30 " |
| " (after 12 mos) | \$100 plus the regular fee. | | |
| Transfers of ownership | | | |
| Within 3 mos of date of sale | \$10.00 (members) | \$15 | (non-mem.) |
| After 3 mos from date of sale | 20.00 | " | 25 " |
| Reg. of imported U.S. animals (within 6 mos of purchase as noted on U.S. papers) | | | |
| | \$30 (members) | \$40 | (non-mem.) |
| (After 6 mos of transfer as noted on U.S. papers) | | | |
| | \$40 | " | \$50 " |

The CWHA is doing its best to serve all TWH owners and breeders in Canada. If you are not yet a member, you are invited to join. For further information, please write: CWHA, Box 56, Site 2, R.R.#8, Calgary, Alta. T2J 2T9 or Canadian National Live Stock Records, 2417 Holly Lane, OTTAWA, Ont. K1V 0M7

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WHAT DO YOU THINK?

WHAT IS 'TYPE' IN THE WALKING HORSE?

DAWN SIGURDSON, ARDROSSAN, writes, "I have been doing some reading on other breeds lately, and, for example, in Morgans, 'type' is a very important part of their breeding program. I think it is a question that breeders should be able to answer (and excuse my ignorance) but I have not heard the word concerning Walking Horses, and maybe it is something important. I certainly appeal to everyone to breed for natural gait first, but after that .."

Well, Readers? What do YOU think? Let's hear from you on the question of 'type' in Walkers.

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COMING IN THE MAY - JUNE ISSUE

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| Colour Inheritance in Horses: Part 2 | Foal Call '86 |
| Type in Walkers | Activities update |
| Training with Diane Sept | Cover story |
| Manes and Tails with Jo Kingsland | In My Opinion |
| News from Across Canada & the U.S. | Sell - Swap - Searching |
| Plus lots, lots more! | TWH Stallions at Stud |

DEADLINE for news, ads, articles - May 1 . Please try to have it in to me by that date, so the News can be sent out as soon as possible after June 1. We want to hear from YOU! WHN, Box 2728, Edson, AB T0E 0P0

SELL - SWAP - SEARCHING

FOR SALE: ONE TWH MARE, 5 yrs old, sorrel with no markings. By Beauty's Trail's End out of Dancer's Sun Dance. Broke to ride, good on trails, but needs miles. Quiet & sensible. \$1000.

ONE TWH FILLY, 3 yrs old, bay with white markings. Tall. By Beauty's Trail's End out of Cap's Candy Striper. Halter broke, very quiet, easy to catch. \$600.

ONE TEN YR OLD MARE, chestnut. Well broke for gymkhana.

Kay & Lee Mitchner, box 474, SPIRIT RIVER, AB T0H 3G0 Phone 864-2299

SOLD

FOR SALE: KOKO'S SUNDOWN SHADOW (Koko's Lucky Prince x Shadow's Angelique). Reg. TWH gelding, black, 15:2 hh. Twelve yrs old. Extremely athletic and can go all day. Spirited. A real good looker. Asking \$1500.

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TENKULA FARM, NOLALU, ONTARIO OFFERS FOR SALE :

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MISTY'S WILSON ACE Can.#106 - White mare with dark eyes & skin. May 8/79 16:1 hh.

GLAMOUROUS DIXIE #815256 - Blue roan mare, 16 hh. May 24, 1981.

MAUD'S LIL FLICKA #832189 - Bay mare, 15 hh. Green broke to saddle. May 17, 1983.

SAM'S MISSY #844847 - Chestnut filly, May 18/84.

GYPSY'S COPPER PENNY T. #851999 - Chestnut filly, April 14/85.

MIDNITE'S BALDIE WALTZ Can.#350 - Black filly, May 18/85.

SAM'S SUNDUST LADY - 7/8 Walker. Bay filly, May 8/85.

All horses are very friendly, gentle and easy to handle. For further information please phone 1(807)475-8953 or write to Tenkula Farm, R.R.#1, NOLALU, Ont. P0T 2K0

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5 YR OLD SORREL mare, Reg. TWH, 14:1 hh.

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Phone 1(604)427-4233

NORTHFORK FARM'S AUCTION SALE

A reduction auction will be held at the Westerner, Red Deer, Alberta, on JUNE 14, 1986.

Jack & Margaret Gurnett of Northfork Farm, Rimbey, will sell approximately fifteen purebred, registered Tennessee Walking Horses in the evening of June 14 following the Festival of the Gaits. Limited consignments will be accepted. Watch the News for further info or phone

Jack Gurnett, Box 935, RIMBEY, AB TOC 2J0 1(403)843-6124

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GOING ARE: 3 stallions, ages 7, 6 and 3.
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1 gelding, 5 yrs old.
1 filly, three yr old.
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7L Tennessee Walking Horses, Leonard & Ellie Eliason, 731 West River Rd, DEER LODGE, Montana 59722 U.S.A. Phone 1(406)846-2691

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CHINOOK COUNTRY WALKERS OFFERS FOR SALE: REG. TENN. WALKING HORSES

4 yearlings; 1 two year old mare; 2 three year old geldings; 1 four yr old mare. Also several older mares.

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FOR SALE: REG'D TWH 3 YR OLD BAY GELDING.

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Write to Cindy Botkin, Box 4448, QUESNEL, B.C. V2J 3J4

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LOOKING FOR SOMETHING FLASHY? If you like a lot of 'chrome' in yr TWH, consider this 5 yr old mare. MIDNITE ALLEN GIPSY (Dakota Midnight x Merry Wilson Bass) is a bright bay with 4 long stockings, a wide blaze and white spots on belly, girth and flank. She had an excellent foal last year, but is presently open. Basil Manary worked with her for two weeks after her filly was weaned last fall, so she's started and ready for you to put the miles on. May be bred to Honey Boy's Rebel for board costs only. A broodmare deluxe for anyone considering Pinto Walkers!

Marjorie Lacy, Box 2728, EDSON, AB TOE OPO Phone 1(403)723-2547 \$1200.

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YWHA SUMMER SHOW - July 19-20, 1986 at Diamond 5 Rodeo Ranch, Ponoka, Alta. 58 classes for Tennessee Walking Horses include halter, English and Western performance, driving, Jack Benny, Junior Horse and youth something for everyone. Prize lists and information available from:

Lenora Shiels, (403)963-6019, or write Box 1313, STONY PLAIN, AB TOE 2G0

SELL - SWAP - SEARCHING

FOR SALE AT McDONALD FARMS: REGISTERED TWH FILLIES: FILLIES: FILLIES:
OLD COMING TWO YR OLD BLACK FILLY by Beauty's Sage King. Very loose gait,
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COMING 2 YR OLD ROAN FILLY by Laddie's Monte Ray. Nice gait, been han-
dled lots. 3/4 sister to Sunday Breeze, the Alta. mare whose progeny
had the most points in the Canadian TWH Futurity.

FIVE COMING YEARLING FILLIES: 1 Black, very loose; 2 bays, 1 roan and
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ONE COMING THREE YR OLD CHESTNUT GELDING by Beauty's Sage King. 15 hh
Going very nicely, willing, and quite a looker.

SIX YR OLD BAY & BEAUTIFUL GELDING, long stride, well broke. 15 hands.
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Jayne Walker, 917 - 102 Ave., DAWSON CREEK, B.C. V1G 2B5 1(604)782-5848
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COLE FARMS, CABRI, OFFERS THE FOLLOWING REG. TWH FOR SALE

THUNDER'S CASSANDRA - Chestnut yearling filly, 2 hind sox, star. This
filly is extremely athletic and quick. She'd make an excellent ranch
horse.

THUNDER'S APPOLLO - Two yr old sorrel gelding with strip. This fellow
will be 15:2 to 16 hh. He is gentle and willing.

THUNDER'S ECLIPSE - Three yr old chestnut gelding, blaze, hind sock.
15 hh. Gentle, willing gelding; will be started this

We also have other horses that we would price. Have several well broke
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Barry & Lexie Cole, Box 5, Site 2, CABRI, Sask. SON OJO 1(306)626-3645
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FOR SALE: UPHILL SNOWBIRD (Kary's Jeepers x Lady's Merry Mist)
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Uphill Farm, Marjorie Lacy, Box 2728, EDSON, AB 1(403)723-2547 after 6
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BAY MARE - 11 yrs, 14:3 hh. Super consistant, fast running walk & great
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GELDING - 16:1 hh, 11 yrs. Big, strong, kind natured horse, sound and
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GELDING - 8 yrs. Needs experienced rider. Has been in the mountains.
Works well. Solid in flat walk.

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Call Sue Marsland, 932-5675, COCHRANE, AB TOL OWO R.R.#1

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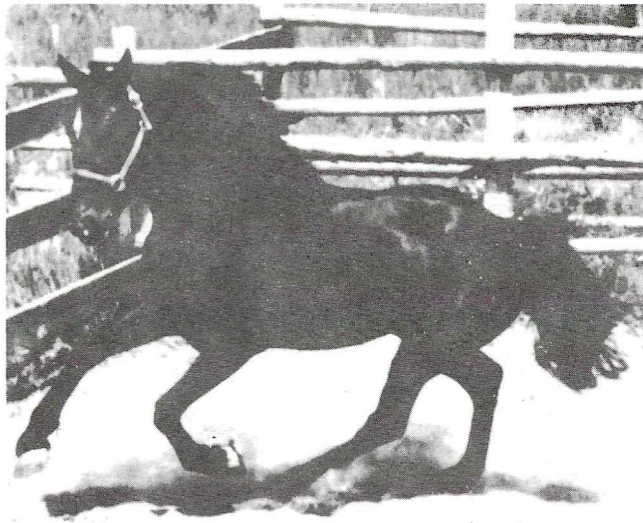
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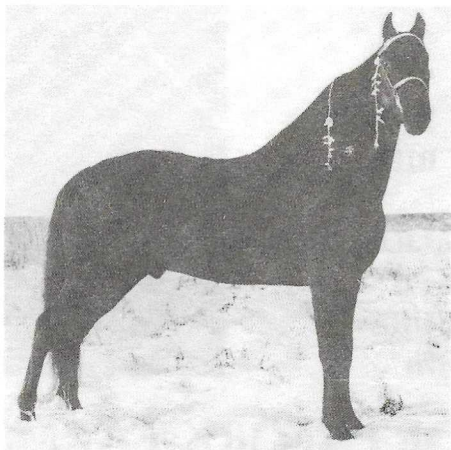
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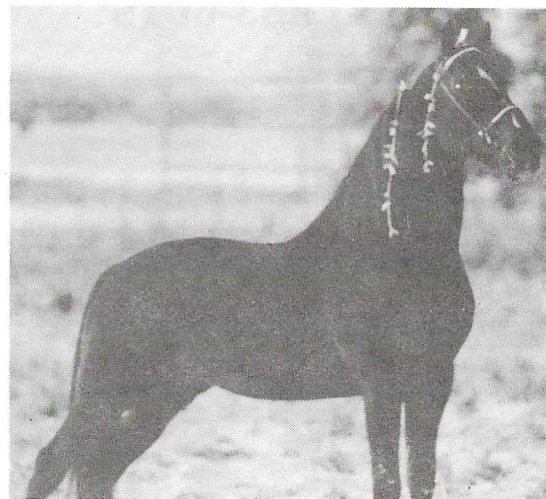
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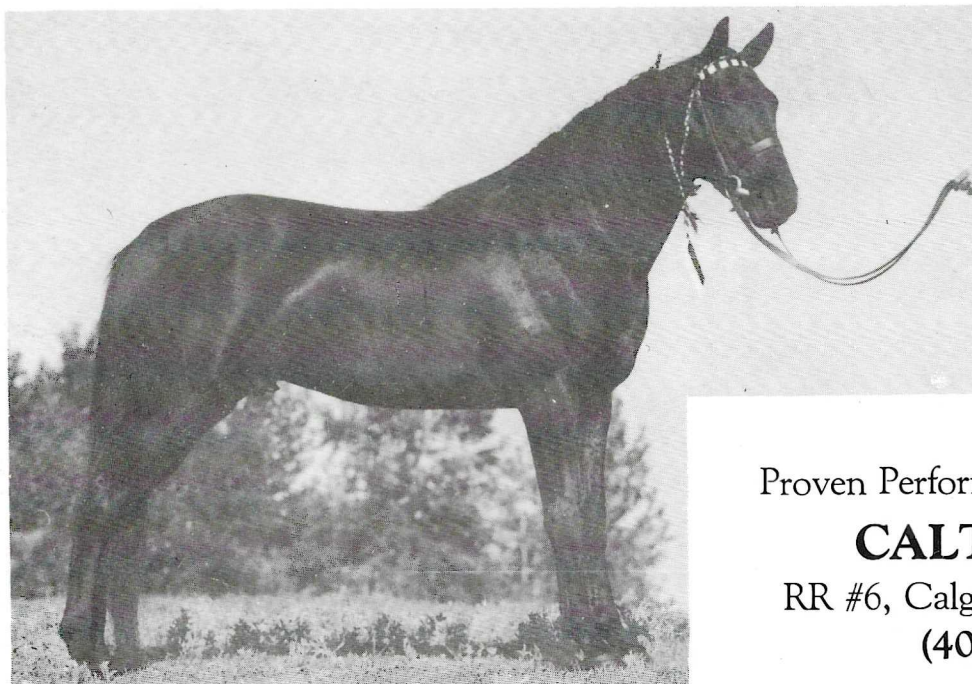
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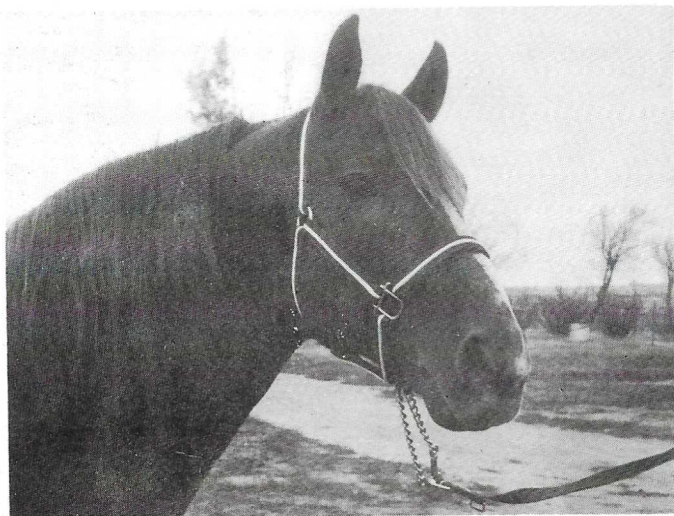
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