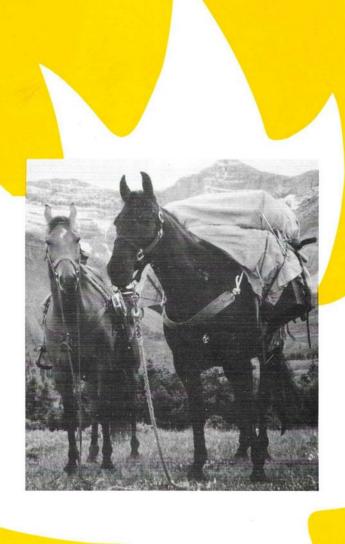
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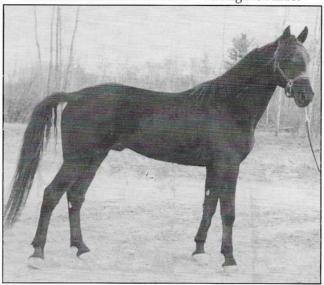


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This picture was taken in 1995 on a trip through Banff National Park from Rocky Mountain House to Banff townsite. "King", a 7/8 TWH is under saddle and

"King", a 7/8 TWH is under saddle and "Duke", a 1/2 TWH is carrying the pack.

Thanks to Neil Adams, Rocky Mountain House, AB. for this photo.

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Dear Subscribers,

I hope everyone is getting out and enjoying some riding (between rainstorms). There have been a lot of Walkers out on the Competitive Ride trails, and by the time you get this, several shows and the Festival will be history. We'll be looking forward to all your news and results.

This issue marks another milestone for WHN. We are going to have the News printed on a printing press. It was getting too big to photocopy, and then collate and staple over 500 magazines by hand. So the next three issues will be printed by Sunset Printing Ltd. at Delburne, with the collating, stapling and mailing still being done at Alix. Let's hope it works out well and will be a permanent switch.

The News IS growing and we'd like you to tell us what you like, what you don't like and your suggestions to make it better. Write, phone or fax - we love to hear from you. And don't forget those pictures! We are looking for news pictures and cover photos for 1997 and there's no excuse now - we've shown you how NOT to take photographs on pages 18/19! Hope you get a chuckle out of it.

Thank you to the A.W.H.A. who subsidized 50 copies of the May/June WHN to distribute throughout Alberta via the tack stores. This should reach a lot more people interested in the breed.

Enjoy the summer but don't forget to write - there's no News without YOU.

Marjorie C. Lacy

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ONTARIO NEWS

From DENISE HAM, MAGIC HILLS, DORION, "After enduring the worst winter ever, we thought that by May it would be all over. However, April 30 brought a major snowstorm that closed the TransCanada highway leaving Rosemary Hartley and her family stranded in Nipigon at her place of work. Normally this would not have caused a great deal of stress but Rosemary and Rachel Hill were to leave for a Walking Horse show in Minneapolis the morning of May 2. Much to their relief, highways were opened halfway through the day on May 1 so Rosemary was able to get home to prepare for the show. (This past winter left us with an accumulation of ten feet of snow!)"

"We left as scheduled on May 2. Nancy Kahmann, Nora Wawia and I accompanied the girls as their grooms and gophers! We made it to Minneapolis in ten hours - and this year no one got lost enroute. (Last year our horses took a side trip to a whole different state - Wisconsin - by accident!) We left our snow covered fields behind and drove into green grass. What a sight!"



Rosemary (left) and Rachel at the show

"Each year we are amazed at the reception given to us by our American friends. They start the show with our national anthem, followed by their own. We are invited many times over to other shows in the area as well as ones in other states. The show committee serves a dinner in the aisle of the stable where we mingle and get to know our competitors. Everyone is always anxious to talk to us."

"Midnight's Merry Dan, owned and shown by Rachel, did exceptionally well, coming home with many ribbons including three blue (which is first place in the U.S.A.), three trophies and several other placings. Marlee

Cedarson, owned and shown by Rosemary, also did very well for his first show away from home, taking a second, third and two fifth place ribbons. Midnight's Merry Dan will return to the States in July for the Minnesota Celebration."

"In other news, David Sedin and Angeline Sippola from Solon Springs, Wisconsin, put on a clinic for Tennessee Walking Horses in Thunder Bay on May 25. The next day there was a Walker show also judged by David Sedin."

"On June 21, 22 and 23 we had Carol Hall from Westridge Farms in Alberta for a "Dressage on a Gaited Horse" clinic."

"More news of those next time."

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BRITISH COLUMBIA NEWS

FAY ZILKOWSKY, KNUTSFORD, writes, "I have just bought my first Walking Horse and I am interested in subscribing to your magazine." Welcome, Fay, and let us know what you and your new TWH are doing!

JEAN From & LEONARD DAHLE. CLEARWATER, "The colts are doing fine. A couple of weeks ago we had an opportunity to go with the horses to the far end of the Gang Ranch for a week, ten riders in all. We took our old palomino mare, Goldie, and - none other than "Lacy" (Honey Boy's Rebel x Canadian Rainbow). She might be in for a name change as everyone was quite impressed with her and Jean said what a little Trooper she is. It was her first time with a group and she went like she had done it for ten years. She would pace a bit once in a while and did a singlefoot for a while on her own once, and came into camp in the lead. She was the only Walker in the group. We crossed three major creeks the first day and she never hesitated for a minute."

"The weather was fair. We were at 4700 feet so it was cool at night and the horses were blanketed every night. We woke up to snow one morning. We headed home on the best day!"

"Prince (Honey Boy's Rebel x Uphill Arnica) is doing real good and we might put a little riding on him this fall. He is over 15 hands and still growing at two years, but he is still our baby. He eats anything from silage to bananas!"

CHARLIE BATEMAN, KAMLOOPS, writes, "Please find enclosed my subscription renewal. The gelding I bought last year from the Astills is coming along nicely. He has a natural running walk and likes to move out, so we are very pleased."

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BC News cont'd...

From BILL ROY, GRINDROD, & ULLU ZURBRIGGEN, MARA, "Please find enclosed a picture of Ullu Zurbriggen on Boothills Sundown and Bill Roy on Woodhills Dark Judge, waiting for the matched pairs class at the Spring Show in Armstrong, B.C. Attached is a copy of the letter we sent to the Armstrong Enderby Riding Club after the show. We were very frustrated by the way the gaited classes were handled and judged, as were the other gaited horse owners. Our horses performed well and did our breed justice."

Letter to the Armstrong Enderby Riding Club, dated June 7/96:

"Dear Members,

We appreciate your efforts in including gaited classes in your Spring Show. We attended in recognition of your willingness to diversify. So, with hope for future recognition of gaited horses we are returning our ribbons from the pairs class. The judge placed us fourth because we ride gaited horses that are bred not to jog. We did not qualify for the class. Our entry should not have been accepted if our horses were not going to be judged according to breed. It is unfortunate that your show and gaited horses have to be limited."



Boothills Sundown (L) and Woodhills Dark Judge at Armstrong Show

From JOYCE PATTERSON, CAWSTON, "Spring has come and gone with enough warm windy days for the ranchers to get their first cut of hay dried. Now summer's come it is hot. Cherries are in full swing and the second cutting of hay is being put up. Must get ours in for the winter."

"I'm getting my two 3 year olds going very well. At least traffic isn't a problem. They take everything in their

stride. Sure move good together."

"The 3/4 Walker mare had a beautiful smart looking solid bay colt on April 30. He's well gaited too. My other mare never had anything so I sold her!"

"The Saanan doe gave me two lovely white girls in April and the part Nubian doe had a girl and a boy. Luckily I've sold all the kids and the part Nubian doe so only have to winter one."

"If one more horse goes I'll have them cut to three head - two very useable young mares and old Pride, the Walking Pony, for a spare. She's fine for small children. Now I just need to find a light weight endurance saddle!"

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Bashaw Stallion Service Auction

by Jean Rempel

The second Stallion Service Auction at Bashaw, Alberta on March 24th 1996 was well attended with 38 Stallions representing seventeen different breeds. The stallions CR Sweetwater Sundance and Northfork Sky Walker represented the Tennessee Walking Horse at this event.

Despite the cold the sale room was standing room only (if you could find a standing spot) for both the Parade of Stallions (each breed paraded in one at a time on lead or under saddle while the announcer talked about each stallion) and the Auction Sale of one 1996 service from each stallion. Bidding ranged from \$50.00 to \$570. The TWH stallions received bids of \$190.00 and \$110. Each stallion received a green 20qt. flat backed pail marked Bashaw Hill Country 4 H Riders in thanks. A draw was made for a pail of goodies valued at approx. \$85 - \$90 (donated by the tack shop in Bashaw) from among the stallion owners (which \underline{I} won!).

Half the proceeds of this sale went to support STARS air ambulance, and half to Bashaw Hill Country 4 H Riders and other 4 H Clubs.

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SASKATCHEWAN NEWS

From JEAN RITCHEY, NEILBURG, "Thank goodness for the renewal reminder sticker! Really enjoy getting the WHN. The "I'd Like to Know" section is a nice feature. The C.T.W.H.A. brochure is really nice."

"Stan hasn't been getting much riding in. He and a neighbour were out for a while last night. Our granddaughter was here for three days but the weather didn't co-operate so she didn't have much riding. Her 18 month old son laughed out loud when she set him on Duchess. Then he tried to feed her - one oat at a time.

Certainly had no fear of the horses."

"The Middletons went on a short "wagon trek". They got rained on but had a good time, I think."

HAZEL PATON, OXBOW, writes, "I phoned Donna Becker at Rocanville re buying. They have just what I'd like BUT they have five kids and they ride too. So they need seven riding horses and are just building up their herd. I sure wish Alberta weren't so far away or so big! All the Walkers seem to live there."

"My old J.D. is too old to spay, according to my vet, and hormones are too expensive, and he's not sure they'd help anyway. So I think I'll try saltpetre in her grain like the old vet book says. Who knows? It might work. I'll let you know."

Our very best wishes to MARLENE SAMS, STOUGHTON, who celebrated one of those "milestone" birthdays recently. Keith Doll of Douglas, MB sent along the news. Happy 65th to you, Marlene. The family held a "come & go" party in Marlene's honour on June 30.

MANITOBA NEWS

DARLENE MOORE, BOISSEVAIN, "Enclosed is some money for a copy of the May/June issue of WHN for ME. I gave mine to Kathleen Thueson of New Rockford, North Dakota, an interested Walking Horse enthusiast - and I never even got to read it!"

"It is a beautiful summer in southwestern Manitoba. All of my Tennessee Walkers are fine. I am showing three of them at the local summer fairs and at the Annual Manitoba Light Horse All Breed Show in Brandon on August 3 & 4th."

"Streaker's Angelic Spirit is a gorgeous two year old black filly. She won over a large all Quarter Horse entry to take second place to the Champion Horse of the Ninette Fair. The judge took 22 minutes to judge the class and said he couldn't find fault on her at all, he just happened to prefer Quarter Horses."

"Streaker's Special Mystery got first in his halter class, Harness type. Mystery is a handsome black four year old."

"Majestic's Streaker is now a stately handsome gentleman of 20 years. He continues to win the stallion classes at Fairs. He looks forward to the All Breed Show where he'll try to defend his title of six years undefeated in the Get of Sire division."

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YUKON TERRITORY NEWS

Welcome to our second YUKON subscriber, HELEN BOURGH of WATSON LAKE. She writes, "Hello there! I am back. Yes indeed, after subscribing to WHN two times and letting it run out, I now subscribe for the third time. Yet all good things come in threes so maybe this time I will end up an owner of a TWH or Walking Pony. When we moved up here last autumn from the Houston, B.C. area, we took our five horses with us. But I've sold two, want to sell two more, and just keep one filly (Kanata x Morgan)."

"The problem I had up here was to get the address of WHN since I had not taken any old magazines with me. I still got Horses All so I phoned a Walking Horse advertiser in it and left a message on their answering machine. They never returned my call. Then I found some other Walking Horse breeders advertising horses in there, John & Christine Kobza of Pincher Creek, AB. I wrote to them and they sent me a subscription slip. I would like to thank them for their help."

"Now, what I am looking for is a smaller type gaited horse. What was always keeping me away from the TWH was the size of most, over 15 hh. Of course, there are smaller gaited breeds like Icelandics, Peruvian Pasos and Paso Finos, but they are less in numbers and so usually have a much higher price tag on them."

"The best thing for me is to read the Walking Horse magazine and find the necessary things to know in there. Have a good and fulfilled summer with healthy horses and happy people."

FOAL CALL

SORREL FILLY with flaxen mane & tail (Coin's Double Play x Generator's Pride and Joy). Bred by D.& L.Innocent, Rosalind, AB. Owned by G.& L.Goin, Millet, AB.

BLACK COLT (My Touch of Pride x Tradition's Angel) GREY & WHITE?? PAINT?? COLT (Royal Dictator x Streaker's Lady)

Both above colts owned by D.& L. Innocent, Rosalind, AB.

CHESTNUT FILLY f.July 23 (CR Sweetwater Sundance x Top O' The Mornin') Owned by D.Rempel, Winfield, AB.

TOBIANO CHESTNUT FILLY (Ring Side Gossip x V4 Tom's Shadow Bamby)

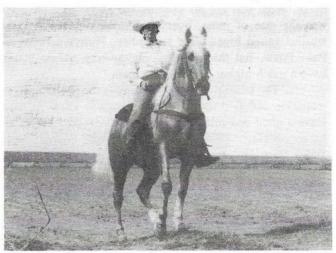
TOBIANO CHESTNUT COLT (Ring Side Gossip x V4 Gypsy's Genie). These two are both owned by Luigi Valentini, Entwistle, AB.

NEWS FROM OUR U.S. SUBSCRIBERS

GRACE LARSON, FORSYTH, MONTANA, writes, "Our palomino stallion, Goldust Royal Trigger, gave a fine introduction to the TWH at the All Breed Show in Glendive, Montana on May 19. He received blue ribbons in Senior Stallion at Halter and in Western Pleasure, Green Horse. Goldust was Reserve Grand Champion at Halter, then placed third in Western Pleasure and fourth in Western Equitation. Marcia Bennett brought her four year old TWH gelding, Absaroka Jeremiah Johnson, to the show. He also represented the TWH by winning several ribbons. Both horses displayed the smooth ride and versatility of the TWH for all to see."

"We have two palomino stud colts to date and one mare in the foaling barn. We hope June will bring us two pinto foals from our stallion, GLL's Sun Chief, and Bob Miller's stallion, Double Domino Delight."

"It is raining here and chilly! We are looking forward to SUNSHINE; we do have lots of green grass."



Goldust Royal Trigger and Grace - on a very windy day!

From JACKIE KALBERER, CRESCENT RANCH, UMATILLA, OREGON, "Sorry to be so late in renewing! I do want to keep in touch with the Canadian Walking Horse people and no better way than to keep your magazine coming."

"My latest export to Canada was the striking orange yearling filly with white mane and tail, Crescent Diana, to new friend, Deb Egolf at Courtenay, B.C. "Diana" has a half sister at Deb's and another half sister at John & Christine Kobza's in Pincher Creek, Alberta. With these ambitious owner/trainers the "Exclusive Pride" get in Canada should make quite an impression."

"Dick & Betty Varney of Ethel, Washington have chosen a 1996 chestnut colt by Exclusive Pride out of C.

Ebony Chimes to raise as a future junior stallion to breed the fillies by their Ebony Masterpiece son. This commanding colt is a maternal half brother to Sun's Blue-Eyed Mystery and Mountain Jasmine. Jasmine has just presented John & Chrstine Kobza with a filly by Create A Memory to help stock their new farm."

"Avenging Big Bertha, 22 years young, just had a filly by Exclusive Pride. One of Bertha's daughters by my old son of Midnight Sun, Sun's Jack Dare, is doing broodmare duty for Ted Smith in Taber, Alberta."

"Not to forget the "Spots"! I traded a two year old black and white tobiano TWH filly (full sister to Dachele Farms' black & white tobiano colt out of Mark's Gay Polly - watch out for him!), and a nine month old black and white gelding half brother by Beta Melody, to Phil Doran, Orchard View Farms, McMinnville, Oregon. Phil has a Toyota dealership and a trade-in he got enabled me to replace my 1976 (YES! 20 YRS OLD) 3/4 ton Ford pickup with the muscle of my dream truck, a low mileage 1993 4X4 3/4 ton Dodge Diesel with all the bells and whistles. Now I can deliver!"

"My Easy (barn name for Exclusive Pride) foals are all born for this year, four colts and only one filly. I am still expecting two foals by Dennis Waldron's tobiano TWH, Beta Melody, after July 1996. Has anybody else had mostly boys this year?"

"I am lucky enough to have an old horseman neighbour who can geld colts as young as a few weeks old and for only \$35.00. The warmblood breeders are gelding that young with excellent results. No noticeable lack of growth and youngsters that are a lot easier to raise, train and handle. It's something to consider if you need room or are as short handed as I am."

ALLANNA JACKSON, LAKESIDE, ARIZONA, writes, "Koko and I demonstrated at the White Mountain Horsemen's Association horse fair on June 8. He was pretty



Luckys Koko Prince and Allanna at their demonstration in June

good but forgot all I'd taught him about standing still while awaiting our turn in the ring! When we were in the ring he was so busy strutting that he was only half listening but did the running walk, flat walk and right lead canter perfectly. Everybody was quite favorably impressed with him."

"An older lady who owns two black Walker mares in Snowflake wants to breed the younger of the two to Koko this fall. The other mare, Perfection's Orphan (Orphie), is the last daughter of Rodger's Perfection. She is 27 so they don't want to risk breeding her again."

"We are having a severe drought down here and most of the forest is closed. On Saturday my neighbour, Pat, and I trailered Koko and her QH gelding, Par, over to one of the five trails that are still open. Koko wanted to go some place and set off cheerfully at a brisk flat walk. Walkers definitely have the advantage over Quarter Horses when it comes to climbing hills!"

"The new CRTWH brochure is fantastic! The best one I've ever seen for the breed. I was especially impressed with the way the brochure handled multigaitedness."

Foal call from MARSHA WICKMAN, CONRAD, MONTANA, "On March 15 at 1:30 p.m. Beauty' Easy Breezie gave birth to a palomino filly. Took pictures of the whole birth. Breezie is black; her dam is Beauty's Barbaree and second dam is Sago(Black Beauty II)."

"Then on April 13 at 1:30 a.m. Namron's Koko Delight gave birth to a rosy gold filly; she will have a white mane. Koko is black and her dam is Delight's Prissy Miss by Sun's Delight. Sire of both fillies is Goldust's Montana Drifter. Both fillies have an incredible walk and are gorgeous."

"On March 23 Sonic's Rythhm Bell owned by Dick Bevill gave birth to a stud colt by Goldust's Montana Drifter. On April 26 Trouble's Misty owned by Rev. Jackie Koehnke gave birth to a filly by Goldust's Montana Drifter."

"These are the births so far. Thank you to everyone who bred their mares to Drifter last year and good luck with your foals."

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ALBERTA NEWS

From MARY HENDERSON, HEATHERBROOK FARMS, TEES, "We are certainly busy with horses at our home. My daughter, Kathy, has been training ponies. The first was a dappled grey Welsh gelding we called Blue. What a dear kid's pony he turned out to be! But then we discovered that Kathy's son, Brody, is allergic to horses. It is sad that he has to stay away from them when he loves them so much. We did find a good home for Blue among children and adults who give him lots of attention."

"Kathy has also been working on a black and

beautiful Walking Pony, sired by Luckys Koko Prince out of a Welsh mare, that we call Lucky Beauty. She is three now and is a great little saddle horse. She stands a little over 13:2 hh. Kathy's girl, Breanna, hopes to go into 4-H with her this fall. We are so happy with the way these Walking Ponies train out. We have several other two year olds and lots of yearlings and weanlings coming up, most sired by Honey Boy's Rebel. Some are from Welsh mares and some are from Walking Pony mares so they are taller."

"We thought this year we would use a two year old palomino Walking Pony stud, but he got hurt so we made the trip to Edson again to get Rebel. He's a great old stud."

"We ride almost every day here at Heatherbrook. Four to six horses are ridden - through the pastures checking cattle - lots of hills and trees to ride through with our Tennessee Walkers, Walking Ponies and the odd mule thrown in. We love it."

"Enjoy your summer - we may get another looong winter!"

TERRY BOYCE, CALGARY, writes, "Just a note with my renewal. Thanks for the superb magazine. I find the letters so interesting and the articles helpful. I'm a first-time Walker owner after being away from horses for 18 years. My now five year old, Thunder, has been a dream come true. He has done so much to alleviate my fears. He is so kind and gentle."

"Thanks, too, to my family for their on-going support and to monty Gwynne for her encouragement. Happy trials to your riders - you never know when or where we might meet."

From RACHEL ROSE, GRANDE CACHE, "The weather is finally starting to look a little like summer. We have a new addition to the family here - we bought N-Mile Honey Bear from Marianne Wray down in Sundre. We really like him; he is nice and tall (16 hands) and he really likes to get out and walk. We had Bear and Dan Dee down to the Big Berland on Monday to see how he liked the water, which was very deep. He went through it with no problem at all. So now we have to sell a horse since we have too many and no time to ride them all. (See our ad in the classifieds.)"

"We finally got the book, Back Yard Walkin' Training Tips by Allanna Jackson, and it is great. We didn't know a lot about Walkers and this book really helped us out. Dan Dee and I are working together and trying out different things in the book (although Dan Dee knows a lot more than I so he is putting up with me)."

"It is two years this month since I bought Dan Dee and he is such a different horse than when we first brought him home. He has settled in and will do anything that I ask of him. We have a real bond and trust with each other."

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AB News cont'd ...

DONNA CURTIS, WINFIELD, writes, "Spring has come and gone, and all twelve of the foals sired by our black stallion, Calta Allegro Con Moto CDN, have been born. We have one registered filly but the rest are 3/4 or 1/2 Walkers out of Arabian, Standardbred or pinto mares. They came in all colors: black, pinto, sorrel, bay and gray. All you have to do is watch these babies move to tell they definitely have TWH blood in them. We plan to keep most of them to break to ride, but four of the youngsters will be sold at our production sale at Moore's Auctioneering in Alder Flats on September 13."

"We are extremely excited about this breed. Their docile temperament makes them so easy to work with and train. I have a problem back, so the smooth ride makes riding so pleasurable. We have a beautiful two year old gelding, Cee Dee's Banjo, that has just been started this spring. He simply floats. He is going to make a terrific saddle horse for me."

"Keep up the good work. We really look forward to the magazine. Have a great summer, everyone."

From MARGARET GOSLING, NANTON, "In June I had a driving holiday trip to visit my step-son in Ontario. While I was there I took an extra trip to go and visit my American pen-friend, Marjorie Jennings, near Schenectady, New York. We have been corresponding for 26 years! By the time I arrived home again, I had covered 5,141 miles, solo!"

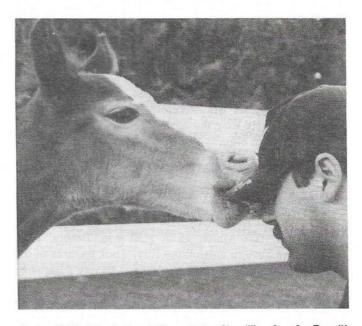
"Marjorie Jennings has recently bought a Walking Horse mare that she calls "Magic", and it was a great pleasure to see this charming black mare after all the news I had read in Marjorie's letters."

"Marjorie spends many weekends during the summer horse-camping in the New York State Forests with her friends, and they ride for miles and hours. I stayed with her two years ago and rode with her in those lovely state forests on a 26 year old Arabian mare called Merigold."

"While I was gone, Twilight (He'za Walker x Canadian Rainbow) was being ridden twice a week to keep up the western training we started in the spring. Twilight is such a delight to ride and is obviously very happy at this very relaxed and caring training stables. She lives with other mares and is no longer being bullied by geldings!"

"I spent a long day yesterday at the TWH booth at the Stampede with Charis and Dick Cooper and Charis' mare, Cindy (Lady's Captain W. x Walkaway Joie). A long, hot, but interesting day. People seemed to like our new CRTWH brochures. The blue cover is very eyecatching among others that all seem to be reds, greens and browns. I noticed that the hands went to the blue one first when selecting brochures to take. Congratulations on a very attractive brochure."

AINSLEY GULLAGE, ATHABASCA, writes, "Here's a photo we thought you might get a kick out of. It's of our youngest foal, affectionately known as "Leafer the Brat", in the midst of his antics. He's out of Dee J's Fire N Lace by Eldorado's Barrittz, and a bigger sweetheart there's never been! (He's got us convinced anyway.)"



Cedar Hills Maple Leaf (2 weeks), alias "Leafer the Brat"!

"We have big news on the home front here - Dave got a great job offer in Grand Forks, B.C. so we're in the midst of trying to sell the farm and make the big move! Never realize how much junk one accumulates over the years until you go to move it. It's going to be no small feat to relocate the household as well as 3 dogs, 2 cats, 8 or 9 horses and 3 cattle, but we're very much looking forward to the milder climate and lesser amounts of bugs!"

"Anyway, better get a move on here and keep on with the packing and sorting. We'll certainly keep you posted of our new address once we move - we'd hate to miss an issue! Have a great summer, everyone."

This letter came from SHEILA & GLEN REUM, RYLEY, "It's nice to be home again for the summer. We made several trips back from Montana over the fall and winter months. We had a lovely winter in Montana and sure didn't miss the Alberta cold weather! We now own a lovely piece of property in the Flathead Valley below the Rocky Mission Mountains, an ideal place to raise and ride Walking Horses. There are lots of walking and riding trails and the people are friendly."

"Glen joined up with a custom grain harvester from Saskatchewan this spring. They will be in Missouri, Virginia, and are presently in Oakley, Kansas. They will work their way back to Montana and Alberta."

"Our black mare, Toddy's Sweet Velvet, gave us a lovely filly on Easter Day. She's black with a small star, white stripe down left rump and thigh, mixed white/black tail and four stockings, by Maple Leaf Paint, a red and white tobiano."

"We want to thank Jody and Val Lindstrand of Camrose who bred their supernatural mare, Ringo's Ring Side Seranade, to Maple Leaf Paint for a 1997 foal. Missy, as we know her, loves attention and wants to be ridden and fooled with."

"Thank-you, also, to Karen Daskarich of Holden, who has sent Rainy's Tornado Miracle (Toro) here for training while I am home this summer. This fall in Montana I'll be starting to train a three year old black filly, A Star Shaker H.G. (Son's Vigilantly x Thing's Priscilla). She is strongly bred Merry Go Midnight, Gold Rush Rocky, Miss Petunia, Mack K's Handshaker bloodlines. I'm really looking forward to working with this filly."

"While down in Montana I had the pleasure of training a half sister to A Star Shaker H.G. owned by Russ & Barbara De'vore of Polson, Montana. They have some of the oldest bloodline bred Tennessee Walkers in that area."

"We are already gearing up to go back to Montana again. We plan to take along one of our stallions, Ring Side Gossip, and the two dogs to winter there, and maybe a couple of mares and foals also. We have leased out two mares to Laurindale Stables at Rosalind."

"Our new property is located farther south on Highway 93, only one mile off the pavement. We spent a lot of time in the Ronan area and there's lots to see and do from Glacier Park to Missoula. If you are driving through, we'd enjoy a visit from interested fellow Walking Horse breeders and owners."

News from JEAN REMPEL, ROCKY SLOPES FARM, WINFIELD, "I started off this year taking Sundance and Luke to the Bashaw Stallion Service Auction on March 24/96. It was a cold day but the turn out was excellent. I would like to thank Shelen Walkers of Stettler and William Gibson for their support in purchasing the donated breedings to Sundance and Luke."

"Luke has had 5 mares come in and Sundance has had 4 mares so it will be interesting to see the foals from these different mares."

"Diane, Wendy Warren and I have been out on the Competitive rides doing quite well with Nugget, Classic and Luke, along with the rest of the TWH Competitive Riders. It seems like the Ride Vets, Ground crews and the other riders are taking more notice of the way our horses all move this year."

"The Buffalo cows all calved end of April to the second week of May, while 3 mares foaled 14 April to 10th May and we are still waiting for the 4th mare to foal."

"Sarah Anne Kruger was born July 8th, to Al and

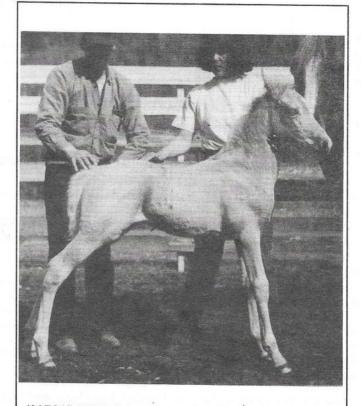
Mary Kruger, Mary can hardly wait to get back to riding as she has missed the fun this year."

LAURIE INNOCENT, LAURINDALE STABLES. ROSALIND, sent a letter by fax, "We have had three foals this spring, and are expecting one more mare to foal, Calta Tinkerbelle. Congratulations to Gary & Lyla Goin on their purchase of the gorgeous sorrel filly by Coin's Double Play out of Generator's Pride and Joy."

"Thanks to Randy Johnson for selling us Evening Blessing. I've been coveting this big mare by Pride's Genius for 2 years, and he finally sold her to us! We also purchased Legend's Free Spirit, a beautiful copper filly, from Wayne & Debra Jack.'

"Congratulations to Les & Judy Young on the purchase of Tinker's Starlite Victry, a big (14.1hh), yearling palomino colt. It was great to meet them. We hope to return the visit this summer and visit SAMSON."

"Only two weeks to show season; Erin's excited already! Finally we have some warm weather and maybe we can get in some trail riding. So have a great summer and if anyone is in the Camrose area please do stop by."



'96 FOAL FOTO Palomino stud colt at Ullu Zurbriggen's, Mara, B.C.



Canadian Registry of the Tennessee Walking Horse

Canadian Livestock Records Corporation 2417 Holly Lane, Ottawa, Canada KIV 7P2

SCHEDULE OF FEES Effective July 1st, 1995

Fees are based upon postmark of the application and the membership status of the	ne person making t	he application	.
1. MEMBERSHIP a. Full Membership (Individual, family, Corporation, Partnership) voting, member fee schedule b. Individual Life (Individual) voting, member fee schedule applies c. Youth (Idividual, under 18 years of age) non-voting, member fee schedule applies d. Associate (individuals, organization, groups) non-voting, non-member fee schedule applies			\$25.00/yr 200.00 10.00/yr. 15.00/yr.
2. REGISTRATION OF HORSES NOT ALREADY REGISTERED WITH TWHBEA	Member Fees	Non-Men	mber Fees
a. Within 6 months of foaling.	\$30.00	\$60.00	
b. After 6 but less than 12 months of foaling	40.00	80.00	
c. After 12 but less than 24 months of foaling	125.00	250.00	
d. *After 24 months of foaling.	300.00	500.00	
*Subject to approval of Board of Directors - non-refundable fee of \$125.0	0 if application is	rejected.	
Registration of TWHBEA is not required if sire and/or dam is not registered with CLRC. Just certificate of the sire and/or dam with the application to reg	send a photocopy ister the foal.	of both sides o	of the TWHBEA
3. REGISTRATION OF IMPORTED ANIMALS (also registered with TWHBEA) of WHOA)	Member Fees \$45.00	Non-Memb \$90.0	
Applications must be accompanied by a photocopy of both sides of the TWHBEA certificate and GST has been paid at the border.	a copy of Canada	Customs docu	ments stating the

4. TRANSFER OF OWNERSHIP	Member Fees	Non-Member Fees
a. Within 1 month of date of sale	\$20.00	\$40.00
b. After 1, but before 3 months of date of sale	30.00	60.00
c. After 3 months of date of sale	50.00	100.00
5. ALTERATION OF CERTIFICATES ISSUED	Member Fees	Non-Member Fees
a. Change of colour	\$20.00	\$40.00
b. Change of Gender (gelded)	15.00	15.00
c. Death of a Registered horse	5.00 credit	No charge
Original certificate to be submitted. It will be DECEASED and will be returned to		
registered owner.		
d. Change of Name.	50.00	100.00

Provided animal is no more than five (5) years of age and has no registered off-spring and subject to the approval of the Board of Directors and to a non-refund of fees submitted if application is rejected.

6. OTHER SERVICES	Member Fees	Non-Member Fees
a. Registration of Breeder's Prefix	45.00	90.00
b. Registration of Lease	20.00	40.00
c. List of Progeny of Individual Breeding Stock	20.00	40.00
d. Surcharge on incomplete or incorrect applications	20.00	40.00
e. Duplicate Certificates	40.00	80.00

Duplicate certificates shall be issued only on satisfactory proof of loss, and upon application by the registered owner, but the issuing shall be subject to the approval of the Board of Directors.

, 2417 Holly Lane, Ottawa, ON KIV 0M6 All remittances payable to Canadian Livestock Records and send to: CLRC (Telephone 613-731-7110, Fax 613-731-0704)

Extra copies of forms required are available upon request from CLRC. Fees are based on the date of postmark and the membership status of the person making the application.

Club Reports

EASY RIDERS CLUB, CALGARY

From Gar Beacom, who enclosed a clipping from the Okotoks Western Wheel showing their report on the Diamond Valley Parade Day.

The Easy Riders received four placements at the Black Diamond / Turner Valley Parade: First and Second for Parade Horse, First for Mounted Groups, and Second for Light Horse Hitch. Our horses and outfits have received much applause from the crowds, especially with having just black horses. We emphasize the versatility of the walkers by having side saddle, English, Western, saddle seat and driving. Our demonstrations of the running walk are also a big hit.

CENTRAL ALBERTA TENNESSEE WALKERS

TRAC Results

TRAC Competitive Rides got under way at Tees May 24th, with Tennessee Walking Horses entered in the LWT, HWT and Junior Novice divisions and the LWT and HWT Intermediate divisions. The Tennessee Walking Horses have been highly visible this year as they have entered all the rides, winning, placing and completing rides at Tees, James River, Athabasca and Drayton Valley, and many have plans to go on to the TRAC Nationals at Ram River, Sundre, Grande Prairie and Coutts. J.Rempel.

Tees TRAC Ride -May 24th - 26th:

Novice Junior

Irish Coffee HBR (Carla Bannister) 295.50 - 1st

Dakota's Midnight Jewel (Alicia Zimmerman) 274.50 - 3rd

Jewel's Little Shadow (Jaclyn Zimmerman) 267.50 - 4th

Novice Lwt.

Blaze (Elaine Gray) 296.50 - 6th

Rhus (Carol Hall) 292.00 - 10th

Celtis (Rhonda Goodsman) 283.00 15th

Sundancer's Magical Choice (Donna Zimmerman) 271.00 - 17th

Novice Hwt.

Eagle (Ron Bannister) 273.50 - 8th

Prancer's Midnight Joy (Blayne Zimmerman) 271.50 - 10th

Leah (Tony Woolridge) 270.00 - 11th

Pride (Lloyd Pitts) - no score, timed out

Intermediate Hwt.

Northfork Sky Walker (Jean Rempel) 292.00 - 1st

Golden Nugget (Diane Rempel) 284.50 - 3rd

Intermediate Lwt.

A Touch Of Classic (Wendy Warren) 287.00 - 4th

Winners of the Central Alberta Tennessee Walkers Award (Best

Performance TWH) were Irish Coffee HBR, Blaze, Eagle, Northfork Sky Walker and A Touch Of Classic. Each received a halter.

James River TRAC Ride -June 7th - 9th:

Novice Junior

Dakota's Midnight Jewel (Alicia Zimmerman) 271.00 - 2nd

Novice Lwt.

Sundancer's Magical Choice (Donna Zimmerman) 291.00 - 8th

Walk Away Moon Dancer (Lori Dyberg) 282.00 - 10th

Novice Hwt.

Pride (Lloyd Pitts) 277.00 - 5th

JC Canadian Pride (Blair Dyberg) 265.00 - 7th

Kelsey's Midnight Beauty (Blayne Zimmerman) 264.00 - 8th

Jacksons First Prize (Norm Levangie) 232.00 - 9th

Intermediate Lwt.

Dixie's Hot Chocolate (Dixie Verstraete) 291.00 - 3rd

A Touch Of Classic (Wendy Warren) 287.50 - 5th

Intermediate Hwt.

Golden Nugget (Diane Rempel) 285.00 - 2nd

Northfork Sky Walker (Jean Rempel) 282.50 - 3rd

Midnight Tin Drum (Rod Ball) 225.50 - 7th

On the 9th. of June, Dakota's Midnight Jewel, Sundancer's Magical Choice, Walk Away Moon Dancer, JC Canadian Pride, A Touch Of Classic and Golden Nugget went on to the Bentley Poker Ride at the Ski Hill.

Athabasca Trac Ride -June 21st - 23rd:

Novice Junior

Dakota's Midnight Jewel (Alicia Zimmerman) 298.00 - 1st

Dixie's Hot Chocolate (Dixie Verstraete) 296.00 - 1st

Sundancer's Magical Choice (Donna Zimmerman) 292.00 - 2nd

Walk Away Moon Dancer (Lori Dyberg) 287.00 4th

Novice Hwt.

Golden Nugget (Diane Rempel) 297.00 - 2nd

Northfork Sky Walker (Jean Rempel) 293.00 - 4th

Prancer's Midnight Joy (Blayne Zimmerman) 285.00 - 7th

Midnight Tin Drum (Rod Ball) 283.00 - 8th

JC Canadian Pride (Blair Dyberg) 281.00 - 9th

There was no Intermediate Division at this ride.

Drayton Valley Trac Ride -July 5th - 7th:

Novice Junior

Topper's Candy (Brian Levangie) 5th

Jacksons First Prize (Norm Levangie) 2nd

JC Canadian Pride (Blair Dyberg) 4th

Novice Lwt.

Walk Away Moon Dancer (Lori Dyberg) 0 place - 292.00 score

Intermediate Lwt.

Dixie's Hot Chocolate (Dixie Verstraete) 2nd

A Touch Of Classic (Wendy Warren) 6th

Intermediate Hwt.

Golden Nugget (Diane Rempel) 2nd

Midnight Tin Drum (Rod Ball) 5th

Club Reports

CENTRAL ALBERTA TENNESSEE WALKERS

Festival of the Gaits

July 27, 1996 proved to be a record breaking day for "The Festival". The sun shone and gave us one of the most beautiful days ever for the 32 riders and their horses to participate (the biggest entry of our 11 years). This year there were 8 junior riders allowing for their own categories. Along with the TWHs were one partbred Peruvian Paso, and one American Walking Pony.

Ten events included the Water Glass race, an Egg & Spoon race, and a Walking race. The skill events were Trail class and a Command class. The fun classes of Bun-on-a-Rope and the Sack race brought much laughter. A few gymkhana events rounded out the day. Thanks to the Red Deer Co-op for their doughnut donations for the Bun-on-a-Rope.

Champion Hey Day Horse was Dixie's Hot Chocolate ridden by Dixie Verstraete, with 106 points. Well done Dixie and Hot Chocolate! This pair received a nice leather halter donated by Greenhawk Harness and Equestrian Supplies of Ontario, and their name will be engraved on the first plate of our second, 10 year trophy sponsored by Realty World Patrician of Red Deer. (These two trophies are on display in the Red Deer office.)

Thanks to all who participated and made this year's event so successful, and special thanks to all the volunteers and sponsors who make the Festival possible. See you back next year!

Lvnda Hand



Egg and Spoon race



Bun-on-a-Rope



Sack Race

THE STORY OF MIKE AND STAN

by Elsie Darrah

I like to help people who have Walkers but don't get the full enjoyment out of them. I had a young man come to my farm in November, 1994, riding a half Walker. He had asked around town about a place to put his horse for the night and they sent him to my place. He said he had ridden the horse, named "Stan", from St. Paul, Minnesota and was on his way to Texas. He said he needed a place to tie Stan for the night and a place to pitch his tent. I told him I had no place to tie the horse for the night, but I did have a small building and lot for the horse because he needed food, water and rest, not to stand tied up all night.

The young man's name was Mike and he pitched his tent in the building and the horse could walk all around it. (If that had been my horse, he would have been wearing the tent before morning!)

When Mike unsaddled, I saw that Stan had raw sores on both sides of his withers. I explained to Mike that he could not continue to ride the horse with those sores; that they needed to heal and the horse had to put on some weight before he could continue the trip. I examined the saddle and found points protruding out on each side. The saddle was of poor quality and there was no way to fix it.

Mike asked if there was a place to buy another saddle so the next day I took him to a reputable saddle

dealer and he purchased a new saddle that fit Stan. Mike continued to camp for another five days in my barn, and I invited him in for meals and he did odd jobs around the farm.

Mike had planned this trip with two friends. When they quit in northern Iowa, Mike decided to continue on because he didn't want to quit. Mike's friends had known a little about horses; Mike knew nothing. He did not know how to get the horse out of a flat walk so that is how fast he went for the entire trip.

Mike kept in touch with his family and I talked to his mother on the phone several times after he left. I felt like a mother hen worrying over a chick when he left. I was concerned because he was into winter and he would have to be very careful that the horse didn't get sick or he would have real problems. I admired his determination to complete the trip - and he did get to Dallas, Texas. Before he left, I tried to educate him about the problems he could face in the winter. Mike thought that the weather would get better as he headed south; he didn't realize how bad our winters can be.

Mike certainly had the prayers of this little town as he continued on his way. He was the topic of conversation here for a long time.

Our Reader's Write:

Marsha Wickman, Conrad, Montana, writes,

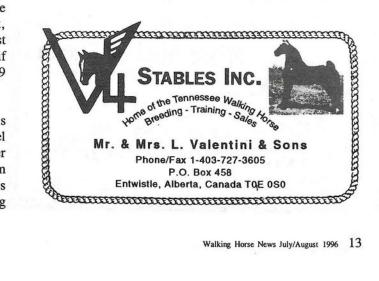
"In regards to the article by Grace Larson on Trouble, I can add some information. I also owned a daughter of Sago (Black Beauty II), called BEAUTY'S BARBAREE. Pearl Tompkins owned her. She was a full sister to Beauty's Sage King, being by Hey Joe."

"I owned Barbie from 1984 until her death. Barbie only had two foals while I had her - a colt and a filly. The filly, Beauty' Easy Breezie by Reflections Namrons, I kept, and she is now my riding horse and broodmare. She just had a palomino filly by Drifter. I would like to know if anyone else has any daughters of Beauty's Barbaree 632509 or if I have the only one left."

"As mentioned in the article, I owned Trouble's Honey (Midnight Trouble 530774 X Rattles D. by Colonel D.). I bought her in the spring of 1985 and had her until her death in 1992. I was fortunate enough to get two fillies from her. One is a King Pin daughter and the other is by Sonic's Red Baron (by Sun Eden's Super Sonic). As a weanling

Honey B. was second in the W.I.W.H.F. Honey B. had her first foal by Drifter last year and does walk natural."

"Trouble's Honey was not a big mare but she sure could walk and passed it on. If anyone has any other daughters of Honey's, I'd enjoy hearing from them also."



FROM THE DUSTY FILES OF WHN

15 Years Ago in WHN

The July/August '81 issue of WHN had nine pages, two of them classified ads. The Coles of Cabri, Sask. were advertising Cannon's Black Smoke and Rose's Red Rascal; Wyn Armstrong of Fort St. John, B.C. had Midnite June Allen, Lady Countess and Shadow's Amber Miss for sale; McDonalds' Farm, Pouce Coupe, B.C. offered a yearling, Monteray Magic Mist, and two weanlings, Sage King's Gypsy Bay and Monteray Merrimack. Beam's Black Oak and a yearling yellow filly by Go Shadow Go were for sale at Westridge Farms, Calgary, AB.

Several people reported buying Walkers at the May dispersal auction of 33 TWH held by Clark & Rita

Lundgren, Lethbridge, AB. Walt & Mavis Glover of Lethbridge had purchased Canadian Blue, a jet black four year old stallion, grandsire Canadian Threat by Triple Threat, and Canadian Ginger, a two year old filly. Helen Linsley, Groundbirch, B.C. bought a black yearling stallion, Canadian Crown Royal, to replace Ebony Walking Eagle who was sold to Randy Widmer Sparwood, B.C.

Judy Cameron of Innisfree, AB reported the birth of a big bay stud colt, Shaker's Supertramp (H.D.'s

Big Star x My Special Love). Donna Henry of Gleichen, AB had purchased Secret's Fancy (Secret Venture x Thunder's Velvet Minx) from Staleys in Washington. Davies at Duffield had sold Dakota's Alberta Duke to the

Here are most of the folks attending the June 1981 TWH Field Day at Uphill Farm, Edson, AB. How many can you identify?

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BOY 58 MIRROR, AB TOB 3CO Ritcheys of Neilburg, SK and Matechuks of Cochrane, AB bought Lady's Mr.Bo Jangles from Bill Howes of Ardrossan, AB.

Here are most of the folks attending the June 1981 TWH Field Day at Uphill Farm, Edson, AB. How many can you identify?

Ten Years Ago in WHN

The cover photo was of the "gallery" all coming over to see Jack Moore's dog on point at the Spring Trials at Coronation, AB.

There were two pages of photos from the Festival

of the Gaits at Red Deer, AB showing Shaker's Royal Heir, Zepher's First Lady, Tracy's Charity, Sun's Silky Hi Hat, Shadow's Lucky Jade, Shadow's Excalibur and Annie's Little Stormy going through gates, over poles and plastic, and racing for the tires.

There was a page of results from the YWHA Gaited Horse Show, Suzanne Most judging. Midnight Sun's Shadow (by Midnight Sun) won the championship in hand with Mitzys Go Go Girl (by Lucky's Koko Prince) reserve champion.

23 foals were reported, 16 of them fillies.

A feature story on TWH history by Franne Brandon, Petersburg, TN was entitled "A Colorful Foundation for the Future" in which she discussed the bright colors and patterns of the early Walkers, the change to "black and pacy" through the fifties and sixties and the recent fashion swing back to color beginning in the seventies. There were also articles on TWH pintos by Laura Wyant and Larry Hauk.

There were photos from the '86 Stampede Breeds for the World TWH display and a photo from the Innisfail Competitive Ride, that had five TWH competing out of 70 entrants in all. It's interesting to go back and see who was doing what when!

THE CANADIAN TENNESSEE WALKING HORSE PAGE

by Jane Mueller

It is not unusual to hear people talking about "surfing the Net", as the computer is quickly finding its way into every household in North America. Typewriters are being replaced by word processors and accounting is now a breeze. One does not have to be in government, education or business to discover how useful the computer is. Used properly, the world wide electronic highway of information called the Internet can provide the user with immediate access to anything from aviation to zoos. News groups and chat lines can be found in just about any interest, whether work or hobby related. With practice anyone can learn to explore the vast and ever growing mass of data that is right at one's fingertips.

Although computer illiterate, I am able to find information quite easily, and have found the Internet to be invaluable; i.e. the discovery of contra-indications of a widely used antibiotic prescription which may have been a contributing factor in the death of our nine month old weanling. Yet the computer will not replace books and periodicals in our literary world. If you do not own a computer, not to worry - many people don't - but if you do, the Internet has a lot to offer. The following is some terminology simplified:

e-mail electronic mail (takes seconds to send or

receive).

snail mail Canada Post

server a company you sign up with that links you

to the Internet.

browser software that allows you to view the web

site.

search

engine a tool to point you to the information you

seek on the Internet.

web site a business or personal home page(s), like

a book.

web page a page within a web site (site & page often

interchanged).

WWW World Wide Web; web sites linked

together by servers.

Internet the electronic information highway of the

WWW. (One mighty big library!)

Only a few months ago there was no information on any of the major search engines for Tennessee Walkers, but one could find breeds from the Arabian to the Akhal-Teke. This led to the creation of the CANADIAN TENNESSEE WALKING HORSE PAGE,

a web site dedicated to the plain-shod, naturally gaited Walker. The "one hundredth monkey syndrome" occurred when TWHBEA of Lewisburg, TN, put up a web page within a week of the C.T.W.H. Page. Now there is an ever growing number of home pages for the TWH and it's wonderful to see.

The C.T.W.H. Page is our contribution to help promote not only Canadian horses, but the breed in general. Links to the web site are growing daily, and it is reaching people in the United States, Italy, Germany, Australia and many other countries around the world. C.T.W.H. Page is a resource center for Canadian owners as well as an information site for the WWW. The C.T.W.H. Page is non profit. We welcome information that will contribute to the Page. A "Walker Gallery" that will be a photo presentation of owners with their horses is planned. There is an "Up-coming Events" page that lists provincial club and association information. Please keep us informed. Breeders, trainers, and associations are invited to display a page or listing at little or no cost, and to contact us for more information. Photos must have a return self addressed stamped envelope if you wish them to be returned. The response from other countries has been excellent. Comments and suggestions are welcomed. We may be reached by:

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Visit the web site -

http://www.islandnet.com/~mueller/whorse.htm



I'd Like to Know...

"I am trying to get some information about Competitive Trail Riding. If anyone has any information about the rules and regulations, could you please help me out? Rachel Rose, Grande Cache, AB.

Dear Rachel,

Competitive Trail Riding is a test of horsemanship. You win or lose entirely on the condition of your horse. It is not a race. Everyone rides the same, flagged course within an allotted time. The horses are thoroughly checked out by a vet on Friday evening, pulse, respiration rate, hydration, mucous membranes, tendons, muscular condition, etc.. You have to trot your horse out & back and in a circle, and back him up to check for agility, willingness & lameness. All old scars are noted and even attitude and manners are logged. All this is entered on your score card.

You ride on Saturday leaving camp at 30 second intervals. Ideally you ride alone, but you can ask to be started out with a friend just in front or behind. Everyone has to stop at two or three vet checks during the ride, when you must dismount for 10 minutes and then present your horse for a pulse and respiration check again. These readings also go on your score card. If your horse is O.K. you go on right away, but if there is any sign of distress the vet will hold you until the horse has recovered sufficiently to continue.

During the ride it is entirely up to you where you walk, and where you canter. The speed of a Novice Ride is 5.5 miles per hour but the trail will be challenging and will include some areas that have to be ridden slowly (steep hills, thick bush, rivers to cross) so you will need a good wristwatch to keep track of your time. On Friday evening you are given a map of the trail and a "briefing" to let you know where the difficult spots are. What they DON'T tell you is where the vet will be waiting! The skill is to use the map and your wristwatch together to get home within the allotted time without undue stress to your horse.

There is a final vet check one hour after you get back to camp. During this hour you cool out your horse, clean him up as best you can, unsaddle, and present him to the vet on halter. The vet gives him another complete physical, looking for any changes, injuries or new scars that have been gained during the ride. A well conditioned horse will be back to his normal within one hour.

Saturday evening is usually a social time for riders campfire, etc.. The vets tally all the score sheets, and awards are given out Sunday morning after the Open riders have had their final vet check.

BASIC RULES

Novice Horses must be 48 months of age.

Intermediate and Open Horses must be 60 months. No bandages, boots or medications are allowed on the

All forward motion on the trail must be made IN THE SADDLE. (If you have to stop and get off, you must walk back the way you came.)

Junior riders must wear a helmet, and have an adult riding in the same division with them.

You may not stop for any reason during the last 2 miles of the course.

There is random testing done for drugs.

Tack and dress is left entirely to you. Use whatever you and your horse find most comfortable. Helmets are recommended.

Novice rides are 25 miles at 5.5mph Intermediate rides are 25 miles at 7mph Open rides are 50 miles at 7mph

Each of these divisions is further separated into Lightweight (up to 189 pounds of rider and all tack), Heavyweight (190 pounds or over) and Junior riders.

Fees are around \$35-\$40 this year, and often include lunch & supper on ride day.

For more information write to Trail Riding Alberta Conference Corinne Nesvold, R.R.2, Camrose, AB. T4V 2N1 (ph: 403-672-6167)

Jo Kingsland □

Our Readers Write (or Phone!)...

ABOUT SHOW SUITS

Sheila Holtz, Stettler, AB called to say that there is a seamstress in Stettler who makes custom show suits. Sheila was very pleased with the suits she sewed for her. Call Sheila for further info: (403) 742-5356

Shirley Wesslen, Blackfalds, AB also phoned with the information that Elna Edgar of Elanna Enterprises, R.R.3, Innisfail, AB T4G 1T8 puts out a catalog for \$2.00 that includes saddle suit patterns. Shirley can be reached at (403)885-5290.

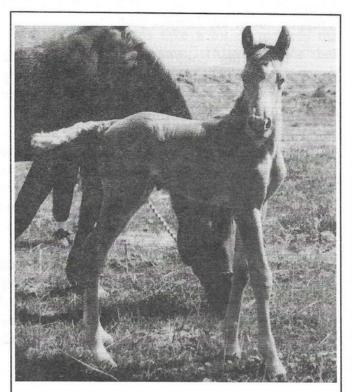
Cindy Holyoak, Calgary, recently had a saddle suit made, and she has information about patterns available in Canada, as well as a lot of good tips on sewing your own

suit. She writes, "There is a company in Manitoba that supplies patterns for riding outfits of all sorts. This includes several styles of breeches, riding sweats, western vests, shirts, vintage clothing etc.. The company is McBuddan's at Box 709, Carberry, MB ROK OHO. Fax or phone (204)834-2407. They have a lovely little catalogue available, so it is worth writing or calling for. The saddle suit pattern consists of 3 separate pieces: the coat pattern (\$19.75), the jods (\$10.00), and the vest (\$7.75). With mailing & GST this comes to around \$40.00."

"Because of time constraints I had someone sew my first suit. Look at a minimum cost of \$400.00 to \$600.00 to have the sewing done. If you are a fairly talented. intermediate sewer though, the suit really is not difficult to sew. What is tough, is finding the time to do so. Roughly 15 to 16 hours are required to complete the coat. The jods and vest can be made in about 8 hours. A serger is a major asset also. It certainly helps to create a better finish for the seams."

"I had my suit made out of Pendleton wool and lined with heavy satin. Although it looks lovely and fits well, I already have the materials available to sew the suit in polyesters. The cost of dry cleaning each time I wear it is adding up."

"I would certainly be happy to answer any questions about materials and such in regards to these suits. My number is (403) 931-2197."



1996 FOAL FOTO: Palomino stud colt by Goldust Royal Trigger out of 'Lady'. Grace Larson, Forsyth, MT.

BROWSING IN THE HORSE BOOKS

Here in Edson we have a great staff at the local library. They get to know what kind of books you like and tell you about any new ones in your field of interest. Thus I have here a recent library acquisition: Blessed Are the Foals by M.Phyllis Lose, V.M.D.

Dr.Lose's book is based on her 30 years of experience as an equine practitioner. It deals with the care of a foal from birth through one year of age. A few items of interest that I picked out had to do with feeding foals. Dr. Lose explains that a mare's milk peaks in quality and quantity at about six weeks. Unless the foal is eating well and preferably has access to a "creep feeder", its growth and development will slow down at this point. She says,

"In my opinion, the only value of mare's milk. after the six-week peak and its immediate decline, is to aid in washing down the hay, grain and grass eaten by the foal."

Dr. Lose recommends that all foals should have grain available to them free choice from the age of three days on. She says to provide 50 percent Mother's Oats with 50 percent Borden's Foal-Lac, replacing the Mother's Oats with crimped or flaked oats after two weeks. (I don't know if these commercial products are generally available in all parts of Canada. They aren't here.)

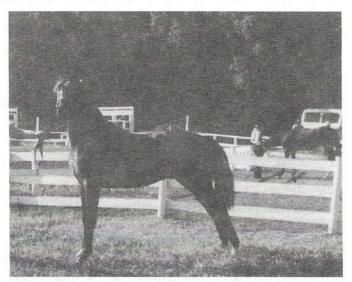
After six to eight months of age she recommends that foals be given grain in carefully measured amounts, not allowed to eat free choice, along with lots of good quality legume hay. She prefers to feed good clean plump whole oats at this stage, with amounts not exceeding 12 quarts a day.

Another interesting recommendation from this book was that the sole use of an ivermectin based dewormer is not the best choice for foals since it often misses the ascarids which are particularly harmful to youngsters. However, ivermectin is good for removing bots.

This book contains a wealth of information for anyone who wants to raise a healthy, happy foal that will develop to its full potential.

Blessed Are the Foals by M. Phyllis Lose, V.M.D. 210 pp, copyright 1987 by the author. Howell Book House, MacMillan Pub. Co., New York, N.Y. 10022 ISBN 0-02-575230-8

Poles shouldn't grow out of the horse - and don't cut off the feet!



Dark horses disappear into a dark background



Shooting from above gives a "Dachshund effect"

CAMERA CALL!

Now is the time, while the horses are sleek and shiny, to get out your camera and take some good photos of them. The ONLY picture to use in advertising is one that makes your horse look great, and you won't get that kind in December!

So brush, buff, clean, curry, comb, fluff and shine up your steed as if you were going to take him into a parade or showring. After arranging for a sunny morning or late afternoon, line up 1) someone to handle the horse, 2) someone who knows how to handle a camera and 3) someone (or your well trained dog or cat!) to catch and hold the horse's attention. It does not work to point at the camera and tell the horse to "watch the birdie"!

Take your photos against an uncluttered background. Trees, fenceposts, power poles, etc. have no place growing out of a horse. Dark horses disappear into a dark background while light coloured horses fade into a pale sky or snow. Have the handler stand back so he can be cropped out of the finished picture.

Take your conformation shots from the side, with the horse standing squarely, ideally with all four legs showing. Unless you particularly need a profile, the head should be turned about 1/4 towards the camera. Be sure you don't cut off the feet! When taking the picture the camera should be at about the level of the horse's mid-ribs. Don't stand up on something - that makes the horse into a short legged dachshund lookalike. Aim at the centre of the horse's body.

Don't try to get too close to the horse with a standard lens camera. If you want a close-up shot, use a telephoto lens. It is better to stand farther back with a telephoto than try for a full frame close-up with a standard lens, which tends to distort the subject.

by Marjorie C.Lacy

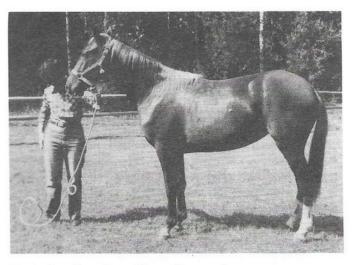
Okay, the horse looks superb, the handler knows his job, the background is pleasing with no distractions, and the light is perfect, picking up the shadows and highlights on the horse's burnished coat. (Perfect light is early morning or late afternoon, when the sun is lower in the sky; or an overcast day if you have a fast enough film.) Now what?

Here's where your third helper comes in. Get the camera focused, the horse posed, and then get his attention with something that will wake him up, make him arch his neck, bug his eyes and come to attention - without totally blowing his cool and making him forget to stand still. Shaking an oat bucket or plastic bag does it for some, parading a mare behind the cameraman does it for others, and one cattle photographer I heard of kept a tiny dog in her pocket and when she was ready to shoot, had him jump down and bark! She said he was an invaluable member of the team.

Good luck with your camera sessions. If you get discouraged, remember: even the folks with the best photos take a lot of pictures that they have to throw away. (Maybe that's their secret - they really do throw them away so no one ever sees their mistakes!) In photographing horses, if you get one or two really excellent shots from a whole roll of film, you are doing well.

So please, send WHN some of your best. We are already looking for 1997 cover photos.

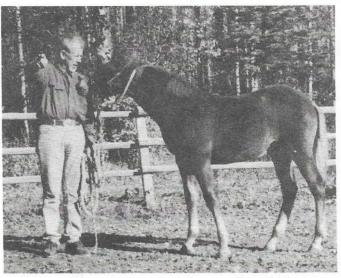
(Thank you to all who shared photos to illustrate this article. The Walking Horses and their photographers will remain nameless to protect the guilty!)



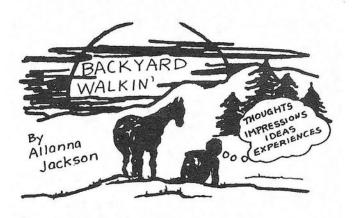
"Inept handler - bored horse!"



Close-ups with a standard lens tend to distort...



"Watch the birdie!"



MINDING KOKO'S MANNERS

The day Koko arrived he responded to "Whoa" with a momentary halt, then began walking in circles around me. This did not fit my definition of "Whoa".

Koko loafed around for ten days settling in and getting acclimatized to the altitude. When I evaluated his basic halter training, he was just as busy evaluating me as an owner. Koko was very responsive but pretended he'd never heard "Whoa" in his life.

I gave Koko a very low key, positive reinforcement, review session of "Whoa". He did a convincing imitation of learning something totally new. I had reason to believe Koko was bluffing.

The first time I rode Koko he walked off before I was mounted. I don't tolerate such nonsense so I added "standing still" to Koko's list of things that needed work.

TWHBEAA complained about the transfer so when I called Dan about that I mentioned that Koko was walking off and playing dumb about "Whoa". Dan responded, "He knows better. Don't let him get away with it."

That settled it. Koko would get one more chance to admit he knew "Whoa" before I called his bluff. I took Koko out on the lead, just as before, but this time I had a stud chain in my pocket. After walking down the road a little way I said, "Whoa", and stopped. Koko went to the end of the rope and began walking in circles around me. I told him that was not acceptable behaviour while putting the chain around his nose. We set off again and Koko quickly learned that ignoring Allanna hurt! By the time we got home Koko was apprehensive but he'd gotten over his voluntary amnesia.

The next day I had Koko's full attention and respect without the stud chain. That day he discovered that I don't bite when he behaves. We'd solved half the problem. "Whoa" means stop, stand still, and wait for instructions. Koko wasn't standing still after he'd stopped so wasn't fully obeying "Whoa".

To deal with Koko's moving during mounting, I tied him to the corral fence, saddled up and practiced mounting and dismounting several times from both sides. Then I sat on him for about ten minutes, petting him and talking to

him. Sassy got noisily jealous about that. When Koko started dozing off I quietly dismounted, unsaddled and turned him loose without riding anywhere.

Several days later I took Koko out for our first trail ride together. He stood quietly facing the fence while I mounted, and waited for the command to move.

Half a mile up the road we came to a gate. I dismounted, led Koko through it and mounted. Koko dashed off before I was ready so I turned him around, parked him in front of the gate and got off. I waited for him to settle before mounting again. Then I asked Koko to stand still for 15 seconds before moving. He spent two minutes fidgeting before sighing loudly and keeping all four feet still for 15 seconds.

After 15 seconds I turned Koko around and told him he could flat walk. He hopped into a running walk. I checked him and he promptly dropped into a flat walk and strolled to the next gate.

I led Koko through the gate, closed it and mounted. Koko moved. I told him "Whoa", dismounted, waited for him to settle, and mounted again. Then I sat quietly asking Koko to stand still for 30 seconds before moving.

Koko turned around. I turned him back around and sat quietly. Koko backed up. I moved him forward and sat quietly. Koko snuck sideways a step or two. I shoved him back the other way, then sat quietly. When Koko did manage to keep his feet still I praised and petted him. The instant he moved, I scolded him.

Five minutes later Koko had not kept all four feet still for 30 seconds. He'd worked himself into a sweat with his fidgets, made a circle of several hundred footprints - and gone nowhere. I continued sitting quietly on his back, waiting for him to stand still for 30 seconds.

Koko sighed, parked himself, and stood still for ten seconds. At 11 seconds his right hind leg began sagging. He sagged lower and lower. At 14 seconds he had sagged so far that he lost his balance and moved to catch himself. I scolded him and began the 30 second count over again.

Five seconds later Koko shifted his body left and tilted. Since he wasn't moving his feet I let him tilt. But he tilted too far, lost his balance and moved a foreleg before the 30 seconds were up, so we started over.

Seven minutes into this ordeal Koko was exceedingly frustrated. He tried to jerk the reins out of my hand and got a yank in return. Then he tried pawing. I told him, "Quit", popped him on the shoulder with my hand, and resumed sitting quietly. Koko quit pawing. He tried both tricks several more times with the same result.

At nine minutes Koko was desperate - but not yet desperate enough to stand still for 30 seconds. There was nothing to run away from, nothing to fight, but he couldn't get away from my quiet insistence that he stand still. Koko took a mental "time out" to cope with the strain of doing nothing. He froze, staring at the horizon for 27 seconds before fidgeting again.



I had not told Koko that he could move yet, so we started the 30 second count over again. Fifteen minutes after we'd first stopped at the gate Koko froze for another mental time out. After 45 seconds of absolute stillness, I quietly turned Koko around and told him to flat walk.

Koko dashed off at the running walk, eager to make up for lost time. He slowed down when I told him to but then speeded up again. I slowed him down. Koko speeded up. I told him to slow down again but he ignored me, stumbled over a rock, caught himself, stumbled on another rock, and slowed down after all. The next quarter mile of rocks and ruts enforced the "slow down" command he'd tried to ignore.

Koko charged through the creek crossing, happily splashing water everywhere. That was so much fun that he veered off the trail, hopped into the creek again and waded downstream. We climbed out at the second creek crossing.

Koko wanted to rush up the side of the canyon. I told him to flat walk. He didn't pay much attention until the pile of boulders justified my instructions. Koko realized that it was better to listen to me and flat walked on a loose rein to the third gate.

We spent another five minutes at the gate before Koko remembered to stand still so he could go. Once we

were back on the road Koko wanted to fly home to his supper. I always flat walk home on a loose rein.

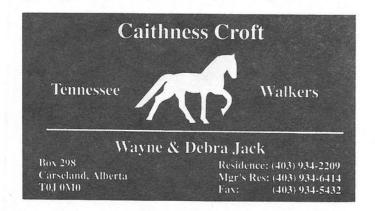
When Koko rushed, I doubled him three or four revolutions in one direction, then three or four in the other direction. We stopped facing away from home and I made him stand still for 30 seconds. Koko began sneaking backwards and sideways toward home, so after doubling him I rode him 10 to 20 yards away from home, then made him stand for 30 seconds. After twenty minutes of this Koko decided he could flat walk home on a loose rein.

Back at home I groomed Koko, then left him standing tied while I groomed and fed Sassy. I put out Koko's feed before turning him loose in the corral.

I had outsmarted Koko that time, but I dreaded the next round. Memories of Lea's Autumn Pride's scheming treacherous new tricks haunted me. I should have believed what I told Sassy: Koko is not like Pride or Bayb.

The next day Koko was relaxed, respectful, and ready to be my horse. He spent three days cheerfully exulting in the fact that I had outsmarted him!

Koko eventually realized that standing still isn't torture. He now stands reasonably well most of the time, though we still practise it almost every time we ride. He has also learned to walk home on a loose rein.



HORSE THEFT - What To Do if Your Horse is Stolen

Your horse is gone. It was there yesterday but today there is only an empty paddock and a cut fence. What can you do?

In Western Canada, you'd call the local RCMP detachment or brand inspector immediately and file a missing or stolen report. This is when having those good clear photos and a description of the horse with his brand and any distinctive scars or blemishes pays off.

This missing/stolen report is sent to all RCMP and brand inspectors across the province. The brand inspectors will then be on the lookout for your horse at auctions and meat plants. Saskatchewan and B.C. brand inspectors routinely exchange information on stolen animals so if your horse is trucked into one of these provinces and taken to an auction, you still have a chance of getting him back. The RCMP also has two Livestock Specialists in Alberta who get these reports.

If you notice tire tracks or anything unusual near where the horse disappeared, be sure to tell the police about it and keep it intact for them to see.

Don't spend a day or two looking for your animals before filing your report. As John Duroziak of Regulatory Services here in Alberta pointed out, you can always cancel your missing/stolen report if your animals turn up safe and sound - but if you don't file that report, you give the thief a nice head start. Conversely, if the horses do return safely,

1996 FOAL FOTO: Black filly f.May 31, by Honey Boy's Rebel out of Candy's Bay Lady 2, owned by Jo Kingsland, Alix, AB.

make sure you cancel the missing/stolen report. The police and brand inspectors have plenty to do without looking for a horse that came home on its own (or was discovered in the neighbour's alfalfa!).

Contact neighbours and friends about the theft. They may have seen something relevant, and it never hurts to start up the moccasin telegraph. Phone the farriers and vets in your area. They see a lot of horses and may recognize yours in a new place. One farrier here in Edson noticed a familiar horse near Drayton Valley - it had been stolen and in that case the owner was able to get it back.

Put up "Missing - feared stolen" posters in the tack and feed stores and other places where horse owners congregate. Tell the local newspaper about your loss. The more people who know your horse is missing, the less likely the thief will get away with reselling it.

Both John Duroziak and Les Burwash of the Horse Industry Section of Alberta Agriculture emphasized the importance of having a brand on your horse. Without that, the brand inspectors looking for a certain stolen horse have only the owner's description to go by. For example, "Sorrel gelding, both even hind socks and blaze, mixed mane and tail, around 15 hh." could describe hundreds of horses. Add the owner's brand to that description and chances are that only one horse like that would show up at an auction.

I hope none of our subscribers ever has to use any of this information. But it is always wise to be prepared, so do have an "Identikit" for each of your horses and check your pastures regularly.

Photo showing a brand which is clearly visible from several yards away.



SAMPLE IDENTIKIT DESCRIPTION

Palomino mare, Bar V brand on left thigh. Silver mane & tail, white sock on right hind, left hind fetlock, stripe & snip. 17 years old, 15:3 hh, 1200 pounds. Two scars on left hind leg (in front of bock and on middle of cannon bone); scar on right hind leg (on upper front of cannon bone).

Reporting theft, Branding and Transporting of Horses In Alberta

by Jean Rempel

I talked to our local Brand Inspector today about these subjects and this is the information gathered:

Reporting theft -- If your animal is taken (missing) report it to your Brand Inspector and/or RCMP office, stating sex, color, markings and brand if any. They will in turn send a report to the Stettler Brand Office in Stettler AB. and the Brands Office will alert Auction Markets etc. of the stolen/missing horse or animal. Therefore if by chance Ol' Roany just went Walkabout for a few days please be sure to report that he has returned home or been found.

Branding -- Branding is the recognized proof of ownership in Alberta. Being on the outside of the horse, (Thoroughbreds and Standardbreds are lip tattooed with a number issued by their registries, which means the inside of the lip has the marking and it is invisible from the outside) a brand is visible to the eye. A freeze brand is highly visible, as the brand when healed turns the area white. According to my information a freeze brand "takes" better on horses than it does on cattle. This has to do with the texture and thickness of the hide on cattle, whereas horses are more even skinned. Copper branding irons are needed to do the freeze brand properly, and also the area has to be well shaved and alcohol applied to the brand site for good conduction of the freeze branding iron.

A hot iron brand isn't as visible as a freeze brand, as a hot brand, after it is healed, looks like you drew the marking in the hair. (On shaving the site, the brand is clearly visible on the hide). A hot brand is done by the application of a heated branding iron. An experienced brander will know the degree of heat needed for the job. The iron will likely be formed from steel or iron in the shape of your brand. If done after the horse has shed out no clipping should be needed but a hairy horse should have the site clipped of long hair for a better brand.

I asked the vet about the degree of pain difference between freeze branding and hot iron branding. The answer is that the Pain Factor is unknown. A test done on some young cattle of the Stress Hormones, registered about the same between hot and freeze branding. Individual preference whether you want a highly visible brand or a not so visible (from a distance) brand on your horse will be the deciding factor whether to freeze or hot brand. Personally I prefer the brand marking from a hot brand.

Transporting -- We all transport or trailer our horses to shows, trail rides, demos, sales etc. We are by law required to fill out a manifest every time we trailer a horse to a show, ride or sale etc. and to fill out another manifest on the return trip also. This will use up a manifest book quite quickly. There are only 25 forms in each so this works out to 12 trips per book. (We have used up approx. 2 books since late April.) Manifest books are still free at all Auction Markets.

There is a card/permit that you can get instead of using a manifest book. The card is good from Jan.1 to Dec.31, and the cost is \$3.00 per horse (whether you have 1 horse or 30 horses that you haul). You present your horse(s) to a Brand Inspector where the sex, color and all markings including brand, if the horse is branded, are recorded, and you can trailer your horse around and about until the end of December after which you will need to get a new card. I'm going for mine this next week.

The address of the "Brands Office" in Alberta, for anyone interested in applying for a brand or information regarding brands: Livestock Marketing Services, Postal Bag 600, Stettler, AB. TOC 2L0.



1996 FOAL FOTO: Palomino filly (Goldust's Montana Drifter x Namrons Koko Delight) owned by Marsha Wickman, Conrad,

GOOD HORSEKEEPING TIPS

A "Creep Feeder" can be a good investment in your foals. It provides them with the extra feed they need to make the most of those fast growing early months of their lives.

Some people make a creep feeder in a corner of the pasture by putting a rail across that allows the foals to slide underneath while barring their ever-hungry mothers from the feed. Other creep feeders are made by fencing off a corner or other little section and making a narrow entrance that the foals can slip through but their much wider dams cannot.

Both work well, but a foal that learns to slide under a rail will often keep on trying to do it when he's fully grown, and that can be a problem!

The foals usually have to be taught to eat grain and then coaxed into the creep a few times and hand

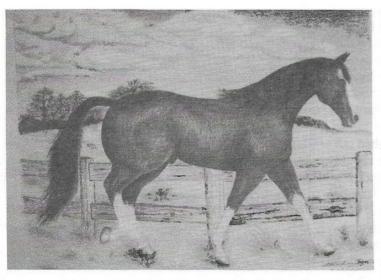
fed. Once they learn that they can go in <u>and</u> out, and that there are goodies in there, they'll go in and help themselves whenever they are hungry.

Locate the creep feeder near a place where the mares like to hang out anyway, such as near their water and salt, or fly shed.

Most authorities advise you to use a commercial foal ration, putting out a little at a time and checking daily to be sure that it does not sit around and get stale, wet or moldy. You can also make up your own grain mix - Alberta Agriculture's Agdex 460/50-1, Horse Management Feeding has info on this.

Get up to speed and get your foal away to a "creep start"! $\hfill\Box$

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STOPPING SPOTS FOR TRAVELLING HORSES

BRITISH COLUMBIA

From EARL & DEBBIE SKWARCHUK, 9505 Old Cariboo Hwy, PRINCE GEORGE, B.C., "I am writing in regards to "stopping spots for travelling horses". Both of us wou have a wonderful idea and we would welcome TWH travellers. We have a couple of safe board corrals and a spot to plug in an RV. Coffee is always on. Safe journeys Description | 10 miles | 10 miles

ALBERTA

KEITH OBERLE, SKYLINE RANCH. COCHRANE, writes, "We would be prepared (to put up horses overnight) under certain conditions. Obviously it would have to be when we are around so advance contact would be necessary. Beyond that, we are NOT in a position to provide accommodation to the humans accompanying the horses, unless it was in self-contained campers or motorhomes. There are a number of B & Bs around us, however."

The Oberles may be reached at Box 973, Cochrane, AB TOL 0W0. Phone (403) 932-5501.

MANITOBA

BARB FENWICK, FOUR SEASONS RANCH, Box 129, SIDNEY, MB, says, "Please find enclosed one of my brochures in reply to your request for "stopping spots for travelling horses and riders". Although our services are not free, your readers will find overnight pasture for \$5.00 and camping for \$8.00 in a beautiful and peaceful setting ten minutes off Highway #1. Please call first (204)466-2776) for availability since we are in the process of upgrading corrals and our road in to the ranch."

ONTARIO

THERESA & MAL ASTLES, 2866 Kinburn Side Road, R.R.2, KINBURN, Ontario, K0A 2H0 have also offered to put up horses overnight. They write, "In your editorial of the Nov/Dec edition you asked if anyone was



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interested in providing overnight accommodation for TWH owners who transport horses. We would certainly welcome any TWH owners who are in the area. We are situated one hour west of Ottawa just off the Trans Canada Highway #17. Phone 613-832-2550."

IAN & DIANNE GREEN, 1740 Scugog Line 4, PORT PERRY, ON. L9L 1B3 write, "Would you please add our stable to the list of Stopping Spots for TWH's. Our place is about an hour or so north east of Toronto, directly north of the city of Oshawa. Very easy to find. Phone 905-985-4845."

IN IOWA, U.S.A.

From Cristine Holt, Dubuque, Iowa. "Hello! If anyone needs a place to stop over or transfer horses, we have stalls and paddock free for the pleasure of having you with us. Also electricity for campers. Call ahead so we can prepare for you - (319) 582-4702. Horses need health papers, Coggins, etc. Iowa is pretty!"

If you'd like to volunteer your place as a "stopping spot", let us know and we'll add you to the list for next time. Write to WHN, Box 7326, Edson, AB T7E 1V5



1996 FOAL FOTO: Sorrel/white filly by Dressed for Success out of Barker's Merry Miss owned by McDonald Farms, Pouce Coupe, B.C.

JUST SAY ... "SABINO!"

by Franne Brandon

Jet flight, space travel, microchips, the Internet, heart bypasses, shots for chicken pox! Science has taken rapid strides forward in the past sixty years. Animal sciences have also noted considerable progress especially in the areas of disease prevention and control. The ubiquitous Coggins test was unknown even thirty years ago.

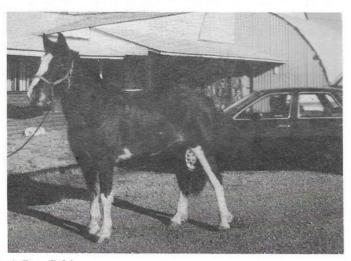
One area of equine research that once lagged behind has now come to the forefront because of the economic impact of coat color in the market value of horses. This new genetic research demands an end to the differences in nomenclature once accepted by various breed associations. On page 36 of the first TWHBAA Studbook published, nine color choices are listed for horses eligible for the new registry. These sorrel, chestnut, black, roan (red, were: strawberry, chestnut and blue), white, bay, brown, grey and yellow.

The "yellow" category then did not distinguish the color of the mane and tail. Now, bowing to the will of science, the TWHBEA divides golden-diluted horses into two major groups, distinguished by the presence or absence of pink skin and amber eyes. Since these two groups are different and breed quite distinctly, this change reflects the impact of the most recent coat color research, as well as the observations of astute breeders across the nation.

However, palominos and buckskins, along with the pink-skinned champagnes, are a minority in terms of Tennessee Walker coat color when compared to other distinct color groups that have predominated since before the registry's formation. The golden-coated Walkers result from the dilution of of the basic coat color by another gene. Other variations of basic sorrel, chestnut, bay and black result from genetic packages termed patterns.

Patterns add white to the base color. A number of patterns occur among registered Tennessee Walkers. The grey and tobiano patterns have distinct listings on the TWHBEA application for registration. The other two patterns, true roan and sabino, are lumped together as roan, a term used for both for decades. Recent research, though, indicates that two different genetic patterns are represented, producing distinguishable phenotypes (outward appearances) and more seriously, possible reproductive problems if two individuals bearing the same (true) roan genetic pattern are mated together.

The true roan, as accepted by most American and European breed associations, is a horse with an even distribution of white hairs in the base coat. The evenness of the white hairs in this pattern often results in a horse with a very silver body that, in the black roan version, is sometimes mistaken for grey. The white hairs are NOT present on the head or lower legs, nor in the mane and tail, which always appear darker than the body. White markings, if present, are very conservative. Roan is a dominant genetic pattern that is always heterozygous because if two roans mated together produce a homozygous embryo it dies in utero. The most famous roan line in Tennessee Walkers is probably that founded by GO BOY'S SOUVENIR, whose roan dam, "V", sired by the roan stallion, was JOE RUTHERFORD, whose dam was a roan mare with no markings named McWHORTER'S NELL



A Bay Sabino

a daughter of EARNHART'S BROOKS, contributed to the extensive spotting pattern that BRANTLEY'S ROAN ALLEN, JR. carried. When crossed with the foundation mare Sallie F-45, by ROAN ALLEN F-38, BRANTLEY'S ROAN ALLEN, JR. sired the solid white mare, LILLIE WHITE 350074, the first World Champion Aged Mare crowned at the 1939 Celebration.

The sabinos were the first spotted Tennessee Walking Horses, common among the original plantation walkers whose genes contributed to the pool of stock accepted into the infant TWHBAA registry in 1935. Before a few tobianos received registration certificates as the registry began, sabinos were creating excitement under saddle, in harness, and behind the plow. In the 1935 Studbook, thirteen percent of the horses registered were spotted sabinos, with even more of the nonspotted or white sabinos accorded registration numbers.

The Tennessee Walking Horse breed features a genetic pattern that is rare in the equine world but common in the breed's history. The sabino pattern should be given the recognition that other patterns representing a smaller percentage of the breed now claim.

If you are an owner of sabinos, with a sabino foal to register, or if you breed for this pattern as a preference, it is up to you to voice your opinion if you wish this distinction to be on

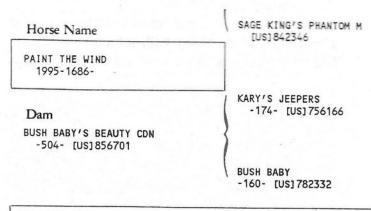


A Maximal Sabino mare, white, with a Sorrel Sabino colt by a black stallion

your foals' registrations. Should dozens of breeders insist that the sabino pattern receive the same recognition as rarer colors, their voices will be heard! Write a note or letter to accompany the foal's registration application, send a copy of the pattern description from a genetics book or article, and insist that your foal is NOT a roan and should not be incorrectly registered as such. Be firm in your insistence and just say, "Sabino"!

About the author: Franne Brandon lives in Petersburg, Tennessee, where she and her family own and raise Tennessee Walkers. She says, "I decided to start a campaign to persuade the TWHBEA to put "sabino" on their papers. Those horses that are sabinos should be registered as such, not as roan, which they are not."

Editor's note: Some folks registering their Walkers in Canada have come up against this problem too. Last summer Jo-Anne McDonald of Pouce Coupe, B.C. had a sabino colt to register. So she sent the genetic information about the sabino pattern from Dr. Sponenberg's book to the Canadian Livestock Records Corporation which oversees the registrations of Canadian Tennessee Walking Horses. They considered it, and consequently you can now register your sabino foal as a sabino. You would have to send photos of both sides of your foal, check off the foal's colour on the registration application, and then fill in "sabino" in the space under "Other, Specify". (See the registration papers of Paint the Wind.)



Sex Mare

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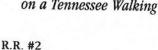
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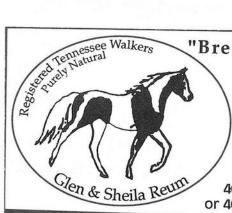


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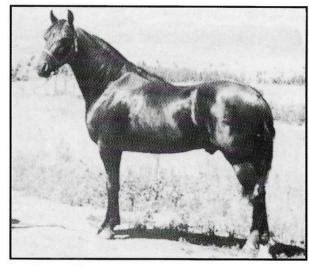
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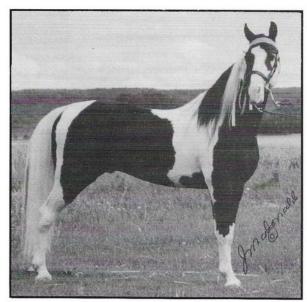
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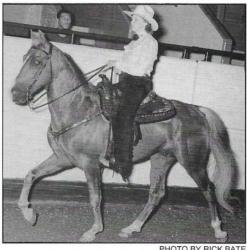


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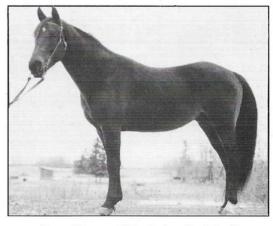
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