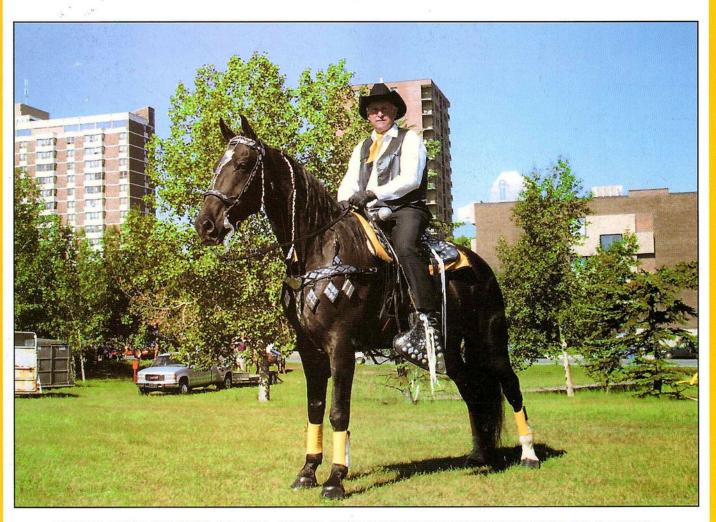
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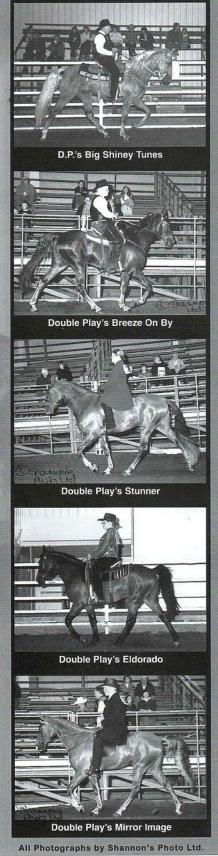


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Dear Subscribers,

The summer is going so fast... This weekend, as I'm writing this, the Alberta Celebration is happening, people are out trail riding, others (including us) are trying to put up hay between thunderstorms, and the horses are busy fighting flies and mosquitoes.

Speaking of mosquitoes, the first case of West Nile virus has been found in a dead magpie in Alberta, so they say it's only a matter of time before there are human and equine cases. I wonder how many people decided to vaccinate their horses against the disease? Anyway, keep the symptoms in mind when checking your horses. (See Dr. Anne Dick's article in the S/O 2002 issue of WHN)

The big news here at WHN is that we are putting up our own website. Despite an underwhelming response to my query in the March/April issue, we are going to try it for a year and see if our advertisers want it. This is a way to extend your advertising to a much bigger audience, reaching many more people interested in Walkers. This month's Breeders' Gallery ads plus the classifieds will be put up on our website free of charge. They will be in black & white, as they appear in the magazine, but in future all the paid ads on the website will have full colour photos. If you are interested in an ad or a link to your own website, check page 36. You can also request that any ad from the previous two years be put up on the website, provided you supply the colour photos to us again. I hope we'll hear from you!

There's a varied menu for you this issue. Thanks to all contributors, advertisers and the regular WHN authors who supply us with such interesting stories and articles every issue. And welcome back to Eldon Eadie with a new series on gait. Hope you enjoy the magazine. Let's hear from you and your area for next time.

Marjorie

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CANADIAN TENNESSEE WALKING HORSE

HISTORY & HERITAGE PROJECT 2000

"CANADIAN TIMES OF THE TWH"

WE HAVE ALWAYS LIKED HORSES... by Ilse Ketelsen



My three proud cowboys

We have always liked horses, but if somebody had told us 15 years ago (that's when we immigrated to Canada from Germany) that we would in the future possess not only horses, but *Tennessee Walking Horses*, we'd have nodded slightly and thought, "Yeah, right!". With a background in agriculture, our main focus was always dairy cows, but we started adding a few riding horses over the years as the kids grew.

In February, 2002, though, our whole world as we knew it came to a standstill when our dairy barn burned down. It took us months to decide if we should rebuild - or do something different - something I would call Thomas' 'cowboy dream' with horses and cattle to breed and raise.

We finally found a house with 1/2 section of land close to the Riding Mountain National Park to make the dream come true. We had searched the net and books for ideas on different breeds of horses, and decided *fast* that *if* we do that, it should be something special, something hmm... like the TWH. In the process we found Barb Fenwick's address and after contacting her and visiting her at her place, we were pretty much settled on this breed. Not only did she show us her training style, but she also gave us the address of Gayle Allan in Stoughton, SK who had TWH for sale.

At the end of August we finally visited Gayle with our two boys (11 and 13). Barb and

Gayle tried to teach us as much as we could handle in a short time about the TWH. We sure have a lot to learn still but we fell in love right away with Drifter and his *steps*. Not that he would do any good for breeding purposes, as he is a gelding, but Thomas decided to make him his second best riding horse (nobody at the moment can beat Joe, Thomas' Appaloosa gelding he's had for years) but if he wants a real *soft* ride, Drifter is the man, er horse).

And then there was Ladycat and of course sweet little Ladybug. Both of them convinced us with their attitudes. When we visited with Gayle, we also saw her broodmares, where we chose Princess - and just couldn't resist a cheeky lil grey filly.

After closing the deal on those 5, Thomas got his trailer out and brought home Drifter, Ladycat and Ladybug for a start. Well, home was kinda in between, as we still lived in Gerald, SK, then, but were moving to Rossburn on the 26th of September.

They had time though to get adjusted to the 7 horses we already had. Drifter turns out to be a very strong protector of his ladies. We had a few good laughs watching them socialize. Due to the moving and still making some hay before that, Thomas really didn't have the time he wanted with them. Our youngest son surprised us one evening though, by declaring he chatted with the horses



Ilse with Quest's Princess #1997-1980 (over)▶

WE HAVE ALWAYS LIKED HORSES... continued by Ilse Ketelsen

after school, and Ladybug got so attached that he decided to take her for a ride. So he took her out of the corral, saddled her and went for a few rounds around the house. He got a lil speech for doing that without our knowledge, but he was just so proud he had been able to do that on his own and so full of praises for Ladybug, that he got away with it easy. His choice was sure made with that. Ladybug is his favorite as it is "as awesome as riding a rocking chair", as he puts it. I have to say that for a 2 year old horse, Ladybug is just amazingly quiet and well mannered and just so easy to handle that I sure understand Dominik's choice.

Before we finally moved, Thomas and the boys took Drifter and his 2 ladies out for a ride in Gerald, to accustom them to cattle. Gayle had told us already that they had never been confronted with those before. I guess you have to imagine them as you do when hearing about a city slicker out on the farm for the first time. I mean... not that those city slickers would put their ears back ... but maybe the wide eyes and almost terrified look gives them something in common?

Our new place in Rossburn hadn't accommodated animals in quite a while, so since we arrived here, we've been working constantly on building something, it seems. First was a field for our horses, only it is so big, that unless the horses are willing, there is no chance of catching them. Drifter made it a point (as he always was a bit on the shy side) that it wouldn't be him. Ladybug and Ladycat, though, behaved better, just loving a scratch, and don't mind going for a ride at all.

After building all the corrals and a cattle shed for our newly acquired beef animals, we saw that the horses would have to get used to having black Angus cows as field neighbours. Ladybug proved to be the best when it comes to going for a ride and checking on those cattle hiding out in the bush. At the moment we are in the middle of building our new horse barn. Hopefully it will be up before the real winter arrives. Then finally we can connect the horse corrals with the field they are on now and that means less trouble catching them. Although... we find that a little white bucket with some crushed corn in it does wonders. Drifter even forgets his good manners towards his ladies in that case and has to have his nose in the bucket first.

We sure are looking forward to summer to enjoy the smooth riding on our Tennessee Walking Horses. As Ladycat and Ladybug are still very young it will take a while until we really get into the breeding process, so until then we will just egotistically enjoy them ourselves. Adding a stallion to our herd will be one of our next goals.



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ALBERTA NEWS

ELDON EADIE, TURNER VALLEY, e-mailed, "Billy Ray Sanders has sold Chance (Chance's Gold N Yellow) to the Summers of Kentucky. They have put a beautiful picture of him on their website at www.summerswalkers.com"

DONNA CURTIS, WINFIELD, writes, "It was great to see you again at the CRTWH meeting. It seems we are always so busy - but I guess that's what makes life so interesting. I'm late for foal call again but this year we had some really interesting foals. We used T-Bone's Diamond Edition [Tramp's T-Bone Walker X Shadows Lucky Lady CK by Go Boy's Shadow] and Topaz Merry Go [McLaren's Robert X Chiffon's Amber Dream] on our registered mares. What a colorful batch of foals! Sorrel, bay, champagne, buckskin, palomino and black. We also bred some grade mares and draft mares to Diamond's Ice [Generator's Diamond X Someday Justy Nuff by Ebony's Jack Daniels H] and to T-Bone's Diamond Edition. There are eight half and three quarter Tennessee Walkers and four draft crosses. Hopefully two of these foals will turn to blue roans. Next year's foals will be from T-Bone's Diamond Edition, Diamond's Ice, Topaz Merry Go and Yvening Strolling Thunder [Thunder's War Eagle X Cat's Hi Sierra F. by Island Aristocrat]."

CHRIS THOMAS, LEGAL, AB: "Please renew for two years. Just love the *News* – one of those rare times in life when you get more than what you pay for!"

Hi, from FRAN KERIK, CRYSTAL STAR RANCH, TWO HILLS, "Summer has arrived, and after a near perfect spring, it's turning into a near perfect summer. We've got rain, rain and rain, plus heat to go with it. I haven't seen the grass this tall since I was a kid. Unfortunately, with all this grass comes foundering. Our farrier has seen 8 cases already."

"We were blessed with four foals this year, all of them with their father's wonderful gait. Top O' the Mornin' surprised us with a black filly the first week of April during a blizzard. The mares came home from the bush after it was all over and Mornin' had a black filly at her side. She also has a problem

with her colostrum (neonatal isoerythrolysis), and if her foal has a different blood type than herself she will produce antibodies against the foal. Something like RH positive and negative in people. But this foal was healthy and strong and not frozen. My first concern."

"Our first foal was from our pony and can he walk! We call him Scooter as he just scoots around. Joyce Patterson has purchased this wonderful little guy so he's off to BC in the fall. Our second foal, from Mornin's Cuppa Koko, has already been to the vet's twice. We now call him Slash. He opened up his face from eye to eye when he fell trying to learn to stand. Got nine stitches and healed up beautifully. Then in a pasture with nothing but smooth wire he managed to peel about two inches of skin off his face exposing the bone. It was really bad. It's growing back now, but he's not going to the Futurity. He's just so sweet and easy to catch in spite of all the poking and prodding that he has to go through that I think I just got myself a new riding horse."

"I've been enjoying the new Brenda Imus website. It is full of good advice for walking horse owners."

"I did make it to the Wild Rose show, without a horse unfortunately, as the trailer didn't want to cooperate. I picked up lots of good info and look forward to participating in the Futurity in September and shows next year with my three year old. I'm off to a five day horse camp with Irene Verbisky. I'm really looking foreword to it, but I haven't been out riding much so I'm not looking forward to the saddle sores I'm going to get!"

JOHN & CHRISTINE KOBZA, PINCHER CREEK, AB "Please send a gift subscription from us to Haley Janine Pedersen and husband Mike and daughter Gracie. Congratulations to them on the purchase of Calypso Orchid (Create a Memory x Mountain Jasmine). Enjoy! And have fun."

From LISA LAMBERT, PRIDE'S NOBLE WALKERS, PERRYVALE, "I got my last foal today, a very big sorrel with a star. She is by Prides Undertaker and out of WWF Diamonds Gemstone. She is a doll. All foals on our farm this year were fillies. How lucky is that! I have two of Colleen Nixon's mares boarded here - a sorrel and a sorrel tobiano, both very nice. Wish I could keep them all."

SLOPES REMPEL, ROCKY JEAN WALKERS, WINFIELD, writes, "Chris Bayens bought Chapie's Belle for her daughter, Jaclyn, on May 13/03 from Mary Kruger. On July 9, Belle foaled a filly - Liberty Belle, by Northfork Sky Walker. They will be keeping the filly, they say, and also will not be rebreeding Belle. Belle is 19 years old, and has lived here since 1985 when she came as a long yearling. Mary bought her from Diane (Rempel) Sharkey last spring in hopes that Belle was carrying a filly by Luke, and she was. Then Belle was rebred to Luke for a 2003 foal which again is a filly. Mary moved Belle to her home near Legal, AB on Thanksgiving weekend, 2002. Chris is a friend of Windi Scott Hanson, & I believe, lives near her also."

BRENDA L. BAKER, CALGARY, writes, "I hope your summer is going well with lots of riding now that the snow is actually gone for a while. We should have no shortage of hay this year."

"We have 3 black colts so far. Dave's 23 yr old mare, Jester's Snappy Lil, had an outstanding colt that has a neat combination of bloodlines as his dam is a paternal 1/2 sister to that lovely stallion, Calta Midnight Victry, now deceased. He's got it all: presence, gait & looks. Now we are waiting for Holy Smokes, our champagne mare, to hopefully produce a champagne foal by Kit's Royal Pride sometime in the next two weeks."

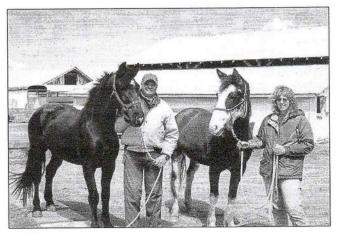
"Since Cruising for Chics has turned out to be such a nice colt, and his 2003 paternal half brothers look like they'll be much like him, we took Chicklette and Jester's Snappy Lil to Roger Coppock's at Priddis, AB to be bred to Kit's Royal Pride. Who says you've got to trailer a long way to get some nice foals?"

"We have some nice young TWH for sale including the 4 year old liver chestnut gelding that I've been having some fun with at a few clinics and in the foothills nearby (behind the barn, that is!). The farrier put some shoes on him last week and said he behaved better than a lot of horses twice his age. (see classified ads)."

"See you at the Canadian Futurity in September."

From ERNIE JENSEN, LIMBERLOST HORSES, TOMAHAWK, "We are sort of out of the horse business, at least for the time being. We are looking at buying some more land, and then we could raise a few more foals. I sure miss having them around. All we have on the place now are 2 geldings and 2 colts. The colts are a 3/4 TWH and a purebred 3 yr old by Tonquin x Jo's Epsilon, small for his age but very handsome."

ONTARIO NEWS

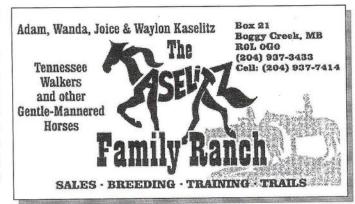


Harve Basler & Midnight's Dakota Jr. & Lisa Gregory & Four Season's Rav-N-Beauty at the clinic.

RACHEL HILL, FORT FRANCES, writes, "Things here with me have been good. I haven't been able to get in as much riding as I'd like, but I can't complain. Barb Fenwick put on two clinics here in Fort Frances in May. She came with her wonderful gelding, Spirit, and put on an interesting and informational session. It was great to finally meet Barb after reading so much about her in WHN. At one clinic there was one Walker, two Rockies and two Paso Finos. That made the majority gaited, which was neat to see. Harve Besler also came with his Walker, Dakota, and I had my Walker, Ebony, there as well for the day. I was in heaven having so many Walker and gaited people in one place, 8 altogether."

"Many thanks to Kim Pringle for representing & promoting our breed in Ontario. I also have a real admiration for Ian Luckett and his Western Odyssey. Wow! I know that stretch of highway from Toronto to the MB border well. What a tough guy he must be!"

"We are planning another clinic with Carol Hall in July. I am looking forward to that as well. I love not only the learning & info but the networking and socializing is great too!"



MANITOBA NEWS

BARB FENWICK writes, "It's been a very busy spring here and summer is looking much the same. I am happy with the way my walkers are coming along in their training. Spirit has been busy on the road with me presenting clinics in SK, ON and here in MB. He is becoming quite the "globewalker", enjoying the new scenery and making new horsey friends along the way. Thanks to Barb Fox, Gayle Arpin, Rhonda Shoemaker, Gale Allan and Jean Bogner for coordinating my Equi-sense clinics for me this spring. I am so fortunate to have them do all the leg work for either clinics I presented in their area, or bringing their groups to my ranch for the clinics. I have been busy promoting and helping breeders in MB & SK sell our fine local walkers again this year. I have youth and adult Equi-sense clinics coming up in July and August as well here at the ranch."

"Walkers are continuing to "catch on" here in Manitoba. Congratulations to Beverley Anderson of MacGregor MB and Emil Kucera of Winnipeg on their recent purchases of walkers from the Trinder's TWH herd. Our walkers are proving to be very versatile as well. At a Competitive trail ride hosted here at my ranch June 7th, three of us on Walkers completed the 20 mile race. Gale Allan of Stoughton took 5th place, I took 6th, and my niece Melissa placed 12th. It was great fun and I think we did well in the midst of all those Arabians! The All Breed Show is coming up on Aug 23/24 with the only Walker classes in the province, so we are hoping for a good representation of the breed. I spoke to Darlene Moore, one of our breed's most avid promoters, and she will again be showing some Walkers this year. Besides the fun of the show, it's a wonderful time to catch up on horse talk and renew acquaintances! I also want to thank Darlene for volunteering to run the canteen at our recent Open House & Horse Sale. We offered several Walkers, from Keith Doll, Gale Allan and Marsha Trinder, for viewing and sale that day. If anyone would like a glimpse of these Walkers, well...I have a video available of the day's presentations. Just call! Wishing everyone a great summer with their horses and many happy trails and rails!"

Had a call from KEITH DOLL, DOUGLAS, who, along with other bad luck this year, had his mare, Flash Of Diamonds, foal twins. One died at birth and the other lived only a few days.

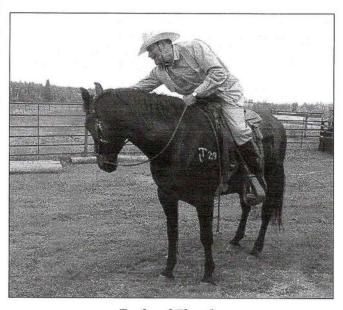
On a happier note, the Percheron mares bred to Black Kat's Smoke 'N' Fire produced some great looking babies, and all with that good, long stride.

MARSHA & CLIFF TRINDER. TRINDER'S TENNESSEE WALKING HORSES, RUSSELL, MB write, "Trinder's Thunder is now busy riding through the park with Emil at Winnipeg; Trinder's Regent (his new name is Amigo!), lives outside of Brandon with Barb; Trinder's Baron is busy on the trails at MacGregor with Bev; and Ashlev of Austin is putting Kodiak's Majestic Warrior through his paces. All four of these horses have gone to wonderful homes with a strong interest in trail riding and natural training. We could not be happier with the quality of the buyers we are finding in our home province. When you spend the amount of time we do with each horse getting good solid groundwork, and the basics for a pretty dependable trail riding partner, it is really satisfying seeing them go to people who appreciate the horses for what they are. On the other hand, we will not sell our horses to just anyone either..."

"Our foal crop this year is doing very well, with offspring from three herd stallions: Sundust Fantasy, Shades Magician, and Kodiak's Klondike. We have quite a mix of colors; with sabinos, palomino, buckskin, black, sorrel, and gray(?). We unfortunately lost one of our babies the other day to a predator. (A cougar is the best guess.)"

"Although the weather is proving to be very dry, and the mad cow crisis is affecting us as we run a cow-calf operation, the horse operation is going very well and we are as intrigued and pleased with Tennessee Walking Horses as always."

"Hoping this issue of the *WHN* finds each and every one of you healthy and happy."



Emil and Thunder



WILD ROSE VERSATILITY SHOW REPORT



Lorrie Black, Secretary, Wild Rose Walking Horse

Wild Rose had a great show this year, thanks to Dr. Darren Nielson and his wife Sharon, and Greg Czech and all the staff at Neitak Equestrian Centre. We are truly grateful for their hard work, dedication and gracious hospitality. The kitchen, although still under construction, was first rate, serving soups, deli sandwiches, chili, buns, coffee and soft drinks, along with chips, chocolate bars, etc. Breakfast was also served at 7:30 A.M and the kitchen stayed open until after the last class of the day was done. Darren's General Manager Greg Czech greeted us all as we arrived, making sure everyone was settled in. Greg was also around all weekend for advice or moral support.

There were NO complaints about the arena footing; it was great to work in, beautiful sand, no dust, no slipping. Wild Rose highly recommends this facility for any event.

As usual we would be *toast* without our many wonderful volunteers, year after year. Some of these people do not show or go to any other show. Jeff Entwistle our illustrious announcer, is informative, entertaining...and never at a loss for words. Jeff also orders all the ribbons. This year we presented Jeff with a *Volunteer of the Year* award, as well as Glen Chivers who is our prominent scorekeeper (now that's a thankless job). Glen does not show either and has dedicated his time to the show. Donna Edwards is our famous and renowned show treasurer. Her job starts in January and usually she is ready for the loony bin by show time. Blair Dyberg is our man of many talents - always there to dig in and often has more than one job. Amber Black, our beautiful Ribbon girl, had some assistance this year from three adorable little helpers, Cayla and Kayla & Raylene. The girls did a fantastic job. Frank (our noble leader) was showing this year, but whenever he wasn't in the ring, he was setting up trail and pattern courses. Shirley Clarkson, our support system from the South, came up with her trusty lap top to teach us how to keep score easier. Don't worry, Glen, your job is secure! Leslie and Sande, our Vanna Whites of the show ring, did a marvelous job, splitting the ring steward position with each taking one day. Sande had to take a break to ride her daughter's trusty steed in the bareback Groomer's class.. Way to go, Sande!

Randy again out did himself with an awesome roast beef BBQ, salads, potatoes and punch... and we can't forget the pies - Donna would never forgive us if we forgot the PIES! This year was even better than last, if that's possible. Next year there may be more people there for the meal than the show!

Last but certainly not least we would like to thank our Judge, Allan Trimble, who among many things taught us that the atriatic arch is NOT in the FOOT but above the eye and is there to protect the eye. DON"T FORGET THIS LITTLE FACT. WE MAY HAVE HIM AGAIN SOMEDAY!

I do so apologize if I have missed anyone that should have been thanked, because we could not have had the success from this show without you! Thank you all again. Here are the High Point Winners:

HIGH POINT HORSE YOUTH - 2 GAIT, DONATED BY: NEAR-A-WAY STABLE - Melting Point EXHIBITOR: NICOLE HIRSEKORN, OWNER: RANDY, SANDE & NICOLE HIRSEKORN

HIGH POINT HORSE - ADULT—2 GAIT, DONATED BY: UNICORN FARMS - Powers Nubian Beauty EXHIBITOR: MICHELLE CHAUNCEY, OWNER: CLOUDWALKER STABLES

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ARENA TRAIL HORSE, DONATED BY: BLAIR & LORI DYBERG - Shadows Koko Boy EXHIBITOR: ADDY BRODA, OWNER: DONNA EDWARDS

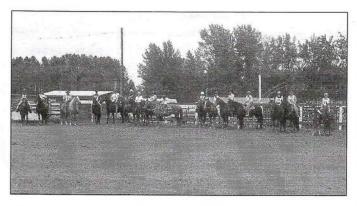
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2003 FESTIVAL OF THE GAITS



Picture of the Festival of the Gaits riders- 16 out of 18 riders in the picture. There are two stallions standing side by side. Photos by Liz Levangie / Sheila Holtz.

The July 11, 2003 edition of the Festival of the Gaits was a real fun day (but lots of sunburns) with both slow and fast versions of the classes being done.

High point horse was Jackson's First Prize

with Chris Levangie up. Three juniors, Addie, Donna Edward's grandaughter, Sheila Rodney's daughter, and Karla Freeman's daughter, were entered and all three received **first place**.

Everyone got to pick from the prize table that consisted of sponsored prizes from Stettler Feed, UFA, Princess Auto, and Winfield Feed to name a few, as well as the prize that each rider brought as part of his/her entry fee.

I (Jean Rempel) was presented with a plaque from the Festival of the Gaits for Luke (Northfork Sky Walker) and me in appreciation for our years of contribution and attendance. The plaque has a picture of me and Luke on a Competitive Trail Ride - one of Jo Kingsland's collection of fine pictures. Jo is always taking at least a few, and she was in attendance yesterday also taking pictures.

Lunch was potluck and plentiful again this year.

Jean Rempel

TWH DISPERSAL SALE AT RIMBEY, ALBERTA

Darrell & Gaye Roth presented 28 lots for auction in May. We were expecting colour and weren't disappointed. There were 2 black, 2 white/cremello, 14 sorrel or chestnut, 3 roan, 3 tobiano and 4 palomino. Would colour influence the prices? I went to see. Darrell said he would still be riding and would continue to train the young horses if they did not find new homes. Seven lots were not sold.

These are unofficial prices that I heard from the back benches.

YEARLINGS

6 lots sold averaging \$1463.00. Top price of \$2050.00 was made by a palomino stud colt. [2 more were not sold]

TWO YEAR OLDS

2 lots sold for an average of \$1600.00. Top price of \$2000.00 was for a sorrel/tobiano filly. [3 more were not sold]

THREE YEAR OLDS

2 lots sold for an average of \$2625.00. Top price here was \$2900.00 for a solid black mare. [1 other 3 year old was not sold]

MARES, FOUR TO NINE YEARS OLD

6 lots sold (3 mares had foals at side) for an average of \$1967.00. Top price of \$2700.00 was made by a chestnut mare with foal at side

MARES, TEN YEARS OLD OR MORE

4 lots sold (1 mare had a foal at side) for an average of \$2537.50. Top price in this group was \$3000.00 for the "almost" white (registered as cremello) mare. [1 more mare was not sold]

STALLION

Black, 16 years old, ridden in bareback with only a string round his nose, was bid to \$3000.00 and was,

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BRITISH COLUMBIA NEWS

From CATHY MARTINOFF, LIBERTY STABLES, BRIDESVILLE, "We've been having lots of rain this year and I sure am glad to see it. The past two years saw drought here in the Boundary region and our ponds dried up. Not too good when your ponds are the reservoirs for the local fire department!"

"Success' Fannie Flagg gave us a surprise filly last November. We knew she had been bred but I guess she slipped her first pregnancy and got rebred in December 2001. The filly is a bay tobiano with the loveliest markings. She is almost symmetrical on both sides of her body. She is as sweet and gentle as her mom."

"Royal Bay Quest produced a feisty bay colt on May 1. Wyatt (the Riot) doesn't know he is a prey animal and is always chasing the dog and the cats. I have a soccer ball out in the field where he is and he likes to play with it. I am trying to get a picture of him and his sire, Chance's Liberty Spirit (aka Romeo), together as the two of them play every now and again. Romeo tolerates his antics quite well and Wyatt spends more time with Dad than with Mom."

"Gemini Success had a gorgeous filly May 16th, a pale coloured tobiano. She and her mom are now residents of Athabasca having been sold to Helen Pawluk. Congrats and good luck with your new horses, Helen!"

"Three weeks ago our November baby managed to get herself caught up in some page wire fencing. She got cut to the bone on a hind leg just below the hock. The local animal guru came up to doctor her. We couldn't stitch her so it's lots of hosing her wound, some bute and penicillin. She will be okay in a few more weeks but it's hard watching her. She takes to our ministrations with no fuss but would really prefer to be out with the rest of the herd. Even though she was weaned awhile back, Mom and Dad stick pretty close by her pen and watch over her especially if there is a storm coming through and she is upset by it. Most people don't realize that horses can and do form family units."

"In the battle of the blondes it's human 2, equine -0. Linus, our two year old palomino, decided he wasn't going to wear a halter. I'm sure he was convinced that if I caught him I was going to wheel over the BBQ and roast him whole and alive!! So we have been having a grudge match and I won after a couple of months of strenuous deliberations. He absolutely would not go into the round pen - he knows what goes on in there! So I managed to get

him into the corral beside the round pen by sheer trickery. Once in there he jumped the fence out into the forest. I figured I would never get my hands on him at this point and then he goes and jumps back into the corral. What a nice guy!!! It took another day or two to get him over to the round pen by withholding water and having a tub of water available in the round pen. Of course he wouldn't go in when anyone was around so I had to hide out behind a loafing shed and patiently wait for him to venture into the round pen, and that took a couple of hours. Now he is haltered, dewormed, trimmed, groomed and has had a couple of manners sessions."

"Linus stands at 15.1 hh at 26 months and towers over me by at least a foot because he is so high headed. So could someone please tell me again how genetics dictates height? His sire, Little Breese Chinook, and his dam, Gemini Success, are both 15 hh. I used to think he was dumber than a bag full of hammers but he has proven himself to be quite intelligent. He really makes me work!!! My ½ Arab was similar in antics when she was two so maybe Linus will turn out to be as good a horse as Viva has proven herself to be. I didn't realize horses went through the terrible twos..."

"Young Frankie (Liberty's Sinatra) our first colt by Romeo is doing well. At one year of age he leads by his chin, jumps over cavaletti and will do just about anything I ask. Our farrier just loves working with him, just ask for his "foot" and he readily picks up the hoof you want. What a sweetie!"

"Well I guess I should go back to work on my tack shed. It will be nice to get my saddles out of the living room along with the rest of my equipment and have them accessible to the round pen and arena. Happy trails and have a great summer."

JAYNE WALKER, DAWSON CREEK, writes, "For the past couple of weeks I have been riding Angel, and I'm happy to say that she seems to have lost most of her "nervousness" from last fall's cougar "adventures". It sure feels good to have my trusty friend back. We are not venturing far from home, but I have 300 acres of my own. This is likely where I will continue riding for this year. Have a nice day, and happy trails."

NATALIE SPECKMAIER, VANCOUVER, e-mailed, "When I spotted the gorgeous full color horse on the magazine that landed upside down through the mail slot, for a moment I thought it was *Western Horseman*. Then I remembered a) that magazine goes to my PO box in Point Roberts, WA, and →

b) the photo was the same full color back page as the last issue of WHN. *Duh!* So nice to see those color covers again. The issues just keep getting better and better. I've read it cover to cover, as usual, and enjoyed every word. Of course, I especially loved the example of the two 'outstanding in their field'. And she has cleavage! (I'm talking about Penny) Talk about your easy keepers."

"Trigger and I had a good visit on Wednesday. A bit of ground work and then a mutual grooming session. I'm working on knitting that spare horse as we got another big pile of golden hair. I must have curried and brushed for almost an hour and she only moved twice to show me where she itched, and a couple of times to snuffle me to show me how much she appreciated the beauty treatment. I never have to tie her for these sessions as she loves them."

"One thing that really impressed me in WHN is how many Canadian bred horses are going to the States. Sure says something for the quality of Canadian TWH stock. I enjoyed Hazel Paton's amusing horse show reminiscences too."

"There was a funny story in the *Vancouver Sun* today, complete with picture of cowboy, horse and cop. "He's got a ticket not to ride" is the caption. Cowboy got a \$50 ticket, which he fed to his horse, Clint Eastwood. Apparently, you can't ride your horse in Grande Prairie, AB, so let's all not go there!"

"Debbie Smith got her WHN a day before I did, and phoned to gloat. Not really, but we always have a good chat when we get our issues as there's always something in there to talk about. Keep up the good work, Marjorie. We never tire of talking horse."

"From DEBBIE SMITH, TOWER RIDGE FARM, MAPLE RIDGE, "Spots before our eyes this foaling season! Four out of four mares produced tobiano pinto foals by our young stallion, "Storms Northern Victory". We got three fillies and one colt, two of them possibly homozygous. All are lovely tempered, with great conformation and have a natural easy head shaking run walk. This is Victor's first foal crop and we are just thrilled with what we got. It's taken about ten years to get it all to come together. Our bloodlines are the last of 3O years of breeding and it's great to carry on the lineage. We have a mare in for breeding and after she checks in foal it's off to Switzerland. Great to get our offspring over there!"

"Dave and I hosted Ride BC Day on June 8 as part of Canada Ride and Drive Week. The weather was warm, but not as hot as the day before at 34C. The number of participants was down this year with the change of date from October to June. We still had

about 20 or so people show up for the barbecue. About a dozen horses and riders got out for a lovely 3 hour trail ride - all Gaited Horses except for the Appaloosa that trotted merrily along. Kids can bounce along all day and not get sore."

"The Fraser Valley 25/50 Mile Endurance Ride was held the June 14-15 weekend. The ride gets larger and larger every year with over 50 horses competing this year. Unfortunately we had to pass on the Interior Gaited Horse Show in Armstrong BC. Sorry, Brenda! I heard it was great, as usual."

"The Gaited Horse Clinic at Golden Gait Acres in Langley is getting rave reviews. Dianne Little and Bill Roy did a top notch job and all I talked with were just thrilled with what they had learned. They couldn't wait to practise at home with new techniques learned from the weekend. Another function missed, as our last mare presented us with another awesome spotted filly."

"Already thinking about winter, though last year it was a breeze. The grass grew all winter, hardly any mud and only threw hay to our turned-out horses every other day. We got the first cut hay a few weeks back and we're starting to stuff it away for the winter. I do know I will have too many horses again. I think we're up to 15 or 16 again and I've got a couple coming next week. A hard addiction to break. I guess we're all in the same boat."

"Hope all your foals are born healthy and happy. Enjoy the summer riding."

From JOE & TERRY KINCH, ERRINGTON, VANCOUVER ISLAND. "Hello! Enclosed please find our renewal for a further two years subscription to your excellent magazine. Thanks for the reminder sticker on the front cover. In two month's time I would have been fretting over the next issue's non-arrival!"

"Joe's new gelding, Prime Time's V-Max, is working out very well and we are pleased with the work Bill Roy put on him last summer. Max and my boy Dusty have sorted things out between them. After a very rocky start, Max is The Boss!"

"Work hinders the amount of riding we've been able to get in over the winter and spring, but now that summer's here, and school's almost out (Joe drives a school bus), we can get out a lot more. Our trailer is almost finished with the paint and up-dating of wood paneling, and replacement of bumper pads, and then we'll be able to get off the boring home trails and see some new territory."

"We hope everyone is out and having fun with their Walkers. Happy (and safe) Trails."



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PALOMINO FILLY - (DP'S Big Shiney Tunes x Legend's Free Spirit)
CHESTNUT FILLY- (Secret's Two Tone Genius x Praise Melody)
CREMELLO COLT - (DP'S Big Shiney Tunes x HB's 98-Gold)
SORREL COLT- Coin's Double Play x Generator's Pride & Joy
SORREL COLT- Final's Goldwell x Breezy's Storm Maiden
BLACK FILLY - Final's Goldwell x Prides Rebel Spirit
Laurie & Dale Innocent, Laurindale Stables, Rosalind, AB



BLACK FILLY (Allen's Midnight Rascal X Top O' the Mornin') Fran Kerik, Two Hills, AB

SORREL COLT - "Merry's Joker" [T-Bone's Diamond Edition X Roth's Shadow Merry Allen]
SORREL COLT - "Cherry's Juniper" [T-Bone's Diamond Edition X Cee Dee's Shaker Lady]
BAY COLT - "Jeannie's Justice" [T-Bone's Diamond Edition X Three Wishes Jennie]
SORREL COLT- "Belle's Jangle" [T-Bone's Diamond Edition X Kihn's Firewalker Belle]
CHAMPAGNE FILLY - "Angel's Joya" [Topaz Merry Go X Roth's Red Walking Angel]
BUCKSKIN FILLY- Melody's Janet [Topaz Merry Go X Cee Dee's Melody in Motion]
CHAMPAGNE FILLY - Echo's Juanita [Topaz Merry Go X Cee Dee's Kit's Echo]
SORREL FILLY - Strega's Jena [Topaz Merry Go X Shaker's Strega]
CHAMPAGNE COLT - Tango's Jetson [Topaz Merry Go X Cee Dee's Tango]
CHAMPAGNE COLT - Sadie's Jeronimo [Topaz Merry Go X Miss Kitty]
BLACK FILLY- Pure Luck's Jasmine [T-Bone's Diamond Edition X Pure Luck]
PALOMINO COLT - Eclipse's Juno [T-Bone's Diamond Edition X Cee Dee's Tango's Eclipse]
BLACK COLT - Stormy's Jet [T-Bone's Diamond Edition X Tinker's Midnite Storm]
Winston and Donna Curtis, Winfield, Alberta

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Maureen Hummel, Rough Diamond Farm, Rose Prairie, B.C.

BLACK COLT by Kit's Royal Pride out of She's Got the Rythum Dec BLACK/BAY COLT by Kit's Royal Pride out of Dictator's Merry Minuet BLACK COLT by Toddy's Royal Bonanza out of Jester's Snappy Lil CLASSIC CHAMPAGNE COLT by Kit's Royal Pride out of Holy Smokes Brenda & Dave Baker, Calgary, AB

CHESTNUT FILLY with a star (Pride's Undertaker x WWF Diamonds Gemstone)
Lisa Lambert, Pride's Noble Walkers, Perryvale, AB

CHESTNUT FILLY (Mira's Montie Montana x Nahanni's Pride)
CHESTNUT COLT (Mira's Montie Montana x April Love's Regina)
SORREL COLT (Mira's Montie Montana x Chapie's Summer)
Peter Symons, Rafter Nines, Dawson Creek, BC

BLACK COLT born June 3, 2003 (April's Artic Storm x Chance's Molly Midnight) Jana Jacobsen, JRJ Walkers, Cranbrook, BC

SORREL FILLY - Liberty Belle, by Northfork Sky Walker out of Chapie's Belle, July 9. Chris Bayens, Stony Plain, AB

BAY SABINO FILLY (Canadian Shaker x Monteray Gold) McDonald Farms, Pouce Coupe, BC



BAY TOBIANO FILLY (Storm's Northern Victory x Artic's Kit Cat) May 10
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CANADIAN REGISTRY OF THE TENNESSEE WALKING HORSE

REGISTRATION, DNA and BLOODTYPING PROCEDURES

When registering your Foal or unregistered Yearling or Older Tennessee Walking Horse with the Canadian Registry of the Tennessee Walking Horse, the following apply:

Using DNA Profiling:

[1] Sire and Dam must be DNA profiled and on record with Canadian Livestock Records before the foal can be parent verified and registered. If you are unsure that this has been done you can check with CLRC (phone # 613-731-7110) and/or MAXXAM (phone #1-877-706-7678 toll free).

[2] Fill in the Registration Application as you have in previous years. (The only difference is there is a YES or NO box for DNA of Sire and Dam on the front, NEW pictures to draw the MARKINGS on, and a box to check for Registration Fee and DNA Parentage Verification Fee on the back.)

PLEASE DO NOT USE THE OLD REGISTRATION APPLICATION FORMS,

as this will cause you to receive a REJECT NOTICE from CLRC which will cost you a REJECT FEE.

[3] Check the BOX for the DNA fee. DNA fee is \$60.00

[4] Send Registration Application along with the Current registration fee and the DNA fee of \$60.00 (see Fee Schedule for current registration fees) to:

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- [5] Canadian Livestock Records Corp. will send you a preprinted DNA kit with the Registered name and number of your foal / horse, the sire's and the dam's DNA case file number, date of birth and sex, etc.
- [6] On receiving the DNA Kit from CLRC you only need to PULL the mane hair, tape it to the DNA form, sign and date it, then send it to:

MAXXAM Analytics Inc, 335 Laird Road, Unit \$, Guelph, Ontario, N1H 613 Canada.

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- [2] Fill in registration application, send copy /make sure that blood types are on file with CLCR.
- [3] You will **NOT CHECK** the DNA box.
- [4] Send along with current fees to:

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NOTES

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When Canadian registering your USA registered horse.

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You can get the new forms from the CRTWH web site at - www.crtwh..ca or by contacting the CRTWH Secretary, President or one of the Directors.. We will be happy to help you.

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b. Individual Life Membership (Individual). Voting, member fee schedule applies			
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d. Associate Membership (individuals, organization, groups, All Canadian Resident). Non-voting, non-member fee schedule applies			
e. Non-Canadian Resident Membership. Non-voting, member fee schedule applies		\$35.00/yr.	
2. REGISTRATION OF HORSES NOT ALREADY REGISTERED WITH CRTWH	Member Fees	Non-Member Fees	
Registration by TWHBEA is not required if sire and/or dam is not registered with CRTWH. Submit a photocopy of both sides of the TWHBEA certificate for the sire and/or dam with the application. Foals must be parent verified.			
a. Within 12 months of foaling	\$40.00	\$80.00	
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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	
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	Member	Non-Member	
6. OTHER SERVICES	Fees	Fees	
 a. DNA Hair Analysis Profiling for an unregistered foal. DNA kits are available from CLRC. Pay CLRC at time of application. 	\$60.00	\$85.00	
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c. Blood-typing/DNA updated certificate for mature horse.	\$10.00	\$25.00	
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NEWS FROM OUR U.S. READERS

FRANNE BRANDON, PINEFOLLY FARMS, PETERSBURG, TN, writes, "The new WHN came yesterday, and so far I have enjoyed it around doing the housework. (I have been trying to weed through the stockpiles of horse magazines and papers in my office, and am making some headway.)

"I really enjoyed the article by the crazy man who drove in the snow to the Rafter Nines Ranch to get horses. Was I reading correctly that he is standing Mark's Midnight Allen (Bruce Burke's horse) for 2003? I am glad that someone got that stallion who could appreciate him. He was such a nice baby!"
"I also noticed by accident of surfing TWH websites that the Chances Gold 'N Yellow horse is now standing in Kentucky. Did he leave some good babies

"It began raining last night and rained enough this morning to make everything outdoors wet and muddy, which curtailed outdoor plans, including the rental trail ride on Tennessee Walking Horses that Kristi was getting for her 21st birthday gift."

behind in Alberta?"

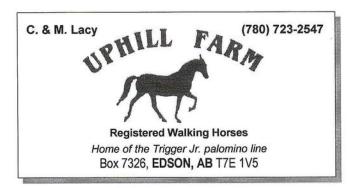
From ALLANNA JACKSON, LAKESIDE, AZ, "I've received 3 positive responses to that piece on soring. You've got more non-show and pre-biglick show bloodline options up in Canada than we have here."

"WHJ went to the printer's last week so I probably need to send you the next installment of the Blue saga. I rode her this morning and we managed a short trail ride. She got a little nervous in the middle, and so did I, but we survived with only one spook which I stayed with her through. She spooked at another horse! Then she wanted to rush when she heard strange horses whinnying at her. I've been suspicious that she'd get hot around other horses because the seller said he'd trail ridden her on group rides. The kind of trail rides he was talking about seem to consist of getting a bunch of half-broke horses together and riding them as fast as they can gait around somebody's pasture so the riders can play some sort of one-up-manship game about who's got the fastest, fanciest, most colorful horse. Whatever they were doing it did not prepare Blue to be a safe trail horse. She's progressing very slowly, but is progressing. She might progress faster if I could work her as much as I did Sassy, but with 5 of them, the 3 in training get only 1 or 2 lessons per week and the seniors don't get enough attention. On the other hand, Blue's initial training was so rushed she may be doing better with this schedule. I was looking at dates on the information I have about Blue's history and it appears she may have been put in a TN show ring after only 2 weeks under saddle and no ground training! Blue's a nice mare and had real potential as a trail horse if she'd had decent training."

"Sassy helped me by ponying Cinnamon on a short trail ride last Friday. We trailered over to give Cinnamon experience trailering. Cinnamon did fantastic! She's definitely Koko's daughter and has the makings of a real trail horse. Velvet has really calmed down and is showing promise of becoming a nice pleasure horse since God healed her of a split personality. Koko's still perking along, slowly. The old fellow is having problems with stumbling and falling in a somersault that knocks the wind out of him. Then he has trouble getting up again. Every time it happens I'm afraid he won't be able to. He's still flirting with the mares though."

"As for the fire situation, we're on the edge of evacuation again, kind of, sort of, on alert, but not quite. They did evacuate Whiteriver yesterday and the fire is now within 1/4 mile of the hospital down there but hasn't moved any closer to the trigger point for evacuating us, and they've moved that trigger point north. It seems like they're being more vague about the evacuation this year in the hopes of not panicking people, but I'm finding that makes it harder to discern when to do what about the horses."

"Moving me and the cat on short notice is no big deal. Dad just suggested moving three of the horses in advance and taking the last two at the last minute. That may be what I'll have to do. I'm a little reluctant to move Koko unless I absolutely have to because he's been having these mini-strokes or something, and is having trouble getting around. I'm not sure he can balance in a trailer any more, but if I move Sassy and not him they'll both be emotionally stressed because they're buddies. Too much smoke isn't good for the old fellow either. Maybe I could move the roan family. Those three get along. Velvet and Cinnamon are very fond of each other, but Sassy has become Cinnamon's mentor..."



A DIFFERENT TAKE ON TENNESSEE TRAILS

By Franne Brandon



What do you give a daughter for that milestone twenty-first birthday when you've just celebrated her wedding in October? If she loves to trail ride, the new husband is a novice horseman, and all the family horses are young, you give her and the husband a trail ride on well-broke, sensible, registered Tennessee Walking Horse mares. Someone *else's* mares!

Thirty-five years ago, at Percy Warner Park in Nashville, a riding concession provided sensible and sane rental horses on which to enjoy the park's wooded hills and meadow trails. These horses, both gaited and trotting, varied from beginners' mounts for timid riders to horses with bigger motors for experienced riders. When the proprietor retired, however, the rental string was dispersed, and the stable shut down. I had been totally unaware of any rental strings that were operative in Middle Tennessee until the May, 2003, issue of the Tennessee Farm Bureau magazine arrived in the mail.

Always interested in the equine articles in each issue, I began on the one about rental trail facilities across the state. Most of the stables spotlighted by the feature used Quarter Horses. I had been already aware of several of these in the vicinity of the Great Smoky Mountain National Park, as we often vacationed there. One name mentioned in the article, though, was actually familiar. I had watched Julia Haun compete many times on her nice flatshod walking horses. The article stated that Miss Julia and friends had developed a trail system on private lands, offering guided rides on walking horses that were safe even

for non-riders. An idea for that special gift began to germinate! I emailed a query about the horses to the address in the article. Did they really have something for insecure riders? Did they have enough horses that both daughters could ride, if they chose? Julia's husband Larry, the computer expert in the family, replied that his wife was out of town, but that he was sure that the riding horses were foolproof, and that he would let me know when she returned. One afternoon, when Kristi and Daniel visited to borrow our internet, I asked Kristi if such a trail ride would suit her as a birthday gift. With a big smile, she said, "Yes."

Because Daniel's work schedule was heavy at the beginning of June, Saturdays were the only days available for our excursion. Since Julia and her granddaughters are actively involved in the local show circuits, certain busy show weekends preclude the guided trail rides. With Kristi's birthday falling on a Monday, we booked for the following weekend. Mother Nature did not care for our agenda, though, as torrential rains following her birthday made wooded trails in steep hill country unsafe for passage.

The following weekend, my younger daughter Kaylee had returned from a trip to Memphis with her best friend's family. Of course, she wanted to go along for the ride, too. The weather cooperated much better on this second effort, so armed with carefully written directions, boots for everyone, and a tankful of gas, we headed for Murfreesboro, knowing that the route past that city would be unfamiliar.

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At one point, the route became *so* unfamiliar that I was sure I'd gotten us lost! Fortunately, I did not turn the car, but proceeded down that narrow and washed-out road until we arrived at our destination, to some relief on my part!

Miss Julia and her granddaughter Julie had six horses saddled and ready to go. Miss Julia would be riding the lead mare, with Julie bringing up the rear on a Mud Slide Slim pony gelding. Kristi and Daniel were mounted on black mares, while Kaylee was given a quite pregnant red tobiano saddle pony. My mare was a beautiful dusty chestnut with silver shot through her mane and tail. Her barn name was Silver. Julia had everyone stash their drinks and snacks in her hornbags, secured the girths, provided mounting blocks for assistance, then we were off.

Climbing the first hill on my efficient-moving mare, I realized how wet and slippery these trails would have been the day when the ride was cancelled. A week later, the hills were cool, the views peaceful, and the mares, busy with climbing and balancing on the downhills, proceeded at a speed slow enough for any beginning rider. The pace was relaxing when the hills flattened out at intervals. I enjoyed my mare, who seemed really smart and willing. Halfway through the ride, a long, grassy slope led to a small hilltop field complete with picket lines and a picnic table. We tied the mares and Mud Slide to the lines, then got off to stretch our legs and enjoy the snacks and bottled water. The view was gorgeous and so peaceful, with not a house or barn in sight.

The rest of the trail looped around through more hills and a section overgrown with vines and brush to provide some challenge. I kept looking for deer or turkeys - and hoped there were no elusive bears as sometimes wander into the hill country of Middle Tennessee. As the horses descended the final hill, the route required use of the road on which we'd arrived in order to return to the barn. This gave our mounts the chance to show off the saddle gaits that would have been so dangerous on the steep and twisting trails. It also gave us the chance to see Miss Julia's very pretty young grey mare that was pastured away from her farm on the return route.

Back at the barn, Mr. Larry took a photo of the birthday girl, then another group shot of all four Brandon family riders. Kristi kept insisting that she wanted to buy her mare! (Not that she doesn't have a black gelding of her own at home. Well, at our home.)

Overall, it was a unique experience for the four of us to ride together, and one I think anyone wanting to taste the Tennnesee hill trails experience would enjoy. **

READERS WRITE

REPLIES TO ALLANNA JACKSON'S OPINION,

JUNE '03 WHN

BRENDA L. BAKER, CALGARY, AB

"I have to applaud Allanna Jackson's stand about the foolishness about WGC bloodlines and the whole scenario of soring, chains, and big shoes. Being a horse lover from an early age and being influenced by horsemen and women who really cared about their animals, I can't ever "get used to" the pictures of TWH on big shoes, etc. No amount of rationalization can influence me to change my view. Ms Jackson may come across as a radical but then, it was a few radicals that got women the vote, and not so long ago! The world is full of apathetic people. Where do YOU fit in?"

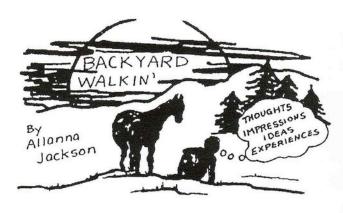
DIANE SCZEPANSKI, WHITEHALL, WI

"I am writing to ask permission to reprint on my websites the letter Allanna Jackson sent to the WHN in the May-June issue. She had some good points about the types of horses people are buying and what they are really supporting by buying big lick bred animals. If the sound horse folks are to make a difference in the lives of the horses, people need to hear this message."

RACHEL HILL, FORT FRANCES, ON

"I just got my May/June issue and wanted to comment on the article from Allanna Jackson. I can't agree more with Allanna's perspective on this. I have recently connected with Diane Sczepanski and am learning about all the wonderful foundation lines. Thanks to all the previous articles by Franne Brandon in WHN, I have a real appreciation for the efforts of those key individuals who did not cave in to the pressures of the fad of the day. Keep up the good work, everyone!"





Gary Gang's Clinic

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Allanna Lea Jackson

On Saturday morning, July 28, 2001, I loaded Blue and went to Gary Gang's Driving Clinic at the Powell arena in White Mountain Lake. Blue wasn't sure she wanted to go. I had to coax her into the trailer. She rode nicely and backed out calmly when we arrived.

The "arena" was simply a rectangle of dirt cleared out of the juniper forest, with a metal mesh fence around it, a very small round pen made of metal portable stock panels in the southeast corner and a gate at the south end. There was an outdoor water faucet just outside the west side of the arena and an outhouse with flush toilet lurked in the junipers a few feet further west. A tiny ramada beside the gate was propped up by junipers and the arena fence. Parking was adjacent to the arena on large cinders spread between junipers. The horses were tied to the trailers. Blue was quite calm and content with where I'd parked, somewhat away from the other horses but close enough to observe the activities. For us people it was bring your own chair, water, food and shade.

There were only half a dozen auditors and 7 or 8 equines present, but it was quite an assortment: A half grown donkey jack, a BLM mustang mare, a very mellow 2-year-old registered Quarter Horse colt, an old stock horse gelding of uncertain origin, a 4 year old Quarter/Arab gelding and his stablemate, the black and white tobiano Paint/draft mare from a PMU farm in Saskatchewan, a very well schooled 11 year old registered Haflinger mare, and Blue, my 10 year old Walking/Racking mare. Blue's pretty color netted several compliments.

The two-day clinic was a financial disaster for Gary Gang. But the few of us who attended were serious about learning so it was a quiet, calm and very productive weekend for us.

The scheduling was very informal so Blue loafed around at the trailer wearing my western

saddle part of the morning while I observed the session on correct adjustment of a driving harness. I watched the fitting of harnesses to the Quarter Horses and took a try at driving the Haflinger. I unsaddled Blue and gave her lunch about 11 a.m., then watched round pen sessions with the donkey, mustang, and Quarab gelding.

When it was our turn I saddled Blue again and took her bridle, lunge caveson, lunge lines, lunge whip, and my helmet and gloves over to the round pen. Gary Gang remembered me from the previous year's clinic. I'd gone as an auditor since it was just days after I'd finally gotten my arm out of the sling. I'd been very impressed with what I'd seen at that clinic so I'd talked to him briefly about Blue afterwards. He remembered me and the incident when I explained that Blue was the horse. I told him I trusted him to help me re-start her under saddle... but only if he felt that the two of us were ready to do it safely.

Mr. Gang looked Blue over and observed that she seemed to want to be a quiet horse. He asked me to lunge Blue so I traded her bridle for the caveson and put her on the circle at a walk. Blue got excited and wanted to trot so I dropped the whip, told her "whoa" and had her stand until she'd settled, then asked for trot. Mr. Gang approved of this, then explained to the group why I was right to stop and settle Blue even though he had recommended keeping the Quarab gelding moving after similar behavior. Despite the similarity in behavior the two horses are quite different in temperament and history.

When Blue was trotting calmly, I stopped her, turned her the other way and repeated. I explained that I had taught her to trot even though she is gaited, in order to encourage relaxation and develop speed control. Mr. Gang had no problem with this at all since his experience is with trotting horses. We were working on fundamentals that apply to all horses. Mr. Gang approved of my wearing a helmet even for ground work. He suggested that I have the horse change directions more often when lunging and advised having Blue stand and face me or come in to me rather than my going out to her to change I did not understand why this was direction. supposed to be better, particularly considering Blue's difficulties with standing still and her pacing sideways facing me as an evasion when we first started lunging. I filed the suggestion under things to consider later.

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Mr. Gang had me bridle Blue again and drive her in the round pen. Then he drove her for a few minutes himself and decided she was ready for me to ride. By this time the group of auditors had dwindled to friends who knew about the Blue wreck. They observed our work with very attentively quiet moral support.

We put the lunge caveson, with lunge line attached, over Blue's bridle. Mr. Gang held the lunge line and explained that Blue was actually going to be under my control. He was just holding the lunge line as a security blanket and ground control back-up for both of us.

Mr. Gang instructed me to start by putting my foot in the stirrup and act as if I were going to mount several times without actually doing so. I did. Blue stood and stayed relaxed. Then he had me stand in the stirrup but not actually swing my leg over. I did that a couple of times. Blue stayed calm so he told me to proceed with mounting, then just sit on her and relax. I did. He reminded me to breathe, then ask Blue to walk when I was ready. Blue walked quietly when I told her to. We circled the round pen. Mr. Gang suggested I turn Blue to the inside. Then we walked and turned, walked and turned for several minutes while Mr. Gang simply kept the lunge line out of the way and offered moral support and suggestions. After a few minutes we were both relaxed so Mr. Gang suggested we quit for the day. He pointed out to all of us how soft-eyed and content Blue looked after the ride, saying that we want to see every training session with every horse end that way.

That was all for Saturday. Mr. Gang wanted me to bring Blue back on Sunday so we could repeat and reinforce the lesson. I had not planned on going to the Sunday session of the clinic because it involved missing church but what we'd accomplished on Saturday was so plainly an answer to prayer I had to be where God was working. Blue and I went back to the clinic Sunday morning.

In Sunday's session Mr. Gang repeated what we'd done the day before with less lunging and no driving. I rode Blue a few minutes longer at a slow walk with Mr. Gang holding the lunge line. We again stopped when Blue and I were both relaxed and she was looking soft-eyed and contented. Mr. Gang recommended that I ride Blue in a round pen on the lunge line every day for the next week with someone holding the lunge line to be our security blanket.

My neighbor Sherry cheerfully volunteered to be ground person on Monday. I don't have a round pen so we used Blue's corral. Sherry didn't have time to do it all week so Blue and I were on our own starting Tuesday.

I started by lunging Blue until she was relaxed and responsive then had her stand while I mounted. We stood for a minute or so after I was on. Then I quietly asked Blue to walk. We strolled around the corral at a slow walk practicing turns and stops until we were both comfortable. When Blue tensed and wanted to speed up I quietly turned her, walk, turn, walk, turn, stop, walk, turn, until she settled. Each ride was very short. I stopped when we were both comfortable and relaxed.

After the week of riding I went back to working on Blue's ground driving. There were things we needed to refine on the ground before we could do much riding.

Next: Ground Driving Blue.

Candy Rap

by Troy Lauzon

My name is Troy Lauzon, I have blonde hair,
My favorite horse is a Tennessee mare Topper's Candy is her name.
Here's the story to add to our fame:

4H ON PARADE 2003

I am eleven and so is Candy Which makes it just about dandy. In the corral the show was to be Everyone there, including Candy and me.

Saturday morning, very early to start,
For the Sabino mare with the great big heart.
Showmanship the first class
And boy what a gas!

A fourth place ribbon was given
To a first class mare who is so driven.
Sunday - early morning rain,
What a great big pain!

Pleasure class # 68 -What was to be our fate? No ribbon to place But to save our grace,

Equitation was next Surely we weren't hexed?
No luck here either,
Now let's take a breather.

For some strange reason We'll wait till next season, For the Tennessee mare And the boy with blonde hair.



THE RIDING TREE: RELAXATION

Faith Meredith, Director of Riding, Meredith Manor International Equestrian Centre

careers in horsemanship

Before you can clearly communicate to the horse what shapes you want him to take at what gait and in what rhythm, you need to have control over your own body. You cannot simultaneously influence the horse's shape, gait, and cadence unless you are in the right position over his center of gravity to apply the right sequence of aids with the right degree of pressure and the right timing. To control your body to that extent, you need to have an independent seat.

Relaxation is the basic skill riders must master on the way to achieving an independent seat. It is the first of six skills that build on one another to create what I refer to in my classes as "the riding tree" because once students have mastered them, they have the necessary foundation to branch out into any specialized riding discipline they may choose. An independent seat is the strong foundation that allows a student to successfully ride and train a dressage horse or reining horse or a higher level horse in any discipline.

Riders need to be relaxed both physically and mentally. Physically, all of the muscles should be relaxed and all of the joints should be loose. The ankle, the knee, the hips, the elbows, and the shoulders are the joints we think of first. However riders need to be aware of tension anywhere in their bodies such as their wrists or fingers, their neck or jaw. While you are riding scan your body frequently for any muscle or joint that is tense.

A lot of riders carry tension somewhere in their bodies and it commonly shows up as tension in the lower leg, a stiffening of the seat, so that you can't follow the horse's motion. So the first thing an instructor should work on is relaxation. If you have stiffness problems, your instructor might have you bounce around without stirrups until your muscles and joints let go of their tension and you can be as loose as a rag doll. Remember, your joints, especially your hips, are shock absorbers. Any joint that is braced or tense makes it harder for your body to absorb the shock of the motion of the horse.

Obviously, if you're bouncing around on your horse's back, his attention is going to be focused on the pain or discomfort that your stiffness causes him. If anything about your seat makes the horse uncomfortable in any way, then any other communication you are trying to give is lost.

You can empathize with the horse if you imagine that you are riding around and suddenly develop a terrible pain in your calf. Once that happens, nothing else really matters. What your instructor is saying to you doesn't matter because you're dealing with this pain that has to be addressed first. You don't put all the blood, sweat, and tears into developing an independent seat because you want to look pretty sitting on the horse. You put the work into developing that kind of foundation or seat in order to communicate with your horse.

Eventually, you need to be relaxed at all gaits on all kinds of horses. As you evaluate your own progress, however, you may find that you can be relaxed at the walk on any horse but you cannot yet be relaxed at the trot on some horses or at the canter on others. What you want is to feel relaxed all the time but in the beginning you are only going to experience it on some horses at some gaits.

Mental relaxation goes hand in hand with physical relaxation. If you are not relaxed mentally - if you are nervous about something, if you are afraid of the horse, if you are in pain because of an injury or because you are sick - then relaxation is difficult. When one part of your body really hurts, it is hard to relax another part. If you are really afraid of the horse, even breathing takes some concentration.

To relax mentally when you are working with horses, you also have to be able to leave behind anything in your life that is causing you stress. I teach my students that, as they are putting their foot in the stirrup, they should mentally picture everything else that is on their mind, then picture themselves dumping it over in a corner of the arena. They will leave it there for the hour that they are in their riding class and they can pick it up again when they are through.

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During the class, however, they are going to relax and focus their attention on the horse.

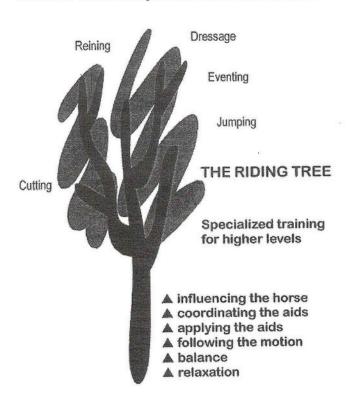
Dumping your problems in a corner of the arena is guaranteed to make your riding better. Every rider has had the experience of a ride that started out badly and ended the same way because they were already in a bad mood the moment they got on the horse. So you have to learn to control that. Who wants to waste their hour of riding because they are mad at someone who just said something nasty to them or because they are allowing whatever else is going on in their life to intrude on their riding time?

When you start practicing this visualization, you will find that it not only helps you relax mentally, it also makes your riding a wonderful escape from life's problems. However, getting on your horse and forgetting about everything else takes practice. Just keep riding.

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READERS WRITE

BREEDING BABIES?

CATHY MARTINOFF writes:

"I have heard of several people breeding 2 year old fillies this year. I find it hard to believe that some find this acceptable. (Would they allow their 10 yr. old daughter to have a child?) Anyways, I am hoping that you could do an article in some future edition of WHN on breeding ages of fillies and why they shouldn't be bred until they reach adulthood. I know Dr. Deb Bennett writes about a stallion's age at breeding but I don't think she addresses the prospective dam's age."

MOUNTAIN TRIPS ON TWH

From Darlene Shantz:

"I really want to do a mountain ride trip (on TWH of course!) and life is too short to keep putting these things off into the future so maybe it is time to make real plans! If you know of any places that do guided trips on Walkers I'd appreciate the information. Thanks!"

EFFECTIVE BUG REPELLENT

LARRY BLAESER writes:

"Here's a tip for readers. A very effective mosquito and bug repellent can be made with one bottle of repellent such as Muskol or Deep Woods (30%) and one bottle of rubbing alcohol. Put into a good spray bottle and shake. It is an excellent repellent for the horses as well as people."

TWHBEA MEMOS

The Tennessee Walking Horse Breeders' & Exhibitors' Association introduced a new program in 2002 to certify qualified riding instructors. The process of certification reflects an evaluation of the teaching abilities of the candidate and includes both oral and written examinations. Participants must be members in good standing of TWHBEA and must follow TWHBEA Academy Guidelines.

Kim Pringle of Arden, Ontario is the first riding instructor to be TWHBEA certified in Canada. Kim received her Level I Instructor's Certification during the Certification Clinic held Friday, May 23, 2003, at Midland Equestrian Center in Shelbyville, TN.

TWHBEA has certified 66 riding instructors in 13 states, and we hope Kim is the first of many instructors who will be certified in Canada.

From TWHBEA press release, June 1, 2003

WHAT IS GAIT AND WHAT PRODUCES A GAITED HORSE?

By Eldon Eadie

Ask a hundred different people and you will likely get a hundred different answers: Some will say that gait is mainly overstride, head nod, and evenly timed hoofbeats. Others will say that it is termino (winging), brio (fire), and the inability to trot. Some will say that a horse has to be loose moving in order to gait. Others will say that a horse has to be tight. Some will say that it is mainly the result of training, others will emphasize conformation, or bone structure, or breeding (genetics), or disposition, or shoeing, or hoof angle, or the type of bit used, or the degree of collection, or the conditioning of the horse, or the attitude of the rider, or the skill of the rider, or the brand of scootin' juice (soring), or the type of action devices used, or the number of World Grand Champions on its pedigree.

The one common denominator between all breeds of gaited horses and all types within those breeds is that gait is the ability of the horse to maintain an evenly timed hoofbeat at an increase of speed. Whether you call it the tolt or the running walk is irrelevant. Gait is the programming in the horse's brain that makes it possible to hold an evenly timed footfall at an increase of speed. All of the above factors contribute to the quality of gait in different Each breed has a different standard with different definitions of gait that emphasize various aspects of gait, but in all cases a horse that breaks with an increase of speed, in a clear sharp transition from a walk to a trot or pace, is un-gaited. A horse that holds an even timed footfall (or drifts slightly) is gaited. Take a look at your average Ouarter Horse or Thoroughbred. With an increase of speed the horse will shift gears in a very distinct transition from a walk to a trot. When you see this type of activity in a gaited breed, you are not looking at gait. Even if the horse shifts in a clear transition to the pace, it is still not showing gait. Most well gaited horses are capable of this kind of clear transition at times but what you want to see is a slow drift from a walk to a middle gait somewhere between a trot and a pace or better yet, no drift at all. A strong gaited horse will just continue to walk with any increase in speed. It may not be winging (termino) or it may not be nodding, but if it is doing an even gait at speed,

without action devices or scootin' juice, it is strong gaited.

This brings us to the two main aspects of gait. One is the programming of the brain of the horse. This aspect is mainly determined by genetics but can be influenced very significantly by training and some of the other factors mentioned above. This aspect gives the horse the ability to maintain an even gait at speed.

The other aspect of gait is the bone structure of the horse (conformation). This aspect is also mainly determined by genetics but can be very significantly enhanced by action devices and other methods. It is the conformation of the horse that gives it the headnod and overstride that is very much a part of the running walk.

If you are breeding natural gaited horses, you need to be very careful about both aspects of gait. You need the natural ability to maintain an even gait at speed and you need good conformation of movement (bone structure). If you are breeding performance horses (big lick), you only need to worry about conformation. The natural ability to hold an even gait does not matter. Some people seem to think that the performance horse is solely produced by artificial means; that all you have to do is use the right methods and you are on your way to the WGC circle. This is not true. All, and I repeat, ALL, world grand champions have good conformation of movement in various ways. Without it, they do not make.

In the walking horse business we have a large number of very good people dealing with training, etc. of these horses and they are far ahead of me in these areas. In this series of articles I will say very little about these topics although I do not discount their significance. The one thing that I have never seen dealt with in any detail is the genetics of breeding for gait. How do we actually put together the perfect horse?

NEXT ARTICLE - BREEDING FOR GAIT.

Author's Note: Here is the first article that I promised you too many years ago. I would appreciate it if you do not use your editorial prerogative to change anything that I say in this series of articles. If your readers are too fragile or too sensitive to deal with any of the issues facing the TWH, just ask them not to read my writings. I don't expect to make any friends with this because I will probably offend everyone by the time that I am finished. If there is anything that you feel that you cannot print, please ask me to revise it and I will send it back to you. Eldon Eadie

Independent Judges Association DISSECTED & EXAMINED

By Dianne Little

Part I:

As the recently appointed IJA Director of Judges, I have been questioned frequently on the IJA program. Many questions relate specifically to the Rules for Competition, but there are enough questions concerning the program itself that I realize confusion exists regarding the licensing of judges. To quote from Article 1.1 Background of the Program: "The Independent Judges Association was founded in 1998, as a subset of the Friends of the Sound Horse, (FOSH) to provide a source of trained and qualified pleasure horse judges to preside at open, saddle club and gaited breed specific shows. Although IJA judges are qualified to judge non-gaited horses, the primary emphasis of the program is on Walking Horses and Gaited Horses".

This statement defines the purpose of IJA and continuing sections of Article 1 further explain the program. However, not everyone has the time or inclination to explore a lengthy Rule Book to arrive at an understanding of the program. To clarify confusion let's examine the individual elements of the above statement.

What is meant by *trained*? Before receiving a license, all IJA prospective judges must attend a professional training seminar. Even after licensing, the professional training continues as all IJA judges must attend a professional training seminar every three years. Each individual, whether a judge or a prospective judge, pays a fee for the seminar as well as their personal (traveling and accommodation) expenses. There is a reason this is called a professional training seminar — it is conducted by licensed judges and experts from various equine disciplines and is designed to train.

One purpose of the seminar is to familiarize judges and prospective judges with the IJA Rule Book and the basic FOSH philosophy. The seminar does not focus on a simple reading of the rules, but a discussion of the reasoning behind the rules. It is emphasized that judges must not only understand the rules, they must judge by the rules. Judges are made aware that there is no place for personal preference in any class: every class must be pinned on the basis of the rules of competition for that class. Every judge has a responsibility to the show committee who hired him and to the competitor who paid for his opinion. He is expected to act professionally, to treat all

competitors fairly, to give attention to each competitor, to pay attention to the entire performance, to the best of his ability watch the entire ring, and to judge by the Rules.

During the seminar particular emphasis is placed on gaits and the variations within gaits to assist judges and prospective judges in developing' an eye for' gait and gait variances. A wide variety of video footage is used for this section of the training. Interchange of opinions is encouraged - resulting in lively discussion. Each clinic participant is given the opportunity to analyze gait, question a particular example of gait, and consequently arrive at a deeper understanding and recognition of gait. Judges are encouraged to look at all the pieces in every class – timing, balance and attitude.

The type of horse that judges should be looking for in each Tennessee Walking Horse Division (Park Pleasure, English Pleasure, Western Pleasure, Trail Pleasure and Country Pleasure) and other gaited breed Divisions is explained. It is emphasized that frame and movement, not shoe size, are Division definers. Judges and prospective judges are exposed to the actual judging process – they must get out there and place classes while adhering to judging protocol for each class. Not only must they place classes, they must be prepared to justify each placing. Discussion is rampant as renewing and prospective judges discuss philosophies and reasons for their placings.

What is meant by qualified? - Qualification for occupation requires training, practice, examination and evaluation. For IJA prospective judges it is no different. After attendance at the professional training seminar, each prospective judge (as well as re-certifying judges) write an exam based upon the Rule Book. The exam is designed to familiarity, knowledge demonstrate understanding of the rule book, including: gait and gait deviation for all gaited breeds; tack and attire for each division and breed; individual divisions; ring protocol; ethical considerations; rules particular to each gaited breed's versatility events and the FOSH program. A passing mark on the exam is 90%.

Usually prospective judges begin their judging practice during the training seminar - horses are presented and placed. After each class, re-certifying and prospective judges must not only place the class, but provide reasons for their placing. This is an ideal situation for the exchange of ideas and peer learning. This peer learning for prospective judges continues in the real world of horse shows. Prospective judges who do not carry a license (or Card) from other associations must apprentice, judge a minimum of three shows, where walking or Gaited Horses are pre-

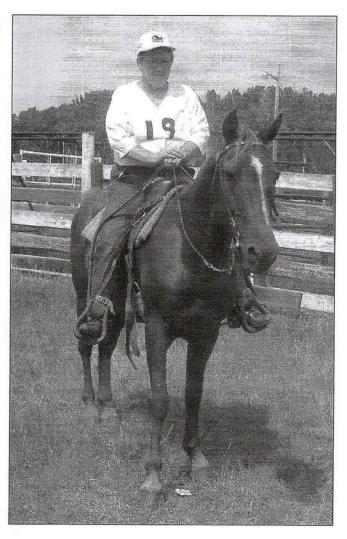
dominant. Two of these shows must take place under an IJA judge. All apprentice judging is at the personal expense of the apprentice. After a show where there has been an apprentice judge, the master judge submits a written report to the Director of Judges evaluating the apprentice and including a recommendation concerning the ability of the individual to judge. After the required number of shows have been apprenticed, the Director of Judges decides whether further training is required or if a license should be issued. Prospective judges who hold licenses with other associations may not be required to judge 3 shows under an IJA judge. Once a license is issued by IJA, the judge is deemed qualified.

The IJA program is selective. All prospective judges must be invited into the IJA program. Renewal of an IJA license is not automatic: all IJA judges must be invited to renew annually. Prospective judges must: supply personal and professional references to the Director of Judges; must be 25 years of age; must have no violations of the Horse Protection Act (either federal or HIO violations); and must have an HPA record that is clear of any upheld violation for five years before application. Prospective judges will not be accepted if there is evidence of any conduct considered to conflict with the FOSH statement of purpose. This includes the owning, training or exhibition of performance (padded and chained) Tennessee Walking Horses, placing any horse in training with a padded walking horse trainer; and boarding of any personal horse in the custody or on the grounds of a facility operated by individuals associated with padded walking horses.

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2003 Foals There's no question about this colt at the CoHo Ranch, Breton, AB - except on his forehead!



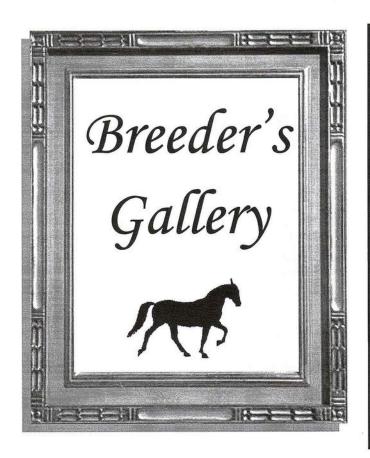


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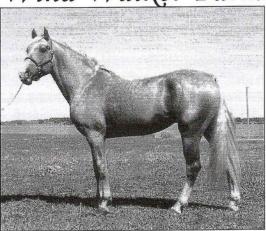
aka NORTHFORK SKY WALKER (shown above) received a plaque this July at the Festival of the Gaits at Tees, Alberta, honoring them for their consistent support over the years. Now over 19 years old, Luke has attended the Festival since he was five, only missing about three.

'Luke' fans were especially happy to see him back in action after the terrible injuries he sustained last September when two stray draught horse stallions got into his paddock and attacked him. There was even thought that he might have to be put down due to his injuries. But Luke and his owner, Jean, persevered and although he'll always carry the scars, he has healed and is healthy again, although not entirely sound.

As Jean says "Luke isn't really sound; he can't canter properly anymore, though we did fast barrels in 29 - 30 seconds and poles in around 29 seconds. He is off on his right front and has massive muscle loss on the left side of his lower neck. But he was cheered on and tried his best as he did in every class we went in. He wasn't a happy horse when we *didn't* go into the ring for the musical hoops. Checking him after the fun was over and after we got home, he showed no heat, swelling or stiffness."



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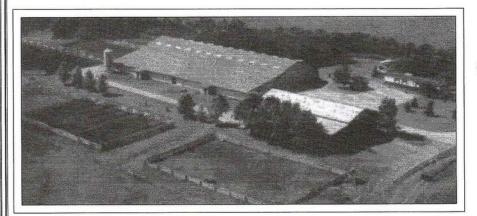
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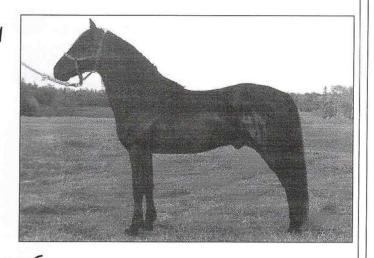
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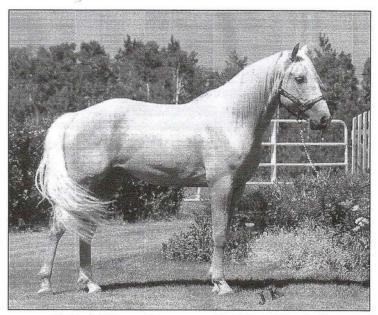
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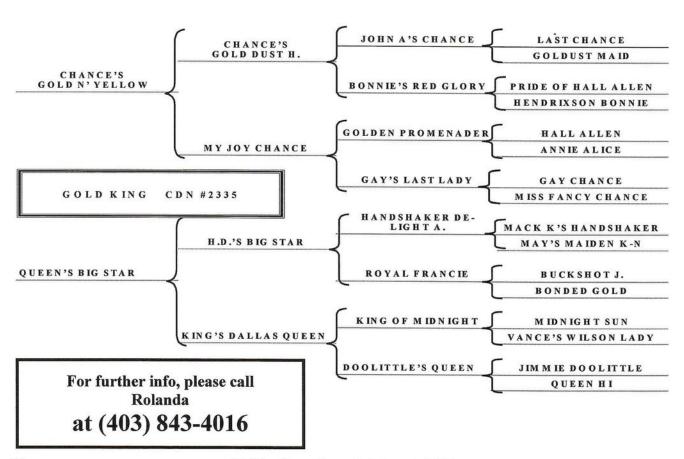
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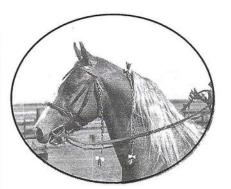
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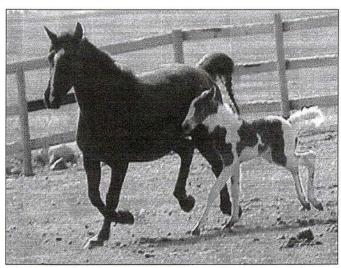
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David Carson's foal sale in Listowel, Ontario on September 6, 2003.

The remaining foals, particularly foals born in June, will be sold off the farm by private treaty. Foals can be viewed and / or purchased before September, but can only leave the farm after weaning. [Weaned at three to four months of age].

Offered for sale are: Eleven registered foals:

SORREL COLT - "Merry's Joker"
[T-Bone's Diamond Edition X Roth's Shadow Merry Allen]

SORREL COLT - "Cherry's Juniper"
[T-Bone's Diamond Edition X Cee Dee's Shaker Lady]

BAY COLT - "Jeannie's Justice"
[T-Bone's Diamond Edition X Three Wishes Jennie]

SORREL COLT - "Belle's Jangle"
[T-Bone's Diamond Edition X Kihn's Firewalker Belle]

CHAMPAGNE FILLY - "Angel's Joya"
[Topaz Merry Go X Roth's Red Walking Angel]

CHAMPAGNE FILLY - Echo's Juanita [Topaz Merry Go X Cee Dee's Kit's Echo]

SORREL FILLY - Strega's Jena [Topaz Merry Go X Shaker's Strega]

CHAMPAGNE COLT - Tango's Jetson [Topaz Merry Go X Cee Dee's Tango]

CHAMPAGNE COLT - Sadie's Jeronimo [Topaz Merry Go X Miss Kitty]

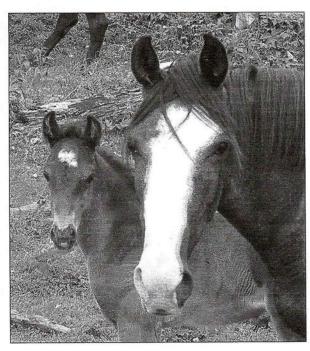
PALOMINO COLT - Eclipse's Juno
[T-Bone's Diamond Edition X Cee Dee's Tango's Eclipse]

BLACK COLT - Stormy's Jet
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and twelve 1/2 or 3/4 Tennessee Walker foals, including four draft crosses.

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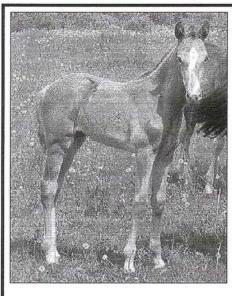
The pictures, taken in June, are a few of the registered foals.



PURE LUCK'S JASMINE
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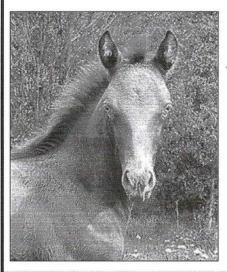
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sorrel colt
Sire - T-Bone's Diamond Edition
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[Iron Eagle's Cherokee

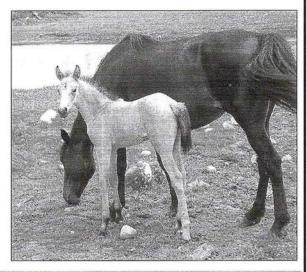
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Shaker's Strega]



ANGEL'S JOYA
champagne filly
Sire - Topaz Merry Go
Dam - Roth's Red Walking Angel
[Wainwright's Shadow
X
Katie's Foxy Lady]

buckskin filly
Sire -Topaz Merry Go
Dam - Cee Dee's
Melody in Motion
[Calta Allegro Con Moto X
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X Chiffon's Amber Dream [Go Shadow Go x Glory's Gold Chiffon]

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by Generator's Diamond [Pride's Generator x Shadow's Jolly]

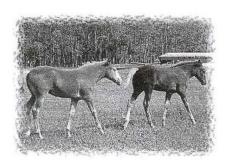
X Someday Justy Nuff [Ebony's Jack Daniels x Beauty's Dawn]

T-BONE'S DIAMOND EDITION [sorrel 15 hh]

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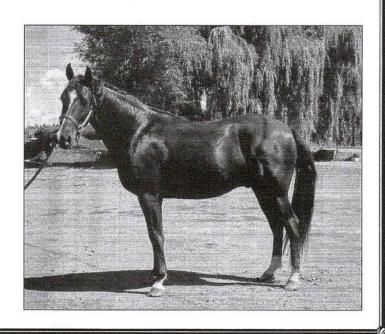
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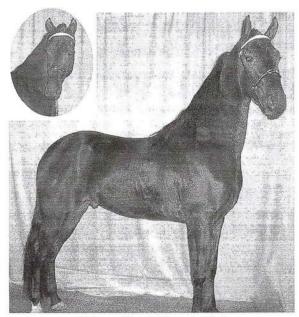
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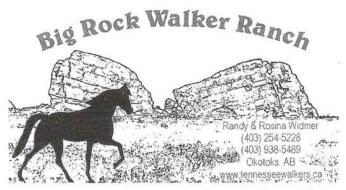
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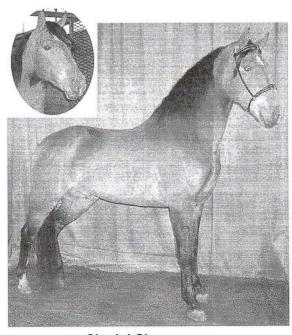
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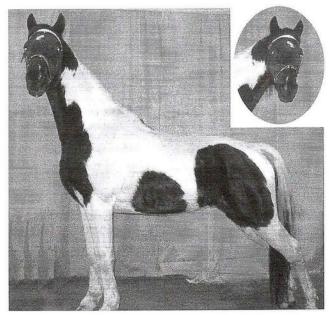
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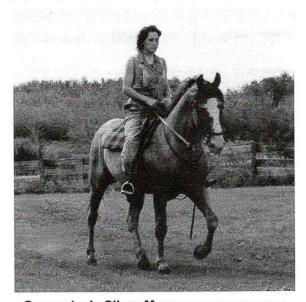
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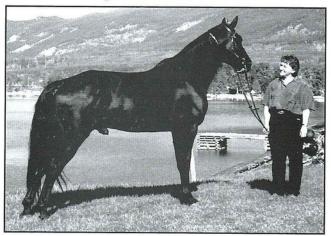


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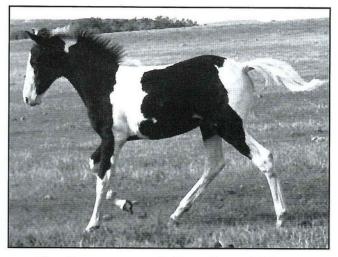
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