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with Tennessee Walkers and
their riders during the smoky
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on pages 17 & 18.

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Dear Subscribers,

It's officially the first day of spring - *and the first foal of 2004 reported here is* - a black filly owned by Kim Pringle. Kim writes, "Mom & baby are doing well. This filly is by our stallion Trackin' On Heir out of Clemon-tina's Rhythm. She is smart on her feet and definitely the 'happiest' baby I've ever seen." Congratulations, Kim, and good luck to everyone who is expecting foals this year. Let's hear from you!

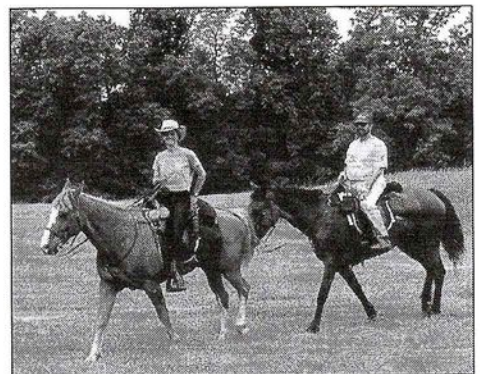
I am sorry to say that I will have to raise the sub-
scription rates to *WHN*. I've held off on this for as long as
possible, but starting June 30, a year's subscription will
cost \$18.00 in Canada. The last increase was in 1996.

There are lots of exciting things going on in the
Walking Horse world. Check out the innovative idea of a
Virtual Futurity on page 22 and look at the 'centre fold'
of young Walkers that competed in last year's Futurity.
Also, check out all the ads. There's never been a greater
choice of Tennessee Walking Horses in Canada than
you'll see in this issue.

Thanks to all the advertisers, and thank-you to all
contributors to this issue. I hope our readers enjoy the
stories and articles, and find it interesting & thought pro-
voking. In case you've been wondering, another article in
the series by Eldon Eadie is coming in our next issue.
Also, I still need stories for the History and Heritage de-
partment. How did YOU get started with Walkers? If I
don't hear from *you*, I may have to print *my* story!

Don't forget to get out and enjoy your Walkers,
though, like Karen and Fran DeNaro below, with Tom &
Bonnie. (See page 19) After all, that's what it's all about!

Marjorie





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HISTORY & HERITAGE PROJECT 2000

“CANADIAN TIMES OF THE TWH”

Mysteries, Rumours and History by Marjorie C. Lacy

Some time ago I asked readers if anyone had any recollection of a Tennessee Walking Horse by the name of GOLDEN MASTERPIECE 443304, registered in Canada as #11. He was a ‘yellow male’ with star, snip and off hind stocking, foaled April 22, 1943, bred by P.K. Fisher, Souderton, PA.

GOLDEN MASTERPIECE (Fisher’s Golden Blaze by Barker’s Moonbeam X Baxter’s Blackie by Red Hal Jr.) was owned by Mrs. Merle K. Stier of Calgary, AB on March 1, 1949. On June 14, 1950 he was registered in Canada as the property of Fred A. Ballantyne, also of Calgary. There is no further information on his Canadian papers but the information above is *history* as recorded by Canadian Livestock Records.

We also know that at roughly the same time the dark palomino Walker, SPILLER’S GOLD DUST #451748 was owned in Alberta for a few years, and shown at High River at least once, as recorded in the magazine, *Bit and Spur*.

Now for some speculation... In my copy of *The Echo of Hoofbeats* 2nd Edition 1984 by Bob Womack, Dr. Womack quotes Hanne Christersson of Sundre, AB. In speaking of a character named ‘Tumbleweed’ who stood a Walking Horse stallion in Jasper National Park sometime before 1950, she says, “This horse sired many really wonderful trail-horses, horses that could really walk out and take it. The old packers still talk about Tumbleweed and his good palomino horse that left the best riding horses ever to populate Jasper Park.”

I heard a similar story back in the seventies out in the Willmore Wilderness Area (adjacent to Jasper National Park). This also featured a palomino part Walker stallion that could really cover the ground. We never met the owner (though we knew of him) or saw his horse, but we heard about them from several sources. (His name wasn’t Tumbleweed though.)

Recently I was talking to Odetta Pollock of Sundre who also had a tale of a palomino part Walker that was renowned as an excellent trail horse in Banff National Park. Everyone wanted that mare for themselves, but Odetta was the lucky one who managed to buy her when the outfitting

company decided to sell her after she got older.

Where do you suppose all these palomino Walkers and part Walkers came from? Could there have been any connection to GOLDEN MASTERPIECE 443304 or SPILLER’S GOLD DUST? If you have any information to add to this, please send it along.

Odetta also mentioned that her uncle, Jesse Burroughs, of Magrath, used to train Walkers. He had a 35 year old TWH stallion. Odetta was intending to go and visit him since she had recently become interested in the breed herself, but her uncle died suddenly before she could get down to see him.

Just last month Christine Thomas sent me the photo below. Here is what she said: “This old yellow horse was purchased as a two year old at Glenevis in ‘91 or ‘92 by our daughter. He’s a full Walker with no papers. He may be crooked of leg and humped of nose but he’s a real gentleman. I used him for a couple of years here but 16:1 hh was too much for me to mount. He sure has helped a lot of young horses get started on the trail in our riding group. He’s as steady as a horse could be.”

“I still remember the old stallion they had where we got him. He was as ugly as sin but you forgot it the minute you saw his wonderful mind. Maybe someone knows who he was?”

Well, Readers? I’m sure he’s not from Golden Masterpiece or Spiller’s Goldust, but it would be interesting to trace his origins too.



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SASKATCHEWAN NEWS

GALE ALLAN, STOUGHTON, writes, "Hi to everyone from A & B FARM. First of all, I would like to congratulate Wendy Nagtegaal of Winnipeg on her purchase of a three year old filly from me. A & B Tiny Bell is a well started, quiet horse with the smoothest running walk and canter. She is just suited to be the first horse for Wendy and her family. Please send them a subscription to *WHN* with my compliments. I have three more 3 year olds with these same wonderful qualities, so check out the ads! I am also expecting seven foals this spring - three more than I can look after, so I also have broodmares and foals for sale."

"I plan to attend a few trail rides this summer and I am looking forward to time spent with my horses. Bye now, and good luck to all with this year's horse activities."

From LEXIE COLE, CABRI, "Congratulations to Cheryl Vangen of Swift Current who bought the palomino mare I advertised in the last *News*. This is her first walking horse, and we wish Cheryl and 'Sunny' many smooth, happy miles together. I have a local trainer, Dwight Dokken, riding my horses. He does clinics, etc. and is a top trainer. He has now trained four for me and likes them so well he bought the big 4 year old gelding Big John C.F. Dwight trained him and now also has him broke to drive & uses him for a variety of things. Dwight probably has forgotten more about horses than I ever knew."

BRITISH COLUMBIA NEWS

ULLU ZURBRIGGEN, MARA, e-mailed, "Hello, we've finally got a Home page. We are still working on it but this is a beginning. Let us know what you think. Look for Boot Scootin Boogie Stables at www.bsbstables.com."

"We have not yet sold our farm and we took it off the listing. This summer we are able to rent a 100 acre piece of land, so that should be good for now. We'll see what time brings. I am expecting 5 foals this spring and as always am very excited to find out what they look like. Four mares are bred to my young stallion, Canadian Frontier Z."

Hope you are all keeping warm and well!"

MANITOBA NEWS

BARB FENWICK, SIDNEY, writes, "My horses have wintered well so far, even through the awful cold of January. We have plenty of snow this year, so should make for higher grass come spring. I would like to congratulate one of my natural horsemanship students, Wendy Nagtegaal of Birds Hill, MB on her purchase in November of the sweetest Walker mare, A & B's Tiny Belle. Wendy is a beginner horsewoman and I found this "walkingest" mare at Gale Allen's in Stoughton, SK for her. They are a perfect match. Wendy will be coming out in spring to "park out" for a couple months of lessons and trail riding with Belle at our ranch. Also, congratulations to Geri & Ken Rounds of Barrie, Ontario, for whom I helped find a lovely, quiet mare, Starfire's Reflection (Flecka) from Keith Doll of Douglas, MB. Even in the dead of winter, it seems some folks want to buy our good Walkers! Good luck, Geri & Ken, with your Walkers and your new venture of a riding stable on your farm."

"Our Natural Walking Horse Club is becoming more active, with some events lined up for spring. I will host a Gaited Clinic with Liz Graves from MN, May 15/16 here at Four Seasons. We have a couple of spots left, so hurry if you want one! This clinic is open to ALL gaited breeds. Then, a month later, June 12/13 we are having another gaited event. This is our "Sellebration", a day of demonstrations, sale & show for Tennessee Walking Horses. With our several good local breeders and the number of Walkers we have sold locally, we felt it was time to establish a venue for the growing number of Walker enthusiasts. We will have halter, on line trail, 2 & 3 gait classes & some innovation trail & versatility classes, along with some gymkhana classes. It's a fun show with the focus on learning and showing our naturally gaited, barefoot or keg shod only Walkers. Dianne Little has agreed to come and help us with the show and judge the classes. We will run a workshop the day before the show, open to all participants as well. So, you see, we are not idle out here on the flatlands... we are busy promoting, riding and enjoying our Walkers to the fullest."

"Season's Rebel Star is coming 5 this year & I am just putting him to serious work this year. He is an incredible walker, never paced a step, and in his

little 14.3 hand frame he can out-walk anything I have been around. He just collects himself, tucks that hind end and *motors*. He had an injury as a two year old so I didn't ride him too much until I knew for sure he was going to be okay. He is not great on lateral movements but on the straight-away, he is a powerhouse. I plan to enter him in a couple of competitive trail rides this year & see how we do. I have a lot of conditioning to do in the next couple of months before our first meet!"

"My spotted Walker, Spirit, & I traveled a lot last spring and summer, teaching clinics in MB, SK, ON, so he was out there showing people how natural horsemanship and natural gaits can smooth out any wrinkles in our riding."

"I am heading into another busy year of helping people find the right Walker, and promoting their horses for the four or five breeders I represent. I have a new series of lessons to present this year, my Freedom Riding series, and many events, including a Country Fest Sept 3/4/5, planned for real horse folks with special guest Mary Ann Kennedy from Nashville. Whew...am I going to be tired by autumn!"

Here's hoping everyone gets out on the trails & rails and enjoys their Walkers to the fullest, wherever you are, and if you're in the neighborhood, my gait (oops - gate) is always open!"

"Thanks, Marjorie, for not sending out the RCMP to see if the Walker folks in Manitoba had disappeared without a trace. We promise to keep words flowing your way more often!"

From DAN & PAT SHWALUK, SHOAL LAKE, "Our new stallion is F88's Dance A Jig. He is the great-great grandson of Roan Allen on the top side. We are expecting his first foals in May of this year. We don't know much about how to read his registration papers, but we knew that we wanted to get the blood lines of Roan Allen. He is twelve years old. He is a bay, but he gets so dark, that you would almost think that he is black. He is very well mannered, and gentle with people. He is broke to ride, but doesn't get much use, other than as a stallion. Most trail rides that we go on here don't allow stallions. We are really looking forward to seeing his first babies in the spring."

Speaking of Horses

Shoe the horse, shoe the mare,
But let the little horse go bare.

Anonymous

U.S. NEWS

FRANNE BRANDON, PINEFOLLY FARMS, PETERSBURG, TENNESSEE, "Our grey filly, Jolie, (by Bullett) showed up this morning for breakfast. Being out wasn't all she'd bargained for, I guess. She leads like a halter show filly, all power, timing, and rhythm, and a very nice overstride, too. And that's not soled, which they do to some of the halter colts down here. I wish I knew just how many of these halter colts are "fixed"."

ALLANNA JACKSON, LAKESIDE, ARIZONA, "Got my *WHN* yesterday. It looks good as usual. Bill Howes' story on Koko came out nice and Jo-Anne's picture of Koko shows it's definitely the same horse! I thank Bill for giving me the credit but it's Grace Larson who deserves most of the credit for preserving the history of the Montana horses."

"I liked Ron Smith's point about proving the bloodline instead of just bragging about it. Now I'm curious: which Canadian lines actually earned the grand championships he referred to?"



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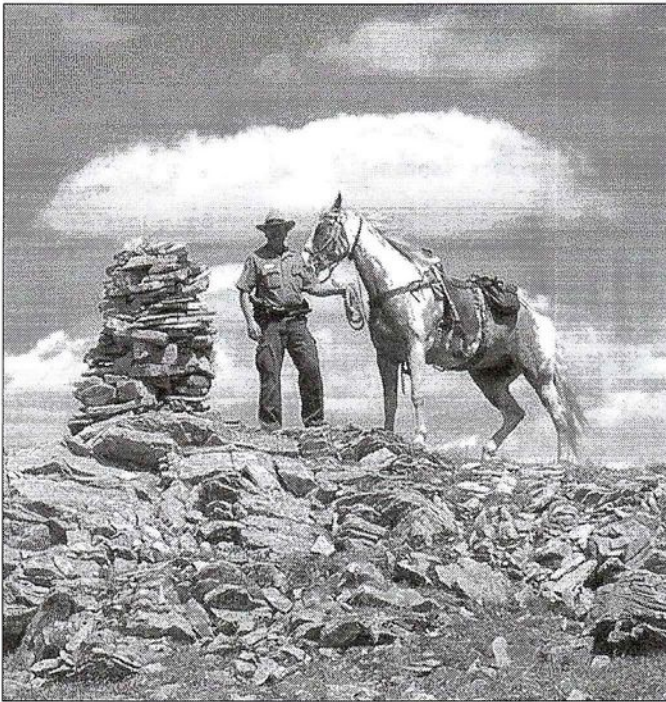
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Grant Kihn and Chance on Bury Ridge, above.

ALBERTA NEWS

From GRANT KIHN, HINTON, "It's been quite a while since I wrote a note, and after checking the mail and not finding another *WHN*, had a look at an old copy and found that the reason they weren't coming is because I hadn't renewed my subscription. Funny how that works, eh? The cheque is in the mail as of today."

"Anyway there is much that has changed in the past year. I have been transferred to Hinton and moved in April '03. Bought a small acreage in Obed, so we are practically neighbours. Had a very busy year in all aspects, learning the country and the job and really enjoying my new playground - Willmore Wilderness Park. Made four horse trips in Willmore (from 3 - 9 days each) last summer as well as a couple trips to other places. My horses, (Chance & Ace) worked well and put on a few more miles for a change, and put a little altitude on as well; up to 8,000 feet was the highest I checked. I was surprised that the thin air at that altitude didn't really affect the horses as much as I thought it would. Already making plans for even more trips next summer."

"Ace (Kihn's Ace) is not a stallion anymore - with the move and not knowing for sure what kind of arrangements I could make for keeping a stallion, as well as needing another good horse to use, I decided to geld him. He has made an excellent pack horse as well as saddle horse, but his old stallion habits make



him a bit of a pain if you want to turn him loose with other horses he doesn't know. The big paint looking horse, Chance, is one I picked up as a two year old from Darrel Roth at Darwell. He is a big strong gelding with lots of personality and go. Last time I measured him he was 15:2 and I think he grew a bit this last year. He will be 5 in spring."

From DONNA CURTIS, WINFIELD, "Things have been very busy around here and since we lost our PMU contract we have had to make some major changes. We have put up our 70 acres, with the house and our little barn, for sale. We hope to sell soon so we can build a house on the home quarter, which is just the next quarter south of us. That way we will be able to use the big PMU barn for a barn, shop and storage."

"We will have horses for sale but we do plan on staying in the horse business. We still plan on a foal sale in the fall but we are going to slowly cut back on the number of mares and stallions. We have 4 stallions listed for sale on our web site right now: a champagne, an ivory, a black and a sorrel. We did sell one open registered TWH mare, Cee Dee's Tango's Eclipse, to Paul Bowman of Listowel, ON. Best of luck to Paul with his new Walker. The other mares sold were partbreds."

LISA LAMBERT, PERRYVALE, e-mailed, "Can you send Kari Mackey a complimentary magazine to welcome her to the TWH world? Her address is Kari Mackey at Ardmere, Alberta. She bought two TWH from Chad Strand. One of them was formerly ours, Pride's Noble Prince, that Chad had purchased from us. Kari had bought an Arab mare from me last year that had a colt at side, and later had another. Both were by our stallion, Pride's Undertaker, Prince's sire. She liked *them* so much that we have switched her over! Congratulations, Kari, on trying your hand at breeding Walking Horses. Best of luck to you."

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KARLA FREEMAN, BENTLEY, e-mailed, "Hi! Hope this finds you all well. I don't think I could have taken much more of that cold weather we had, and I'm sooo glad to have more day-light."

"I was at the Chris Irwin clinic at the new vet clinic (in Red Deer). It was very good and I always enjoy learning about horses and other ways people communicate with their equine friends. Chris is very easy to talk to, made you feel comfortable, and has a real gift of explaining his theory and knowledge. I had the privilege of meeting his wife, Kathleen; she was very pleasant as well. I believe it would be worth my time to go to a clinic, and am thinking about taking his 'Training the Trainer' certificate program he offers. I found his ideas to be practical, and useful."

"Keep horsing around, and hope to see you on the trails this summer!"

From JIM ARDEN, "I have now moved from Sunny Alberta to Vancouver Island. My property was purchased by my nephew, Victor Norgren, who has two teenage daughters now taking riding lessons. Along with my urging, and a complimentary copy of *WHN*, perhaps we can generate a new Walking Horse family!"

"From the original mimeographed newsletter to the last issue, January/February, 2004, that I just received, is a great accomplishment. You should (and no doubt are) justly proud!"

"My new address is Swordfern Way, Youbou, B.C."

LINDA BLOCK, BRETON, writes, "I found this ad in the Western Producer a while back and wonder if anyone has heard of it or knows anything about it. It is called Canadian Horse Incentive Program developed by a small group of breeders to promote the horse industry. Horses are nominated in their foal year at a one time cost of \$97.50 (all breeds eligible). As the foal moves on to a new owner and possibly the show ring, you as the original owner/breeder receive 10% of your foal's C.H.I.P earnings. By nominating foals in their birth year it allows the incentive fund to grow. Buyers are already insisting on C.H.I.P horses to earn extra money. High selling horses at the 2002 & 2003 Regina Agribition were C.H.I.P nominated. Web site for this program is www.chipi.ca."

ONTARIO NEWS

ROSEMARY HARTLEY, NIPIGON, writes, "We have had cold weather since Christmas. With temperatures hovering between -25 to -35 degrees C, daytime temperatures (not including wind chill!), there has been no riding. I got out for twenty minutes

yesterday since it was a balmy -20."

"I should be getting my riding partner back this year. Denise Ham finished their gorgeous house this fall. (Just a few things left to do.) She was busy helping Terry and his brother finish it so they could move into it by Christmas. She had little time to ride so I did my riding solo most times."

"I got out to Fort Frances, ON to visit Rachel Hill a couple of times, once for a Carol Hall clinic. Rachel was great in loaning me her Ebony to save me hauling Cedar all that way. Rachel has a wonderful place to host the clinics. The clinics keep me honest at how well I think I am riding. Rachel taped the riders and the tapes don't lie. They also let me see my progress from year to year."

"Keep up the great work on the magazine. I really enjoy reading it, especially winters like this!"

From DARLENE SHANTZ, MILFORD, "Thank you for the renewal notice for *WHN*. I wouldn't want to miss a single issue so I'm enclosing my cheque. Keep up the great work with the magazine and website. I loved the cover on the Jan/Feb issue. Way to go, Gladys and Jazz!"

"I had a good year in 2003. My filly, Trackers Ebony Girl, will soon be a yearling. She has been a joy to raise and handle. I weaned her last October at 5 months old and it really was easier than I anticipated. I think I was more stressed than foal and dam. I had a frightening experience in September when I found the mare, Foxy, trapped on her back with both hind legs caught in the page wire fence past her hocks. I do not know how long she had been like that but I think Foxy thought she was already dead and after I extracted her legs it took some convincing her otherwise. Finally she started to respond and jumped to her feet and walked off like nothing happened. I was very lucky she hadn't struggled in the wire as there wasn't a mark on her and she suffered no ill effects. . . whereas I was having an anxiety attack!"

"Once the filly was weaned I had the pleasure of riding Foxy out on the trail again. Considering she is still pretty green, things were going great for a few weeks until I injured my knee and was sidelined. Now winter has hit and I'm back to dreaming of all the things I intend to do once spring arrives. I have no foal to look forward to this year but am considering breeding my other mare and seeing what she produces. Best of luck to everyone expecting foals this spring!"

I heard from IAN LUCKETT, HILLSBURGH ON. The TWH presentation with Mark's Midnight Allen at Toronto's Royal Winter Fair went well.



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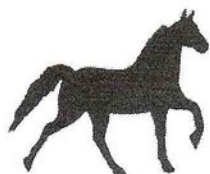
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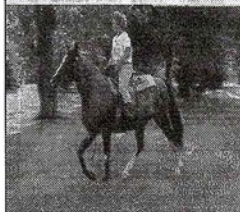


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HORSEMAN'S DIGEST by Marjorie C. Lacy

PMU RANCH NUMBERS CUT

145 PMU Ranches that collected pregnant mare urine for Wyeth Pharmaceuticals have shut down, due to the lower demand for hormone replacement therapy. In Alberta, that has translated into two thirds of the ranches. Of 54 PMU farms, only 19 are actively collecting urine for the 2004-2005 season. Les Burwash is quoted as saying the cut was more than people were anticipating. He expects the number of mares used for PMU in Alberta to drop from 7,700 to around 2000.

Wyeth has provided funds to assist ranchers in shipping their horses to legitimate, non-slaughter sales outside the Canadian prairie provinces.

2004 Canadian Horse Annual & Edmonton Journal, Feb.20/04

WHAT A GREAT IDEA

I've been reading the article, Recreation Ready by Jennifer Barron, in the October 2003 All-Breeds issue of *Western Horseman*, and it's a wonderful story. At an 80,000 acre ranch in Montana called La Cense, owned by William Kriegel of France, they have a program both to train young horses for the recreational rider, AND to train students to train horses. The students come from around the world to learn and practise Parelli training methods under three top level Parelli instructors. The young horses used in the program are purchased from area breeders as two year olds, preferably untouched and untrained, "They come out of the hills without any extra baggage," said the then head trainer, Ronnie Willis. Once well trained, the horses are marketed both in North America and in Europe, with matching horse to rider being a priority in each sale.

What a great idea!

Western Horseman, October, 2003

CREMELLO GENE IDENTIFIED

Researchers at the Institut National de la Recherche Agronomique (INRA) in France have identified the gene that produces the cremello coat colour. In horses heterozygous for the cremello gene, bays are diluted to buckskin and chestnuts or sorrels are diluted to palomino. In homozygous animals, the colour produced is a pale to almost white coat with pink skin and blue eyes. The researchers have developed a molecular test to detect the cream gene in DNA from blood or hair. The Veterinary Genetics Lab at the University of California, Davis offers the test in North America.

horse-canada, July/August 2003

HORSE SLAUGHTER

Reading Slaughter House 2003* by Karen Briggs in the November 2003 *horse-canada* was not a pleasant experience. No one who loves horses wants to think about this, leave alone read the details. But it is a reality. And occasionally it is an owner's only option.

The best we as horse owners can do for the horses is make sure we care for our own. We can also lobby for humane conditions of transport, holding and slaughter for those animals that have no other advocate. Among proposed amendments to Canada's Health of Animals Act (part 12), enforced by the Canadian Food Inspection Agency, is a ban on the use of double decker transports for horses. (Not enough head room for horses.) Another is that horses not be allowed to stand on a transport for more than 24 hours (Now it's up to 36 hours).

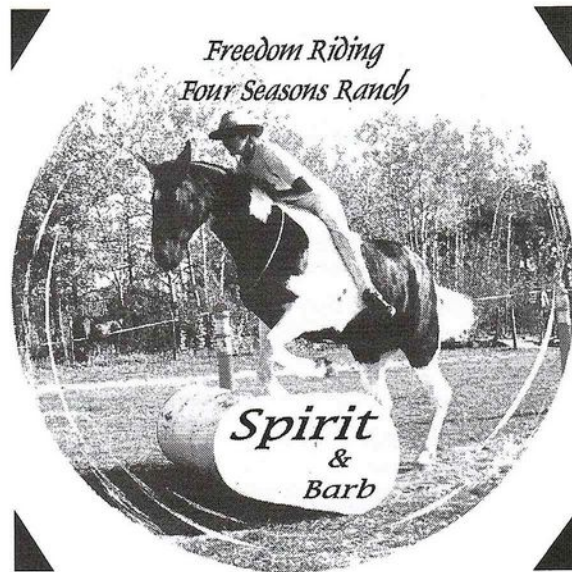
Gord Doonan, Chief of Humane Transport of Animals for CFIA says the recommendations are almost ready to be sent to Regulatory Affairs. But the review of humane transport was done about 10 years ago. The report from the Expert Committee on Farm Animal Welfare and Behaviour was released in 1997. It is estimated that these changes may be implemented by 2007.

Perhaps we can help hurry these changes along by contacting our MP or the Minister of Agriculture and voicing our concerns.


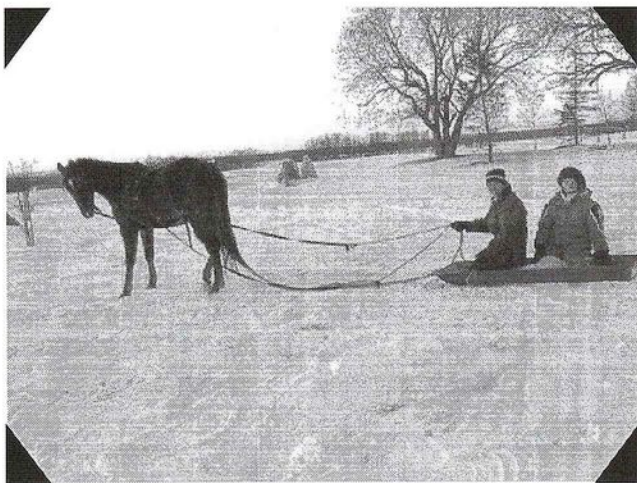
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What do YOU do with your Walkers?



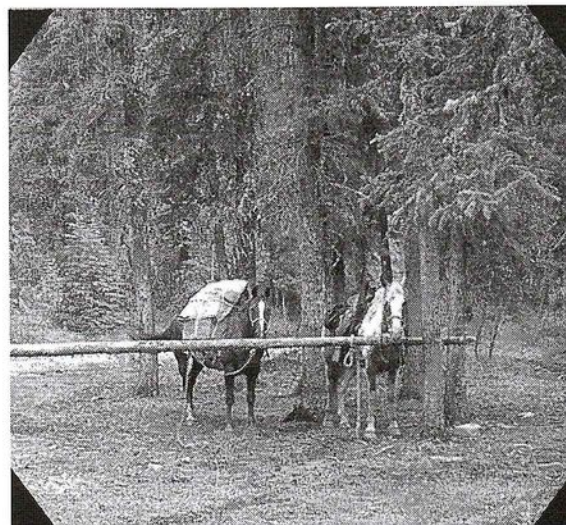
Barb Fenwick riding Season's Spirit - 'Look Ma, No bridle!'



Karla Freeman and Alexandra get "Motion Portion", a 3 year old gelding, ready for pulling the sleigh. (Calf sleds are excellent toboggans!)

Grant Kihn made four horse trips into the Willmore Wilderness Area last summer as well as a couple of trips to other places. His Tennessee Walking Horses, Ace (left) & Chance, worked well and put on quite a few miles.

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SMOKE & MIRRORS

*If I speak, I am condemned
If I stay silent, I am damned*
From "Who am I?"
(the Trial) Song from Les Misérables

by Christine Thomas

Sometimes we need to be reminded that the real horse world is not as perfect as we would like it to be. Right now, a 60+ year-old neighbor is in hospital with injuries that will change her life forever. She is no novice, having raised and trained horses for over 40 years. How did this happen? A young horse, schooled by an itinerant trainer, very possibly; but the onus is on consumers to do their homework. Easier said than done in an 'industry' where the only form of policing is solely reliant on the moral integrity of the individuals involved.

Not much is said about trainers one way or the other. Could this be a misconstrued idea of "the cowboy way - code of silence" or does it come from not wanting to admit we've been *had* by one of the individuals we are going to look at today? I think it's time to begin giving the "head's up" when we see a fellow horse owner courting disaster, due to a lack of worldliness.

At the risk of mortally wounding political correctness, let's explore the psychological behavior patterns of a certain character type that seems to be infiltrating the service sector of the 'horse industry'. Keep in mind that this type is found in all walks of life and if you live long enough, they will test you many times in many places. The only objective here is to give a layman's opinion on how to protect oneself from personality quirks that a century ago would have been attributed to one known as a 'grifter' or con-man.

These people are charismatic, intuitive and have the gift of zeroing in on our vanities and insecurities, which protects them from being exposed, our pride being what it is! Having no empathy and little work ethic, they take advantage of the above, usually moving on in three to six months. But, if they plan on staying in the greater area, they shift to the victim mode. How could we not feel sorry for poor souls who appears to be decent but down on their luck, due to unreasonable demands from their prior situation? A person prone to be somewhat of a rescuer with a tendency to project moral vanity is, without a doubt, the next target.

The first line of defense here would be

common sense, some street smarts and the ability to identify. If you have lived a somewhat sheltered life, you may find the following of interest:

One should always be more attuned to what a person *is* than who he *appears to be*. After candidly speaking with horse owners from all walks of life, I have used the similarities of their stories and some personal experiences to establish two basic, somewhat crude, rules, that will perhaps, protect one when choosing a trainer.

#1. NEVER DO BUSINESS WITH SOMEONE WHO LIVES IN HIS or HER TRUCK.

This person usually arrives under the guise of a new farrier who is somewhat handy with horses. After prospecting the area, he establishes who and what to target, offering a good deal and free help. This kind can 'two-bit' a person to death. Occasionally a lot of quick cash items such as tools and show tack, things not readily noticed, go missing as the person exits without warning. Keep your wallet and psyche intact by dealing with established people. It's always cheaper to go first class.

#2. NEVER KISS SOMEONE'S RUMP TO TAKE YOUR MONEY. (THIS GIVES THEM CONTROL FROM THE GET-GO)

Okay, so we've followed rule #1 and are now at an established arena. What could go wrong? LOTS, if it's not trainer owned. Be very careful if the trainer has been known to specialize in one horse breed at a time, changing breeds only when changing locations. One of two things could be going on here. The first being he has been called to task in regard to his work ethics at the previous locations; the second is related to breed popularity. As we all know, this is consumer driven. Therefore if one is working the "flavor of the month" the odds are that the majority of the clients will be first-time horse owners. We are now dealing with the new, improved, much more sophisticated version of that in Rule #1. *Take your time here!*

Nothing is ever served as hot as it's cooked. Listen very carefully to what is **not** said when you do the interview. If it's all about the person's talent and what you need to do, while being evasive about training techniques and riding schedule, it's probably more about people control than horse training. If you decide to buy, the next warning will be if you have to question your horse's lack of progress. Believe it or not, these type of trainers all, more or less, use the same basic line, which is, "Don't worry about it, you've got lots of money", delivered in a

joking manner. Unless you are immune to manipulation, leave now! This is where mind games come into play. They are trying to re-establish control. If you stay, you are re-affirming your position of a mark. If you leave you will be portrayed as being unable to afford further training. They are banking on taking advantage of your pride. Either way, they win.

These individuals usually target new horse owners and novice riders. They attract and need (for word of mouth promotion) a large following of groupies. On the bright side, if you display any horse or human behavior savvy, you will not be taken on as a client, unless they perceive you to be of money, in which case they will string you along, looking for vulnerability. The longer the contact, the better their chance of success. At this time we should be reluctant to lay any responsibility on the arena owner. They too, have been 'taken' to some extent and are now looking at serious damage control to protect investments.

These people (not limited by gender) are, at our indulgence, coasting on the perimeters of the industry, siphoning off mega-dollars that should be going to the honest operators. Let's be up front here! Odds are, if we've owned a horse for any length of time, we have at one time or another let one of these wheeler-dealers go free and have chalked it up to experience. Could this mean that we then own a little share of accountability each time someone is injured by a horse believed to be safe and trained to owner specification? Each time someone suffers a financial loss that turns them off horses completely? If it is in relation to one of these 'smoke and mirror' trainers, I am, in a round-about way, thinking, "Yes"!

What are you thinking?

Author's note:

"I know that this article will bring negative feedback, but I'm ready to take my lumps. I have used the term "horse industry" because it is the buzz word of the times. I hate it! What on earth does 'industry' have to do with horses? As far as I'm concerned, this 'industry' crap is sucking the joy out of horse ownership."

"What has it done for horses so far? At this time we have hundreds of horses standing around, thousands (probably millions) of dollars in facilities, some open - some closed, and who knows how many so-called horse trainers, farriers, saddle makers, chiropractors, dentists, herbalists, massage people, not to mention all the non-profit groups that have popped up in the past few years, all scrambling to make a dollar on the poor

horse's back."

"It's still almost impossible to go out and buy a safe, well broke horse with no vices. Horses are still starving in the winter. As I see it, nothing has changed in the last 30 years except things keep getting worse for the horses as their numbers keep increasing and the number of people with common sense keeps decreasing!"

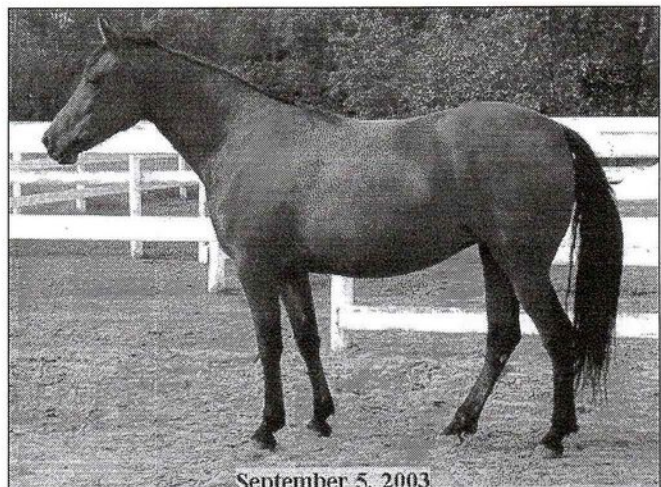
*"I wonder what the auto makers or the farm implement dealers, the **real** industrial types, would make of this financial folly we call the 'horse industry'?"*

"Well, as you can see, I'm getting old and cranky, and am taking advantage of your magazine to 'vent' as they say nowadays. Thank you for Walking Horse News, probably the last horse publication that is 100 percent informative and not a catalogue of advertisements."

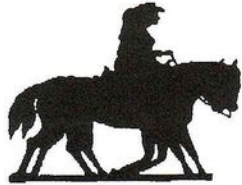
(P.S. "I am now riding my last horse, a TWH filly I bought from Marlene Fairbrother. She was trained by a 60 year old horseman (and there aren't many of those left!). I am lucky, finishing on the best of horse and training. Some folks never get close to this.")

About the author: Chris Thomas writes from a wide experience with many breeds, from Arabs to Thoroughbreds, and from the perspective of one who has done nearly everything with horses - except jump more than two feet!

She first rode a Walker in the early '70s, and decided that this was the breed she'd choose for her 'retirement horse'.



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THE RIDING TREE: *INFLUENCING THE HORSE*

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

Only when riders progress to the top of the riding tree are they finally capable of influencing a horse to teach it something new or to remind it about something it already knows. Their communication is clear enough and accurate enough that they can use the language of aids pressures to show the horse new shapes. They have developed an independent seat and muscle memory of the correct aids. They have developed a sense of timing. They have independent control of each body part so they can apply any aid with varying degrees of pressure. As the horse moves underneath them, they relax and follow its motion in perfect balance.

When we train horses, the first step is showing them what we want them to do. Then we can ask them to do what we've shown them. Once they fully understand what we are asking, we can tell them to do it. If we know they understand what we are telling them but they refuse to do it, we can enforce our request.

Beginning riders can only ask their horses for shapes and movements because they lack the necessary skills to demand more. At this stage, many instructors use forgiving Goldie Oldies to help riders learn to relax, find their balance, and learn to follow the horse's motion. As they progress up the riding tree and learn to both apply and coordinate their aids, riders can begin telling their horses what to do. By interpreting the horse's response, they can continue improving their coordination skills. By riding many different kinds of horses, they deepen their skills. At the lower levels on the riding tree, their horses are their teachers.

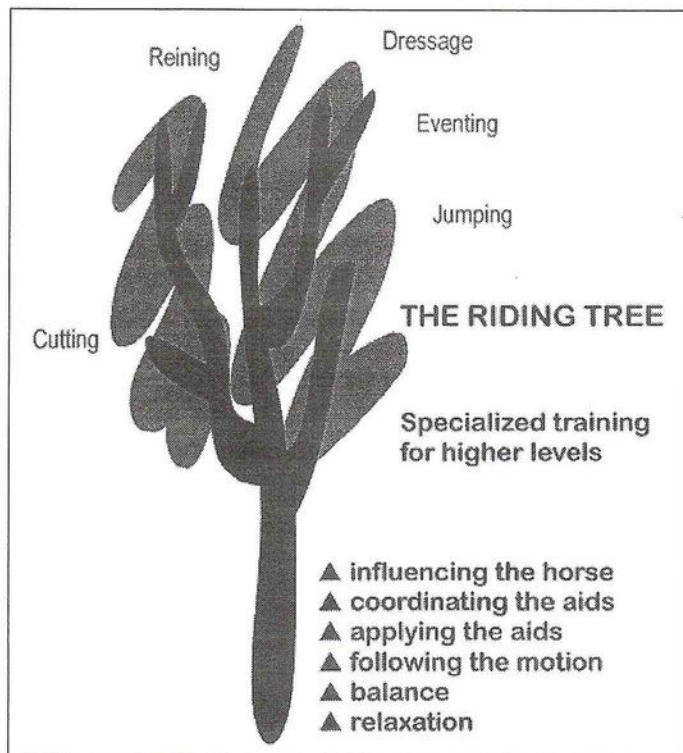
When riders become very good at coordinating the aids, they become capable of influencing the horse. Now they can show a baby green horse what to do or enforce the requests made of a spoiled horse to retrain it. They have

the necessary skills to use artificial aids like a whip or spurs to reinforce their requests without ruining their communication with the horse. The riders have now become capable of teaching.

The reason the combination of a green horse and green rider is so disastrous is that neither one is capable of teaching the other. Neither one can give the other the necessary feedback so that learning can take place. Similarly, until a rider is quite far along on the riding tree, he or she lacks the necessary skills to enforce a request when a horse deliberately refuses to respond. A lot of school horses who know the game cheerfully choose to ignore beginning riders. So fairly early on we do allow students to carry crops to reinforce their leg aids. However, no one wears spurs until they have an independent seat and can time their use correctly.

Riders must be able to ride stride by stride and influence the horse with precise timing and degrees of their aids before they can create something new or enforce something the horse already knows. The difference between coordinating the aids and influencing the horse is very subtle. It involves control of the rider's and the horse's emotions as well as their bodies.

The ability to interpret and judge the horse's feedback becomes very important at this stage because it determines the riders' responses. They must be sure they coordinated their aids correctly and precisely. They must judge whether the horse simply didn't understand the aids. Or they must judge that the horse understood the aids but chose not to respond correctly. Since, in the latter case, the timing of any enforcement is critical for successful communication and correction of the problem, riders at this level need to make their judgments in a split second without any emotional involvement. The horse must feel that their response is horse logical and fair.

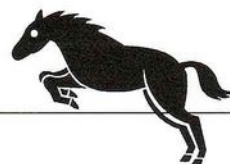


Making these judgments takes experience riding many different kinds of horses. It's not possible for anyone to judge correctly all of the time no matter how far they go in their riding. When you know that a horse understands something and is choosing not to do it, there is always the possibility that something is physically wrong. New tack may be bothering him. He may have sore muscles from a workout the day before. He may have caught a virus at a show the weekend before. Instead of enforcing his or her request, the rider may have to reevaluate the training plan for that day and give the horse an easy workout or even a complete rest.

When riders become trainers, they are going to be evaluating their horses every day. When they work with a horse every day for months they get to know its personality, its little nuances, and it becomes easier to judge whether the horse's refusal to listen to the aids stems from soreness or stubbornness or mental burnout. If a horse that normally goes along with everything suddenly turns surly, it's also OK to say let's just go out and play on the trails. Give the horse a day off and see what happens. All of that is a judgment call on the trainer's part.

Sometimes it seems like it's going to take a long time before a rider reaches the point when she can influence a horse or enforce her requests. Don't get discouraged. Remember that you're going to reach different levels on the riding tree on some horses at some gaits at least some of the time before you experience it on all horses at all gaits all of the time. Just keep riding.

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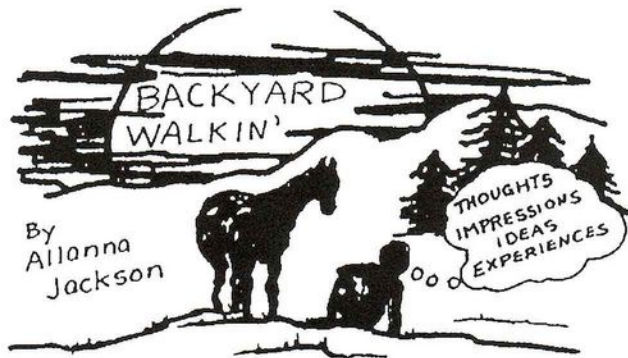
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Green Broke

By Allanna Lea Jackson © March 2004

After Blue had weaned Cinnamon, I set to work hoping that by summer she would be ready to trail ride.

On January 18 I led Blue around the neighborhood a little. Blue was calm until we stopped to talk to a neighbor. She fidgeted when told to stand, then began prancing when I let her move. I have always detested prancy horses. Blue's prance seemed to be cheerful rather than nervous and she was controllable, so I tolerated it.

Sunday afternoon January 26, 2003, was a perfect day for a trail ride. I saddled Blue, cheerfully anticipating a relaxing ride through the forest. Blue seemed to be okay when I rode her inside her corral. She tensed up when I rode her out toward the forest using a familiar route. Within 100 yards Blue started rushing, then went pacey. I asked her to settle and just flat-foot walk. Blue got more uptight instead. She snorted every step. She resisted my signals. She paced sideways. When I let her go a little faster to straighten her out she went speed crazy. She did stop and stand when I told her to... with a hump in her back, head high and every muscle tense. This was the way she'd been acting just moments before she broke my arm back in Oct 1999!

I quickly slid off Blue's back and tried to soothe both of us from the ground. After some prayer Blue and I both relaxed somewhat. Blue moved when I tried to mount so we stood some more, then tried again. It took several tries before Blue would stand for me to mount. We stood for a few seconds. Blue balked when I told her to move away from home. She tried to go speed crazy when I let her move toward home. I circled her then rode her in figure 8s, just like we'd done in the corral. It didn't help.

Blue gathered herself into a ball of rock-hard muscles, still with that hump in her back but now acting ready to rear as well. I got off and on again several more times trying to settle Blue and myself. It

was no use. Blue was on the verge of another explosion and I couldn't get past my fear of another wreck.

I led Blue home and rode her in the yard and corral. I worked her hard enough I hoped it would minimize the impact of her success at thwarting my trail ride plans. When we were done I went in the house and cried.

How could four years of training vanish like a puff of smoke? Where was the relaxed, cooperative Blue I'd had in 2002?

Okay, so Blue had some time off and needed to review ground skills again... How many times have we done this now? I put Blue up for sale, did a lot of praying and began a four-month review of her ground training. It was April before Blue was again willing to relax about being ridden inside her corral.

It was June before Blue got bored with rides in her corral. She tensed up when ridden outside the corral. I decided to do rides around the yard until she got bored with that. Ring riding is not for me. I was already bored to frustration with riding nowhere but Blue needed it. I prayed in the Spirit every time I rode Blue. This eventually resolved the worst of my fears. I wondered if it was presumptuous to be riding this horse when I needed a special dispensation of God's grace every time I got on.

I was only able to work Blue once or twice a week so it was August before Blue got bored with the yard. She was relaxed enough to give me a quiet orderly ride around the vacant field behind my property on August 13. This time she demonstrated the sure-footed carefulness a good trail horse needs.

The following week we ventured to the other end of the subdivision to visit a friend. Blue managed to keep her cool. The next week we tried a different local area. Very slowly Blue and I accomplished quiet orderly rides in the neighborhood. We began doing different gaits, working on flat walk, running walk and even rack.

On Sept 17, 2003 Blue met me at the gate. I groomed her, saddled her and rode out to the Scott's reservoir area by way of the dead end of Flag Hollow road. Blue hesitated, snorted and sidestepped a few steps when she caught sight of some roping steers inside a new arena, but went forward when I told her to. She balked at the open gate, then went through.

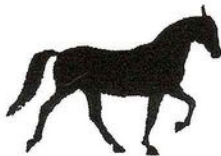
She settled down and plodded calmly along the trail under the power line towards Porter Mountain road. We turned down toward Porter Creek instead of going clear out to the road. Blue picked her way neatly through the rocks and across the wind fallen

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logs. She paused to sample some grass before crossing the creek, then crossed nicely. We continued up the trail used by the riding stable. Blue zigzagged a little looking at things but stayed calm. I asked Blue for a flat walk, or slow running walk as the trail turned more or less parallel to the entrance road. Blue complied with some lapses into stepping pace. She slowed down again when I told her to and picked her way very carefully through the rocky areas going toward home. She sampled the grass before crossing the creek at the next two creek crossings, but crossed readily, then climbed the rock pile up to the gate easily.

Blue hurried through the gate and wanted to running walk as soon as we were clear of it. She found a perfect running walk for several strides so I let her do it until she lost her timing. She stayed calm and slowed down obediently when I told her to. She continued home in a calm orderly manner. I was thrilled.

It took nine months of work to get that short trail ride with Blue that I'd wanted in January. She still has spooks and tension problems, but also shows some ability as a trail horse. Four years after Blue had been sold to me as "well-broke" and ready to trail ride she was finally green-broke at two gaits.



CONSISTENCY IN GAIT:

A RESPONSE by Allanna Jackson

I'd also been considering a response to the point about consistency being judged more important than running walk, mentioned by Linda Block last issue in her opinion piece.

Consistency IS important. Anyone who has ridden a Walker that is changing gaits every few strides can tell you it's not very comfortable or convenient. Many pleasure riders are more interested in getting a consistently smooth ride than which gait the horse is doing.

However, that is no excuse for rewarding the wrong gait *in the show ring*. Show horses are supposedly the best of the breed. The Tennessee Walking Horse was named for the running walk gait. Therefore our champion show horses ought to be the best running walkers. They aren't.

The solution to this problem is actually quite simple but carrying it out may be politically impossible. It requires:

- 1.) Accurate gait definitions that are based on the real biomechanical differences between gaits, not speed and style.
- 2.) Giving judges a much more thorough education about real time gait identification, based on #1 above, than has ever been done.
- 3.) A great deal of courage and industry-wide conformity to #1 above on the part of judges, announcers and show management.

FOSH (Friends of Sound Horses) is moving closer to this than anyone has before, but they aren't there yet.

Assuming we can solve the gait ID problem, here's the solution: The judge and announcer actually use the correct gait names when giving instructions to the exhibitors, i.e. flat-foot walk, running walk, canter (lope for Western classes). After the first way of the ring the judge dismisses all entries that failed to perform the specified gaits. This includes horses that did a running walk and rack instead of flat-foot walk and running walk, as well as horses that failed to move out of the flat walk into a running walk.

Grounds for the dismissal are:

- 1.) Failure to meet the minimum requirements of the class, and
- 2.) Failure to obey the judge's instructions.

If there are any entries left the judge can then look for the best form at all three gaits, the most consistent running walker and apply whatever style standard is appropriate for the particular division. For example, Saddle seat champions should not be winning the Western divisions, nor should the Western champions be winning the Saddle seat divisions.

Repeatedly getting tossed out of classes for doing the wrong gait may be embarrassing enough to prompt the exhibitors to find better Walking Horses or to learn to ride and train better... but they'll have been convinced it will happen at *every* show and isn't a fluke that can be fixed by pulling the license of one fanatical judge.

We don't have the gait knowledge or industry-wide consensus to do this, which is why I've never tried to become a judge.

Speaking of Horses

Speak your mind, but ride a fast horse.
Anonymous

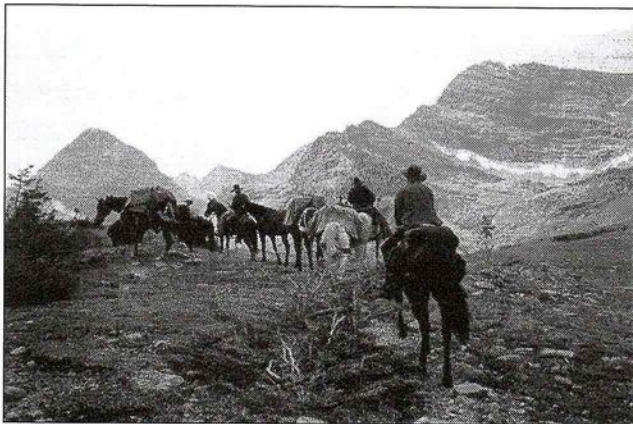
A "WALK" IN THE PARK

*Concluding the Chronicles of an 8-day pack trip through Banff National Park,
August, 2003*

By Keith Oberle

Skoki is a lodge for skiers and hikers. The only access to Skoki Lodge is by foot, horse, helicopter (or cross-country skis in winter). They do not sell anything except the meals that they prepare for their registered guests. Everything they have has to be brought in by helicopter or by snowmobile in the winter. They did, however, have a few large propane tanks around.... Mel is a licenced gasfitter, and I have experience with propane-fuelled vehicles. The proprietor was most gracious in allowing us to dig through his box of fittings and to take apart a couple of regulators to jerry-rig a transfer system to fill our little 5 lb bottle. After a couple of hours of fiddling and searching for the right parts we got our fill of propane. I tried to pay for the propane, but the proprietor of Skoki would not hear of it. He reminded me of the code of the mountains - if a pilgrim is in trouble, you help if you can, without recompense. After some haggling, he finally allowed that I could give the cook a tip. He said that she is under-appreciated. He also owns a couple of horses - part-bred Walkers! After giving the cook a tip we were ready to set off again. Again, the horses appreciated the rest, I think, on this hot afternoon.

Now, we began the climb up Deception Pass trail. What a trail! Not too difficult for the horses, but the scenery! Tiny little gems of sapphire lakes on the valley bottom. Bighorn sheep rams on the promontory, just like you see on calendars. Trail riders from near-by guest ranches. Big sky everywhere. Then a long gradual decline across a grass-covered valley to the final descent towards Baker Lake equestrian camp on Baker Creek. The



last part of the descent is NOT gradual! It is so steep that I am glad that we were going down, not up. We had reserved two nights at Baker Lake. A day to rest the horses, do some laundry, rest our own bones. Three out of the six of us are close to 60 years old. The horses appreciated the rest, I think.

Day 5 was set for a short day, mileage-wise. We had to climb Pulsatilla Pass and then Badger Pass. In planning the trip, I did not want to take on two passes on the same day. Pulsatilla Pass is probably the worst pass I have ever gone over on horses. The Job Pass has a short part that is steeper than anything on Pulsatilla, I think, but Pulsatilla goes on for *ever*. It has some steep parts, too. There is a bit of a reprise part way up, a meadow full of lush grass. We stopped for lunch there, and grazed the horses for a while. The climb started at about 1800 m and peaked at about 2800 m - 1000 m of elevation increase in about 1 km. By now, the horses were getting fit, and took on the challenge without incident. Eventually we arrived at the Upper Johnston equestrian camp. It is across the creek from the hikers' camp. The horse camp is a very pretty site, set on a hillside and overlooking Johnston's Creek. The Upper Johnston is the top end of the Johnston's Canyon trail out of Banff, and the hikers' facility is quite well used. Two or three small parties were using the facilities that night. A young park warden passed us on the trail on foot. She has a cabin near the camp site. Warden cabins are sprinkled throughout the Parks. There was one at or near almost all of our stopping spots. Due to holidays and checking for forest fires, however, all were unoccupied except for Upper Johnston. The wardens have copies of the itineraries of all of the users and are always on the lookout for hikers and equestrian users. If you do not make your expected destination, a search may be started. Several trails converge in the vicinity of the Upper Johnston. I took a hike in the evening to have a look at the trails and to determine where to start the next day. Most of the trails in that area are marked with a sign. The horses enjoyed a good rest and feed.

The last pass of the trip was the Badger. It is a short, not too steep climb, but, again, spectacular.

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Of course, with all this climbing we had done the last few days, a long descent was inevitable. The back side of the Badger gave us that. Once more I was glad that we were going the direction that we were. That would have been one long climb from the other side. We passed hikers at the summit of the Badger! Imagine that! Hiking when horses are available! I quit that nonsense about 35 years ago. Anyway, we arrived at our appointed campsite fairly early that day. I think that it was the shortest day that we had had (or were to have, as it turned out). The camp site, Flint's Park, is about two km from the Flint's Park warden cabin and a nice trail connects the two. Some of the folks took the opportunity to take a short fast ride on horses that were different from the ones that they had been riding so far. Those that had been riding "pacey" horses (I had two on the trip) wanted to try a *good* Walker for a change. The horses would probably have appreciated the rest... The night was again clear, but the smoke was so thick that we were wondering where it was coming from.

From Flint's Park we hit the old Cascade fire road. This road is made for Walkers. By now, the horses were getting fairly hard and fit. A cook from an outfitter's camp was having her day off, and rode with us for a while. She did bounce a bit! We passed a cow elk and a grizzly bear. We saw two grizzlies on the trip. The two bears and one elk were all the wildlife we saw in eight days. The heat and smoke from all the fires must have had some influence on their patterns of movement. We stopped for a break and a bit of grass for the horses in the yard of the Panther warden cabin. The wardens go from cabin to cabin in a day with their horses. We were just getting started! Our destination was the Lower Panther River campsite. This site is near the wolf rehabilitation area. No one is permitted to pass through the wolf area, so the trail bypasses it by going to the south side of the river. The Parks biologists are trying to re-establish predators to help keep the numbers of ungulates down. Too many elk are bothering townspeople and tourists in Banff and Jasper. The trail passes through a large part of the area that was on fire a couple of years ago. It is an eerie feeling to be riding through a forest that is completely dead and ready to fall over with a puff of wind. Malevolence is not a feeling often associated with forests! Much deadfall already exists. The forest floor is an interesting mix of new fresh green growth and grotesque black forms no longer resembling trees very much. They might seem more at home in a Disney movie. The Lower Panther campsite is completely burned over, also. This spot was host to

Trail Riders of the Rocky Mountains 75th commemorative ride a few years ago. I had the good fortune to visit their camp back then. What a sight it was! Approximately 35 gleaming white teepees nestled against the forest on a small plateau overlooking the large meadows on the Panther River. Now we had to be careful which trees we tied our horses to, and where we pitched our tents. It was difficult finding a green tree to tie to. Sad. Again, the sky was a funny color because of the sun setting behind a curtain of smoke. The horses enjoyed the rest.

The eighth and last day took us from the Lower Panther River campsite to our trucks at the Panther River trailhead. The Panther is a tricky river. Most of the time it is not too deep, but occasionally a deep pool has to be crossed. I think my little mare could not touch bottom in one spot, but she took it on without objection. A few photo opportunities, and a few more calluses on the old ones on our backsides, and we were out.

Apparently a fire in the Hunter Valley had caused the evacuation of the Panther-Red Deer region, unbeknownst to us. By the time we came through, people were permitted to return, but the fire fighting crews were engaged in the Hunter valley. The Hunter valley is the next one south of the Panther. I guess we were dodging fires all along. Our Park backcountry travel permits were the last ones granted this summer, due to the fires.

This "walk in the Park" took 8 days and averaged 25 km per day. The horses performed marvellously. They lost some weight, but were tough and tuned by the end. I would not have enjoyed the trip nearly so well if I were riding horses that were not well gaited. The Morgans I used to own were great mounts, but do not come close to a good Walker! All guests have been talking about another ride next year. I haven't committed. The horses are enjoying a good rest...



FROM FOUNDATIONS TO THE FUTURE by Franne Brandon

WALKIN' ON LATER IN LIFE: PART II

HORSES FOR GROWN-UP TASTES

Karen Price was a little girl growing up in Pennsylvania with a dream - but no opportunity to fulfill it. She loved horses, but other than the occasional pony ride at an amusement park, her only chance at horseback riding came when the son of a customer of her father offered her a bareback ride doubling behind him on his pony. Still, owning her own horse was a childhood dream that Karen nurtured throughout her teen years in the fervent hope that one day it could become a reality.

Karen's future husband, Fran DeNaro, had even less exposure to horses than Karen did, even though a cousin had first a pony, then a horse after the pony had been outgrown. To complicate things equine, Fran was picked up by a neighbor's pony and lifted off the ground as a child, with teeth marks plainly visible in his shoulder afterward. It was an experience that would mar some children for life.

Karen and Fran were high school sweethearts. They got married soon after graduation, and bypassing the college path, began working at once for the State of Pennsylvania. As time passed, Karen's reflections turned more and more to that childhood dream that now promised to become more of a possibility. The dream was horse ownership.

Fran and Karen began their adult equine experience with rental hacks. In spite of Fran's bad experience as a child, the couple found that riding regularly led to addiction. Horseback riding lessons seemed in order. These progressed well, so they decided to lease a pair of trail horses for six months. Having horses to ride whenever they wanted proved to be even more addictive than the rental hacks. The DeNaros were hooked! When they realized this fact, they let the leases expire in order to begin saving for the horses of Karen's dreams.

During the six months lease, Fran had managed to acquire a Tennessee Walking Horse. Karen's mount was a Thoroughbred/ Quarter Horse cross. As they were riding on a tractor path one day, the pair of horses moved into an intermediate gait. While Karen was posting a trot, Fran, sitting smoothly, turned to her and said, "This is a nice speed, isn't it?" It was then that Karen realized that they could both buy horses as smooth as the one her husband was enjoying. Karen knew how to post a trot, and did not

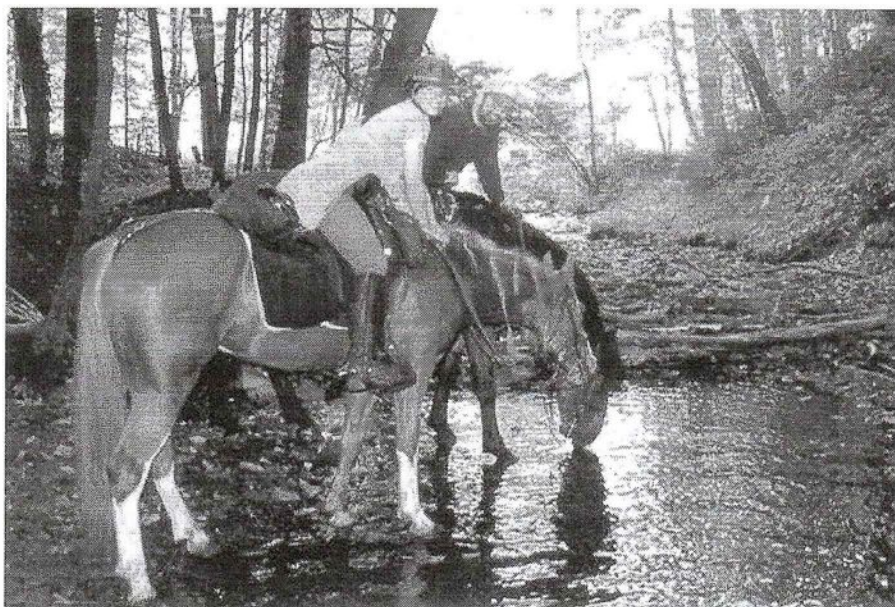
mind posting a trot, but she had just decided that she *did not want* to ride a posting trot all the time!

Initially, Fran bought a Missouri Fx Trotter, a truly gentle gelding which was recommended by a friend of Karen's. Karen selected a grade Tennessee Walker gelding named Tom, an eye-catching 'strawberry roan' that she learned years later was a sorrel sabino. In 2000, Fran and Karen went on separate trail rides. When Karen's ended, Fran suggested that she join him on his. When she arrived, Fran was anxious to show her a nice black horse that he enthusiastically described as "the best horse on the trails here." The "black" turned out to be a bay, a big pretty mare named Nugget's Bonnie Lou. She was a registered Tennessee Walking mare with bloodlines tracing to Paint the Town, Carbon Copy, and Ebony's Mountain Man.

Since Fran had already fallen in love with the mare, they added her to their small but growing herd. Meanwhile, Karen had visited Donna Kerchinski's Foxfire Farm website and fallen in love with a flax chestnut filly by the farm's stallion Ultra Flight, and out of the mare Copper Merry, dam of one of Foxfire's palomino breeding stallions. Karen thought about the filly, then thought about her some more. Finally, Fran and Karen drove out to look at the green-broke filly. Unable to resist any longer, Karen purchased Ultra Copper Masterpiece (Penny) with the stipulation that she remain at Foxfire for thirty days more of training.

With two well-broke trail horses and a green filly, Fran rotated the older two while Karen's focus was developing Penny into a settled, strongly gaited trail companion. She introduced the three year old filly to all types of obstacles on varying terrains in Pennsylvania and elsewhere. As Penny matured, Karen was rewarded by the pleasures that only a well-trained trail companion can provide.

In 2003, Karen and Fran, after completing over thirty years as Pennsylvania State employees, retired, as Karen states, "in order to enjoy the rest of our lives." She continues, "We had stressful jobs and we decided to retire early in order to enjoy our horses, 3 dogs and 4 cats and our home in the country." Expressing the anguish of many 9-5 horse people, she says "We will now be free to ride when the weather is good, not just when it is good on the weekends."



Karen & Penny, foreground, and Fran & Bonnie.

The Denaro family plans for 2004 include increased trail rides in new places. Able to travel farther from home since retirement, both Fran and Karen joined TWHBEA in order to participate in the TWHBEA Distance Program with their mares. Karen muses, "Perhaps we will have a foal somewhere along the way because I would love to raise a baby of my own, not to sell." With plans for travel and the trails, Karen is even beginning to think a little about the show ring for Penny. Karen's grownup tastes have provided the DeNaros with a wonderful hobby that they can continue to enjoy for years to come.

Dawna Hansen, like many children, rode horses during her school years. Then, after high school graduation, she put aside her equine interests to pursue a career in the educational field while raising a family with her husband Ray.

Dawna had become a grandmother before she decided that she would like to ride again. Her first purchase was a gentleman tobiano gelding from the Cloudchaser's Buster line. Monte proved such a pleasing companion that husband Ray, a novice rider, decided that he should have a horse so that they could ride together. Their search for another tobiano led to a tall dark chestnut three year old registered as Midnight Spirits Dakota, the Spirit coming from Spirit of Evil Knieval, with the Dakota reflecting the youngster's heritage from some of the notable lines of the working walker of the West. Ray fell in love and 'Snickers' found a new home.

Trail riding became such a passion that the Hansens decided to provide a way for enjoying the horses even during Wisconsin's notoriously

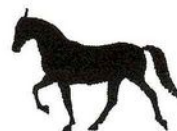
snowbound winters. They sold their home and bought a farm with plenty of room for grazing plus an ideal spot for a modern barn with an indoor riding arena. Construction of the new barn began in the summer of 2001. With its completion, the two geldings moved from the dressage training facility where they had boarded to the home farm. Later, Dawna acquired a very gentle mare for the granddaughters to ride, since both geldings were much too tall for children's mounts.

Using the expertise garnered from years in the educational field, Dawna expanded her equine interests in 2003 to open The Equine Learning Institute. A student of Richard Shrake, Dawna had noted how many newcomers were entering the world of horse ownership with only minimal knowledge of all the ramifications of caring for a horse. Her institute functions to bring together those novice owners seeking to learn more with more experienced horseman serious about updating their skills under the expertise of knowledgeable professionals in all areas of equine training and management. Various clinics throughout the year on a number of different topics proved the wisdom of Dawna's perception.

Ray and Dawna Hansen have found that horse ownership after fifty is both exciting and rewarding. It is a way to enjoy the great outdoors on the trails as a couple, as well as providing a bonding experience with their granddaughters. The wonderful gaits and gentle dispositions of Tennessee Walking Horses make this all possible for the Hansens and their grandchildren as well.

Today's Tennessee Walking Horse can truly be the horse for those with grownup tastes. In Europe, where pricing precludes youthful horse ownership, as well as in North America, where many people take up horseback riding as a means to fulfill a childhood dream, the gentle nature and smooth gaits of the breed set it apart as

'the horse that wishes are made of'.





CANADIAN REGISTRY OF THE TENNESSEE WALKING HORSE

SCHEDULE OF FEES Effective February 1, 2004

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

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

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

CRTWH Home Page: <http://www.crtwh.ca>

CRTWH announces an exciting addition to

'The Canadian'!

THE VIRTUAL FUTURITY

by Dianne Little

In existence since 1982, 'The Canadian Futurity' was never envisioned or designed to be a static program. The goal was to improve the Canadian TWH by identifying, rewarding and recognizing quality Canadian-born horses.

Initially, in the eighties, 'The Canadian' was a regular horse show, in which each horse was compared with the other horses in the same class, and then ranked or placed. This system, a *comparative* judging system, is used world wide for the majority of horse shows. Visionaries at CRTWH determined it would be beneficial to the breed if TWH participating at 'The Canadian' were evaluated rather than compared. An *evaluative* system is the one used internationally by Sport Horses and Warm Bloods to identify and classify superior horses.

In 1992 'The Canadian' took a bold and courageous step and changed from a comparative program to an evaluative program. Since that time every entry is evaluated against a Breed Standard that includes conformation (front legs; hind legs; head, neck, body and balance; manners and disposition) as well as movement or way of going. The judge assigns a numerical score for each of the characteristics and a scribe is present to note the judge's comments on a score sheet. The judge has approximately 5 minutes to evaluate each horse - five minutes during which the judge focuses on that horse and that horse only.

One original and lofty goal of 'The Canadian' was that the Futurity be a nationwide program. Canada is a big country and the founders realized that this nationwide goal would be a long-term goal. In reality it is not feasible for horses, particularly young horses, to travel the distances involved to attend a Futurity in Alberta in the fall. One solution would be to organize Regional Futurities in other parts of Canada, with the winners traveling to one spot for the national Futurity. Regional Futurities are a worthwhile goal, but the practical reality is that, even within provinces, distances are great, traveling is expensive, and central locations are difficult to find – and volunteers to organize such an undertaking are even more difficult to find.

In 2004, the CRTWH has decided to take another bold and courageous step to come closer to the goal of a nationwide Canadian Futurity. Desiring to be more inclusive and to allow horses from across

Canada an opportunity to participate, the Futurity Committee believes they have arrived at a reasonable alternative. After 21 years, 'The Canadian' is changing through expansion of the program.

There are now 2 categories – a Live Category and a Virtual Category. 'The Canadian' will make use of videotapes in the expansion of the program with the 'Virtual' Category. The Virtual Futurity Category is designed as an alternative for those who cannot attend 'The Canadian' Futurity for a variety of reasons and circumstances: distance, weather, timing, personal decisions regarding weaning, injury to a horse and other unforeseen circumstances. Naturally, the Live Category and the Virtual Category will not compete against each other. Competition will be within the same Category. However, any horse entered in the Virtual Futurity Category may in another year compete in the Live Futurity Category provided the entry fees are current, just as horses in the Live Category one year may compete in the Virtual Category another year.

Any person who enters a horse in 'The Canadian' may elect to bring the horse to 'The Canadian' Futurity in Alberta (Live Category) OR may send a videotape of the horse to 'The Canadian' Futurity (Virtual Category). The decision to participate in the Virtual Futurity Category may be made either at the time of entry or until 10 days after the live competition. This will accommodate those who must travel great distances as well as those who plan on attending, but unforeseen circumstances eliminate their ability to bring the horse.

Those who elect to enter the Virtual Futurity will not be eligible for Futurity prize money, just as those who enter and do not attend are not eligible for Futurity prize money. However, those who participate in the Virtual Futurity by submitting tapes of their horses will receive a written evaluation of their horses when the tape is returned. Entries in the Virtual Futurity will also receive Certificates of Participation in the Virtual Futurity.

The Canadian Registry of the Tennessee Walking Horse is convinced that expansion of 'The Canadian' Futurity through the addition of the Virtual Category will further the goal of a nation-wide Futurity for TWH, allowing breeders from all parts of Canada to participate.

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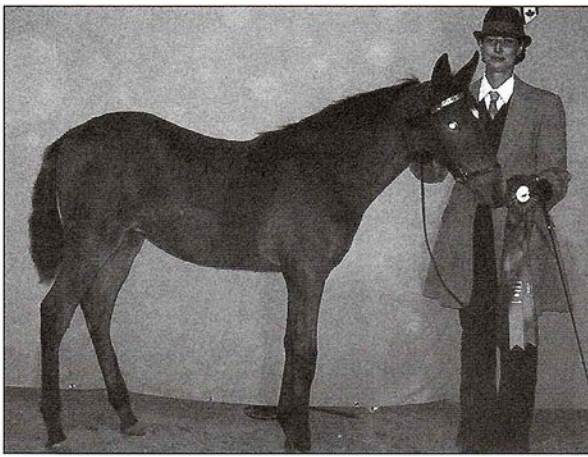
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Weanling Filly - *CALTAS MISS MAYA*



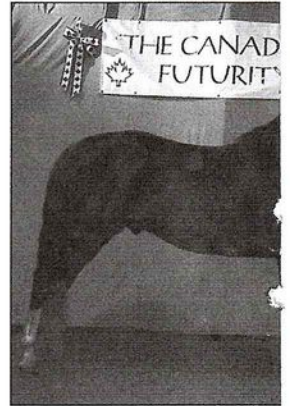
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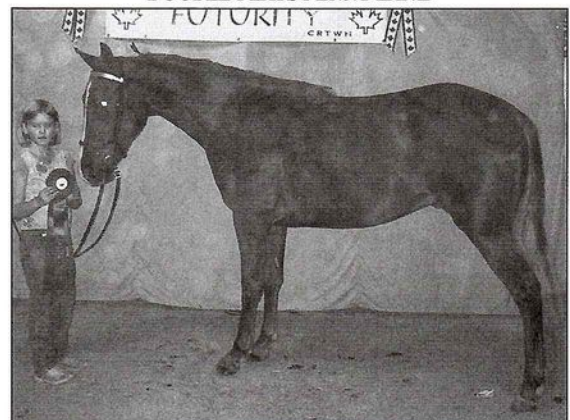
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Two Year Old Filly - Jack Strachan Award
DOUBLE PLAYS PENNY LANE

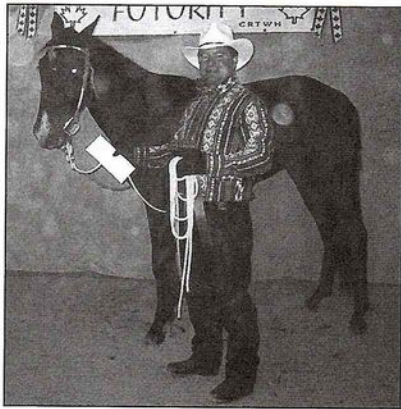


Two Year Old Gelding, Top Score Entry
KARLA'S BRAVE HEART

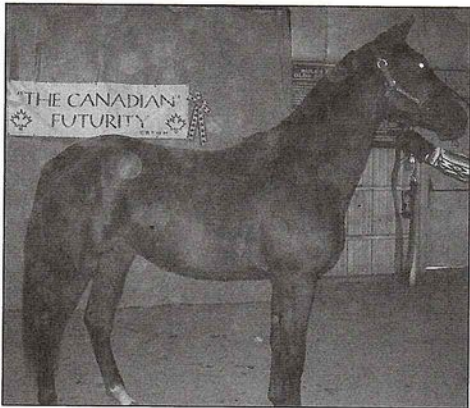
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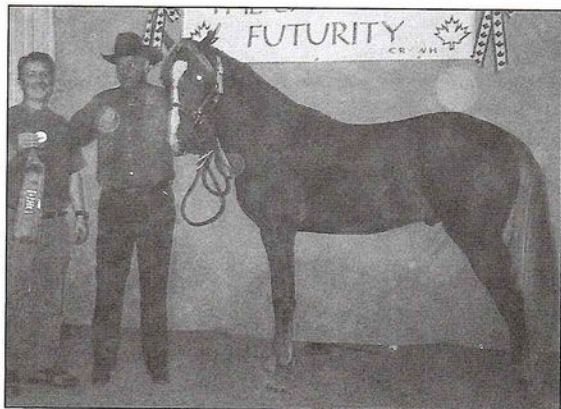
Best Score Over 5 Years
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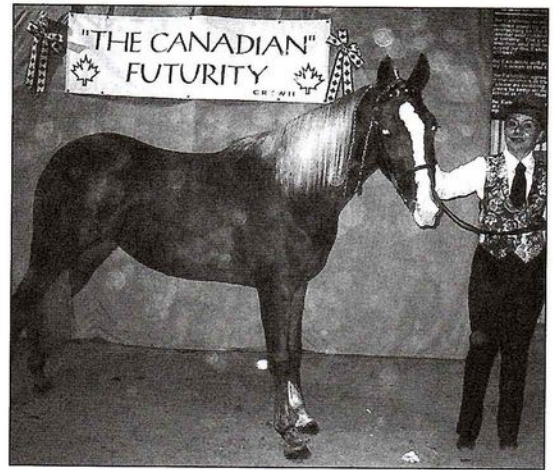
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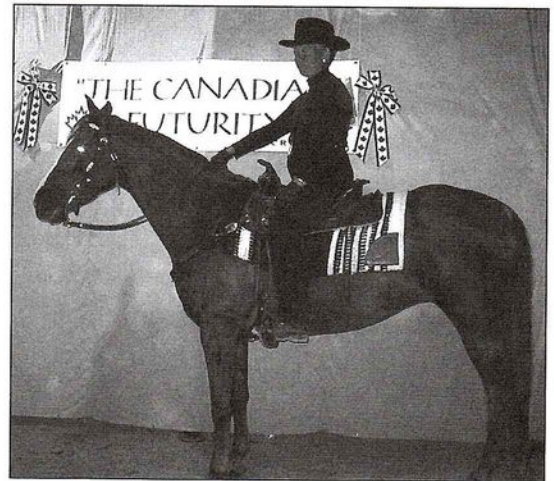
Two Year Old Colt – **RIDGEWALKER DIAMOND**



Yearling Colt, Top Movement Score (tied)
DOMINATOR'S COOL MILLION



Yearling Colt, Top Movement Score (tied)
EXCLUSIVELY DOUBLE PLAY



Three Gait Performance – **DOMINATOR'S TENNEKA**



Two Gait Performance – **HOT LIGHTENING**



Breeders Class – **KELLY'S VICTRY KISS**

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Sally Frones, Judge

TOP MOVEMENT SCORE ENTRY (TIE)

DOMINATOR'S COOL MILLION

Owned and Bred by Allan Burton

EXCLUSIVELY DOUBLE PLAY

Owner: Susan Sereda

Breeder: Laurindale Stables

trophy courtesy of Walking Horse Junction, Bill Howes

MARE

whose progeny accumulate the most points

KELLY'S VICTRY KISS

Owner: Cloudwalker Stables

trophy courtesy of Diane Sept

JACK STRACHAN MEMORIAL TROPHY

DOUBLE PLAY'S PENNY LANE

Owner: Maryann Schlaut

Breeder: Laurindale Stables

trophy courtesy of George and Heather Sharpe

FINISHED HORSE:

Highest Score over 5 Years

POWER'S CANADIAN COPY

Owned and Bred by: Cloudwalker Stables

trophy courtesy of Cloudwalker Stables, Deloris & Bill Salt

STALLION

whose progeny accumulate the most points

GENERATOR'S SILVER MOON

Owner: Big Rock Walker Ranch

trophy courtesy of Westridge Farms, Helen Williamson

TOP SCORE ENTRY

KARLA'S BRAVE HEART

Owner: Sheila Rodney

Breeder: Karla Freeman

trophy courtesy of J. Glenn Robinson

WEANLING FILLY Trophy courtesy of Jus' Fine TWH (15 entered, 7 shown) First: Caltas Miss Maya ; Owner/Breeder: Calta Stables ; by Calta Commander out of Miss Big Stuff Second: Santarra Owner/Breeder: Sheila Haines ; by Dixie's Hot Chocolate out of Golden Dream's Delight
WEANLING COLT Trophy courtesy of Jordan Valley Farms (20 entered, 9 shown) First: The Jagged Edge ; Owner/Breeder: Bar Cross Performance Horses ; by Solstice Memory out of Sunbonnet Bonnie Pride Second: Silver's Stars and Snip ; Owner/Breeder: Big Rock Walker Ranch ; by Generator's Silver Moon out of Ebony's Stardancer
YEARLING FILLY Trophy courtesy of Cole Farms (17 entered, 9 shown) First: Coin's Olympic Edition ; Owner/Breeder: Allan Burton/Laurindale Stables ; by Coin's Double Play out of Gen's Olympic Edition Second: Intruders Breath of Color ; Owner/Breeder: Big Rock Walker Ranch ; by Pushers Canadian Intruder out of Stars Shady Babe
YEARLING GELDING Trophy courtesy of Nicole Mazur & Cameron Lougheed (9 entered, 5 shown) First: Calta Commander General ; Owner/Breeder: Calta Stables ; by Calta Commander out of Topper's Sunset Lady Second: The Rocketeer ; Owner/Breeder: Big Rock Walker Ranch ; by Generator's Silver Moon out of Little Sidney
YEARLING COLT Trophy courtesy of Leo P. Brilz (6 entered, 4 shown) First: Calta Commander General ; Owner/Breeder: Calta Stables ; by Calta Commander out of Topper's Sunset Lady Second: Silver's Ring Of Fire ; Owner/Breeder: Big Rock Walker Ranch ; by Generator's Silver Moon out of Gold Stars Secret
YEARLING IN HAND Trophy courtesy of Treetop Ranch, T.J. & Linda MacKay (12 entered, 10 shown) First: Silver's Ring of Fire ; Owner/Breeder: Big Rock Walker Ranch ; by Generator's Silver Moon out of Gold Stars Secret Second: Irish Moonshine Owner/Breeder: Big Rock Walker Ranch ; by Generator's Silver Moon out of Coin's Irish Blessing
TWO YEAR OLD FILLY Trophy courtesy of Jack Strachan, George & Heather Sharpe (16 entered, 9 shown) First: Double Play's Penny Lane ; Owner/Breeder: Maryann Schlaut/Young ; by Coin's Double Play out of Handshakers Mirror Second: Cloudwalkers Bella Luna ; Owner/Breeder: Cloudwalker Stables ; by Cloud's Rio Bravo out of Painted Power
TWO YEAR OLD COLT/GELDING Trophy courtesy of Walking Gait Lane (Colt) Norman M. Thachuk (Gelding) (6 entered, 4 shown) First: Karla's Brave Heart ; Owner/Breeder: Sheila Rodney/Karla Freeman ; by Cherokee's Dark Knight out of Karla's Black Diamond Second: Sweet Sugar Dandy ; Owner/Breeder: Bar Cross Performance Horses ; by Toddy's Royal Image out of Caltas Sweet Victory
TWO YEAR OLD LINE DRIVING Trophy courtesy of Bill Fraess (7 entered, 4 shown) First: Thunder From The Preacher ; Owner/Breeder: Big Rock Walker Ranch ; by Call The Preacher out of Perfection's Marque Second: Karla's Brave Heart ; Owner/Breeder: Sheila Rodney/Karla Freeman ; by Cherokee's Dark Knight out of Karla's Black Diamond
DRIVING PERFORMANCE Trophy courtesy of Gardiner Beacom (1 entered, 1 shown) First: Powers Canadian Copy ; Owner/Breeder: Cloudwalkers Stables ; by The Power Is On out of Kelly's Victry Kiss
TWO GAIT PERFORMANCE Trophy courtesy of Louise & Ralph McLaren (6 entered, 5 shown) First: Hot Lightning ; Owner/Breeder: Sharon and Ted Smith ; by Icy Hot out of President For Keeps Second: Shadow's Borago-G ; Owner/Breeder: Westridge Farms ; by Go Shadow Go out of Gift's Magic Dream
THREE GAIT PERFORMANCE Trophy courtesy of The Little Family (4 entered, 4 shown) First: Dominator's Tenneka ; Owner/Breeder: Victor Burton/Sharon & Ted Smith ; by Pride's Dominator out of Regenerated Second: Powers Nubian Beauty ; Owner/Breeder: Cloudwalker Stables ; by The Power Is On out of Cloudwalkers Venus
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I'm going to access the WHN website to see what's new. Too much good stuff there, too, so will have to take some time to look at all of it. Gladys (as on the J/F cover) in colour was a good choice for the home page. Lovely. So was Trigger, looking as golden as she ever has. Natalie Speckmaier, Vancouver, BC

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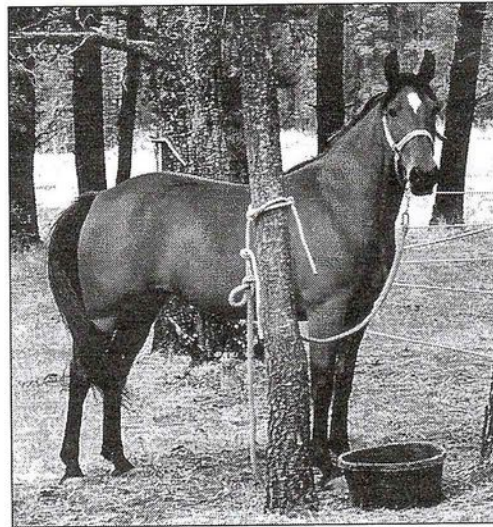
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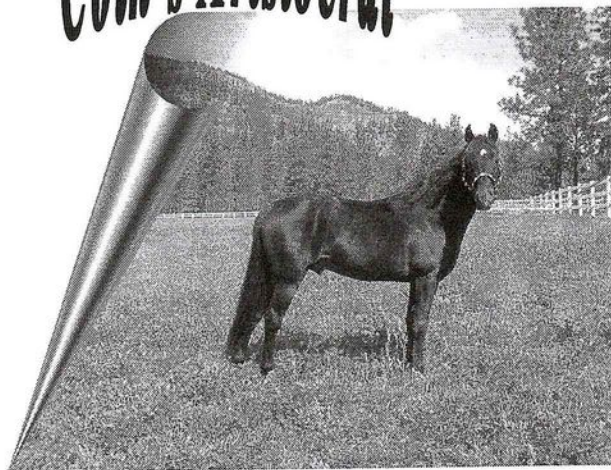
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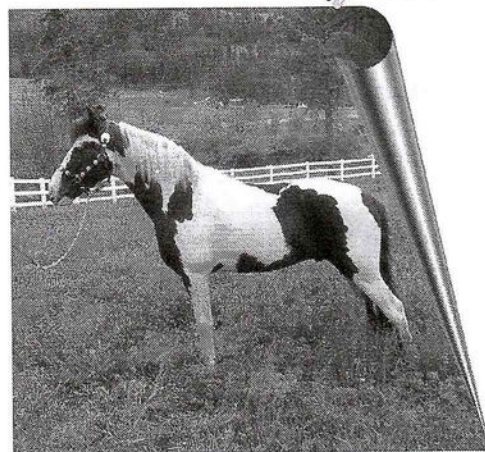
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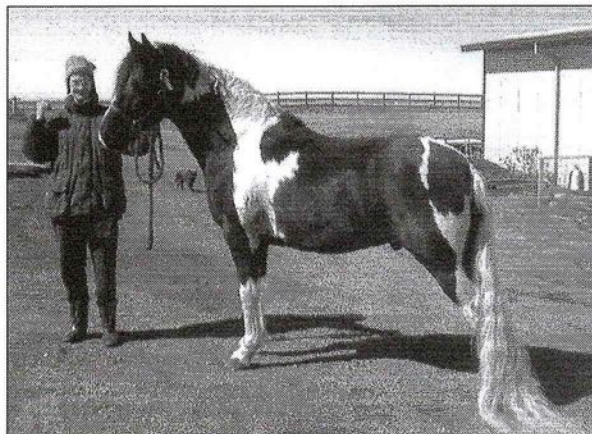
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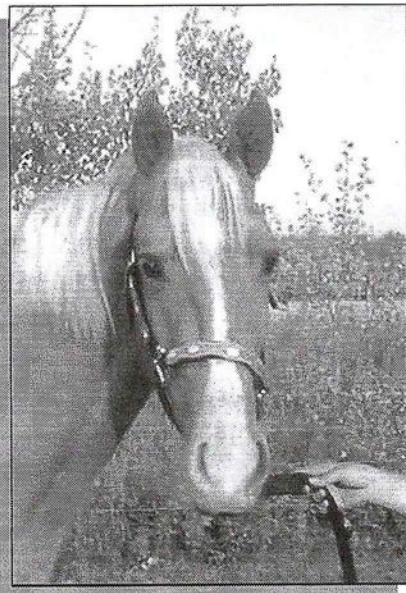
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Major is in Tennessee in training
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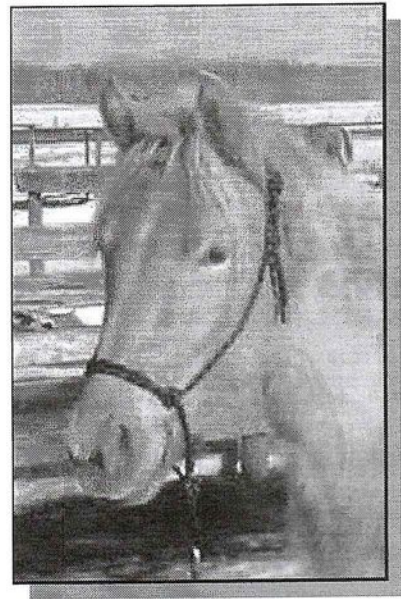
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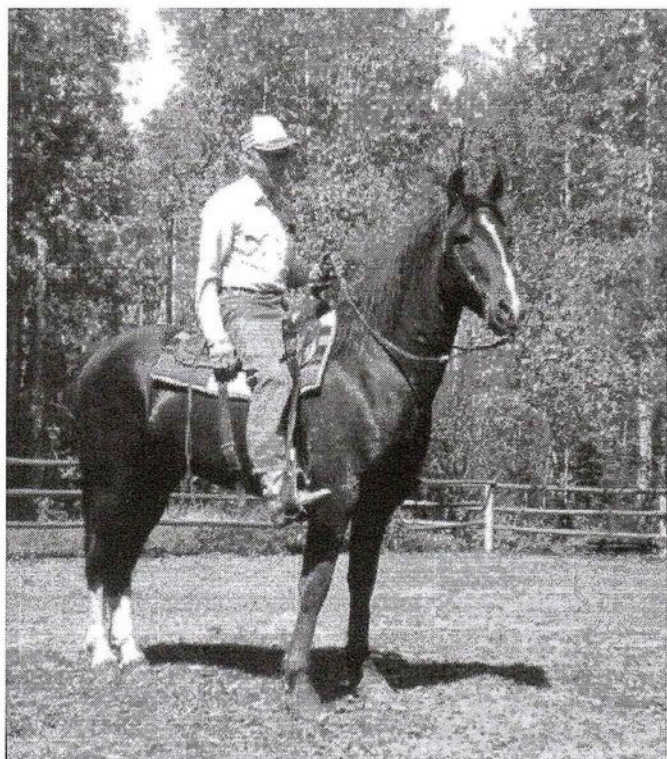
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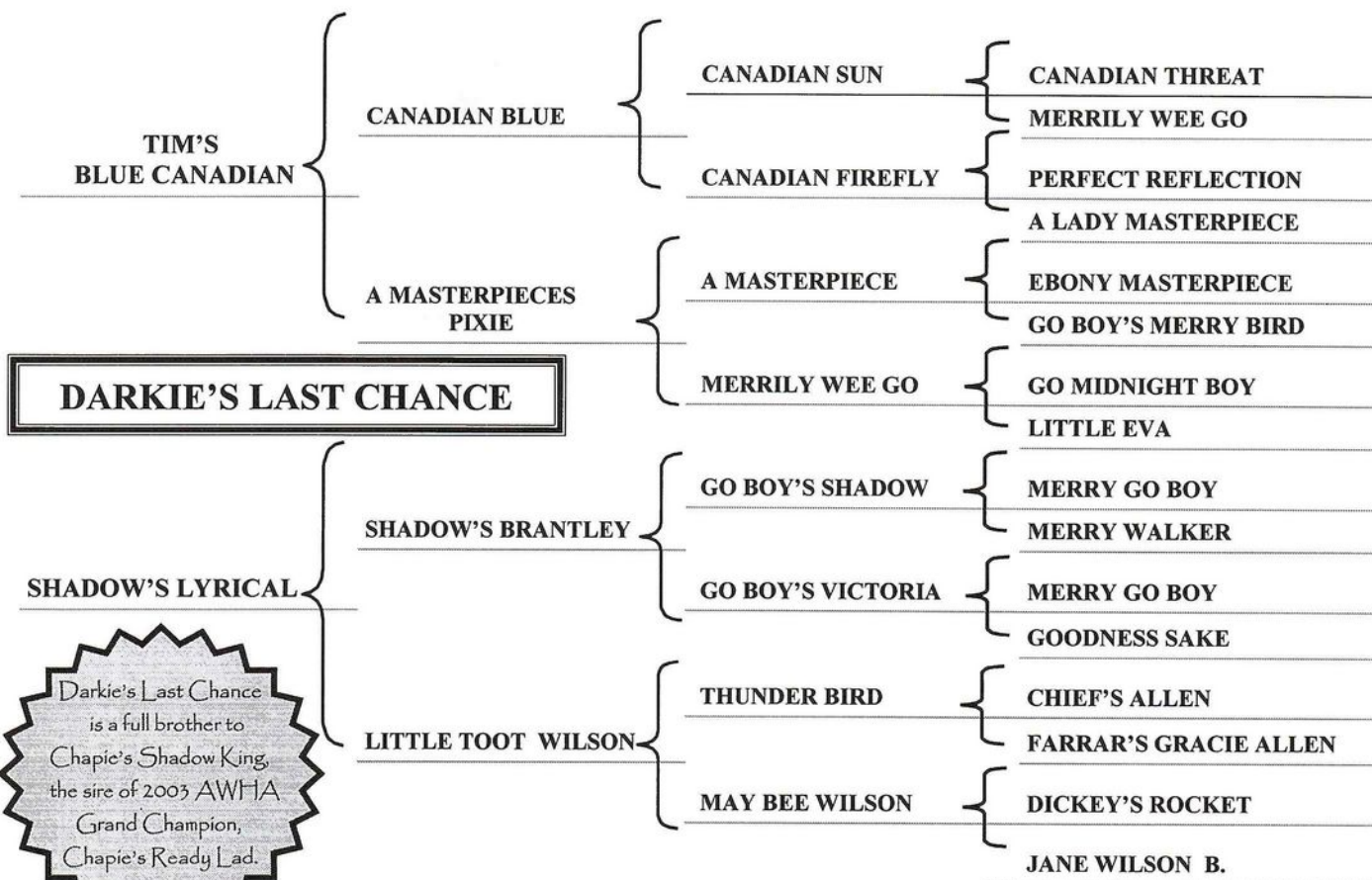
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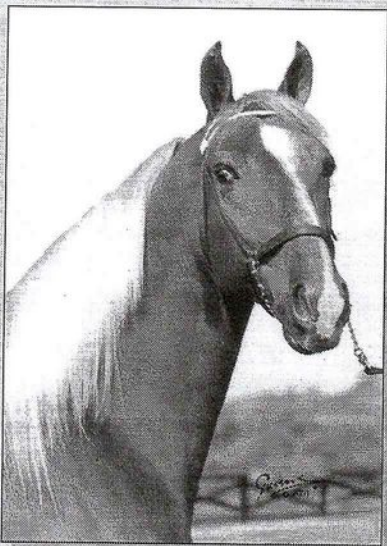
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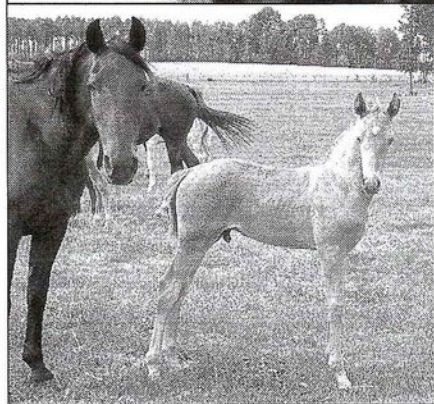
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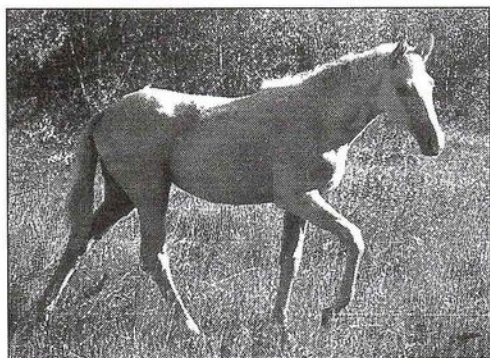
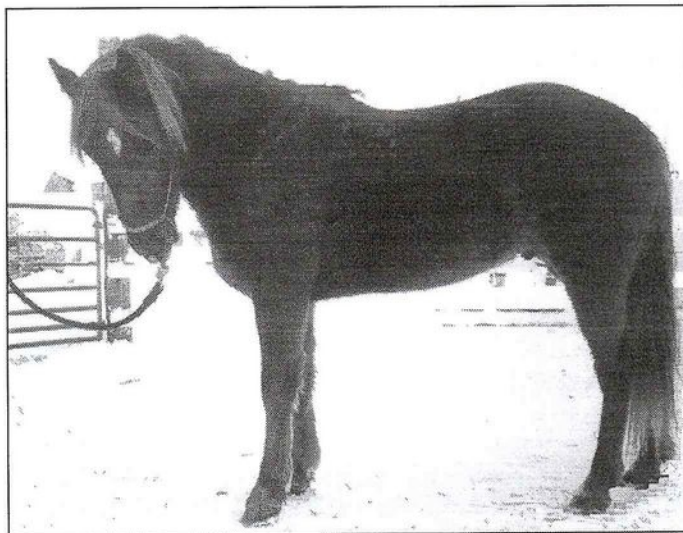
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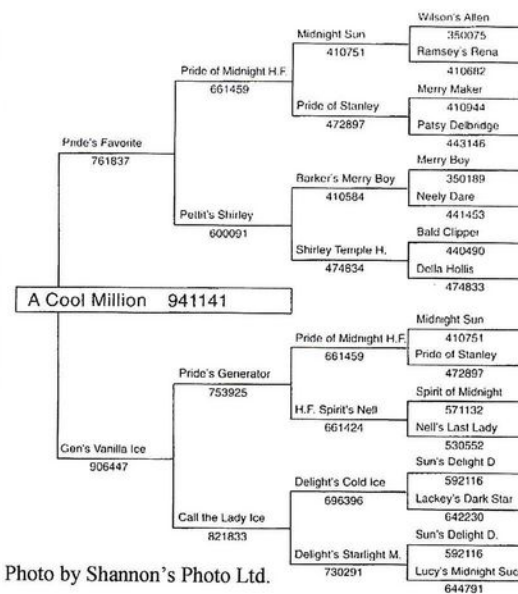
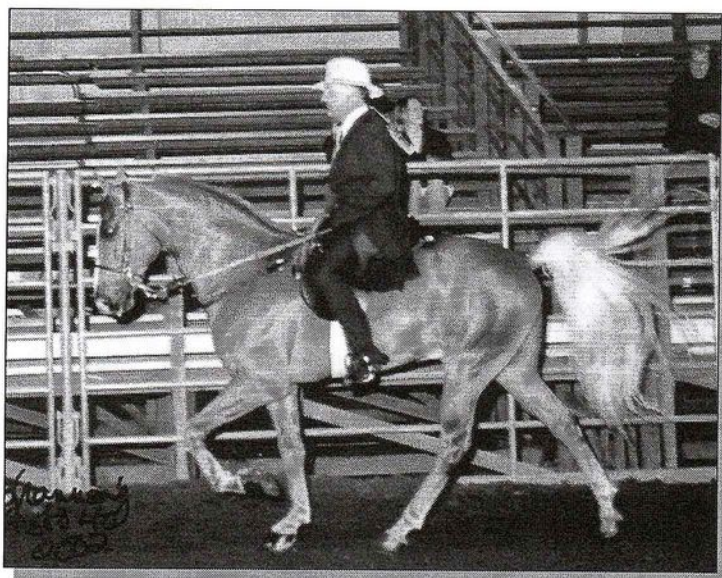


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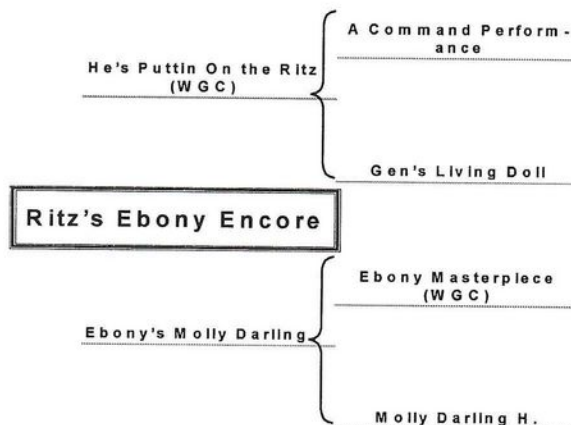
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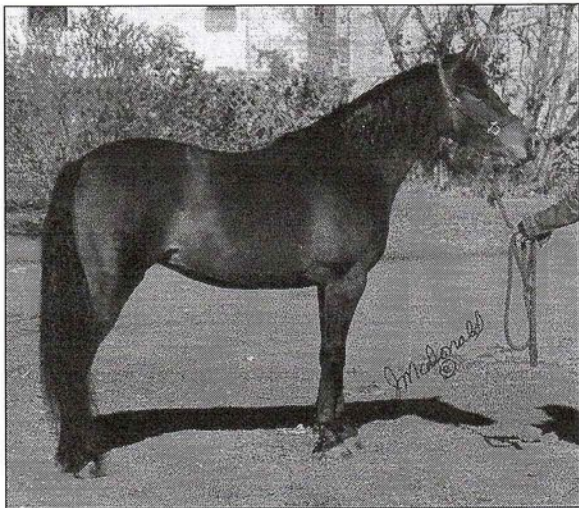
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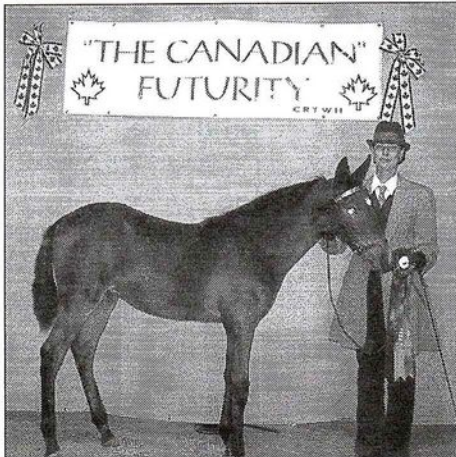
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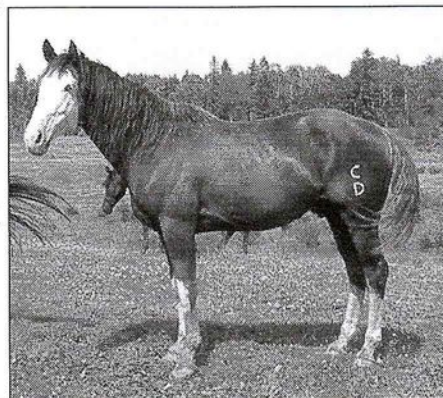
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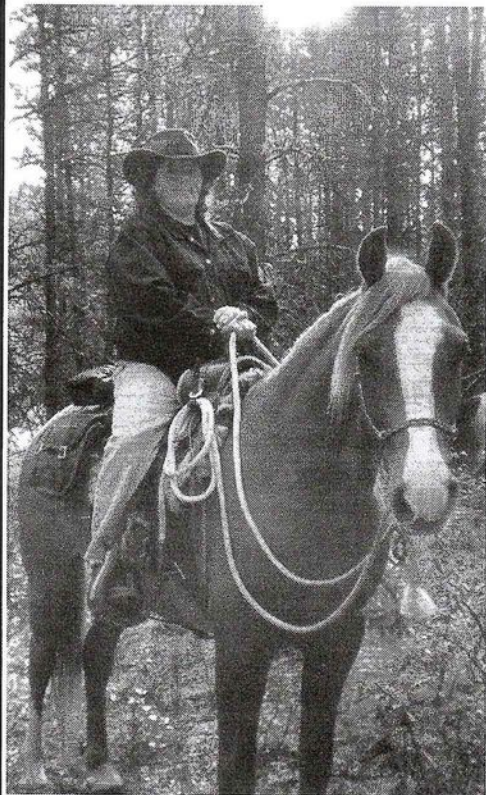
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Blaze has been to the mountains and crossed rivers and muskeg (belly deep in places). He's been packed as well. We had him on a cattle drive last year and he did very well.

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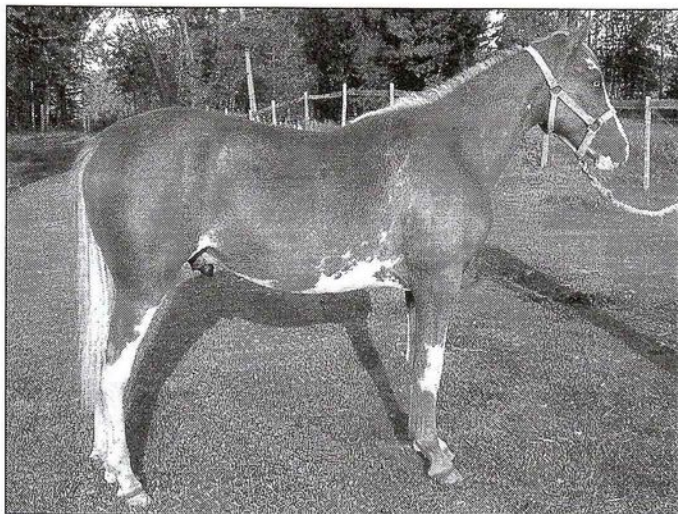
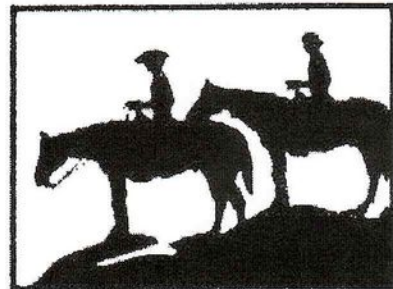
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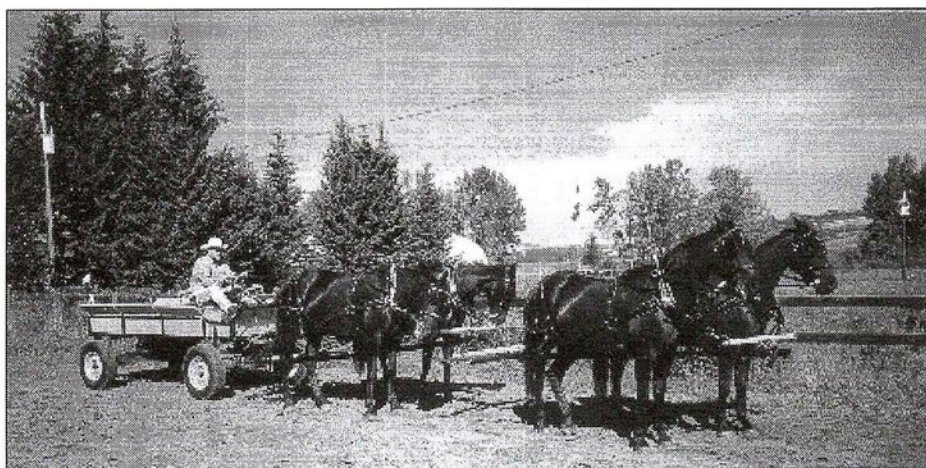
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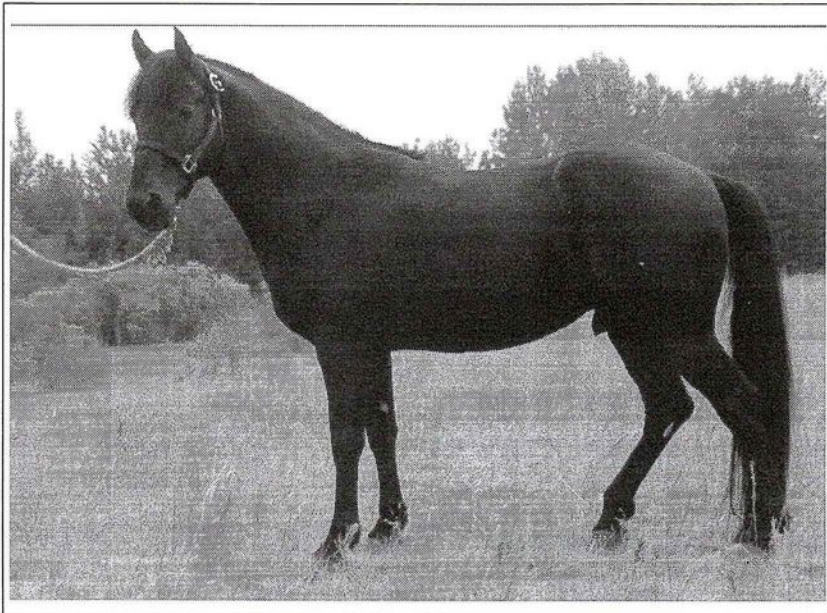
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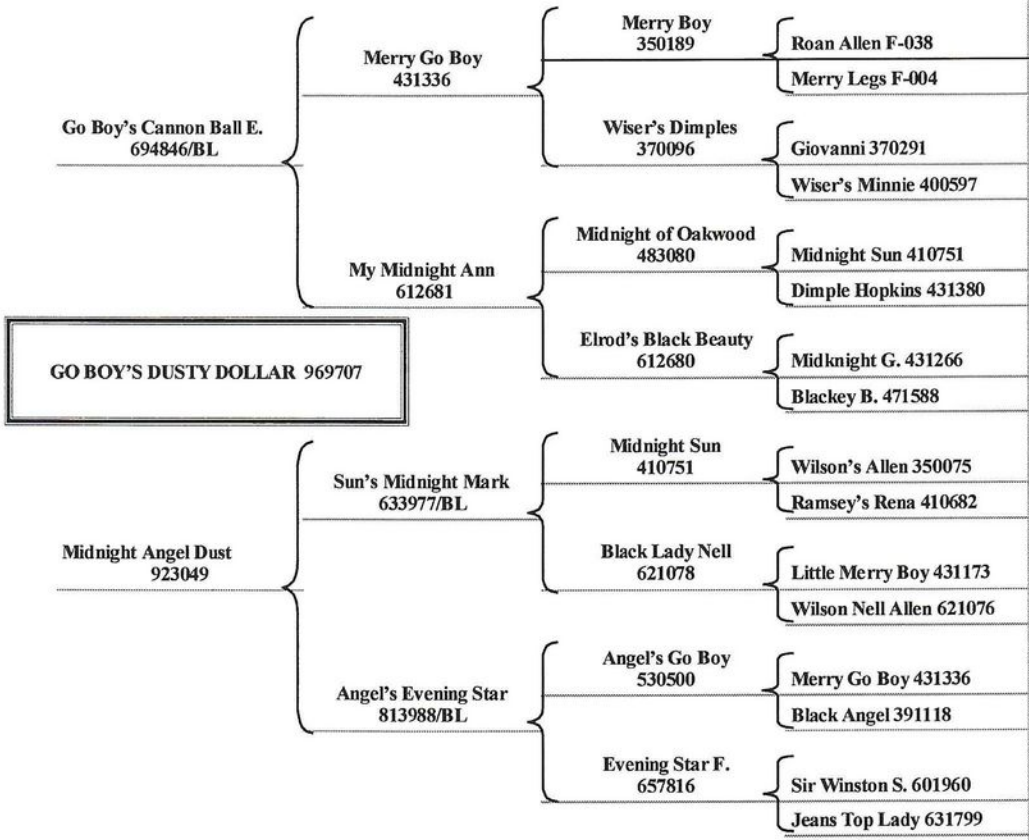


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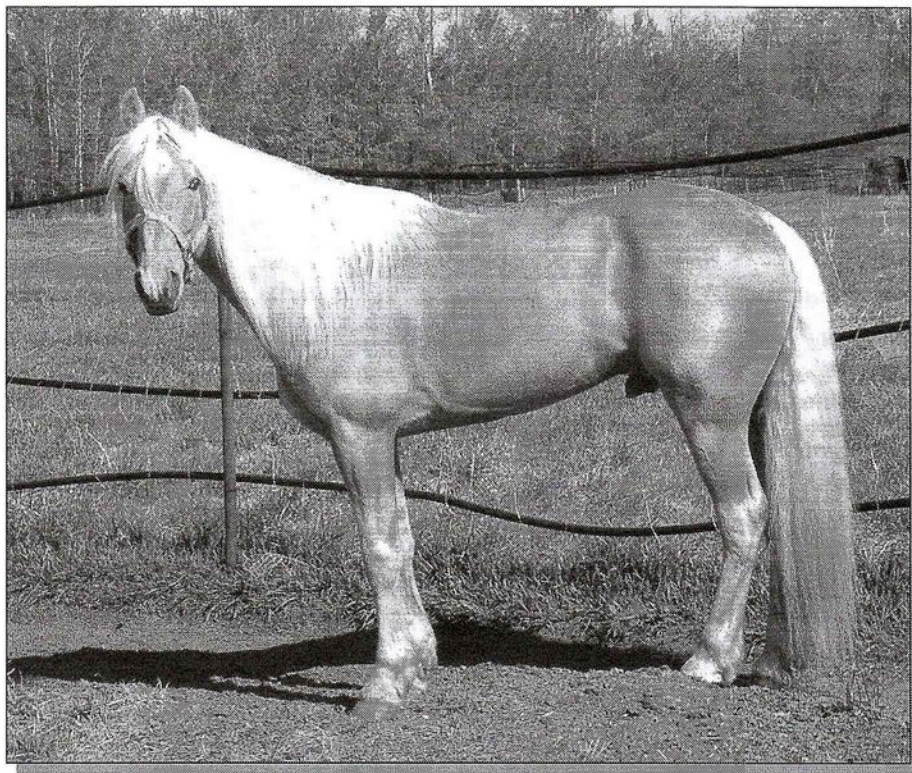
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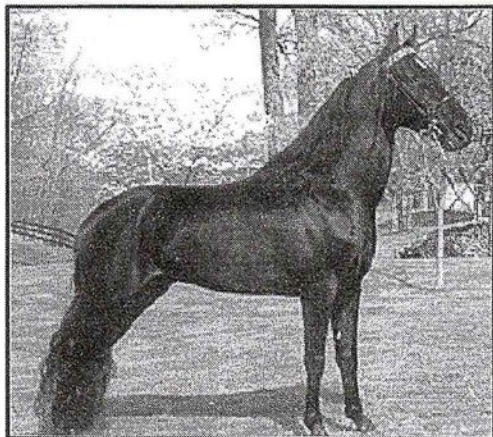
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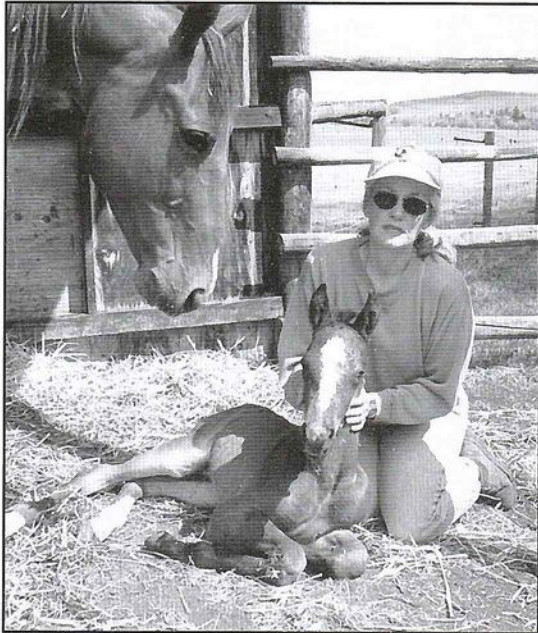
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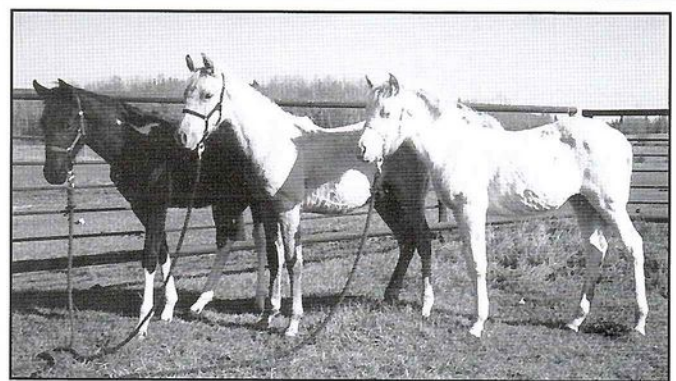
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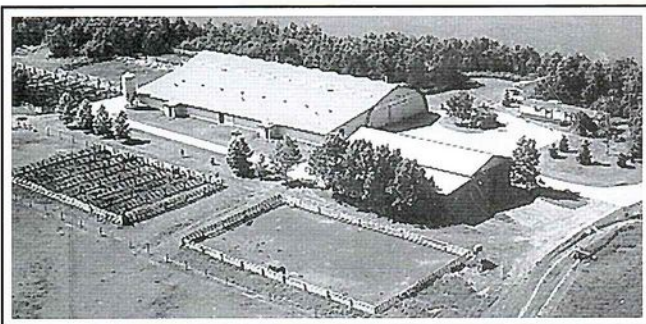
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