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Bailey seems to say.

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See his story on page 3.

The picture was taken west of

our barn looking north at the

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background. The ewe is a

stuffed one of a pair (ram &

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Dear Subscribers,

It has been a strange spring, with record warm temperatures, then record snowfalls a day or two later. You just don't know what's around the corner! It is still very dry on most of the Prairies though, so we'll take any moisture we can get. Here, at least, there is not much grass yet so I am still feeding my horses. Let's hope for enough rain in June to make the hay grow.

There are lots of Walking Horse events in the coming summer months. If you are interested in shows, the Alberta Celebration is moving to a new venue in Stettler after many years in Olds (page 5). For serious breeders, the Canadian Futurity will be at the Stampede Grounds in Calgary. If you are into fun events, the Festival of the Gaits will be back as usual at Tees in July. *Check page 32 for more.*

Please note the increase in the subscription rates to *WHN*. A year's subscription will now cost \$18.00 in Canada and \$24 (US) to the United States. And I am counting on you all to go out and get new subscribers! *WHN* has still not attained that elusive '500 subscribers' goal. Tell people about the magazine, show them your copy, give your buyers a gift subscription... I'm always happy to have you send names and addresses of new TWH owners in Canada so I can send a complimentary copy and an invitation to subscribe. And don't forget to renew your own subscription before the deadline! *WHN* needs you all.

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There's lots of good reading ahead - we have an article from Eldon Eadie on Measuring for Gait, plus Franne Brandon tells us of the prices and horses at a new sale in Middle Tennessee, and more - so enjoy. And let's hear from *you* for next issue!

Marjorie



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REPORT FROM THE HORSE ORPHANAGE

by LEON (SMOKEY) APPLEBY, PINCHER CREEK

2003 was fairly quiet around the Horse Orphanage. We had a call from up north (Smoky Lake, AB). A chap there had need for boarding of two TWH stallions for one year. We were unable to help him as our acreage is not set up for stallions. We did pass on some phone numbers, however, and they are now boarded closer to his area.

Previously we had trucked Thunder's Telsa Nikko Cdn 1196-1702 for two years trying to get her bred. The vet strobe checked, flushed and prescribed pills but no luck, so we were reconciled to accept a barren mare. Due to Smokey's declining health, we decided not to do any more breeding. We had already been royally blessed with the horses already on the farm. The Sorensen's stud, Toddy's Commander 1992-1196 had given us a very nice colt from Nikko's March Telsa Cdn 551, named Commander's Sunshine Cdn 2000-2597 / 200105 USA.

Then, on April 17, 2003, Elaine came running in, exclaiming, "We have a baby!" I took a quick look at the foal, which was following Telsa around the corral, and then noticed that Nikko was dripping milk. Ah ha! The grandmother had adopted the baby as HERS. So, we put Nikko and the foal into the large box stall and moved the animals into the adjacent paddock. The young fellow readily accepted the new situation and got some colostrum and a good feed. He is going to be a carbon copy of his dad, Sunshine, right down to color and the small star on his head. A very fine disposition too; in the first month he was imprinted, and accustomed to loud metallic sounds, the rustle of plastic and rubber raincoats, etc.; he leads through gates, lifts his feet, and all in all has a great disposition. Our four year old grandson gave him the name "BAILEY", as he loves to lie in the bales of straw, hence "Bailey's Commander CDN".

Oh yes, Sunny had been gelded so it was a complete surprise to us to see this foal appear!

Anxious mother Nikko hurries over to check out the 'dangerous animal' that her son is sniffing. (A stuffed ewe.)

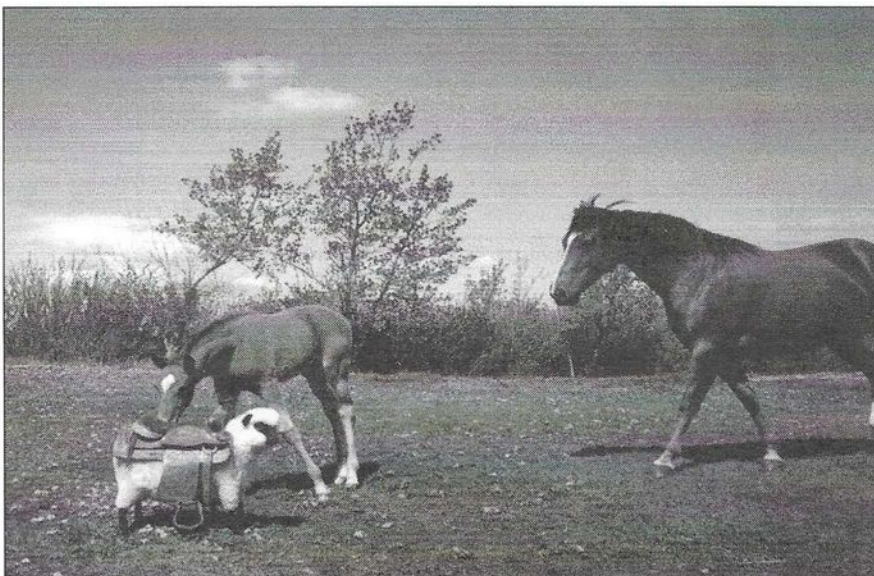
In the spring of 2003 Doren Degenstein who teaches a wheelwright course each winter in the museum at Saskatoon held a wheelwright course at his home in Fort MacLeod for 12 students. This was a 'hands on' course to make wooden wheels, heat steel tires, apply them to the rims, then apply rubber tires.

Doren was assisted by two professional wheelwrights, Dave Glass of Pincher Creek and Roy Musgrove from Saskatoon. It was a well organized course, lots of room for the 12 students complete with the required machinery to carry out all the steps necessary to complete wooden wheels. (Also everyone gained a few pounds due to the great home cooked meals and desserts put up by Tara Degenstein.)

Elaine's flowers were a blooming success and the deer came again to taste them. When they began to nibble the four new apple trees, Smokey put up wire and wind fencing around the young trees to protect them.

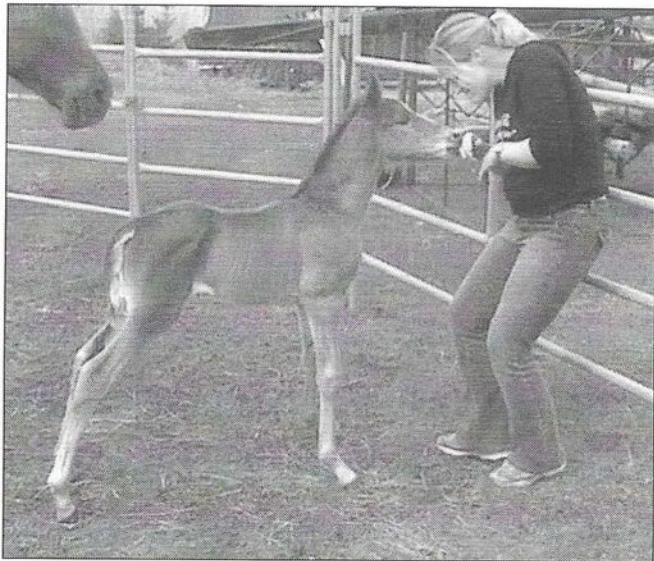
We cannot ever imagine going back to the city, what with all the country blessings. Though not a monetary reward, they are rewards of a higher value: like the doe who every year gives birth to her fawn west of the house over in the caragana; the pintail grouse who have trained us to leave a dish of seeds out for them (if the grouse come over before the deer get it).

This year at our fall "Heritage Days" weekend, we were treated to driving exhibitions put on by a number of northern teamsters, Winston Curtis being one of the visiting teamsters.



NEWS - NEWS - NEWS

ALBERTA NEWS



LAURIE INNOCENT, LAURINDALE STABLES, ROSALIND, "Hi Everyone. We are thrilled to announce the birth of our first foal by "Genuine Silver Dollar"! She is a beautiful sorrel filly out of Generator's Pride and Joy. She is everything we had hoped for and so much more. Three days old and already thinks she is a people!" (See photo above.)

MARIANNE WRAY, SUNDRE, "Things are mega hectic around here - we've bought a quarter just north of Caroline, and it needs to be fixed up before we can move in. Have to be out of here by the end of this month. So we have picked out new lino and tiles, and have just got the heat and electricity on. Always a new challenge around the corner. Costing us a lot to get everything in order. We bought the farm - but the corral system needs major repairs too! There are six automatic waterers but none that actually work. I am renewing my subscription, and would also like to place an ad for my yearling palomino in your classifieds. Our new address as of April first is Caroline AB."

SHELDON SCHROEDER, LLOYDMINSTER, "I have bought a new horse - Rambo (Uphill Rambler). I put about 50 miles on him in the past weeks, and now 50 more, and he is working great. (See photo opposite.) Where does he get his size from? I like it. I am taking him to the mountains July 3 -7 so if I have time will maybe stop in. I am still in Lloyd but I've moved."

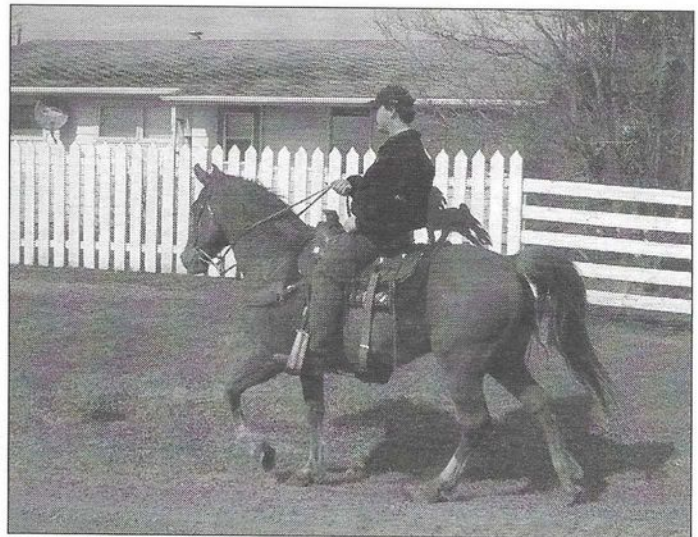
LISA LAMBERT, PRIDE'S NOBLE WALKERS, PERRYVALE, e-mailed, "Well, we got our first foal. (I love this time of year!) She is a beautiful black filly with a star and connecting strip. She has the longest legs of any foal born here to date, but she is gorgeous. The mare did not have much fluid during delivery so I had to pull the foal. This is the first time I saw a dry delivery; it was awful. The poor mare. The sack the filly was in actually squeaked as I pulled. Her dam is Breezes La Nina and her sire is Pride's Undertaker. This mare and filly will soon be residing at Berry Hill Farm."

"I am sending in my subscription renewal fee. I love this magazine and refer to it often, whether to refresh my memory on a story or to find a number or address of someone who advertises."

"I so enjoyed the articles by Bill Salt on Lily. It even brought a tear or three to my eyes. I also have a foal here with crooked legs, though not as severe. The filly was not a candidate for surgery and the three vets I called all said braces don't work. So I have my farrier on the job. Bill's story gave me more hope for our little girl named Faith A Legend Genius (aka Faith). Faith's dam belongs to Colleen Nelson, BC."

"We also have two new additions to our herd. They are not of the horse herd - they are a pair of moose calves! Yep, it's that time of year when Mama Moose chases off last year's calves. Guess the hay is easy pickings for them."

Before I sign off, I'd like to congratulate Bill Salt on the title won by his mare, Power's Nubian Beauty. Great going!"





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IRENE VERBISKY, VILNA, writes, "I am sending my renewal payment for the next two years. I had a scare last year when I thought I'd missed one issue forever. Thank you for sending it."

"My time with my Walkers has been so limited by the constraints of my job, so I am very pleased to be anticipating retirement. How rewarding it will be to have year-round time for horses!"

"I have put all my limited time and effort into studying and applying clicker training. Clicker trainers in Alberta are hard to find, but I suspect (from the occasional comments I have overheard) that there are more than a few closet 'clicker aficionados'. Operant conditioning with the clicker has allowed a wonderful two-way communication to develop between my horses and me. The most useful behaviour result with Buddy (Westhill's Charm Shaker) has been respectful observance of my space during feeding times. With Gossip (Da-Jo Amber Gossip) it has been a calming willingness to offer head down whenever something distresses her. She calms herself! I'm looking forward to under saddle clicker work with them when retirement rolls around."

From MARLENE FAIRBROTHER, WINDING CREEK RANCH, MYRNAM, "It's been a long time since I wrote to *WHN*! It's April 15 and we are back into winter again, but hopefully not for long. My herd has increased in the last year by double. As Fran Kerik wrote and said, "Marlene is back in the horse business!" After I lost Bob it took a while for me to want to live again, but life goes on. I'm doing well now and looking forward this summer to rides, shows and new foals."

"I have two coming. Scarlett is a new mare bred to Neitak's Gold Chip. Molly is bred to Fran's stallion, Allen's Midnight Rascal. Fancy was also bred to him but she resorbed it at about three to four months along."

"I added a new stallion to my herd last fall. Treasure is a cremello yearling, and I also have a new palomino filly, Buttermilk, the same age. In June I found a flaxen sorrel half sister to Fancy. She is a four year old with blaze and socks that I call Willow. I'll breed her to Rascal this spring. My new guy, The Ivory Treasure, is too young yet. I also have a 4 year old gelding for sale. Drop by for a visit!"

"I was on a bus tour to Victoria for ten days and it was lovely out there. April 4 to 14 and everything in bloom; 27 degrees on Easter Sunday! When I got back I had a lot of mail and the first thing I looked at was the *WHN*. I'd like to renew for two years. Keep up the good work!"

MANITOBA NEWS

From MARSHA TRINDER, RUSSELL, "Thought we'd send a note to let you know what's going on at T W Ranch (Trinder's Tennessee Walking Horses) in rural Manitoba. We've been busier than usual this past year with additional cattle due to the BSE crisis. Cliff is still feeding livestock here on the 7th of May as the pastures are still not ready for grazing. There is finally a tinge of green out there now but the temperature is still dropping below freezing most nights so the grass hasn't got much of a chance. The drought has also caused several water sources in the area to dry up so good pasture management is more critical than ever."

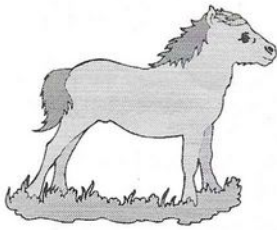
"The horse herd is looking good, with lots of great quality horses in various stages of training and around 20 available for sale. We just started marketing last year as our goal is to sell well-started trail horses, and we of course need a certain number of horses right here on the ranch for our own use. Foaling has not started yet this year; should be starting in about 10 days. Always an exciting time!"

"We're in the process of setting up a couple of campsites on the ranch. If a customer is looking at purchasing a Tennessee Walking Horse from our ranch and would like to be able to work with and ride a prospective horse on our many miles of trails for three or four days, these campsites will be available. For the less adventurous there is a five-star hotel 15 minutes away!"

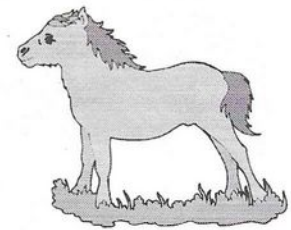
"We're booked into two Level II Parelli courses this year; one with Don Knapp and one with Glenn Stewart. Looking forward to them both!"

"On a bit of a humorous note, for those of you in Parelli, the term 'controlled catastrophe' came to mind this afternoon! A cow calved as I was watching and I wanted to get to the calf for just a second. Normally, we can ride the horse up next to the cow, slip off the horse on the other side, and deal with the calf if need be. This Mama Cow thought differently however, and she came right after us. Flint (my TWH) and I definitely passed our 'controlled catastrophe' as both he and I kept our eyes on that cow as he went straight backwards just as fast as he possibly could. However, that experience didn't stop Flint from stopping to check out the rest of the new calves and smelling them all over. I'll have to get a good picture of that to send in to *Walking Horse News*. Keep up the good work, Marjorie. We're definitely renewing our subscription!"

CARE, AND NOT FINE STABLES, MAKES A GOOD HORSE.
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FOAL CALL



BLACK FILLY with a star and connecting strip
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SORREL FILLY (Genuine Silver Dollar x Generator's Pride and Joy). Laurie Innocent, Laurindale Stables, Rosalind, AB

SORREL COLT - Wainwright's Rainbow X Chapie's Doll O' The Mist (04/04)

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BLACK FILLY- Walkaway Black Nugget X H.B.'s T Bird, May 10/04

BLACK FILLY- Walkaway Black Nugget X Keen's Bum Champion, May 3/04 (This one may turn grey, like Mom. She's got grey on her muzzle & white hairs on her body.) Don & Shirley Campbell, Ponoka, AB

BUCKSKIN FILLY 'Tawny' (Chance's Goldmine x Red Bud's Lady Scarlett) - Franne & Harry Brandon, Pinefolly Farms Petersburg, TN

BLACK SABINO COLT (looks BLUE!) NFF Blue Moon' (Echo's Star Grey Wilson x Red Bud's Angel)

CHESTNUT FILLY NFF Queen of Hearts' (Black Jax Merry Chance x Red Rock Evangalista)

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Diane Sczepanski, Northern Foundations Farm, Whitehall, WI

BUCKSKIN COLT (Gold King x Panda Capri) Eadie's Valley Vista Ranch, Rimbey, AB

MORE NEWS

KARLA FREEMAN, BENTLEY, AB is pleased to congratulate Real Rousseau, 3 'R' Stables, Vernon B.C. who bought 3 TWH geldings from her this spring. 'Happy Trails' to Real and his brothers!

BARB FENWICK, FOUR SEASONS RANCH, CARBERRY, MB writes, "Well, the big May snowstorm made us postpone our Liz Graves clinic that was supposed to be this last weekend, May 15/16. Hard to ride in a foot of snow - and most folks couldn't even get their trailers out of their yards! So, we have rescheduled it for the July 31st / Aug 1st long weekend here at Four Seasons. Saturday & Sunday will be clinic days & Monday afternoon will be a trail ride with Liz. All of the original participants will be attending, but we still have spots for 2 or 3 riders if anyone is interested in signing up. All sessions will be private sessions with you, Liz & your horse, so it's very productive and not as physically taxing as a long day in the sun in the arena. Spectators are more than welcome for a small charge. Liz helps you find the best gaits in your horse, helps you learn how to ride a gaited horse more effectively and uses no gimmicks or gadgets. It's all natural based skills and education."

ARIANNE BAKER, MEDICINE HAT, AB writes, "Thank-you to Dan and Pat Shwaluk for their

purchase of the mares Shadow, Flash, Washau, Misty and Stormy. We wish them the best on their new breeding plans. Also we'd like to thank Stan Potter who purchased our gelding. We wish him many happy miles of riding."

Does anyone know the whereabouts of BOLD VICTORY? This 17 year old black stallion is a son of Moore Black Dust M.R. by Black Dust M.R. by Merry Boy, and must be one of the few Walking Horses left with Roan Allen F38 (twice) and Merry Legs F4 still showing on his papers.

Best Wishes to HILTON HACK OF CALTA STABLES, CALGARY, AB who is in hospital after an operation. We hope you are gaining strength and feeling much better now, Hilton.

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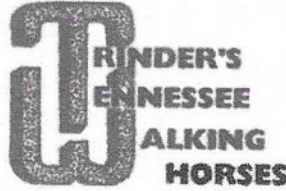
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ONTARIO NEWS

From KIM PRINGLE, ARDEN, "Can you please send out a very heart felt 'THANK YOU' to all the people who called & e-mailed to wish TRACKER well. I was overwhelmed with the kindness. Tracker had calls from people all across Canada - some of these people we have never even met. Tracker is doing well. In fact, as far as he is concerned, getting 'time off' to hang out with the mares and 'no work' was the best thing that ever happened to him!"

"Also I sent in an article about how 'ICE' (Champagnes Canadian Ice aka The Iceman) received his name. I did not give credit to the breeders of this wonderful colt. ICE was sired by Topaz Merry Go (owned by Bill Howes). His blood lines include He`za Walker, Go Shadow Go, Shadow`s Brantley & Fritzsches Merry Boy. These blood lines are ones that I'm very familiar with. Go Shadow Go was a 3/4 brother to Shadow`s Super Seven owned by Kirk & Sheila Coburn in Prince George BC. All the years I lived in Fort St. James, BC, I got to know (and own) Shadow Super Seven bred horses. By time I got to meet 'Shadow' in the early 90's he was already an 'old timer'. Shadow`s Super Seven was raised by Pearl Tompkins in Montana and brought to Canada. Pearl`s horses were true using, working, great natural walking horses."

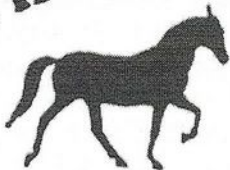
"ICE's dam is Miss Kitty by Calta Allegro Con Moto, whose blood lines include Calta Midnight Victry, Midnight Jester E, The Contender. Miss Kitty is owned by Donna & Winston Curtis. I have visited the Curtis's farm a few times over the years and always enjoy seeing the horses out on the big pastures. The year I went out to get ICE (at 6 months old) Donna took me on a tour. I spotted one mare that just 'stood out'. I said, 'Wow - I like THAT ONE'. Donna laughed and said, "That is the mother of the stud colt you just bought." (No wonder I liked her!)"

"I hope everyone is doing well. We are getting ready to take ICE to the Can-Am Equine Emporium in London next week. So things are busy."

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BRITISH COLUMBIA NEWS

From PETER SYMONS, RAFTERNINES, DAWSON CREEK, "We've had 3 beautiful foals at Rafternines. Our young stallion, Wainwright's Rainbow (Wainwright's Shadow X Missterious Girl WGL), is really looking good. He's a chip off the old block; a dead ringer for his Dad. Same colour, markings and temperament. What's not to love?"

NATALIE SPECKMAIER, VANCOUVER, writes, "The J/F issue of *WHN* was a delight. It's always a treat to find friends in there, and read their news. The follow-up on Lily was heart warming."

"What a small world is the horse world. There was news from Drumheller (my home town), Medicine Hat (where we lived in the 60s), horses for sale in Cabri, Sask (my husband's birth place) and I remember seeing Lethbridge (my birth place) and Sherwood Park (where we lived in the 70s) mentioned regularly. Just an observation and not all that exciting to anyone else but me."

"The picture of Penny & Drummer made me wonder if you hadn't had her cloned rather than begat the regular way. Paint a strip down her face and she can double for her mama in the movies. Same body type, same hairstyle. Same size?"

"Lots of good stuff in that issue, and the pictures are always an added bonus. I also like the interesting way you set out the picture advertising. It's never boring and really catches the eye, which is the whole idea, right? "What do You do with Your Walkers?" was especially nicely set out. I was happy to see the Kinch's trailer there as it really is a work of art that would have any horse person salivating."

"Now 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 in colour was a good choice for the home page. Lovely. So was Trigger, looking as golden as she ever has."

"We truly appreciate all the hard work you put into getting *WHN* to press and into our waiting hands. Thank you from all of us and 'Happy trails'."

ROBERTA BREBNER, TSUNIAH TENNESSEE WALKERS, WILLIAMS LAKE, writes, "Thanks for the reminder on *WHN*. I don't have any Walker foals coming this year. Seems wrong - but I have to cut back a little before I grow any more. Will try to keep the two stallions busy until I make up my mind on the next foal crop."

SASKATCHEWAN NEWS

MELVA KING, SASKATOON, "Hello from Saskatchewan! Please renew my subscription for another 2 years as I really enjoy reading about what other people do with their Walkers and also the training tips. My filly, Izzie, (Misty Zaleda) is coming 5 and was at a trainer's for 1 month last summer. She was doing very well and Sandy took her on a 20 mile trail ride in a hilly community pasture. Other riders on non-gaited horses were quite amazed at the beautiful glide ride as she does a beautiful running walk. I also hired a university student, who trained her own horse, to ride Izzie for a couple of months and that worked out very well. Last fall I rode her in the pasture and did some Parelli training and will be doing a lot more come spring."

"Right now my barn yard and round pen are filled with hard packed snow making it very difficult to do much with horses other than drive out on the driveway. I am in the process of training my POA gelding (Pony of America) to drive and he is doing very well. It's very rewarding to see quick results with a level-headed horse as this guy is. I'm hoping to start the same with Izzie in the next few weeks before the snow all leaves."

OUR READERS PHONE

In response to the History & Heritage article in the March/April issue about the palomino part Walkers that showed up in various parts of Alberta, MURRAY McCARGAR, CALGARY, called one evening with another interesting bit of the puzzle.

Murray said that in 1995 he met a man who owned a big, battle-scarred palomino TWH gelding, about 16 hands tall. The owner said he'd bought the horse near Lethbridge, AB; he was a reg. TWH with no papers, around 15 years old. The owner was not having great success riding the horse - he didn't know how to ask the horse to gait, and the horse "walked way too fast" for the others he rode with.

Murray gave the owner a few pointers on riding a Walker. The old horse could really move, Murray said. He also checked the horse's teeth - the horse was closer to *double* the age the man had been told! If the horse was around thirty, he might be one of those palomino stallions that left those mysterious partbred palominos throughout the province.

QUEBEC NEWS

New subscriber, MICHEL DESCENT of SAINTE-FOY wrote for a subscription to *Walking Horse News* along with all the available back issues. I was able to send 48. Michel does not yet own a Walking Horse but is certainly doing a lot of reading on the breed here in Canada and finds the articles interesting. Welcome to the *WHN* family, Michel!

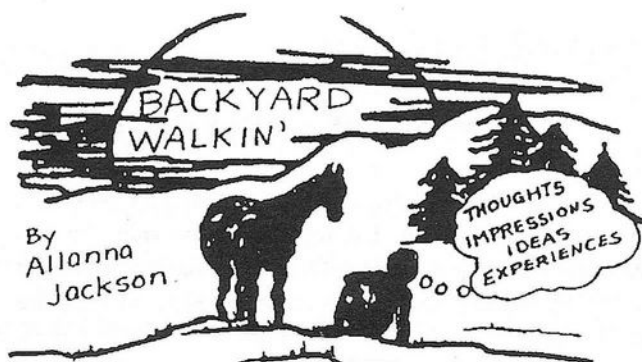
NEWS FROM U.S. SUBSCRIBERS

ALLANNA JACKSON, LAKESIDE, AZ writes, "Cinnamon, Sassy and I had a nice little walk this morning. We gave Cinnamon more exposure to traffic. I left Cinnamon tied while cleaning feet on Blue and Velvet. I had her tied short, like you're supposed to, but Cinnamon untied the quick release knot so she could reach the grass underfoot. She didn't go anywhere; the rope was still draped over the fence rail... and you know which relative of hers was famous for that sort of thing."

"Dear old Sassy is getting very arthritic. She'll be 30 April 8. She's still alert and her appetite is good but she's really showing her age this spring."

"Cinnamon got her first "ride" this morning. She was enjoying her morning nap so much she didn't get up when I went into her corral. She didn't mind when I cleaned her feet while she was lying down, so I carefully sat down on her back. She was up on her chest with her legs curled under her so it was almost a normal riding position. I'd never done that before, but Cinnamon couldn't have cared less. She sniffed at my rubber boot, thought about nibbling at it, then stretched her nose out on the ground and went to sleep! I woke her up by getting off a few minutes later. After I got off, Cinnamon lay down flat on her side for some serious napping. By the time I got through cleaning Sassy's feet, Cinnamon was up and having a drink so she was fine. She just couldn't be bothered to get excited about a little thing like being sat on for the first time in her life. Thanks to God and Koko for giving Cinnamon a good mind."

From the BOX HANGING THREE RANCH, DUBOIS, WY, SYLVIA CROUTER writes that they have purchased the 8 year old palomino stallion, Golden Oldie, by Pride's Genius x Chance's Honey Girl. Oldie was his former owner's favorite trail horse as well as a flatshod-liteshod show competitor. Sylvia says, "Back in the 1970s our first TWH stallion was a palomino named Alcova Sox. After Alcova we moved to the darker bays & blacks, always looking back with nostalgia at our lost colour."



MISMATCHED

By Allanna Lea Jackson © March 2004

The afternoon of Saturday Oct 4, 2003, Blue was very relaxed. For the first time she seemed content to be my riding buddy, even when standing around visiting neighbors.

Pat came along riding her Quarter Horse gelding, Par, with her daughter Christy riding their Apache Mustang mare, Babe. Sassy and I had introduced Pat, Par and Babe to trail riding 10 years ago when Par and Babe were green-broke babies. They had matured into steady trail horses while I've been grounded by the lack of a successor to Sassy. Tagging along with them seemed like a safe way to continue Blue's education as a trail horse. Pat and Christy were agreeable so off we went.

Blue was calm as the three of us plodded up Flag Hollow road and along Porter Mountain road to the Ice Cave Trailhead. She hit fast-forward as we turned into the trailhead parking lot, then crow hopped several jumps when I steered her into the locked gate to stop her. I did not appreciate that!

I got Blue straightened out and rode her through the horse gate. Blue behaved while I dismounted, closed the gate and got back on. Par and Babe plodded off down the trail toward the creek. Blue quick-stepped after them. Despite having had several pleasant outings with me on that route Blue was hysterical by the time we got down to Porter Creek.

Can horses have flashbacks? I wondered as Blue sped down the trail in her perfectly evenly timed four-beat gait, snorting like steam engine, head nodding like a drill rig gone crazy. Her body was in Arizona. Her mind wasn't. Blue proved nimble enough negotiate the rocks at speed and she's very smooth but an out of control speed rack is NOT the way I trail ride!

In an area that required single file travel I circled Blue around behind Babe. Blue buried her

nose in Babe's tail, snorting every step and defying all my efforts to correct her. Babe tolerated this indignity and almost developed some impulsion at the walk in response to Blue's rudeness. Blue hit fast forward the instant I got her off Babe's tail. At the next narrow place Blue tried to push Par down the trail instead. Par also tolerated Blue's dangerous behavior.

Blue settled a little on the return trek along Porter Mountain road but the instant we turned onto Flag Hollow road she went hysterical again. She racked sideways when I tried to slow her and refused to stop. Doubling her in circles didn't help. We twirled down the road like a top, spinning first left, then right, depending on which way I pulled her head. I finally got Blue stopped at the Hi Jo road easement. She settled a little going down to my place then went speed crazy again on Parkinson road. We did violent serpentine up and down the road until Blue's hysteria burned off. When she'd finally recovered her self-control I rode her by herself at a flat walk to the end of Parkinson road and back. She strolled along calmly as if she'd never thought of misbehaving so we quit for the day. I was totally disgusted with Blue's behavior but I thanked God that this time I had survived unharmed and was not terrorized by it!

I continued riding Blue alone about once a week trying to get her bored with the local neighborhood. Some days she was relaxed and cooperative. Other days she was tense and resistant. We continued working on speed control. Blue's gait is perfect and very smooth when she's hysterical but she could not maintain her timing, balance or impulsion when calm.

The morning of Nov. 7, 2003, I rode Blue through the subdivision. She was relaxed and cooperative until she saw a fencing crew working in somebody's yard. Blue spun right. I turned her around and we continued but I realized I'd made the mistake of letting her turn all the way around instead of turning her back to the left. Blue settled quickly and strolled along nicely to the other end of the subdivision. She stayed calm on the way home... until we got within sight of the fencing crew. Blue abruptly spun out into somebody's lawn, snorting. My body stayed with her. My mind caught up with us after she stopped. Blue balked, humped her back and began pacing sideways when I urged her forward. I didn't have a whip or spurs with me so I had to get off and lead her past the fence project. She stood nicely when I mounted and strolled home as if nothing had happened.

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Such behaviors are not unusual for a green-broke horse. These incidents proved two things: 1. Blue was NOT well-broke to ride. 2. Blue is too fast and too quick for me. There's nothing wrong with Blue having fast reflexes. Physical quickness is an asset in many equine sports. I'm a perfectly healthy, able bodied, athletic 40 year old, stronger and fitter than average but Blue and I are physically incompatible.

I rode Blue on Dec. 5, 2003, so we could get pictures of the rack. I carried a riding whip for the first time. Blue accepted it calmly. She was relaxed, cheerful, and cooperative as we went up and down Parkinson road. Blue actually seemed to enjoy the ride. It was a bittersweet success. Blue seems to want to be my horse but she does not fully trust me for the same reason I cannot fully trust her... Blue knows I can't keep up with her in the moments she most needs a leader.

Blue is now green-broke to ride at two gaits. She is no longer afraid of people and sometimes wants attention. She is calm, relaxed, even cheerful as evidenced by her softer eyes and higher, airier tail carriage. It will take an additional 500 hours of riding experience to make her the well-broke trail horse I was promised in 1999.... for someone who can enjoy her quickness instead of being endangered by it.

I take full responsibility for my decision to buy Blue. Nevertheless, the situation raises some serious questions. I specifically went looking to buy just one breedable, rideable authentically foundation-bred mare from any one of several people who claim to breed the type of horse I wanted. Was this merely a drastic miscommunication between the culture and semantics of the South and the Western USA? Or was it deliberate deception by the seller? People who should have been my allies sold me what they thought I ought to want instead of what I actually wanted. Perhaps we've heard too much about evenness with speed, big head shake, fancy front action, fashionable pedigree and color making great trail horses. I never believed it. I've now given that ideal a fair trial and proven that those are not the traits that make a safe, reliable mountain trail horse.

The good traits that intrigued me about Sam's Blue Blaze have proven true. She IS beautiful, smooth, intelligent, sensitive, has an evenly timed 4-beat gait and is an excellent mother. The doubts I had about her on that first ride have also proven true. It makes my heart ache that Blue is idling her life away getting fat simply because her talents are not compatible with me or my location and uses.



TWHBEA MEMOS

PHONE NUMBER & PAYMENT

Laurie Innocent, Alberta Director, TWHBEA writes, "Just thought I'd let you know that the toll free number for the TWHBEA (1-800-359-1574) is working again. They got a new server, that was the problem."

"As for payment to them, they will accept money orders in US funds, credit cards, or personal checks drawn on US accounts. *They won't accept personal checks drawn on Canadian accounts.*"

SUGGESTED RULE CHANGE: LIMIT LITE-SHOD SHOE TO 2 LBS

"Ann Kuykendall (Oklahoma), Vice president of the pleasure horse division, urged members of the executive committee to send letters to the National Horse Show Commission in support of a suggested rule change that would LIMIT THE WEIGHT OF THE LITE-SHOD, TRAIL PLEASURE AND COUNTRY PLEASURE SHOE TO TWO POUNDS. This recommendation received unanimous approval of the TWHBEA Pleasure Horse Committee and has been put out for a six month public comment period at NHSC." (The address to write asap is NHSC, P.O. Box 167, Shelbyville, TN 37162).

"During the course of the meeting, two issues were discussed at length — the 2 lbs. shoe limit in the lite-shod, trail pleasure and country pleasure divisions, and concern over the perceived rise of pressure shoeing in the flat-shod ranks."

"With regard to limiting the lite-shod shoe to 2 lbs., which is out for a six-month public comment period at the NHSC, it was the overwhelming consensus of the executive committee to support the weight limit."

PERCEIVED RISE OF PRESSURE SHOEING

"With regard to the pressure shoeing issue, Jamie Hankins presented the following motion, which the executive committee approved:

"The TWHBEA Executive Committee wants to make the strongest possible statement against the practice of standing flat-shod horses on blocks of wood or 'jacks.' We request the Walking Horse Trainers' Association support this statement by asking it to initiate action against this practice, and other forms of pressure shoeing, by working with industry groups to create a policing program or some appropriate means to eliminate it. We further request that the WHTA Board of Directors, in conjunction with the TWHBEA Executive Committee, demand that the NHSC immediately develop a strategy to eliminate this problem." "

From the TWHBEA News & Information Releases
March 5 & March 29, 2004

OUR READERS WRITE

In response to "SMOKE & MIRRORS" by Chris Thomas, we received the following:

MERINDA REID, ECKVILLE, AB writes, "Thank you, Christine Thomas, for being one lone, sane voice crying in the wilderness! I want to buy a horse but am afraid to even look due to the exact reasons you wrote about. If I could find a plain, down-to-earth horse person who knew how to break a horse the way my Dad did, I would be so happy. Back then it was so simple. You just climbed on and rode. You could relax and enjoy the scenery because bad habits didn't come with the horse. Please keep speaking up regardless of who complains, and maybe you can start some positive changes."



BRENDA BAKER, TRIANGLE B TWH, CALGARY, AB writes, "Here is a little list another TWH owner asked me for while he was shopping for a trainer for his three year old filly. It may come in useful for someone else too. These are the things that my horses know after I've ridden them for about two months and can be turned out for a winter or even left to raise a foal for a year and will still behave well when I start using them again."

WHAT I EXPECT MY HORSE TO KNOW

These are the things I'd want my young horse to know - and know well - after 2 months at the trainer's:

- 1) Stands tied for hours regardless of whether there are other horses around or not.
- 1) Stands hobbled quietly.
- 3) Stands tied and hobbled.
- 4) Quiet to saddle and bridle.
- 5) Will tolerate "the purple bedspread" for hours.
- 6) Stands for mounting with or without a mounting block..
- 7) Waits quietly until I signal to move out.
- 8) I'm able to ride alone in the open fields with no problem.
- 9) I can ride in the bush with another rider, leading or following.
- 10) Gets in the trailer with or without another horse and without a fuss.

- 11) Trailers well, unloads safely.
- 12) I can open and close metal gates while mounted.
- 13) Safe to shoe.
- 14) Has been flat walked mainly. Any faster gaits have been offered by the horse without bucking or excitement.



CHRISTINE THOMAS, LEGAL, AB wrote, "Would you please print this retraction regarding the "About the Author" piece at the end of my article, Smoke and Mirrors"? As a reader, I wouldn't give much merit to someone who appears to have done most everything with horses. That would be impossible! In the real world, I've *tried* most everything - a lot of which did not turn out exactly as expected, I might add. My one weakness where horses are concerned is that I've always been prone to 'joiner fever'. I couldn't begin to recall all the wonderful people and experiences this common horse owner ailment has gifted me with, but what I do have is a basement full of unused horse gear as testimony to my rites of passage."

"For all you readers out there, about to embark on the "QUEST FOR THE HOLY GRAIL" of all things equine, it's a remarkable and unending journey."



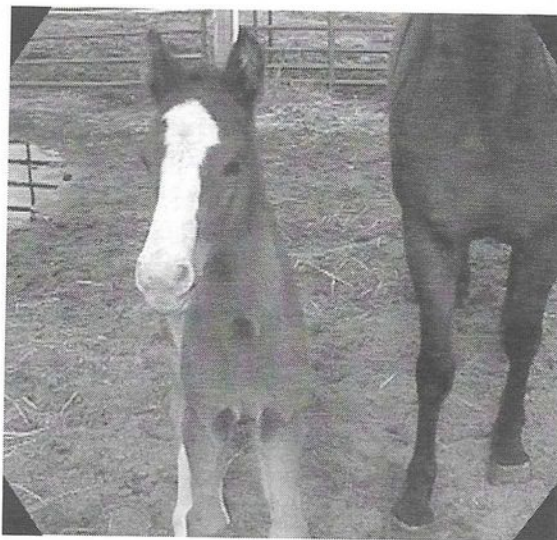
MARJORIE LACY, EDSON, AB, writes, "A question that came to my mind on reading Christine's article was - When it is that difficult to find a good trainer close to home, how do people who send their horses to a far-away trainer know what happens to them there?"

"If you cannot drop in unannounced and see how your horse is being handled and cared for, you had better know the trainer's methods and ethics *very well indeed* - if you care about your horse's welfare. And anyone who sends a horse to a TWH trainer in the States should be very sure that that person has never been cited for soring a horse in his charge. What happens to the horse at the trainer's is ultimately the owner's responsibility."

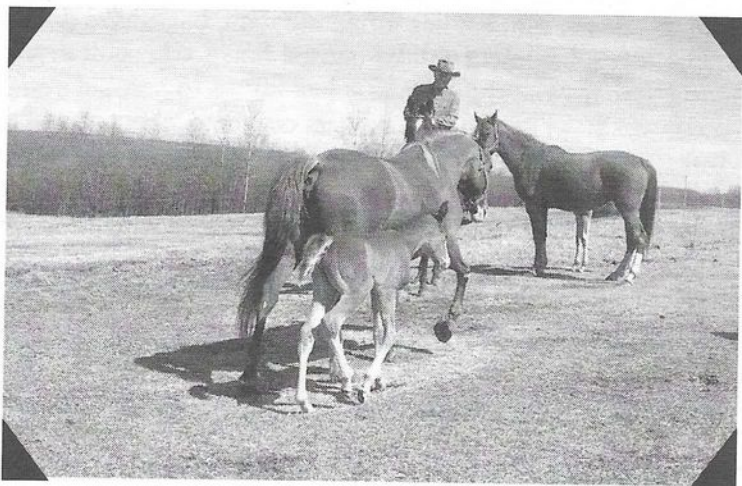
MAINTENANCE HOOF TRIMMING

ROLANDA EADIE, RIMBEY, writes, "Thank you for running the informative farrier article by Maureen Hummel, S/O issue. It was very well written."

What do YOU do with your Walkers?

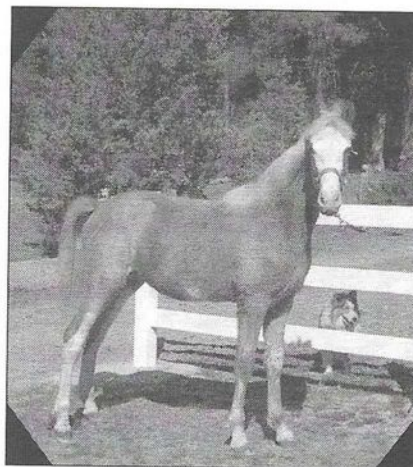


Diane Szczepanski had a hard time taking a picture of this 'nosy baby'!



Peter Symons rode April Love's Regina out to the pasture one early spring day to check the mares and foals. Here Chapie's Summer and her high stocking filly come over to investigate while Chapie's Doll O' the Mist and her foal look on.

Connie & Randy Castle watched Coin's Chrome Cadillac grow from this Long-legged newborn to a handsome classic sabino in only one year!



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MEASURING GAIT

by Eldon Eadie

***Awesome Gait! Big back end!
Bold! Natural! Fantastic stride!
Huge front end! This horse has
head shake! Wonderful overstride!***

OK, so maybe you do have the best walking horse that has ever lived, but do you have the courage to make a quantitative statement about how much gait it has? How much head shake that it has? How long is its stride? Overstride? What speed it can go and maintain an even gait?

These things can all be measured accurately, and measurements don't lie. I have driven half way across the continent to see some of these awesome gaited, wonderful horses - only to find that they are stiff as a log and pacing at 4 miles per hour. The English language is a precise language, capable of communicating information that has put men on the moon, and we can't even describe our own horse's movement. Is it because gait cannot be measured or is it because we don't really want anyone to know how bad our horses are?

To measure the speed of a horse, put two marks that are eighty-eight feet apart beside the path of the horse. Use a stop watch to measure the time that it takes the horse to travel the distance. Use the following table to calculate the horse's speed. It is that simple.

Time to travel 88 ft.	Speed in Miles/ hour
15 sec	4 mph
12 sec	5 mph
10 sec	6 mph
8 sec	7.5 mph
7 sec	8.5 mph
6 sec	10 mph
5 sec	12 mph
4 sec	15 mph
3 sec	20 mph

Just for general reference sake, most horses walk at 2 - 4 mph, trot at 4 - 8, canter at 8 - 10, and gallop at 10+ mph. Horses that can maintain an even gait in the range of 8 to 12 mph are not uncommon. Claims have been made of horses that could travel 20 to 30+ miles per hour in gait. Before I believe it, I want to know how the speed was measured. Driving past the horse in a Kenworth and subtracting a bit off the speedometer reading is just not good enough. I would be very interested to hear from anyone who has a horse that can travel 88 feet in two seconds and maintain an even gait. I will drive anywhere in North America to see such a horse.

Now pay attention to the movement of the horse. Is it nodding, reaching and even? At what speed does it begin to tighten up? At what speed does it begin to shift toward the stepping pace or fox trot? Speed is the acid test of gait. A horse that can only travel two miles per hour in form is not as good as a horse that can travel ten miles per hour in form. Emphasis is on the IN FORM. Any idiot can charge around the ring at twenty miles per hour, stiff and pacing, but what can the horse do *in form*? If you take speed out of the equation, you will find that there are donkeys, camels, zebras and rhinos that can do better running walks than some Tennessee Walking horses. It is also important not to take the human intelligence out of the equation.

If you take a video of the horse as it is traveling the 88 feet distance and have the capability of showing the video one frame at a time, you can take measurements of head nod, overstride and timing of footfalls from the screen. Averaging the number of frames between footfalls gives you the timing. If you know how high the horse is you can correlate the height of the horse on the screen with the length of stride and headnod. If all else fails you can just measure the overstride from tracks left in the sand.

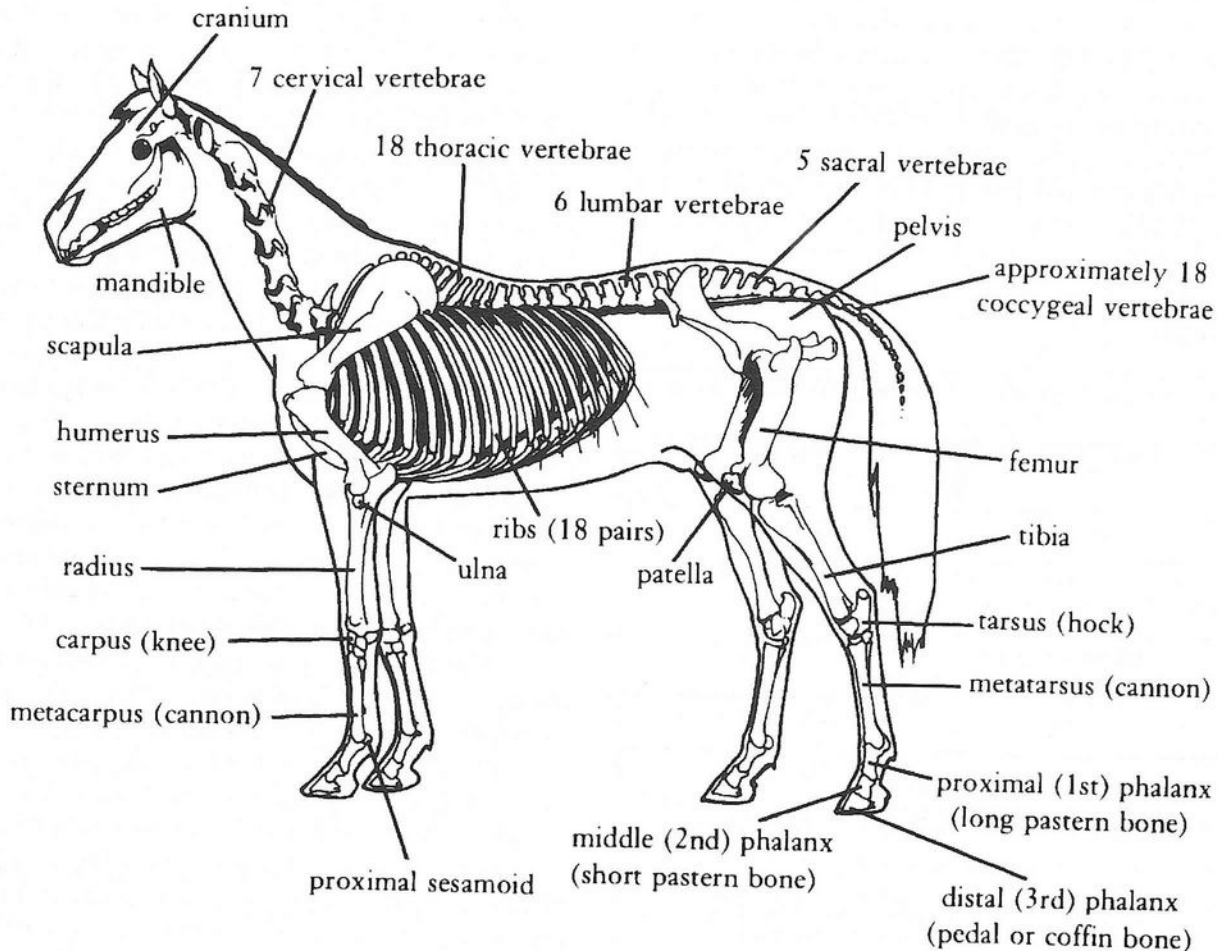
The best way to measure gait is with a Velleman K8000 computer interface connected to a sounding board. It gives very precise information on everything except headnod, but is probably more elaborate than is needed by most people.

The timing of the gait can be expressed with numbers. Take the time in milliseconds of one complete stride as 100 (percent). Then the time between any two hoofbeats of an even gait will be 25. The timing of any gait can be expressed as a number by taking the time between the right hind hoofbeat and the right fore hoofbeat and dividing by the time of one complete stride. (the time between the right hind hoofbeat and the next right hind hoofbeat). With this system a pace is close to zero, a stepping pace is

roughly 10 to 20 something and a fox trot will be 30 to 40 and a trot will be close to 50. In real terms a 23 is usually beginning to look pacy and a 10 is difficult to tell from a hard pace. Unless you look hard at a 40 you will think that the horse is just trotting. A perfect trot of 50 is common but I have never found a perfect pace (0). I am not saying that it does not exist but I will say that of all the pacing horses that I have looked at, the closest I have found is about a three. Even the Standardbred harness horses that I have seen do not strike the ground with the lateral pair at precisely the same time.

The best running walks are not perfectly even timed. If a horse is traveling at speed, without any action devices and with a good driving back end and a loose moving long stride, nodding well with good shoulder action, it will be doing a 26.5 to 27. As soon as you add chains, heavy shoes, pads and scootin' juice, you change the timing of the gait considerably. The timing of most big lick horses is in the range of 35 to 40. The reason that a good running walk is slightly off 25 is that even though the horse's brain is programmed for 25, a powerful driving back end will

get a little bit ahead of the front end and throw the timing up a bit. This is undetectable to the human eye. The reason that a 23 (sometimes) is beginning to look pacy is that the horse may also be programmed for 25 but has a back end that is weak and dragging due to a short femur or poor muscling. It is a good idea to blame the rider and the trainer too. We know that it is a wonderful horse capable of many fantastic things but mistakes were made in its training or it just isn't being ridden right. You see, it is all in the way that you hold your mouth. Let your jaw drop and slobber a bit. The sight of such a big ugly predator salivating will scare the poor horse to death and that is the *only* way that riding or training can compensate for the problems caused by a short femur. There are many other reasons that a horse will drift to the pace, and some of them can be fixed very easily by the rider, but if the horse's butt measurement is less than 29 inches, stop wasting your time. If the measurement is 29 to 30 inches, heavy shoes and other methods will help square up the horse but will not give the quality of movement that you will find in a 31+ inch butt.



I have not picked these numbers out of the air. The measurements that I have made are repeatable by anyone interested in doing so and will be confirmed.

It is considerably easier to measure the conformation of a horse. All you need is a soft measuring tape. Start by measuring the height. All the other measurements that you take will be in proportion to the height.

The length of the femur is the most significant measurement that you will take but I have found that a combined measurement of the femur and the muscling of the back end is a more reliable predictor of the quality of gait. Make sure that the horse is standing straight with equal weight on both hind legs and put the end of the tape on the center of the patella. Measure up to the middle of the tail at the point where the tail hairs start.

The shortest measurement that I have found was 26.5 inches on a 14.2 HH horse. He was a very strong gaited horse that was even at ten MPH but was tight moving and racky. A beautiful saddle horse but incapable of a running walk. The longest butt I ever measured was on Prides Generator. He was 32 inches and this factor alone was probably the most significant contributor to the success of Generator as a sire of show horses. If the mare was any good at all, Generator could put a good back end on the foal. That is a big IF. Thirty inches is about the smallest butt that you will find on a good moving well conditioned walking horse. If a horse is out of condition, a 29 may still be a good prospect because you can always add an inch or so with conditioning, but you are wasting your time on anything less than 29.

I think that it was in 1994 that I went through the stallion line-up at Harlinsdale Farm and they did not have a single breeding stallion (out of eleven) that was less than 30 ¼. Prides Gold Coin measured 31 5/8 at a time when he was out of condition. Sand Creek was standing several stallions at that time that were less than 30, but every one of them has been long forgotten. A horse with a butt measurement less than 30 cannot under any circumstance ever achieve any degree of success in the show ring in Tennessee. Millions of dollars are wasted on training fees every year because owners don't take a butt measurement on their horse before they send it to a trainer. In fact a simple measuring tape is probably capable of causing a total collapse of the training industry. "Bring me a bag of dog food and \$20,000.00 and I will put you into the WORLD GRAND CHAMPION CIRCLE" would never be heard again. If you want a good moving walking horse, you have to start by

breeding the right horse. The technology does not exist to take a short femured horse to WGC status although there are dozens of trainers that will tell you otherwise.

The next measurements to take are from the center of the patella to the center of the hock (gaskin measurement) and from the center of the hock to the ground (cannon measurement). These should be about equal. If the gaskin is longer than the cannon the back leg will be prone to injury. If the cannon is longer than the gaskin the horse will not be able to reach under himself properly.

Next measure across the horse's front end from the point of the shoulder to the point of the shoulder. Fourteen to fifteen inches is about right. You will find some horses a bit narrower, but I like a horse that doesn't wobble too much in a side breeze.

Now measure from the point of the shoulder to the point of the hip. Measurements on a typical 15.2 hh horse will range from 42 to 50 inches. Forty three to forty four is a good target. Longer backed horses tend to be weak although you see longer horses winning sometimes. The jury is still out on this one.

Other measurements that you can take but which are a little more difficult are the length of the neck, the shoulder and the saddle patch. When you consider the conformation of a horse, you still need to use good judgment. The measurements just give you some more information that will help with the process.

Speaking of Horses

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

Anonymous

From C. PIKE, STRATHDENE FARM, WASECA, SASKATCHEWAN: "I would like to make a comment on the little nursery rhyme quoted on page 5 of the March/April issue. I think it should be:

"Shoe the horse, and shoe the mare,
But let the little *foal* go bare."

That makes sense; after all, we don't usually shoe foals. My mother had quite a repertoire of English nursery rhymes, sayings and quotations. She often used this one to entertain a child when she was putting shoes on it. Leather shoes, that is!"

Thanks for your comment, Christine. It does make better sense, as you say. I had never heard that verse before but found it in a book entitled *The Quotable Horse Lover*, edited by Steven D. Price.



WEB WALKING

TWH HERITAGE SOCIETY

Website: www.twheritagehorses.50megs.com
Membership includes Leon Oliver, Billy Taylor, Danny Taylor, Diane Szczepanski, Franne Brandon. I couldn't access it from Internet Explorer but I did on Netscape. I don't know who masterminded it. It looks to be a joint effort. I am impressed!

Ian Lockett

COWBOYSINDIANS WEBSITE

I just discovered a wealth of 'Trigger' info on the internet by typing in "Trigger the Smartest Horse in the Movies" and "Registered name of Trigger Jr." As I've already spent half my morning reading about my heroes, and saving most of it in my Favourites file, I thought I'd pass it along in case you had some spare time to indulge in 'Trigger surfing'. And, yes, the original Trigger was a TB cross, with the dam being "cold blooded" (a mutt by any other name). His registered name was "Golden Cloud". I plan to order "The Adventures of Robin Hood" (1934) in which Maid Marion rides him sidesaddle. The best site was by one of the Rogers' daughters & her husband. The website is www.cowboysindians. This is the magazine site and you click on Archives, then April, and there it is.

Natalie Speckmaier

TWH LEGACY

A new internet discussion group, TWHLegacy, has been formed for those interested in the history of the breed and breeding for a naturally gaited horse. They are interested in your present day horses of rare and unusual bloodlines too. I was interested to see that some of the horses discussed were of Canadian origin, horses such as Benjamin Moore (who comes from Jack Gurnett's Northfork Farm, AB breeding) and Tsuniah's HB (who was bred by Hans Burch at his TeePee Heart Ranch in BC).

www.groups.yahoo.com/group/TWHLegacy.

Darlene Brestelli contacted me about this one.

WWW.FOURCRAFTSMEN.COM

This new website includes Allanna Jackson's magazine, *Walking Horse Journal*, along with the books published by Four Craftsmen Publishing.

Another new TWH site for you to check out.

WWW.WALKINGHORSENEWS.CA

Don't forget to check us out too! New pics in Family Album & see the advertised horses in colour.

CAN-GAIT

A new yahoo chat group for Canadian gaited horse owners & riders.

Come join this new group! If you own or are looking for information about any of these gaited horse breeds in Canada, the Tennessee Walking Horse, Spotted Saddle Horse, The Champagne Tennessee Walking Horse, Missouri Fox Trotter, Peruvian Paso, Paso Fino, Saddlebred, Icelandic Horse, Rocky Mountain Horse, Kentucky Mountain Horse, Racking Horse, and other gaited horses/ponies, you are in the right place! This chat group is intended to bring people together and provide an open friendly atmosphere to discuss training, riding, breeding and health issues for horses. This group encourages people to develop their gaited horses with versatility, cross training and good horsemanship, NOT artificial means. This chat group does not support soring horses or the practice of 'building up' or 'padding' horses in ANY breed.

It does not matter what gaited breed steals your heart – so long as you are riding a gaited horse. Please contact list owner, kimstwh@hotmail.com, if you have any questions, OR check out the site at <http://groups.yahoo.com/group/Can-Gait/>

Kim Pringle

WILLOW RUN RANCH

If you get a chance to scoop the April issue of *Western Horseman*, there's an interesting article about Terry Anderson, the journalist held hostage in Lebanon back in the 80's. He breeds TWH and uses them on his Willow Run ranch (he probably has a website). Always a treat to find our breed in that quarter horse magazine. Yup! I was right. Willow Run Ranch brought up a whole list of stuff: WH article & solicitation for the magazine and the actual ranch website www.willowrunranch.com with lots of good stuff on it. Have fun.

Natalie Speckmaier



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FROM FOUNDATIONS TO THE FUTURE

by Franne Brandon

COLOR COMMENTARY – SPRING 2004

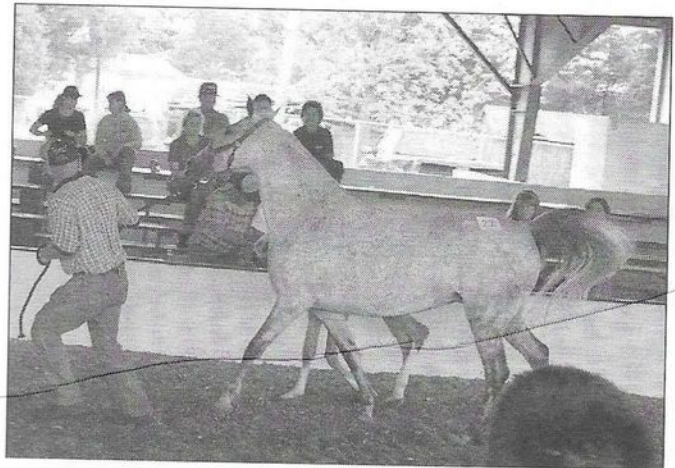
The late seventies brought the beginnings of two concurrent trends that continue to have an impact on the development of the Tennessee Walking Horse breed. During the fifties and sixties, as Tennessee changed from an agrarian to a manufacturing and services economy, the Tennessee Walker had become a show horse seldom seen in the public's view without set tails, show boots, and the other trappings of the show ring. During the late seventies, however, trail riding began to make its claim on the recreational time of people who were beginning to look for the quiet life afforded by country living. Many, many trail riders looked to the walking horse to provide the ultimate in comfort and safety on the trails. As more rides were organized, those enjoying this sport began to search for horses that would stand out not only in gait, but also in color. These owners wanted horses in shades other than the basic blacks, browns, bays, and dark chestnuts that were the favored colors of the show ring. Grey, a standard color in many other breeds, drew positive attention once again. The once-maligned sabinos found a market once more, along with the flax sorrels, the rarer palominos, buckskins, and roans. Tobiano horses, popular crossbreeds in the fifties, began to appear at rides as well, and to command top dollar when they were sold.

In 1984, the Pleasure Walking Horse Association of Tennessee began its continuing crusade to promote the many versatile uses of the flatshod walking horse. As its primary fundraiser to support its goal, PWHAT began the PWHAT All-Flatshod Sale, the first sale in the state to offer only flatshod or barefoot horses as its consignments. Since then, other sales in different parts of the country have proven successful venues by emphasizing the pleasure horse as well. May 1, 2004, though, marked the launch of a totally different type of sale, one designed for the flatshod horse but which had the major emphasis of bringing together buyers and sellers interested in horses of colors and patterns other than the base colors of black, brown, bay, and chestnut.

The 1st Annual Spring All Colors Consignment Auction was held at the Sale of Champions Pavilion in Shelbyville, Tennessee, just down the street from the Calsonic Arena. The sale bills advertising the event as well as the catalog announced that it was "continuing the tradition of the Old Reliable", the nickname for the Murray Farm Sale, a Lewisburg

tradition for many decades. The consignment fee for all animals listed by April 20th was \$75, quite a contrast to the fees charged by the majority of quality sales. This fee covered the no-sale if the bid did not meet the sellers' expectations, as well as the DQP and vet fees. The \$75 was applied to the 10% commission charged on all horses whose owners accepted the final bid when the hammer went down.

Held during the final day of the Spotted Saddle Horse Breeders and Exhibitors Spring Celebration, this first sale did, as would be expected, attract a high percentage of tobiano horses. In addition to tobianos registered with TWHBEA or registered only with SSHBEA, there was one with papers in process from the Mountain Spotted Saddle Horse Association, and a number of tobianos with no papers at all. Sabinos were also highly in evidence, most of them young, and incorrectly registered as roan, although TWHBEA began the sabino foal designation in 2000. Cream and champagne dilutes were also on the grounds, both in the grade horse segment which began the sale and in the catalog of registered horses which included the bulk of those consigned. Grays were very few but sold well. True roans were not in evidence at all.



A Silver Design mare with her 2004 sabino foal.

With 153 horses being auctioned, it was impossible to see all of them sell unless one was there as a serious bidder, even though the auctioneers and enthusiastic, active ringmen kept the bids moving briskly from entry to entry. The first sixty to go under the hammer, though, provided a broad sampling of what was in demand and what was being offered by those who hoped the sale would quickly find new ownership for their stock.

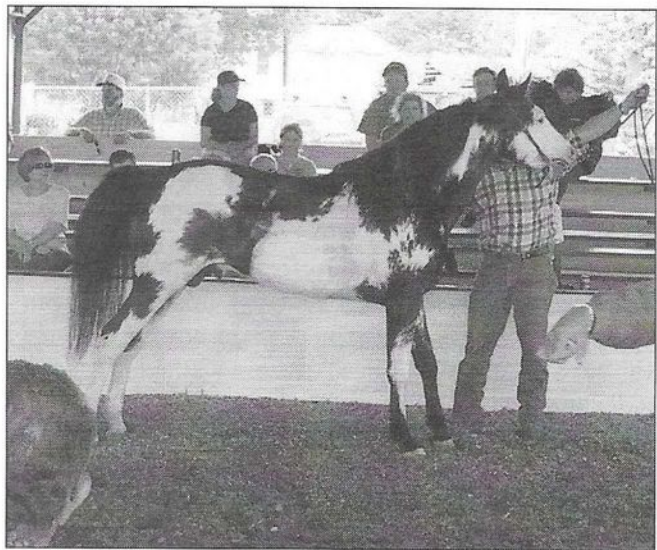
The activity began promptly at ten o'clock but buyers, expecting the laid back, late starting pattern of many other sales, began trickling in as the quarter hour approached. Following the sale of miscellaneous tack items, the first entry in the smaller grade horse segment began the livestock portion of the sale. One of only a few greys on the grounds, a silvery dapple miniature pony pulling a cart brought a bid of \$850 for pony, cart, and harness. The grade entries featured an amber champagne, two greys, a buckskin mare, and many tobianos. The bids varied from \$250 to a top bid of \$1500, with the lower bids all being rejected by the consigners.

The registered lineup began with a dark brown sabino son of Alen's Avenger that was listed in the catalog as bay and white. He was followed by a two year old buckskin sabino with a nice pedigree but very little saddle time. Bidders indicated that they had little interest in green prospects by offering only \$1800 on this colt. One of the few solid colored horses at the sale was a head shaking, fifteen hand 2001 sorrel gelding with some country pleasure showing experience under his girth. Displaying good manners to go along with a nice walking gait, he drew opening bidding of \$1500 and sold with a final bid of \$2150.

As the morning edged into noontime, the majority of horses presented for the bidders' decisions were tobiano Spotted Saddle Horses or black mares bred to TWHBEA tobiano stallions. Coupled with this group were often their 2003 foals, and some pairs were sold separately, then combined as packages to see which effort would bring the highest price. Many of these were small, finely built animals, and the prices offered for them were not good. Horses of more size showing good breeding in their conformation, beauty, and movement brought much better offers. An alert minimal black tobiano yearling stallion, with Pusher, Pride's Champagne, and Eb's Night Owl breeding and only one tobiano line sold for \$1550. A four year old Spotted Alen Again granddaughter, due in three weeks to a black tobiano stallion, brought \$2450. Several broodmares throughout the course of the morning were ridden bareback with halters only in the sales arena, but this did not lead to higher bids. Perhaps the buyers were more concerned that mares they purchase for riding demonstrate happiness with a bit and the ability to wear a saddle well.

While the buyers present did not offer really outstanding bids on young stock, their interest and bidding perked up with the appearance of an uniquely marked breeding stallion. With tobiano breeding from the Pete's Playboy line, this rich black's other

bloodlines offered strong linebreeding to Merry Boy. The result was a horse painted like a dreamer's canvas in jagged patches of black and white without the typical bluish tones usually produced by sabino roaning. This big, attractive stallion had competed successfully in the SSHBEA Model World Championship in 1999. Enthusiasm increased as he moved up and down the sales floor until a final bid of \$4250 claimed him for new owners. (Photo below.)



Directly following the stallion was the entry claiming the highest bid for the early portion of the sale. This 1999 mare was a reigning 2003 divisional SSHBEA World Champion. An open shod contender, she was presented for sale with the heavy shoes used in SSHBEA (illegal in TWH competition no matter which HIO is involved) along with hoof bands. The bidding opened briskly on this mare, peaked quickly, and leveled off at the \$5000 range before the mare sold for \$5500. This mare, an amateur contender in 2003, proved her good manners when riders were changed near the end of the bidding session and her trainer dismounted to allow a young woman to demonstrate the mare's gaits.

The sale continued at a brisk pace well into the late afternoon. While no records were set, it did establish a precedent of being the first sale of colored gaited horses in the Middle Tennessee area. Plans are already underway for a 2nd Summer Sale on June 12th, also beginning at ten in the morning. It will be interesting to note if this pair of sales will become an annual affair, or if those looking for quality and color in pleasure riding and breeding stock will continue to drive the byways and highways of Middle Tennessee looking for them in the major training barns and from the country breeders who have always favored a variety of different colors in their stock.

CRTWH NEWS & NOTES

We often receive questions about registering Walkers with the Canadian Registry of the TWH. Here are two we've been asked recently:

DEAR REGIE,

I have a mare that is US registered and blood typed. I bred her to a stallion that is US & Canadian registered and both blood typed and DNA profiled. I have decided to register their filly Canadian. Can I do this without first registering the mare with CRTWH?

REGIE SAYS,

Yes, you can register the filly with the Canadian Registry without first Canadian registering the mare. First you apply to have the mare DNA profiled. There is a special DNA form for this, available from any Director or from the website (www.crtwh.ca).

Once the mare's DNA is on file with Canadian Livestock Records Corporation, you fill out a registration application for the filly and include a copy of BOTH SIDES of the mare's US papers. They must show you as the mare's legal owner. You look up the fees for this, write your cheque, and send it away. CLRC will process the application and send you a DNA form for the filly. You then send in her hair sample and once she is parentage verified, Voila! Your filly will be registered in Canada.

DEAR REGIE,

"I have found an older TWHBEA registered mare that had not been blood typed by the 1997 deadline. She is well trained, well mannered, has good bloodlines, and I think she's a good buy. But - I'd also like to have a mare I can breed registered foals from. Is there anything I can do to own this mare and breed her too?"

REGIE SAYS,

Yes, there *IS* something you can do. You can make her present owner an offer to buy the mare provided he or she will register her with CRTWH and transfer her to you. Then you will be the legal owner of the mare and you can also raise registered foals from her (once you get her DNA profiled.)"

The cost of this would be \$90 in all if the mare's owner takes out an annual membership in the Canadian Registry (\$25) and pays the member's costs of registering (\$45) and transferring her (\$20 within 30 days of sale). If the owner does not take out a membership, the cost would be \$130.00 (\$90 to register and \$40 to transfer).

After you purchase the mare, you can have DNA profiling done when you decide to breed her.

If you have been wondering about registering your Tennessee Walking Horse in Canada, please send your questions to "Ask Regie, c/o WHN, Box 7326, Edson, AB T7E 1V5. I will endeavor to answer your question here.

Marjorie C. Lacy

'THE CANADIAN' FUTURITY – VIRTUAL CATEGORY

'The Canadian' Futurity announces an additional category for competition – The Virtual Category. Any horse entered in 'The Canadian' may be shown in either the live category or the virtual category. Horses entered in the Virtual Category will be evaluated (through video) by a TWH judge, will receive a written evaluation and a Certificate of Participation, but will not be eligible for prize money. If Futurity fees are current, a horse may switch between the Live Category and the Virtual category without penalty.

'The Canadian' Tennessee Walking Horse Futurity is an evaluative Futurity sponsored by the Canadian Registry of the Tennessee Walking Horse, an International Registry for pure bred Tennessee Walking Horses, operating under the auspices of the Canadian Animal Pedigree Act. Closing date to enter either Futurity is July 31. For more information contact Dianne Little 403-271-7391 Calgary, AB ddlittle@telusplanet.net



WEST NILE VIRUS

From Alberta Agriculture, Food and Rural Development: "West Nile virus can pose a serious health threat to your horse, mule or donkey. Mosquitoes spread West Nile Virus after becoming infected while feeding on infected wild birds.

Not all mosquitoes carry West Nile virus. Only one species (*Culex tarsalis*) is affected in Alberta. *Culex tarsalis* breed in shallow standing water. Eliminate breeding sites by emptying old tires, birdbaths, pails, puddles and other standing water.

A licensed vaccine for horses is available from your veterinarian. West Nile virus in horses is a reportable disease in Alberta and suspicious or confirmed cases must be reported to the Chief Provincial Veterinarian. For more information call AB Ag-Info Centre 1-866-882-7677 or check www.agric.gov.ab.ca or AVMA at www.avma.ab.ca.



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.

ALL REMITTANCES ARE PAYABLE TO CANADIAN LIVESTOCK RECORDS CORPORATION. (Visa is accepted.)

Please submit to: CLRC, 2417 Holly Lane, Ottawa, ON K1V 0M7 Telephone 613-731-7110, Fax 613-731-0704.

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

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



**Canadian Registry
of the Tennessee Walking Horse
ANNUAL GENERAL
MEETING**



This year the CRTWH Annual General Meeting was held on April 24, 2004 at Ponoka, Alberta. The directors have decided that the AGM will always be held the *last Saturday of April*, so you can mark your calendar for next year's meeting right now!

Twenty members attended and nine proxies were presented. This year the distinction of being the members from farthest away went to Bruce & Renate Logan of Sooke, BC. We also had both BC Directors, Cathy Martinoff and Maureen Hummel, present for the meeting and for the executive meeting that followed that evening and Sunday morning.

President Jean Rempel, Secretary Jane Mueller, and Treasurer Dianne Little gave their reports, which were accepted, seconded and carried. The treasurer's report was fully discussed. The full implementation of parentage verification has had an effect on registrations, plus the longer period allowed to register a foal has resulted in many 2003 foals only now being registered, nearly a year later. In addition, there was a sudden increase in charges last fall due to Maxxam Analytics deciding, with basically no notice, to work only through CLRC. This caused the increase as CRTWH had been invoicing DNA to members at cost, but now CLRC is charging the Registry for this service. CRTWH had to pick up the extra charges for DNA while membership was notified, since the Registry is obliged to give its members two months notice before raising fees.

Dianne Little also gave a report on the progress of 'The Canadian' Futurity, which will be held at the Stampede Grounds in Calgary on October 2 & 3 this year. There will also be a 'Virtual Futurity' whereby people who enter their TWH foals may submit a videotape of the horse for judging if they are unable to bring the animal 'in person'. This will give people from all over the country an opportunity to have their horses evaluated by a qualified Tennessee Walking Horse judge. It is hoped that all serious breeders will take advantage of this.

Dianne spoke briefly about the Pictures and Pedigrees section of History and Heritage Project 2000 and brought a large board illustrating the pedigree of Chapie's Summer. ALL but four of this mare's ancestors were pictured, in the same order they are named in a pedigree. It brought to life what a pedigree actually is - a record of every horse whose genetics have gone into the animal you see before you.

Cathy Martinoff spoke about the work the Promotions Committee has been doing to raise awareness of the Canadian Registry of the Tennessee Walking Horse. Many horse owners in Canada still do not know that there is a registry in their own country for this breed of horses, and has been since 1982. At this time the main focus has been to put the CRTWH website address before the horse

owning public in a variety of Canadian magazines and papers. Other initiatives also are being considered.

Adding some fun to the proceedings were a silent auction and door prizes. Luckiest member here had to be Sheila Holtz of Stettler, AB who won an earlier door prize plus the Grand Prize of a year's free membership. A silent auction of items donated by the Directors brought in eager bids on items as diverse as Tennessee Walking Horse signature clothing & a weekend at Four Seasons Ranch, to a beautiful Luxury Bath Basket and farm fresh brown organic eggs.

Lunch allowed everyone the chance to visit with old and new friends, compare notes and photos of their Walkers, and enjoy a meal of their choice upstairs in the Cross Roads Restaurant dining room.

The afternoon session featured Equine Kinesiologist Holly Hardman of Calgary who discussed some of the problems unique to Tennessee Walkers. Many people have difficulty finding a saddle that fits their Walker, and this is often related to the saddle impeding the movement of the horse's shoulders. She gave some pointers on things to watch for to ensure a better fit. Walkers are built to be 'straight line' horses and a lot of circle work such as lunging and round-pen exercise can be detrimental, especially for young horses. Although youngsters require exercise to develop strong bones, ponying or free pasture exercise is preferable to tight circle work, due to the unique build of the hind leg in most gaited horses. (And 'young' includes animals up to 7 - 8 years old since horses do not mature fully until that age!) It was a very interesting discussion, specifically geared to the Walker, and Ms Hardman fielded many questions after her talk. The meeting adjourned at 3:00 pm.

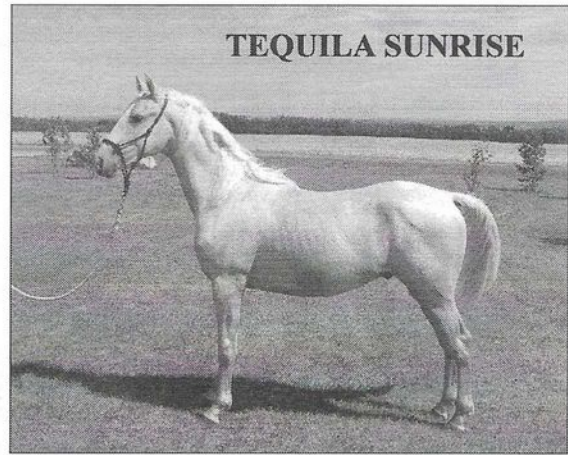
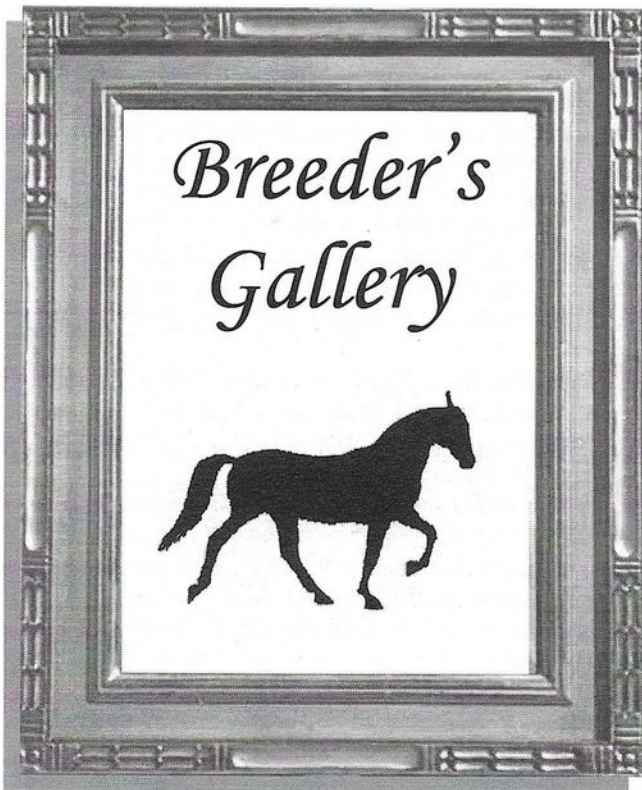
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We regret that Stu Pritchard and Ian Luckett have resigned from the Board, and thank them for their contributions. We would also like to thank out-going Directors Elizabeth Olynyk and Ullu Zurbruggen of BC for their many years of service.

The Executive for 2004 are: President - Jean Rempel; Vice President - Cathy Martinoff; Secretary - Joyce Rogers; Treasurer - Dianne Little.
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Report by Marjorie Lacy



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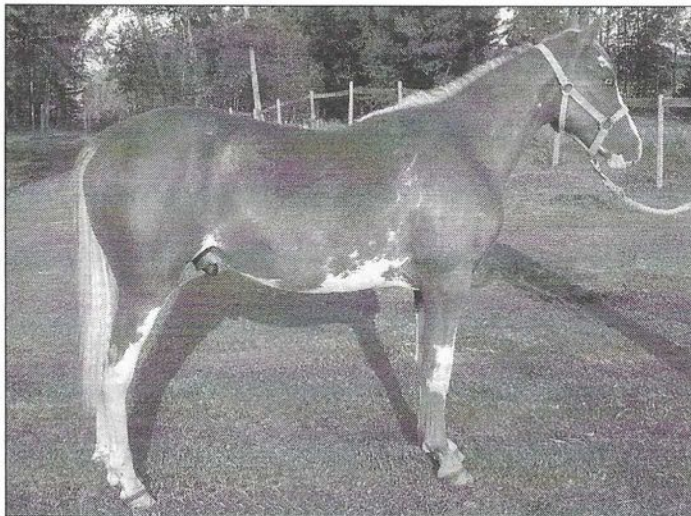
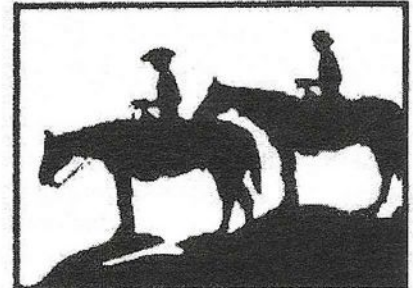
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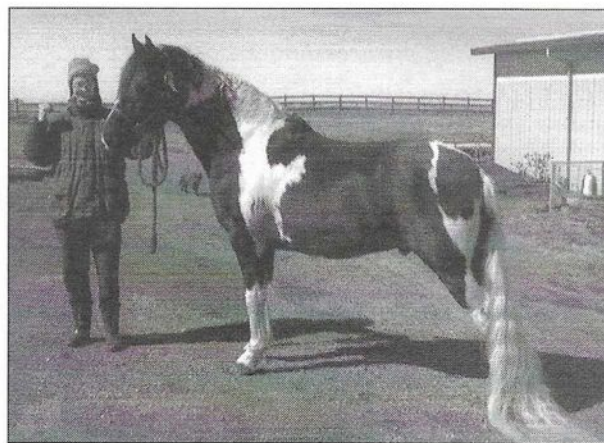
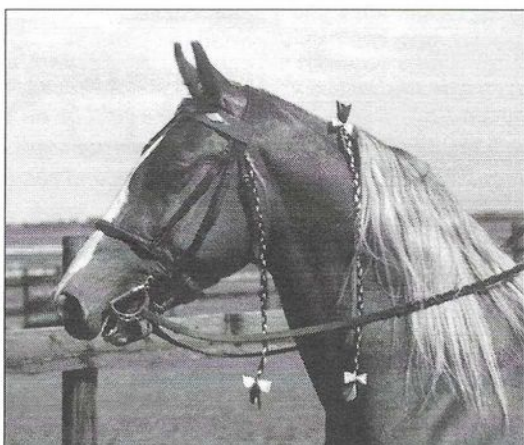
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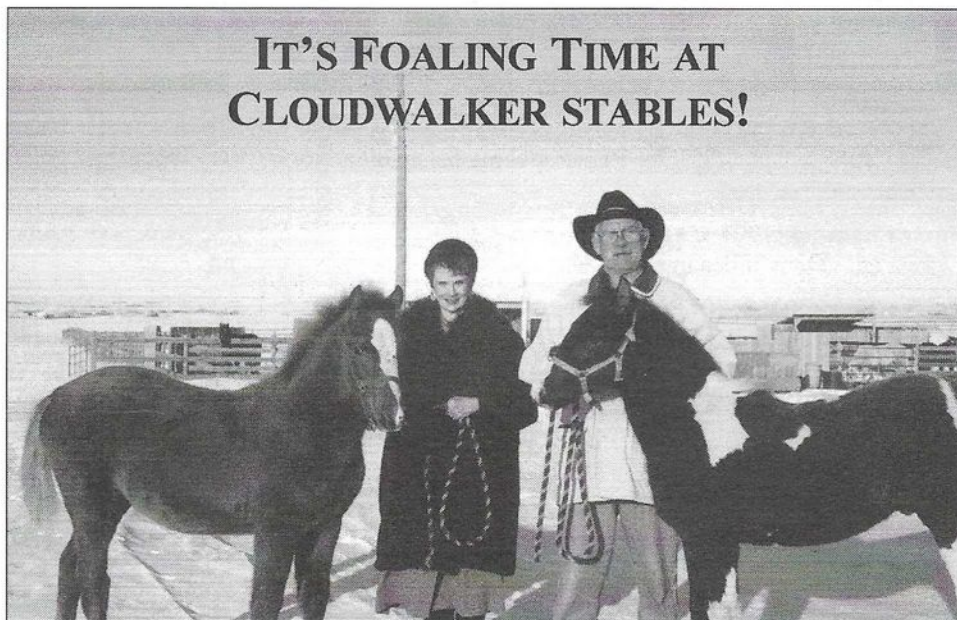
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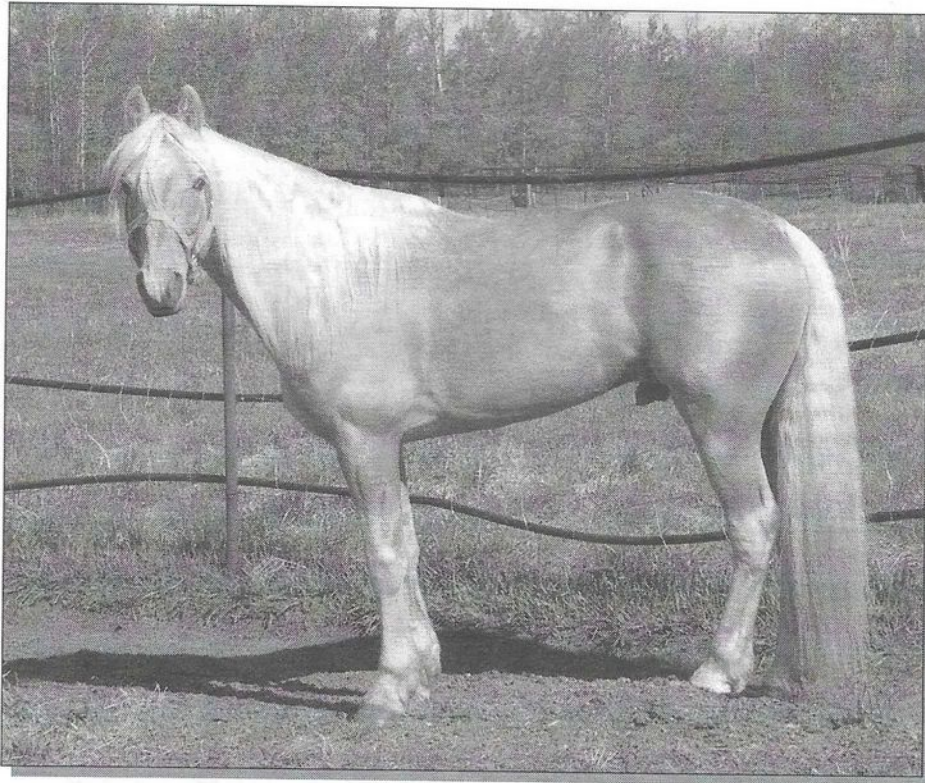
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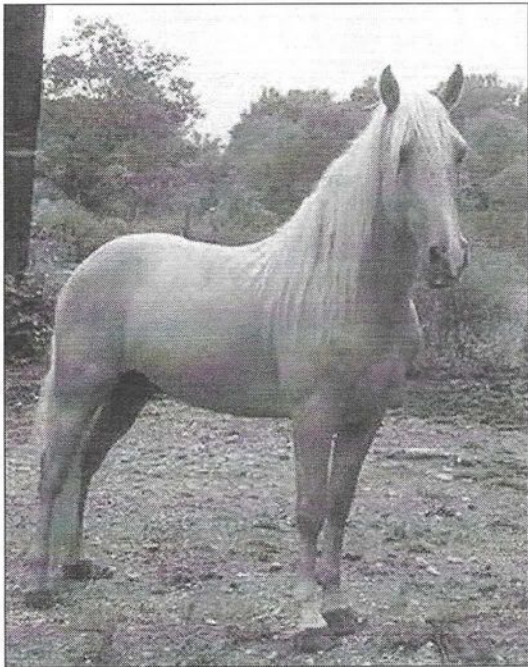
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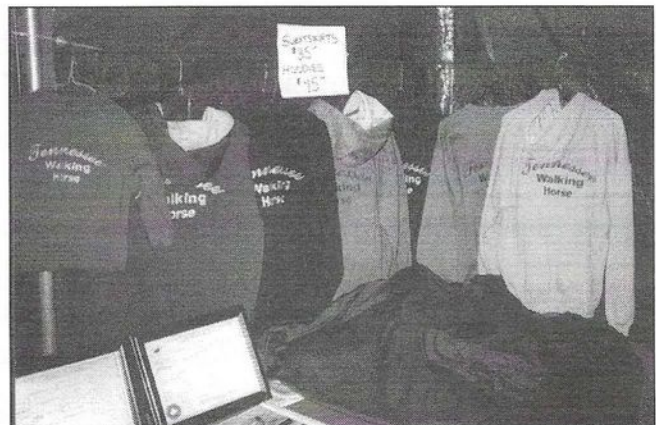
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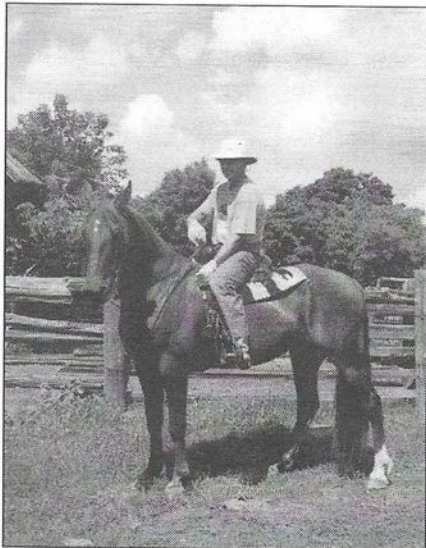
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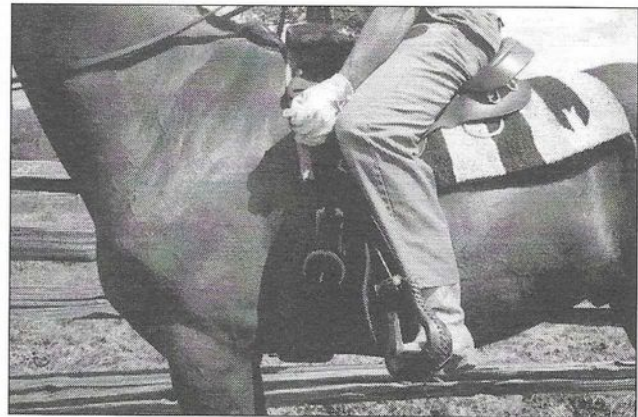
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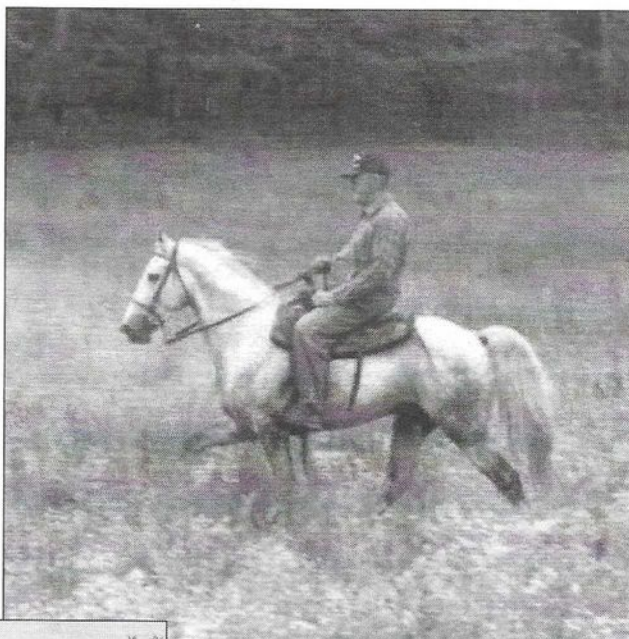
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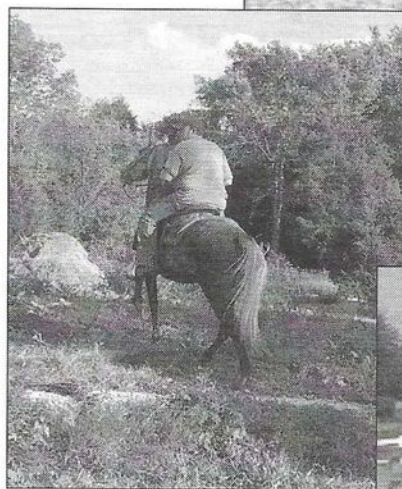
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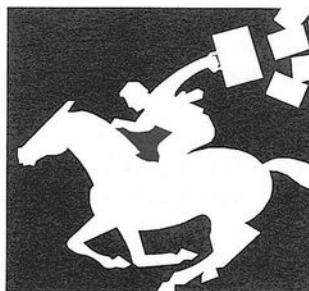
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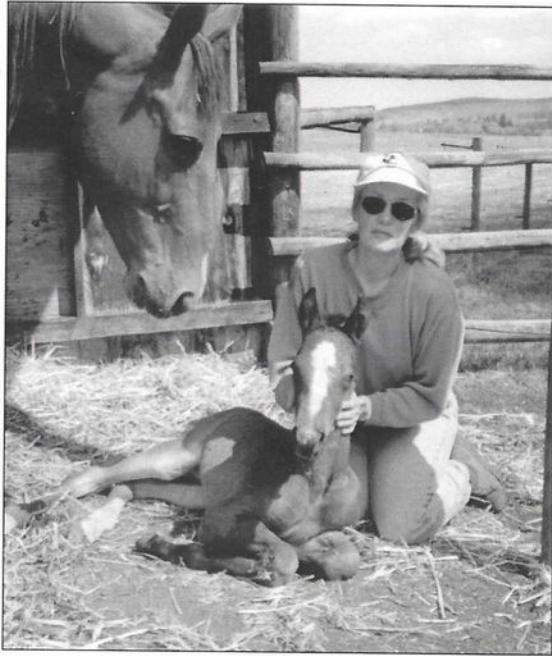
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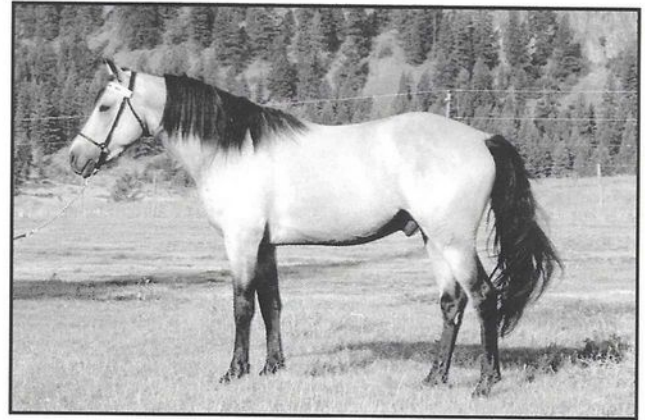


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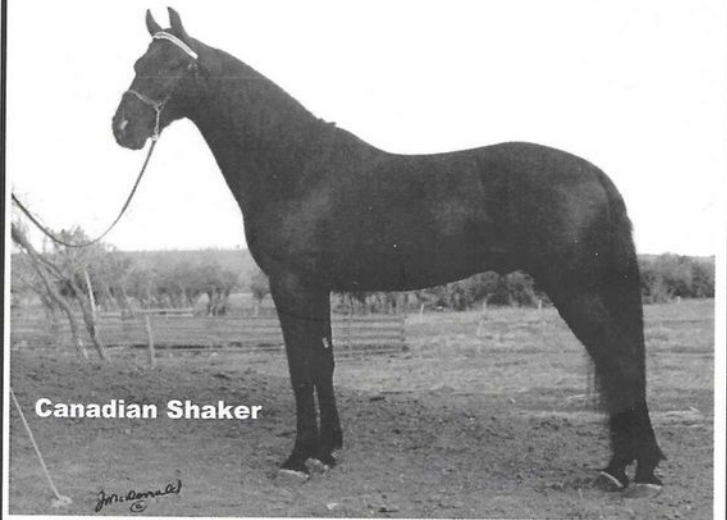
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