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Bobbie Terry,  
and her TWH, "Gemma",  
help gather cows and calves  
to drive to the home quarter  
and corrals.

"Gemma was so good!"

See Bobbie's story,  
"Grandma's Tennessee  
Walking Horse" on page 4.

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Dear Subscribers,

From all your news, it's been a nasty winter across the country, and that is true here as well. Today is March 20, the supposed first day of spring, but you wouldn't know it to look outside. There's still lots of snow, and a cold wind is blowing from the northeast. Hurry along, Spring!

No 2009 foals have been reported to *WHN* yet, but there are new grandchildren for two regular contributors. Congratulations to the Bakers of Calgary, AB on their first granddaughter and to the Brandons of Petersburg, TN on their first grandson.

Thanks to all of you who sent in stories and comments, opinions and pictures. It is always fun to see what emerges from your contributions to make up each issue. This one has a very interesting story and cover photo from Bobbie Terry who has put into words the way so many of us feel about riding as we get older. We want to - but we don't. It's so good to hear of your success, Bobbie. Also, your words of warning about an "over fed and under exercised horse" come at a good time to remind us all about not letting those mature horses have free access to the early summer grass for fear of founder.

Our condolences to Grace Larson on the death of her mother, Marie Poloson McBroom. See the story on Marie's contribution to the TWH breed in the West on page 3. Check *your* Walker's papers and see if it carries any of Marie's breeding. I see some in my horses.

It's always interesting to see what sparks readers' responses. This issue has quite a few comments from readers regarding previous articles. As Allanna points out in her letter, how many of us have ever thought about the essential third party in a horse sale - the horse? And if it's a registered horse, a fourth party is involved as well - the Registry.

There are new regulations for Alberta horse owners, plus restrictions on horse imports from the States into Canada due to CEM. We take a look into the past regarding Dressage for Gaited Horses on page 14, and speculate on foal colour as well. (Send in any questions you have on this topic and we'll see if we can find some answers.)

Hope you can get out to some of activities planned - see page 24. And let's hear from *you* for next time,

*Marjorie*

April, 2009

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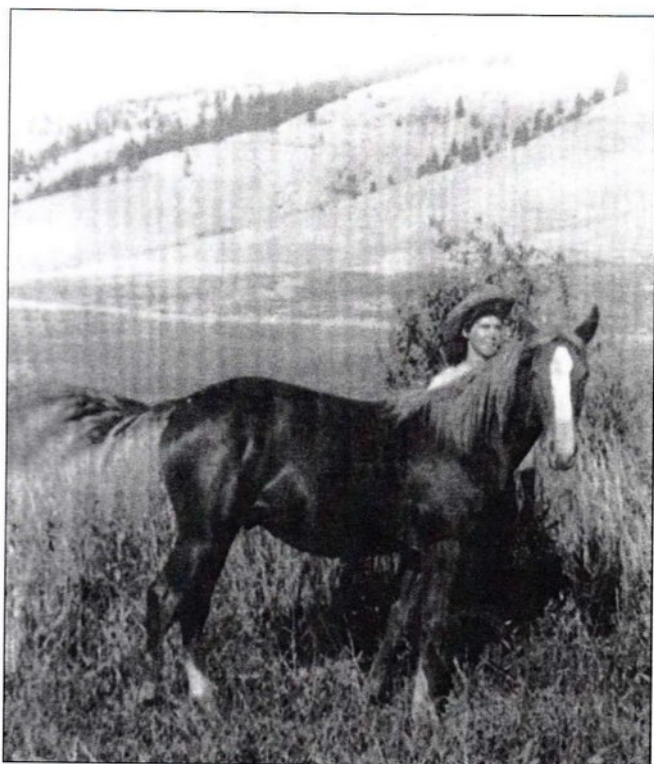
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## Ernestine Marie Poloson 1923 - 2008



Ernestine Marie Poloson was born March 3, 1923, in Helena, Montana, to Dan and Mae Deschamps Poloson. Marie spend her early years at their Wolf Creek home, where from infancy she accompanied her mother on horseback and by wagon to the sheep camps. Marie's parents bought their own ranch near Lonepine, Montana in 1929, where she attended school.

Marie's greatest love was horses; she spent as much time as she could with them and became an excellent horsewoman. In 1948 Marie Poloson McBroom brought the yearling Tennessee Walking Horse stallion, Silvertip-Rickey 473752 (Trouble 370306 x Strolling Beauty A. 430763), from Iowa to her McBroom ranch in Big-Arm, Montana. *(Photo left from around 1948 is of Marie with her new yearling TWH, Silvertip-Rickey 473752.)* Then in 1949 Marie bought the La Marr Walking Horse broodmares, Black Beauty Allen 440890 (Colonel Allen 3550021 x Kittie Jackson), and Ruby Jones 431032 (Tankersley's Charlie Allen x Dixie May J.) from Tom Moss of the Rafter 33 Ranch, Big Horn, WY.

Marie also owned the stallion Chief O' Chiefs 481485 (Spiller's Gold Dust 451748 x Richardson's Honey Chile 421307) and his dam. A few years later she acquired Zephyr's Flash of Gold 472608 (Allen's

Gold Zephyr 431975 x Palomino Polly 410456) from Calvin Miller, Double Diamond Ranch, Rhame, North Dakota. This horse became one of several sources of Roy Rogers' Trigger, Jr. palomino lineage in the Western and Canadian Walking Horses. Marie trained her own horses, including several stallions gentle enough for her daughters to ride. Beauty's Trail's End, Laddie's Monte Ray and Sage King are three that carried her lines forward in AB.

The La Marr line of Walking Horses originated in Wyoming. The line's foundation mare, Lady La Marr 440848, and her one foal, Patty La Marr 380002, by the stallion Billie-Gene 350163 (Thornton's Choice 5525 ASR x Katie McDonald), were registered with TWHBAA in 1938 and are listed in TWHBAA Stud Book Volume I. Patty La Marr produced 16 TWHBEA registered foals by 9 different stallions between 1941 and 1964.

The Walking Horse lines developed by Tom Moss and Marie Poloson McBroom became the foundation of the Western and Canadian Walking Horses. They included influential stallions such as Buck La Marr 450574, Flash La Marr 411549, Golden Copperbottom 550224, Reveille Boy 570415, Lightfoot Rickey 501200, Colonel D. 540856, My Music Man 590518, and equally influential mares: Black Beauty II (Sago) 540714, Cherokee Rose II 550056, Copperbottom Patty 610065, Dixie La Marr 474575, Marie La Marr 501284, Miss Petunia 571156, and Syringa Lady 612388. All of the lines from Marie's breeding program, both mares and stallions, formed the core of many of the most significant and influential Western and Canadian Walking Horse breeding programs that followed in the 1960s, '70s, and '80s. Laddie's Monte Ray, Kary's Jeepers and Beauty's Trails End are three who carried her lines forward in Canada.

The importance of Marie's horses has increased through the decades as the show oriented breeding in other regions has moved the TWH breed further and further away from the practical working type of Walking Horse. The genetic impact of Marie's Walking Horses lingers into the 21st century with descendants of her herd still producing Walking Horses that are uniquely suited to traveling the rugged mountain trails of the western North American continent. The bloodlines of Marie's Walkers can be found in Europe, and throughout the USA and Canada as far west as Washington, Oregon and California, east as far as Wisconsin and Ontario, from Alberta, British Columbia and the Yukon in the north to as far south as Arizona and as far southeast as Oklahoma and Tennessee. Marie's daughter, Grace and son-in-law Lyle Larson, High Plains Walkers, Forsyth, Montana, raised Walkers descended from her horses.

Marie Poloson suffered a stroke December 17, 2008, and passed away Dec. 20, 2008. She is survived by her daughters, Grace (Lyle) Larson of Forsyth, Montana; Alice Kranzler of Plentywood, Montana, and Shirley (Miguel) Marroquin of Red Wing, Minnesota; 14 grandchildren, 17 great-grandchildren and 1 great-great-grandchild.

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"CANADIAN TIMES OF THE TWH"

**Grandma's Tennessee Walking Horse** by Bobbie Terry, Bassano, Alberta

It has been a few years since I owned a horse. Twelve years of relocations and town living left me negative on owning a horse again. I rode occasionally with my sister on one of her horses and the last time left me sad inside with longing to ride again. I have to board if I am to have a horse. Finally I thought I had a situation to allow for ownership once more. My husband had been keen on TWH and their "people-friendly nature". So my search began for a TENNESSEE WALKING HORSE. I searched *and found* a horse via the internet.

Her name was Whistle's Melody F88 (2000), barn name "Gemma", bred by Marlene Fairbrother, Myrnam, AB. Christine Thomas, Legal, AB had owned her since October 2001 and I took ownership from August, 2007. Gemma's sire is F88's Whistle and her dam is F88's Fancy Free.

Chris had purchased Gemma because she admired Marlene's horses for temperament and ease of movement. Since Chris has a bone spur in her spine and faces permanent paralysis should this spur change position, Chris's goal was to keep riding but on a steady mount. Hence, Gemma never moved faster than Chris could stand. Chris looked for a new partner for Gemma in 2007 and luck was on my side. Chris chose me.

I turned 60 last December and though I've ridden many years on many mounts, the Tennessee Walking Horse is new to me. I wanted a quiet mount as this will be my last horse and I'm getting too old for kid's stuff. My ignorance of the "Walker" caused me to get bogged down with how the horse *should* move and what it *could* do and so ultimately, I did not do much at all - until now.

Though I had ridden Gemma some, I never moved her very fast. I failed my horse this year with excuses for not riding. Excuses like "the ground is not good", "the temperature is too hot", "I don't want to ride alone", "What can I do with her anyway; I don't have a trail to ride". Gemma's quiet nature and the good pasture, not having enough exercise, shoes being left on too long - all these contributed to her developing white line disease and laminitis. My farrier took some responsibility for not getting the shoes off sooner - but we all know that I was to blame for not getting the job done. Gemma was overweight & lame!

I was horrified. I finally took responsibility and did something. I treated Gemma by penning her up and not feeding oats; I applied liniment and water to her

legs and put MSM in her diet to calm the inflammation. Within 10 days Gemma could walk without pain. The farrier could not believe she'd come out of it by his next visit, which was 6 weeks to the day. He trimmed her short and she was left barefoot. Gemma had lost a good 8 inches off her belly and 6 inches in the shoulder and withers and the well in her back was gone. Her neck was still crested but not as much.

I wanted to ride Gemma but had lost confidence in what I thought I knew about horses. I sought out my new friend, Cindee Burns, Animal Health Technician and horsewoman. She invited me to ride with her and her two children, Brody, aged twelve and Shelby, aged nine. They ride every day. I loaded Gemma up and traveled to Cindee's farm about 4 miles away. (I cannot ride Gemma there as there are Texas gates, too many fences, 2 bridges and I will not ride the ditch (a promise made to Chris, as she lost a friend riding horseback in a ditch along Highway 16).

What I wanted from Cindee was to tell me if Gemma was sound, how much work to give her and was I hurting her, and could she help me with Gemma's gaits? Gemma had never ever galloped and Chris had told me this too. I knew Gemma would pace going up hill and she tried to escape a running walk by going into a pace. I never expected Gemma to make tight turns. I pretty much expected that she needed to move like a box car. (You know, 40 acres to turn this rig around!)

To give a little more background on Gemma's experiences with me I have to tell you that our first boarding situation required being penned near eight pigs. Horses hate pigs! Keep this in mind. Gemma loads in a trailer like an angel but I'd have to walk her past the pigs to load her. She refused until I gave her treats in an outstretched hand as we quick stepped past the pigs. I'd hauled to an arena 35 miles away but the arena was dark and had really heavy ground. All kidding aside, riding fees didn't include enough light. Your eyes just had to get adjusted. The shock of daylight was extreme when leaving the arena. So I quit going. I had a road near the boarding pen but had to cross two very active sets of train tracks. I chickened out after a couple of tries.

Then my sister invited me on an adventure. I hauled over to Lonesome Lake Lease last October and though I didn't know if Gemma had seen cattle before, expected we'd learn together. At 6:00 a.m. in the saddle (pitch black) we left the barn lights behind and



stepped out with four other riders. Gemma was more than willing - and I was nervous. We were to round up some 500 head and bring them into the corrals for the patrons to sort and haul home. The ground was extremely uneven. I could see sparks from her front shoes as they struck the stones. We could barely see the horizon as we headed east toward the back fence. Gemma strode out, all ears, eyes and nostrils.

Getting to the back fence, I was told to remain there until the other riders had done their sweep and the cattle were headed toward the corner gate. Gemma was as nervous as I was. I paralleled the fence with her back and forth until I could hear the cattle and riders coming, and then I turned Gemma west, the direction we had come. We rode for a little ways, quickly I might add, and then, as if someone had turned on a light, daylight allowed us to see the herd! Gemma froze in a spread

legged position and just looked around at all the cattle. I finally turned her in a few circles and held her back, as she wanted to travel quickly through the herd. After rushing the cattle into the holding field, horses and riders headed for the big gate out. The walk back to the barn was brisk. Gemma was wringing wet from nose to tail, literally. I blanketed her and left her in the safety

of the horse corral for the remainder of the two days while I rode another horse.

My sister hauled Gemma home with two other horses. After unloading Gemma, my sister and I were talking while I held Gemma's halter shank. Gemma obviously didn't want to be back to the pigs, and lonesome for horse company, loaded herself back up!

I bought another Tennessee Walker for a companion for Gemma and a dream mount for my husband. I chose another boarding situation a few miles away. The other board situation, though better with more space, lasted only a few months as the land owners sold out.

The third boarding situation now provides about ten acres and is on natural prairie. We have made it 'home' with a 7-year lease in trade for a pick-up truck. We have a shelter, corrals and heated water all at our own expense and labour. We've really set up

shop! The horses can view tomorrow coming in and yesterday leaving from their perch on the hillside. Deer, antelope, badgers, cows and gophers are their acquaintances. That is the prairie!

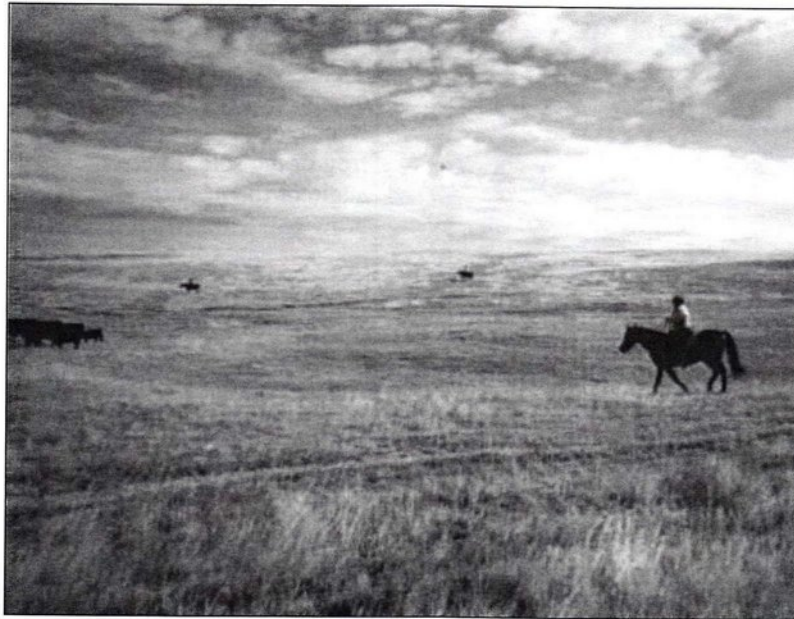
Now, getting back to riding with Cindee. From her barn, we ride about a mile around a bush covered slough and along an irrigation canal bank, over a cement bridge and to the next neighbor's property which holds a decent outdoor arena with sandy type soil for footing. The newest experience for Gemma here were four grey colored miniature horses. To Gemma, they must have been pigs again! They sure looked like pigs, only they were free and running up to the alley way fence and along the arena fence! Poor Gemma really hated this. Cindee said to ride as close to the arena fence as possible and Gemma would get used to the miniature horses eventually. The first round to the left, the miniatures were stopped by another fence

and to Gemma, they were behind her. She wheeled around on one front foot and was moving backwards rapidly and blowing her rollers hard! She moved so fast that it took a second or two to figure out what she had done! I hadn't been unseated in the least but my forward view had certainly changed!

Since I was reluctant to press Gemma, Cindee asked to ride her. Cindee moved her

and turned her hard back and forth in front of the miniatures for a few minutes. Gemma did everything she was told. Cindee then rode her around and for the first time, I saw Gemma do a running walk! Wow! Returning Gemma to my hands, Cindee said that she was not lame and was totally willing and hated to upset the rider. Cindee noticed that Gemma really dropped her hind end. I explained what I had seen Gemma do. She also noted that Gemma would pace because it was easier to do and would always do the easiest movement unless I asked for something else. The key word was "ask". Feeling assured that I would not hurt Gemma, I felt my confidence return.

The next ride at Cindee's was out in their stubble hayfields. Gemma and I were to warm up by moving at a jog around the outside edge of the field. Since Gemma couldn't jog we moved at whatever gait other than the pace. We did this and Gemma was having fun. Next, the kids rode their mounts to half way around the field. (con't)






Gemma and I were to follow and at about 4 or 5 strides, I was to ask Gemma for a lope. I really asked for more speed and didn't give her more direction than a couple of kisses. I got it but it was very rough. The front felt like a lope but the back was anything else - and not a cross lead either. I know what that feels like. The second time to ask for a lope, I insisted with the outside leg and we got our lope and on the correct lead too! Cindee's comment was Gemma has just figured out, "Hey guys, I'm a Horse!"

This last ride was what really put us together as partners. Five of us trailered ten miles south to just north of the Bow River. Here the job was to gather 80 cows and calves to drive north to the Burns' home quarter and corrals. Gemma was so good! I rode west flank and point and everything else that was needed. The ground was rough and rocky. Gemma went with enthusiasm wherever I pointed her. We moved from natural prairie (See photo on preceding page) to stubble field and pushed through gates and over a cement bridge crossing a large canal. On the home quarter, we had to push through brush, around a slough and canal bank. The final push was woven through fenced alley and into a tight corral system. This was seven hours of riding.

Gemma never quit moving except when we stopped to water the cattle and stopped for a beverage break ourselves. I became so comfortable upon Gemma that I never watched what she was doing but only pointed and moved as I saw the cattle move and Gemma and I had to respond to keep control of them. Twice, I picked a cow and had Gemma follow and herd that one cow. She did a fine job! All I had to do was to raise a rein and move my leg softly and get just the response I needed. At one point, Gemma and I had to move cattle off a barb wire fence and get them to stop looking through the fence at the neighbors' border collies. The cattle moved from Gemma and backed off the fence. The cattle respected Gemma; I did very little hooting and hollering.

At the corral, the fit was tight with the cattle bottle-necked and reluctant to move ahead. Three other riders and I closed into the cattle tightly. One heifer butted Gemma squarely in the chest. Gemma never moved or got excited. I backed Gemma away and let the cowboy in the bunch abuse his horse. In order to get out of the now closed space, we had to ride through the cattle as though we were fish swimming upstream. Gemma did this at a quick step! I didn't blame her. I wanted out too.

All and all, I am so proud of her and her willingness to go where and at what speed I want. Cindee remarked how willing Gemma is to learn and that Gemma always paid attention to me. Cindee praised Gemma's big heart! Gemma and I will work out the pretty gaits later. For now we're going to just have fun and put on some miles. We are going to join a Gymkhana club in May of next year and just keep moving! I love this horse. She makes me feel safe! 

## Readers Write

GENEVIEVE AMY, PORT COQUITLAM, BC writes, "I have been wanting to put my two cents worth in for months on the barefoot issue. I am not a professional, don't pretend to know more than anybody: this is just my own experience, observation and conclusion. I did *cheer* and underline in the last issue a line that said 'the frog should not be trimmed.' (from Karla Freeman's notes on the Alberta HBOC.)"

"I have read a ton, have decades of horse, was married to a farrier, so it is not like I am flying completely blind. I am not trying to convert anybody to anything, just to share what I have learned."

"In July of last year, 2 weeks before our two old mares came up to SkyKeep in the Cariboo, their shoes were pulled and their feet trimmed. They were trimmed so short that they were sore for weeks, I had to buy boots for them, which they wore with variable success right until snow stopped our riding at the end of November. I bought a rasp, and worked on their feet every couple of weeks, just leveling the wall to the sole, not trimming the frog or the sole. I keep the hoof angle congruent with the angle of the pastern. It took months for the nail holes to grow out, for the first shedding of sole, for the frog to fill out and come down. Finally, my little black mare, now has a hoof wall that is twice as thick as it was when she was being shod regularly, the frog is now nice and wide at the heel, firm but resilient, and the sole is a smooth cup. Her whole hoof is bigger, not from being overgrown, but because its natural structures have not been cut back to the quick. I never could understand how cutting the sole down until it gave could do anything but make a hoof sensitive - it's like getting your fingernails cut down to the quick every time you have a manicure."

"My farrier is a good person who is doing what she thinks is right - it is what she has been taught, what has 'always' been done. I simply cannot agree anymore. If this means breaking my stupid old back, rasping my horses' hooves myself to keep their feet the way I have come to believe they should be kept, so be it. Our horses are now going sound on any footing including gravel without anything on their feet, and Finally gave me the best running walk she ever has just last week, even as out of condition as we are."

"This is my version of natural trimming, and it works for me. I think many horses would be sounder if they were allowed to have a bit more foot under them. I am not talking long toes or high heels, just what is natural to go with the untrimmed sole and frog, which in my horse's case amounts to about an inch more hoof from coronet band to ground, and the consequently slightly larger circumference. But ultimately, the right thing for each horse is whatever works. The same answer is not the right answer for everybody."



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## BRITISH COLUMBIA NEWS

From GENEVIEVE AMY, PORT COQUITLAM, "Greetings. It is that false spring today; out the window it looks bright and warm, but when you step outside, a raw wet wind just above freezing rasps down into your lungs like sandpaper. My truck would not start this morning; probably just as well, since we can't ride during the week because of construction on the road to the trailhead. It has been a sad winter as far as riding goes - snow, ice, road construction. Sandy and I have been out twice this month, the first times since November."

"This summer was a dream for me, up in the Cariboo, with my horses right outside my door. The relationship with my mare, Finally, developed into something I had wanted deeply, but had not achieved before with any other horse, and especially not with Finally. She has that 'complex personality' that goes with her breeding (Merry Boy) and the number of hair swirls on her neck and face (several), but getting there was worth the year and a half it took to work through her issues and my tension. I had to get over a lot of fear that had developed after my two falls and broken bones. She taught me to be brave, because then she could be brave. She gave me her trust, now I can trust her. Her running walk shows up more often now that I have a saddle that does not constrict her back, a bit that works for her, and her feet don't hurt. When she rolls those shoulders and glides down the trail so fast and smooth it's like sliding on ice. I know why people breed to the Merry Boy line, in spite of the temperament issues. She is very smart, has a droll sense of humour, and likes to hang out with me, just to see what I'm doing. My life is so much richer with that funny little black horse in it, and I am a better person because of her."

"I did not spend as much time with my young horses, Summer Rain, a gorgeous strawberry sabino filly from Colleen Snellson, and Artic End (aka OHenry), a stunning bay sabino gelding from Tower Ridge Farm, as I would have liked. It was because of range cattle. A few days after the youngsters arrived at SkyKeep, three range bulls in full fighting rut went across the property, tore out fences, scared everyone crazy. I had four small paddocks, with a horse in each, and when the bulls went past, Summer and Henry leapt over/through the fences, knocking down the top rail. After the top rail was down, they just jumped back and forth like little deer. So much for keeping them

separated - but they were all so worried about the bellowing stinking beef they didn't bother fighting with each other! I say stinking in the most literal sense - any one who has smelled a bull in fighting mode knows that pungent scent that lingers for hours in the air and the dirt where they have pawed. I knew when they were in the woods even though I couldn't see them, from the smell. And of course I knew because of the horses racking back and forth in the meadow with their necks stretched up like giraffes, pointing and telling me there was something REALLY SCARY out there. And the bellowing - the keening of a lone bull coming out of the morning mist - a mist created in large part by the breath and steam rising off said bull - is enough to make you feel like you are in your own private Jurassic Park. The sound is surreal. The bulls came back a few days later and knocked down some more fence, so I sent the youngsters to their winter board in August instead of October. Needless to say, the first task this spring will be to build better fences, before we bring the horses back."

"I am still hoping to sell down here on the coast this year and get moved permanently before the snow next fall, but with the economy as it is, who knows? In the meantime, being snow bound this winter meant that before Christmas I had time to do more baking than ever. Everybody at the barn got hoof shaped gingerbread cookies! Then came more housecleaning than ever (I would still rather clean the barn), but at last, I got back to painting after a three year break. I am sending 'Henry and the Witches', our four TWH on our meadow in the Cariboo. I think the painting captures their personalities, as well as the different conformation types that our little herd represents. Hope it makes you smile."

*Photo of painting 'Henry and the Witches' below.*





From DEBBIE- SMITH, TOWER RIDGE FARM, MAPLE RIDGE, "Hi folks. Let's hope winter is coming to a close. What a heck of a winter! Wow, we are not used to so much white stuff, and the ice, yikes! It really did cut into our riding time. It has turned gorgeous and sunny finally, but it's still on the cool side and rain is forecast. Yippee! No more shoveling."

"Our trails are in great shape. The many, many trees that were down from the harsh winter have now been cleared and we have a new trail going in, high up overlooking the Fraser Valley. It's like you're on top of the world, with a spectacular view of the river and surrounding areas. Hopefully a hitching rail and picnic tables will be installed at the viewpoint as planned. We have many new homes going in around our horse trails but our Haney Horsemen's Association fight to keep our trails, and have them rerouted or new multi use ones put in place before new homes are built. The Haney Horsemen's Association (HHA) is a non-profit organization consisting entirely of volunteers. Our group was formed in 1980 in response to the advent of the Maple Ridge Official Community Plan, due to the lack of maintenance on existing trails and the absence of essential linkages between trails."

"The horses are slowly shedding their winter woollies and readying themselves for spring. Our gang from the barn will probably head up to the Interior Gaited Horse Show in Armstrong again this year. It's so much fun. Hats off to all who organize such a great event."

"No foals this year; only puppies, as life changes and the work load needs to be lessened.. Less work - more play! Enjoy your horses and enjoy life; you have only one!"

"Wishing everyone a great spring & summer."

From JANA & ROGER JACOBSEN, CRANBROOK, "With the weather the last few days I don't think spring will ever come. The only good news is that the horses are shedding so it has to come sometime."

"Please send a year's subscription to *WHN* to Trogrim Rustad of Cranbrook. He has given April's Artic Colour a wonderful home. They have spent the last few months building their partnership. "Montana" is being a wonderful ambassador for our breed and proving himself to be a quick and willing learner."

SHEILA COBURN, KREEK SIDE WALKERS, PRINCE GEORGE, "We are up to our hips, literally, in snow this year, so are trying to wait patiently for spring. Sure hope we have a better summer than last! Take care; keep up the good work."

## ALBERTA NEWS

From KARLA FREEMAN, BENTLEY, "Hello from Ride Easy Ranch. I am sure looking forward to some warmer weather. My buckskin stud, Esperanto, was used last year on some mares here, so it's eager anticipation for me to see his first foals. *And the green grass!*"

"I am also looking forward to the clinics, and events coming up this spring, and will enjoy visiting with you fellow Walking Horse lovers. I am planning on getting out to the west country, and always love that time with my horses, family, and friends. Hope to see you on the trail!"

"I had many calls on my previous add, so please look in the mail for another classified. Thanks for all the great info in the magazine. Happy trails!"

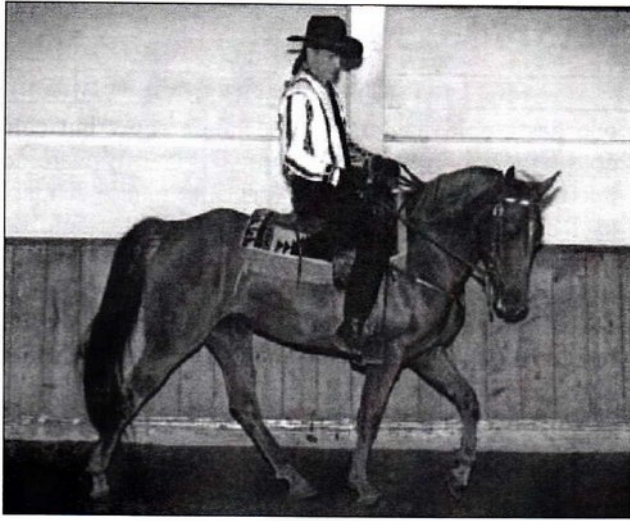
BRENDA BAKER, TRIANGLE B, CALGARY, writes, "Well, we've finally done it! Our grand daughter, Jerrika Grace Baker was born January 21, 2009. She is a dark haired blue eyed darling. We can almost see her grow and we are so happy she lives so close to us - only 18 miles away! Her parents are adapting to parenthood like pros and my Mom is thrilled to be a great grandma at last. I have already decided that I will be training my sweet young mare, Kodiak's Dyna, to be especially child friendly. Good old Chicklette will likely do the most babysitting at first, though."

"All of our horses are in great shape and the mares, having the freedom of 70 acres in the old hayfield on the hill, are very fit and lively. They live a great life out there but still come blasting down to the barn for a nice warm drink of water and a little hay or grain everyday, depending on the wind or lack of it. We bred only one of them last year, so we will have a relaxed spring with only one foal, (have ordered a buckskin colt), and NO goats."

"When I read the story of the Peebles' holiday/adventure on horseback to the States I was envious! We ride a great deal in the mountains and foothills during the seven months of warm weather out here but most of us in Alberta can only daydream of trail riding during the winter. Short rides on uncertain footing are the best we can do."

"It seems that I need to clarify something. The article in the Feb. issue, 'Seller Beware', was drafted about 18 months ago, then lost in a computer "purge", rewritten, and finally finished late in 2008. After reading many articles on 'Buyer Beware' over the years, I'd decided to write something from the other point of view. It was not meant to be an attack on anyone."





### PRIDE'S GENERATIN SPIRITS

Spirit (*above*) was taken from us in a freak accident, long before expected. She was just 6 years old. Owned and loved by Montana Lambert-Noble of Perryvale, Pride's Generatin Spirits was a wonderful mare, one of the first to greet you at the gate and a nice little mare to ride, one that Montana was chomping at the bit to try. Spirit was laid to rest January 25th, 2009.

### GENERATIN FUTURE SILVER DUST

In November we lost our beautiful mare, Generatin Future Silver Dust, from purpura, a complication of stranglers. I am completely lost without my mare, and the thought of her not being in my field brings tears to my eyes even today.

Silver has three foals out there: Sweetpea (Prides Generatin A Future), Powerplays Ivory Treasure, and Pride's Future Impression. Silver stood 14.3, and was a sooty palomino. This is Silver (*below*) in her summer coat three years earlier, with her baby Sweetpea (Prides Generatin A Future) at side.

From LISA LAMBERT, PRIDE'S NOBLE WALKERS, PERRYVALE.



ARIANNE BAKER, MEDICINE HAT, writes on January 26, "Sorry I'm late with this, but if anyone had told me what the months of December and January were going to throw, I wouldn't have believed it. Like so many of us in this area, I'm exhausted. We went from temperatures in the mid-teens on the plus side the first week of December to - 20 to -30 degrees with wind chills of - 40 to -60 degrees within 48 hours. We got hit by every snowstorm in the air, getting about six inches per storm. Everything froze. Even my 300 gallon water tank for the cows froze solid three times – and that's with the heaters going!"

"We have about two and a half feet of snow on the level – IF you can find anyplace the winds didn't get to. My township road is plowed about five to eight feet high and six feet wide, and the yard is worse. It's been a constant battle trying to keep water open, plow out areas for the stock, get feed to them and keep them sheltered. They are more important than paperwork when you're going 19 hours a day!"

"I even got stuck in two storms and wasn't able to get out of the yard, and trust me – the truck isn't as comfortable to sleep in as it looks! Thank goodness we'd replaced the tractor in October. The old one wouldn't have been able to do the work. This new one is 150 hp and it's having trouble."

"Now we're wondering what we are going to do with the stock if the temperatures go up, because we know we're going to flood again. There were no holidays here, but I hope everyone is having a better winter than we've had, and that you all had a great holiday season."

From RICK & SANDRA SMITH, OLDS, "We'd like to renew our subscription for two years, and purchase a subscription for Mr. & Mrs. Joe Bowhay of Didsbury."

"We are the proud owners of Major's G-Man, Karla's King Tut, and Fritz's Merry Boy Delight. We love to explore the west country on these fellows, and we are so impressed by their gentleness and comfortable ride!"

"We thoroughly enjoy your magazine – keep up the great work."

ARLENE BOLES, THREE HILLS, writes, "Here is my renewal for another year. My husband is now disabled with arthritis in his neck, shoulders and hands. We've been doing a lot of therapy. But because I am by myself I am going to try to sell my horses come spring, unless I get help."

"Enclosed is my cheque for \$18.00. I do enjoy your magazine."



## NEWS FROM OUR US SUBSCRIBERS

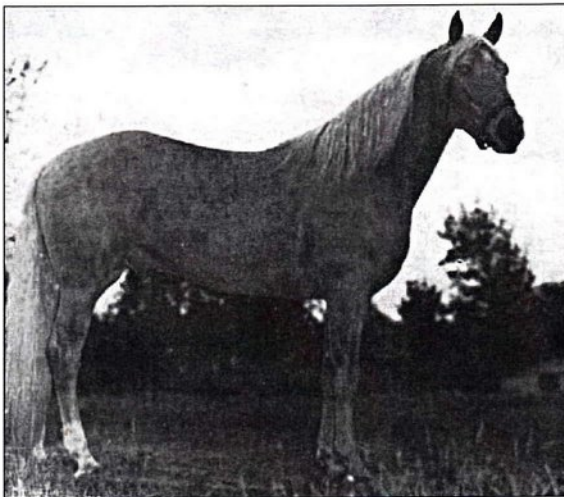
GRACE LARSON, FORSYTH, MONTANA, writes, "I don't know if you knew that my Mom, Marie Poloson McBroom, passed away December 20. I have enclosed a Memorial." (Editor's note: Our condolences, Grace. See page 3 for a story on Marie's life and influence on TWH horses in the West.)

"It is so icy around here. Kids would have fun because it is like a skating rink, but it's no fun for us! Lyle has spread ashes where we walk. The warm days melt some of the ice and packed snow and that makes more ice. We need to deworm and groom horses but it is too icy to bring them in yet. Lyle has put out lots of straw where we feed them."

"Lyle had total shoulder replacement on Jan. 30th. It is healing so well. He has the pain of rehab/exercising it now, but that is mild compared to what the old shoulder was like. And this will get better instead of worse."

"We have our older horses to care for plus laying hens and some pet geese. The horses have started to shed but they still have lots of protective hair. I'm sure they know better than we do when spring is going to be here. Fawn is almost 23 and still very spry. The others are 18, 19, 19, and 14. Then we have our one and last youngster, July Johnson (named after the Lonesome Dove character). He will be a yearling July 10th. There will be some sadness this year without any foals! We had planned to retire a number of years ago but couldn't imagine a year without foals."

"I sure enjoy the *Walking Horse News*. It is read cover to cover when it arrives. I enjoy hearing the news about others. This last issue had a note from Joyce Patterson. I am so glad she has found a 14 hh mare so she can enjoy some riding this summer. 14 hand horses are a *lot* easier to get onto from the ground up!" (Below: FLASH LA MARR 411549)



## MANITOBA NEWS

From KEITH DOLL, DOUGLAS, "We've had one nasty cold winter, not too much snow but cold, cold winds. Wind chills of minus 35 to fifty were not uncommon. There was a short reprieve in mid-January, so I hitched up my team twice. Then bitter cold descended again. Mid February brought rain! Skating rinks everywhere, then cold. It's now the first of March and the groundhog saw his shadow for sure! March is coming in like a lamb with near zero temperatures. Wonder what it will go out like??"

"My horses all look good in spite of all the cold weather. Next will come vaccinating and deworming and hoof trimming. Once it greens up, it will be preventing founder on the new green grass!"

"I've had a few short rides on Smokey (Black Kat's Smoke 'N Fire) over to the water trough, but I find riding bothers my last year's surgery. Don't know when I'll be able to do much serious riding."

"Sorry there's not much news. All we've been doing is stoking the fire and sliding on the ice!"

## BILL OF SALE REQUIREMENTS

Here are the four basic requirements on a bill of sale in the province of Alberta. It would likely be very much the same in all provinces.

### The date.

### Names & addresses of purchaser and seller.

A description of the livestock including kind, colour, & number of animals.

Description & location of any brands on the animals.

Once you have the basics on your document, it is wise to cover specifics regarding that particular sale. Thus, add a section entitled "Special Conditions" where you spell out such agreements as, for example, whether a mare is bred or warranted in foal; if the stud fee is paid, & if the mare should foal, whose property the foal will be. The horse may be warranted sound for the purpose purchased, or it may be sold as is.

You might also want to add the price, if it has been paid in full or how it will be paid if not; if the animal is sold as registered & who is responsible for transferring the papers. And if it is being sold without its papers, be sure *that* is spelled out on the bill of sale. The seller should then send the papers in to the registry to be cancelled. This is done free of charge by CLRC.

Buying a horse is exciting - but it is also a legal transaction. Both parties should have a signed copy of the bill of sale and keep it with the horse's other important papers or records. *MCL*



## READERS WRITE

### BUYER BEWARE

From ALLANNA JACKSON, LAKESIDE, AZ, "In the last issue, Brenda Baker makes an excellent point about not buying a horse from someone you don't trust. And it's sad when trust is broken by an unsatisfactory horse transaction. It's almost impossible to rebuild that trust when the seller denies responsibility for the problem by placing all blame on the buyer for purchasing the wrong horse. I've been on both sides. Horse sellers are not always as innocent as the teenage cashier at JC Penney's who took the payment for my last jeans purchase - that included a pair that proved to be too big!"

"Why would the horse seller *not* share responsibility with the buyer for placing the horse with the right owner? Yes, horse buyers do overestimate their own skill and experience, but horse sellers are not in the same category as that teenage cashier. Buying a horse is not the same as buying a pair of jeans."

"A pair of pants is not capable of thought or emotion and has no opinion about who buys it - or how it is handled. Horses are living, thinking, feeling creatures who are the usually silent and too often ignored third party in any horse transaction. Horses are capable of mischief... and treachery. Horses are sensitive to the mood and body language of both buyer and seller. Horses are reactive to the moods and body language of people and other horses. Horses are reactive to the weather, their feed, the choice of equipment used on them, distractions of all kinds and the state of their own hormones, among other things. Horses DO make their own assessment of every person they meet based on their emotional memories of past experiences with people. Sometimes the horse's assessment of the buyer is quite different than the seller's assessment. Whether we admit it or not, horses do have their own opinions even when they do not have a choice. The most satisfactory transactions occur when all three parties, buyer, seller and horse evaluate themselves accurately, respect each other, and are completely truthful with each other."

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### SMALL EQUALS HOT?

BRENDA BAKER, TRIANGLE B, CALGARY, writes, "I read with interest the opinions about 'small and hot' and all I can say is 'small' does not mean dullard! So many poor founded ponies have been too stiff to do much besides a shuffle for tiny children led by their parents, (ourselves included), that we tend to forget that a small healthy equine can go the distance that big ones go and at a similar speed."

### A CAUTIONARY TALE

From KARLA FREEMAN, RIDE EASY RANCH, BENTLEY, "I wrote the Cautionary Tale in the last issue of *WHN*, as just that: to bring to light how complicated things can get when you purchase a horse, and to remind people that registration papers are a legal document. I did put up a voting poll on a website that is used by animal producers of North America to see what people thought of this. My question was "Do Registration Papers increase the Value of a Horse?" and "Does it make it easier for resale?" So far, 68% say "Yes, I would not buy a horse without papers."

So, although registration papers don't make the horse and the horse can't read them, and I don't ride the papers, they DO influence buyers. If you think you might want them, *ever*, be sure to view them before the purchase.

### RESTRICTIONS on U.S. EQUINE IMPORTS

The Canadian Food Inspection Agency (CFIA) continues to respond to the increasing detections of *Taylorella equigenitalis*, the bacterium that causes **contagious equine metritis (CEM)**, first reported in the United States on December 15, 2008.

To date, potentially exposed animals have been identified in Alberta, Ontario, Quebec, New Brunswick, Saskatchewan and British Columbia. As a precaution, the CFIA has quarantined animals on the farms, and these measures will remain in place until all potentially exposed mares and their foals have tested negative for CEM.

Effective January 19, 2009, the CFIA implemented a requirement for additional certification for the import of live horses from the United States.

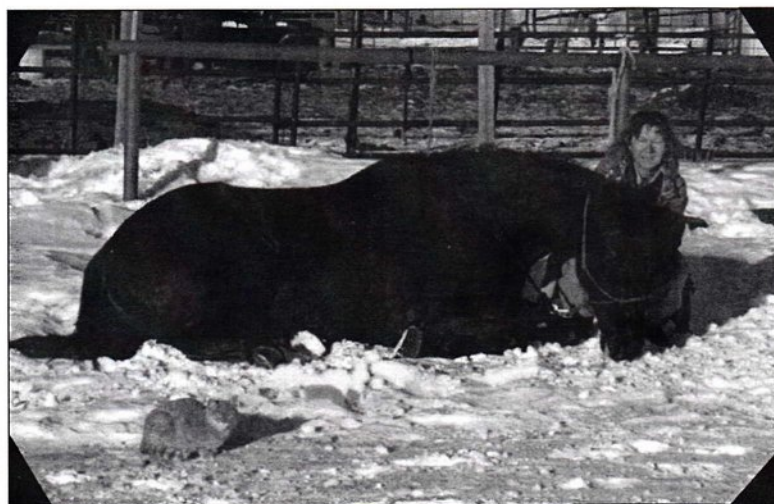
The CFIA implemented new import requirements for horse germplasm (semen and embryos) on Jan. 29/09.

CEM is a transmissible venereal disease in horses. It is highly contagious and can affect the reproductive ability of infected mares. CEM is treatable with antibiotics.

For more info click on the "Health Alerts" icon on Equine Canada's website at [www.equinecanada.ca](http://www.equinecanada.ca)



# What do YOU do with your Walkers In the Snow?



*Above:* Karla teaches Ken (Karla's Special Knight) to 'lie down' on command while Mimzie the Cat supervises, at Ride Easy Ranch, Bentley, AB

*Right:* "The crazy bunch from the Star Barn (Tower Ridge Farm, Maple Ridge, BC) at -13C, snow everywhere, no riding, but still enjoying sitting outdoors, sipping coffee." L-R: Wendy Gower, Natalie Speckmair, Debbie Smith, Genevieve & Sandy Amy and Dave Smith. (No horses - they were warm and toasty in the barn!)

Send your photos to  
WHN, Box 7326, EDSON, AB  
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*Well,  
we still have the snow as I write,  
and folks are still sending in photos ...  
so here you are!*

*Above:*  
Bill and Kim Pielak, Niton Junction, AB sent this photo and a note: "What do we do with our Walker? We went for a sleigh ride on a sunny afternoon, January 18, 2009. We hooked up our 10 year old mare Panola (Panola Rose) and went for a ride."





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## CRTWH ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING

We are planning an exciting AGM for Saturday, April 18, in conjunction with the Gait From the Ground Up Clinic, below. All members who register for the meeting by eleven o'clock are invited to audit the rest of the clinic on Saturday free of charge.

As well as other business, we will be announcing and presenting certificates to those horses that attained their Bronze, Silver or Gold Awards in the Program For Excellence, attained Training Levels or participated in the Ride Your Walker Program.

Please come out and support your association. The meeting will be held at the Klondike Victory Farms west of Blackfalds, AB. The meeting will take place in the room above the arena starting at 11:00 am. A lunch will be served at a cost of \$6.00 each (or you are welcome to bring your own). Please let me know if you will be attending so we can be sure of a quorum (and order enough food!).

A map with directions will be included with the official notice, or contact me or Vice President Jean Rempel. Looking forward to seeing you there!

Marjorie Lacy,  
CRTWH President

## 'GAIT FROM THE GROUND UP' CLINIC

This CRTWH Clinic will be held April 18 & 19 near Blackfalds, AB, at the Klondike Victory Farms arena. Clinicians will be Bill Roy of Grindrod, BC assisted by Dianne Little of Calgary, AB.

Stabling is limited so if you want to bring your horse for overnight, book your spot right away! Here's your chance to start out the spring riding season on the right foot.

The clinic will focus on the whole horse – emotionally, mentally and physically. To get the best from your horse there has to be communication between you, so you can move along on the journey with your horse, from establishing a foundation on the ground to riding. Wherever you are on that continuum, this clinic will help you move to the next step.

The clinic will be tailored to the individuals attending. The following may be covered: trailer loading, standing still for mounting, saddle fitting, achieving the best gait from your horse, and cantering. It promises to be a fun, enlightening weekend. Hope to see you there!

**FEES:** \$160 for Non-members, \$60 for Auditors for the weekend.

A 25% discount for members of CRTWH.

\$25 per night for stabling, which is limited.

**PLACE:** Klondike Victory Farms arena near Blackfalds, AB.

**TIME:** April 18 & 19.

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## MANE EVENT- April 24 - 26

CRTWH will be at the MANE EVENT in Red Deer, AB from April 24 to 26th.

Stop in to visit or volunteer to help!

Members! If you plan on attending this horse extravaganza, please consider volunteering to help for an hour or two at the booth or providing support to the demo team.

Call Bill at **250-838-2066** or Marjorie at **780-723-2547**.



FESTIVAL OF THE GAITS.....1986

June 14th was a glorious day in Red Deer. The second annual Festival was definitely bigger.....and I hope better, than our first one. Thirty-eight horses were registered, representing four naturally gaited breeds - Tennessee Walkers, Icelandic Horses, Missouri Fox Trotters and Peruvian Pasos. The ten Hey-Day classes attracted a total of 99 entries, from the 25 participating horses. The barbeque, served at noon this year, catered to 126 people. The introduction of Dressage on the Tennessee Walkers gave the event a whole new dimension, and was very well received. The Musical Ride by the Icelandic Horses was one of the highlights of the day. We thank Dennis Little for his photographic coverage and the many hard-working volunteers who kept the schedule on schedule....(almost!) The following week, I was still receiving phone calls from would-be spectators who had missed the date! This event has made its mark in Central Alberta, and we are already planning for 1987.....provisional date is Saturday, JUNE 13th.

Jo Kingsland, 1986 Chairman.

## DRESSAGE FOR GAITED HORSES

### Setting the Record Straight

An inaccurate statement was published in "BIOS" on the website of Horse World Expo. It stated that "Dressage; In-Gait, as applied to the Gaited Horse" was "introduced to the world" in December of 1998.

The Alberta Walking Horse Association introduced Dressage for the Tennessee Walking Horse at a Dressage Training Show held in conjunction with the Festival of the Gaits in Red Deer, Alberta - **in 1986.**

*A scan of the report published in July/August 1986 issue of Walking Horse News is shown above.*

This was followed up with annual Dressage Shows judged by qualified dressage personnel, in 1987, 1988 and 1989. Basic level I, level II and in 1989 level III were ridden.

All shows were reported with many photos in *Walking Horse News*, which has a regular circulation throughout North America. We had several requests for the test sheets afterwards from both Canada and U.S.A.

*Submitted by J.M.Kingsland, Festival of the Gaits and Dressage Show organizer, 1985 to 1989.*

Below is one of my photos taken at our 1987 dressage show in Red Deer, Alberta. *JMK.*



## COLOUR CORNER

### *What colour will the foal be?*

This is always an interesting speculation, but there are some genetic guidelines to help you make an educated guess at the possibilities!

Here's a relatively simple case. When parents are a Black & a Chestnut, the resulting foal colors could be:

BLACK  
CHESTNUT  
BAY

*Well, CHESTNUT and BLACK make sense but - BAY?*

If the chestnut parent was hiding the agouti gene (bay patterning gene) but it couldn't be expressed because that parent has no black pigment, you can get a bay. If the foal inherits the black colour from its black parent, plus this hidden agouti gene from its chestnut parent, the agouti gene causes the black pigment to concentrate in the mane & tail, legs and tips of ears and nostrils, and voila' - your black becomes a bay.

That's also the reason that a bay and a chestnut can produce a black - the bay passes on the gene for black pigment but not the one for agouti (bay pattern).

Breeding for colour is a gamble, and it's all in the probabilities!

Check [www.equinecolor.com](http://www.equinecolor.com) for more info.

## MORE NEWS

JOANNE WASHINGTON, CALGARY, AB-writes, "Congratulations to Dean and Lori of Kathryn, AB on their purchase of WRW's Chancellor. I hope that you and 'Chance' have many happy years of trail riding together. Please send a year's subscription of *WHN* to them with my thanks."

From SHELDON SCHROEDER, LONE ROCK, SK, "Just thought I'd send a short note. I have been riding Billy every day that I can, getting him in shape for a spring ride to the mountains. Dwayne's bay mare is going to foal to him any day now so I will send a picture."



## **EQUINE CAREERS REVISITED** by Franne Brandon

The Tennessee Walker is an intelligent, adaptable, and generally athletic horse, capable of performing many of the tasks done by some of the more specialized breeds. Although a select few are chosen for careers as Versatility contenders at some point in their lives, most Tennessee Walkers, however, find their niches early in life, performing whatever job is asked of them at that point until they reach retirement age. Occasionally, though, a good-minded and smooth walking individual will experience a change of career after being well-established in another one. A horse like this simply proves that those old farmers who tried to produce the ultimate in utility mounts knew what they were about.

In December of 1982, a true black colt was foaled to the mare Society Snip. Sired by the Merry Go Boy son Go Boys Little Shadow, this West Coast-bred youngster was destined for the show ring from a tender age. As a weanling, Go Boy's Windwalker won the prestigious Brass Ring Benefit Halter Grand Championship in Pomona, California.

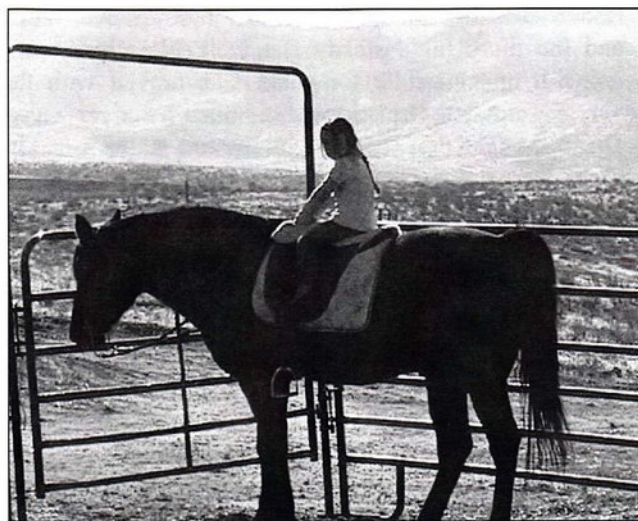
Competing in 1984, he garnered the National Plantation Walking Horse Association Yearling Champion honors. The winning pattern repeated the next show season as he won the PCWHA Halter and Futurity Championship, then as a three year old, he won the NPWHA Futurity honors for that age division. At age four, Go Boy's Windwalker was the NPWHA English High Point Champion while being named reserve Champion in Western High Point.

In spite of his success on the tanbark, the black stallion, barn name Larry for those who trained and loved him, expressed a preference for the trail. So, at the height of his show ring success, he was retired from competition. His career change was multi-faceted, as he found himself as a driving horse, a field trial mount, and a participant in team penning, as well as traveling the trails. He also proved to have an affinity for timid or uneducated riders, a unique trait in a seasoned show horse and breeding stallion. He became the lead horse in the training business of Bates Gaited Horses of Idaho. Steady and patient, he has also helped green horses to learn to remain calm in some rather exciting situations.

Larry turns twenty-seven in 2009, and he is still breeding and settling mares, continuing to pass along to future generations his correct running walk. As owner Nya Bates attests, "However, he is most valued as the kind, patient, and willing horse that we use for the grandkids and novice riders to learn on and build confidence." Proving that a career change can benefit

more than just the horse, Nya explains that "The unique, gentle stallion is that once-in-a-lifetime horse that everyone dreams of. We at Bates Gaited Horses are honored to share his exceptional life and proud of all the quality horses he has added to our breed."

*Larry with a young rider, below.*



Not every horse finds its career path early in life. On July 18, 1987, a daughter of Miller's Super Man was foaled at the Calvin Miller Ranch in Rhame, North Dakota. As a yearling filly, the minimal black sabino, registered as Superman's Blossom, was one of a band of yearlings running wild on 300 North Dakota acres after the death of ranch owner Miller. Purchased by Gary Wentz, who also bought her sire, Miller's Super Man, she was broke to ride early on, but she was not used as a trail mare. Neither did she enter a broodmare band at the age of three. Unlike other Calvin Miller Ranch mares who were appreciated for their using horse bloodlines, Blossom raised only two foals under Wentz's ownership.

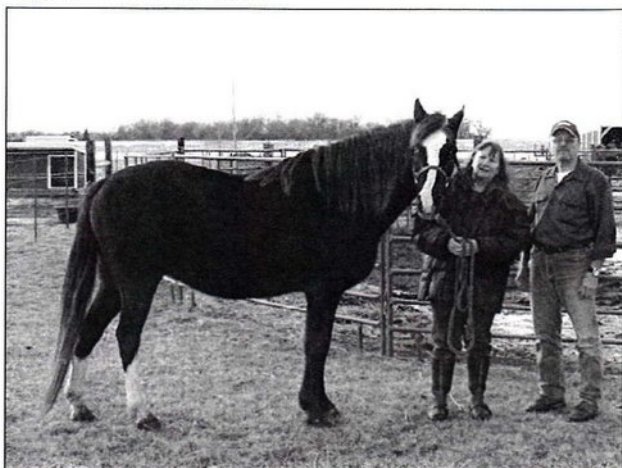
South Dakotan Kathy Grotzky had only one walking horse, a mare she called Lyric. She had met Diane Szczepanski of Northern Foundations Farm in Wisconsin after a person on The Gaited Board suggested that Kathy contact Diane due to Kathy's preference for the older type of walking horse with substance and a calm disposition, like her first mare and that mare's dam. Ideally, Kathy wanted to buy a broke riding mare from Diane that she could breed to one of Diane's stallions. However, the specialty at Northern Foundations is weanlings with an education, and none ever remain on the farm long enough to go under saddle.

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After a shoulder surgery in October kept Kathy off the Internet for an extended period, she contacted Diane to catch back up, expressing a wish for a nice Heritage Horse to ride.

Diane asked her what the upper age limit would be on the mare she'd want and what sort of terrain they handled in their trail rides. Diane was downsizing. She had repurchased her homebred stallion NFF Wilson's Blue Moon from Wentz, and at the time, she also bought Blossom, in foal to Moon. After the mare foaled, Diane's farm assistant, Dale Memiec, had ridden Blossom for the first time in seventeen years, and the mare hit a steady flat walk like she'd been doing it under saddle for years. She moved with the energy and determination of a much younger mare. Diane thought that Blossom might suit Kathy's needs, if age were not an issue.



Kathy was intrigued by the idea. As she explains "Older was okay for us as I just do not have tons of saddle time and hubby has less, but would like to ride if we got something nice." Kathy also wanted another horse or maybe two for guest mounts. She knew that "Since none of the family here has any experience, we'd like calm headed horses..."

Blossom seemed to fit the bill. So at the age of almost twenty-one, Superman's Blossom (above) will foal to NFF Wilson's Iceman, the sire of her 2008 colt, then will change careers quite late in life. Coming from a long line of horses bred to do ranch and trail work, she should accept the new duties with a calm and steady attitude, while her inherited natural walking gaits can only improve with regular saddle time.

*Two walking horses from very different backgrounds, one from the finest show bloodlines of sixty years ago, the other ranch bred, yet both possess that flexibility for which the early walkers were noted. Not limited to one purpose, both horses were able to change their life's work, and happily begin another career to the pleasure of their owners, and for the benefit of others as well.*



## READERS WRITE

### OUR FEBRUARY COVER

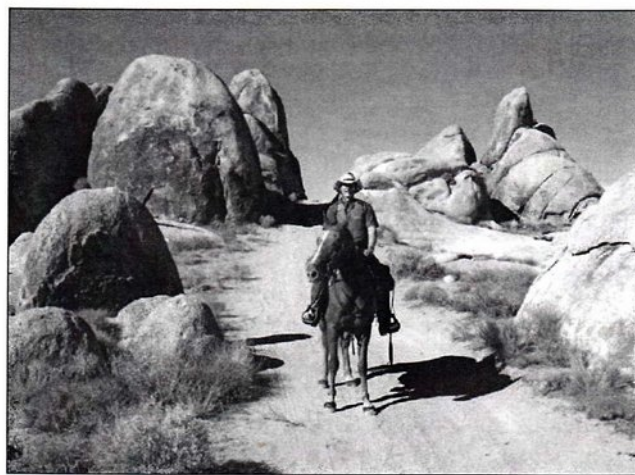
PAT AND ANDY PEEBLES, FALKLAND, BC, emailed, "We just received our bundle of February *Walking Horse News* magazines, and want to thank you for them. We are so pleased with your presentation of our "big adventure", and a copy of the magazine will stay with our photo album of the trip."

"We have already received an email from another subscriber who was interested in our trip and will be in touch with him again about other 'adventures'."

"Aside from all that, we recently found a copy of the *Walking Horse News*, dated Sept-Oct 1980, Vol. IV, #5. It is printed in purple ink from an old mimeograph type printer. We had forgotten that you've been publishing for over 30 years. We want you to know that we really value your magazine. It has evolved from a plain paper newsletter to a high quality publication. It has obviously taken a lot of hard work & love for the horses on your part to make it such a success. We want you to know that your labour of love is appreciated by us, and most certainly by all of your readers. Thank you, Marjorie."

PETER SYMONS, RAFTERNINES WALKERS, DAWSON CREEK, writes, "I was interested to see the Peebles' story in the last issue about their trip to California and going riding in the Alabama Hills. This area is near Lone Pine and in the shadow of Mount Whitney. I've seen Gene (Autry) come out from behind one of those big rocks (on one of his many Champs) in many an old movie. The area was named after the CSS Alabama which was sunk by a Union ship during the Civil War."

*See Andy & Balladeer and some of those big rocks below, photo courtesy of the Peebles.)*





## NEW ALBERTA LIVESTOCK IDENTIFICATION & COMMERCE ACT

The Livestock Identification and Commerce Act (LICA) is a consolidation of the Brand Act, the Livestock Identification and Brand Inspection Act and the Livestock and Livestock Products Act.

*For horse owners, LICA actually provides one main advantage over the previous acts. With the new act, horse owners no longer require a manifest unless they are transporting their horses for the purpose of sale or slaughter; to an inspection site (basically to determine proof of ownership if required by an inspector); or out of the province.*

So if you load your horse in the trailer and haul him to the neighbour's branding or a local ranch roping, you no longer have to fill out a manifest.

If you intend to transport your horse out of province on a regular basis, lifetime permits are available. For more info go to [www.albertaequestrian.com](http://www.albertaequestrian.com), select Industry - Health and Welfare, then scroll down to Transportation - New Requirements OR [www.albertahorseindustry.ca/newsitems/lis.html](http://www.albertahorseindustry.ca/newsitems/lis.html)

## ALBERTA PREMISE IDENTIFICATION REGULATION

The Traceability Premise Identification Regulation is attached to the new Animal Health Act. It deals with livestock on premises. Horses are a recordable animal under the regulation and as such, all horse owners must obtain a premise identification **account**; a unique identifying number assigned to an owner. *Individual animals* do not require registration under this regulation.

Furthermore, owners of premises with horses present must also apply for a premise identification account even if they do not own any of the animals. Examples of commingling sites for horse owners would be boarding stables, ag society or exhibition grounds, and race tracks.

In addition premise owners must apply for a premise identification **number** which is a unique identifying number assigned to a premise. The premise owner must specify where the premise is, either by land location, LINC number, geo-reference, surveyed parcel description, federal land or a street address and provide contact information for the owner. The premise owner must also list the recordable species resident on the premise along with the potential number of each species that could possibly reside on the premise.

A commingling site operator must provide premise identification numbers to horse owners who have horses on the site and the horse owner then in turn enters that number in his or her application for a premise identification account. For more info go to [www.agriculture.alberta.ca/premises](http://www.agriculture.alberta.ca/premises) or call the AB Chief Veterinary Officer at 780-427-3448.

## STRANGLES

Suddenly strangles seems to have become far more prevalent. The disease is caused by a bacterium called *Streptococcus equi*. Classic symptoms are coughing, snotty noses, and usually swollen glands under the jaws. The incubation period is 10 to 12 days. An infected horse will run a fever, be depressed and off its feed, and usually exhibit hot, swollen under-jaw lymph nodes, which become pus-filled and eventually break and drain.

It is extremely contagious, spread by an infected horse coughing, sneezing or snorting droplets into the air, or by nose-to-nose contact. The bacteria can linger for months on anything: wood, leather, buckets, etc. where it was deposited by the infected horse. The only way to contain it is by quarantining all the animals in the barn or on the farm, sometimes for weeks, then disinfecting everything with a phenolic compound. And a few horses become silent carriers of the disease.

The mortality rate is less than 5% but the rate of contagion is nearly 100%. Mortality is usually due to one of the serious complications (ranging from 10 to 20 percent of all cases) that can arise. Complications of strangles include "Bastard strangles" in which the bacteria infiltrate the lymphatic system and create abscesses in lymph nodes throughout the body; chronic lymph node swellings; guttural pouch infections; purpura hemorrhagica, thought to be an allergic response; and sinusitis.

Most veterinarians don't recommend antibiotic treatment for horses with strangles due to the danger of bastard strangles. Early administration seems in some cases to drive the bacteria inward and since bastard strangles is difficult to treat and has a high mortality rate, most vets prefer to let the disease run its course.

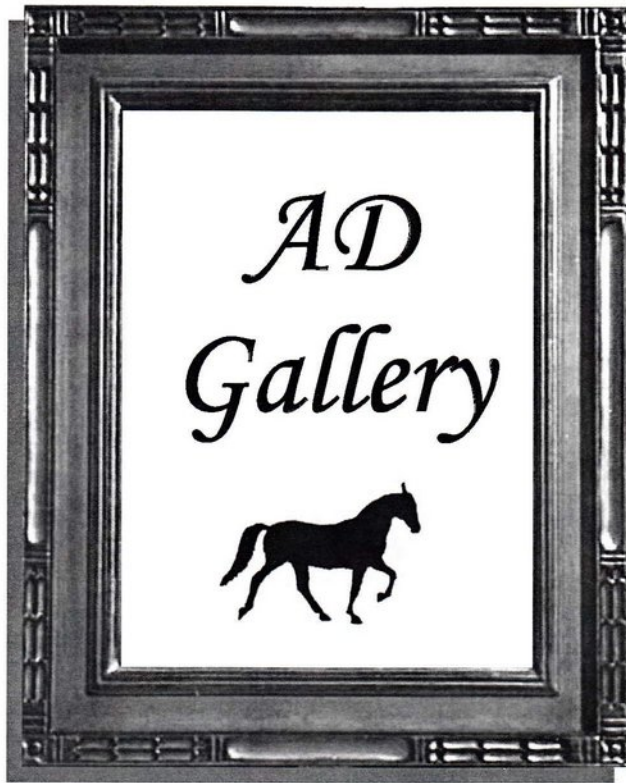
There are both injectable and intra-nasal vaccines, but neither has proven 100% effective. Neither should be used on a horse that may have been exposed and may be incubating the disease. Horses that recover from strangles usually have acquired an immunity to the disease that can last for several years.

If you have a horse that has been exposed to strangles, isolate it from the others. Keep anything that has come in contact or close to the horse away from all the others. YOU can carry germs from one horse to another, so change your clothes and wash before going to uninfected horses. If it breaks out on your place, consider your whole farm under quarantine. No horses should arrive or leave for at least four weeks, nor should you go to other horse farms in case you are carrying the germs.

Always check that the venue is disease free before taking your horse to a show, clinic, boarding situation, training or breeding barn. Anyone who has the disease *should* tell you - but ask to make sure. And just in case, treat every horse returning to your place as if it could harbour germs, and isolate that horse for at least two weeks before turning it out with the others.

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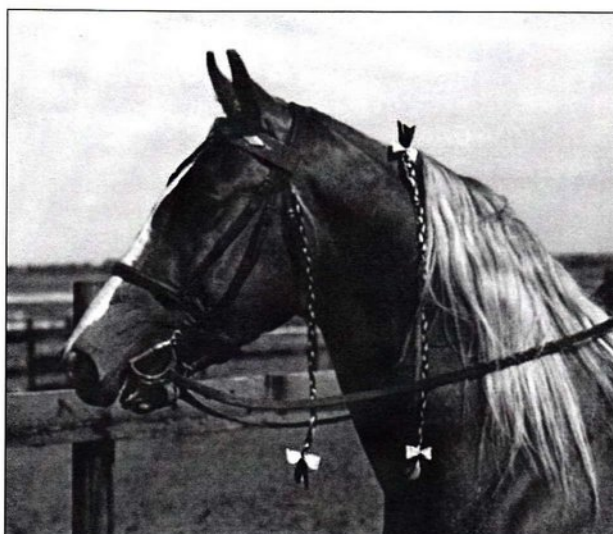
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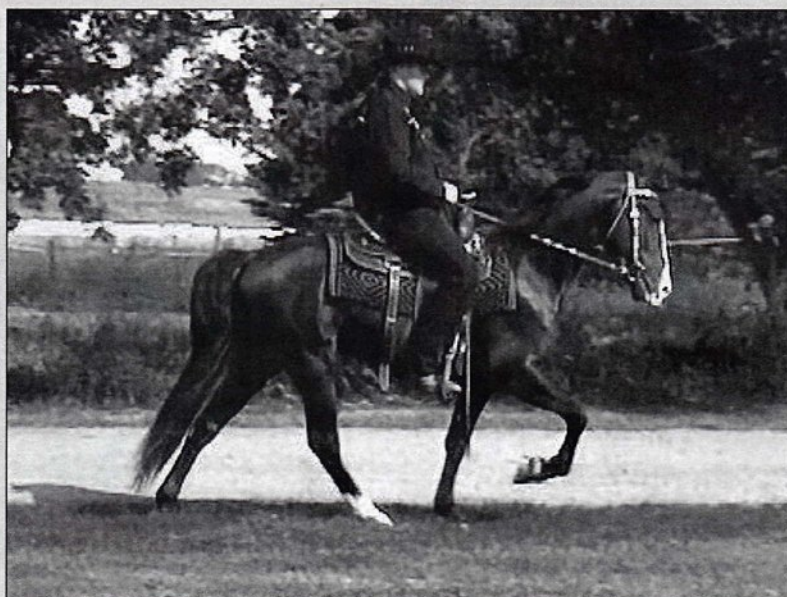
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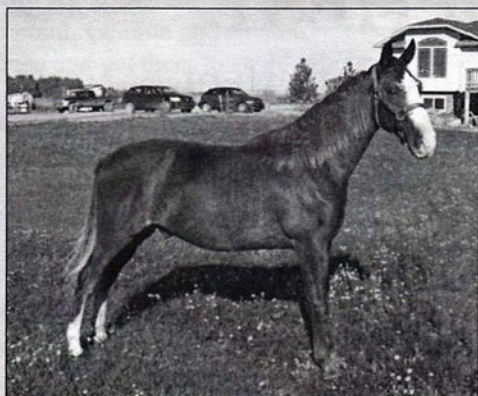
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**GAIT FROM THE GROUND UP CLINIC** - April 18 & 19 at Klondike Victory Farm west of Blackfalds. (See the notice on page 13, Canadian Walker for more info.) Space is limited so please book your spot asap. Contact Dianne at 403-271-7391 or email treasurer@crtwh.ca. Mail cheque to 619 Lake Linnet Cres. S.E., Calgary, AB T2J 2J3

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