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2006 AHHA Approvals Results

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Fox Fire Farm

We would like to thank and congratulate all breeders for showing your offspring from Fox Fire Farm stallions at the recent AHHA Approvals. Some premiums include:



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Linaro Premium Colt, Lyonne
Breeder: Brendan Mesker



Ariadus Premium Colt, Addison
Breeder: Deborah Bartlik



Camíros Colt, Candeleró
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Breed Show, LA Equestrian Center.
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Breeder: Dr. Kim Gill Favier

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Ariadus Premium Filly, Uncia
Breeder: Andras Szieberth

NEWS: Discounted breeding fees for active AHHA members, Premium mares, show winners and return breeders!

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COVER PHOTO: The AHHA Approvals featured some spectacular horses. The Premium foal in the picture is Addison by Arriadus out of Lavender (Michelangelo). Photo is by Paula C Photography.

President's Message

From the President:

The 2005 approvals tour is behind us. Many thanks to all who showed horses and foals, and also all who worked behind the scenes. Special thanks go to the hard-working judging team of chief judge Arlene Rigdon, judges Eva Maria Junkelmann and Heino Kracht, and also stallion judge Joachim Tietz at Solvang, CA and Winley Farm, in Milbrook, NY. This year we had the second largest number of entries to date. Breeding and Registration Committee Chair Pat Sullivan can look back on a very successful approval. I attended the sites in Ohio and New York, and was impressed by the quality of the horses being shown, the quality of the judging, and the enthusiasm of the exhibitors.



AHHA President Daniel van Heeckeren

The Stallion Service Auction will be in full swing by the time this crosses your threshold. We are borrowing a page from e-bay and are doing the bidding via the internet. (You can still bid by email or snail-mail and we will list your bids, but experience shows that there will be a flurry of bidding in the minutes before bidding closes, so if you really want to have a chance you should use internet access). Check the web-site for particulars. Note that you have to apply for a password before you can enter the cyberspace auction.

The annual general meeting is February 17 – 19, 2006 in Fort Worth. Details are on the web-site and elsewhere in this issue. It is said that you never want to witness how sausage or legislation are made. Board meetings run a close second to this. Nevertheless, if you want to button-hole a Board member or Officer, or if you are remotely interested in participating in the Association, please attend the meeting and see first hand how the Board engages in dialogue and works by consensus to shape policy and work for the betterment of the Association. There are a number of committees that are open to volunteers. Folks willing to put their shoulder to the wheel should come to the meeting and volunteer for a committee of their choice! Also join us for the annual banquet and awarding of the year's Awards Program winners. We always have a raffle, and you might get lucky there as well.

Best wishes for 2006 to all Holsteiner aficionados and their horses from your AHHA! Remember, it is always about the horse!

Dan

The AHHA publishes Holsteiner magazine four times a year, March, June, September, and December. The deadline for each issue is the 15th of the month before. The AHHA operating budget and advertising revenue support Impulsion's publication. The ideas or points of view expressed in Holsteiner do not, except when expressly stated, represent the ideas or points of view of the AHHA, its Board of Directors, or the Breeding and Registration Committee.

This editorial board will use Holsteiner to inform readers of the successes of American Holsteiner breeding, to draw attention to general Holsteiner success around the globe especially when bloodlines have domestic relevance, to provide readers with general articles containing timely information, and to solicit reports of successes in breeding and in sport from the membership.

The editorial board strongly encourages member comments, submissions, and involvement. Please submit all correspondence to Bart Massucco at bartvet@aol.com, or to Wendy Davis Gerrish at wendy@octoberhill.com.

2005 AHHA Breeding Stock Approvals

The American Holsteiner Horse Association held its annual Breeding Stock Approvals from October 1-15, 2005. More than 350 horses signed up, making 2005 the second-largest single year Approvals Tour. The emphasis on this year's tour was to ensure that the scores on our breeding stock approvals maintain a close relationship to those given in Germany. While the scores were not necessarily as high as in some past approvals tours, the judges were very impressed by a large number of the horses presented.

The AHHA judging team consisted of Head Judge Arlene Rigdon, who has been on the AHHA judging team since 1986 and judges Heino Kracht and Dr. Eva Maria Junkelmann, both experienced breeding stock judges from Holstein. Longtime approvals judge Joachim Tietz was also present from Holstein at the two final stallion approvals sites.

The scores of the horses attaining premium status (sorted by sire) appear elsewhere in this issue; scores for all horses appear on the AHHA website, www.holsteiner.com.

Sky Rock Farm, Hamel, MN

Before the main portion of the breeding stock approvals tour, the AHHA conducted a Small Site Inspection in Minnesota on September 24th. The Small Approvals Site Program is designed to bring AHHA approvals inspections to areas with lower Holsteiner horse densities. The Minnesota Approvals were co-hosted by Bill and Diane Nunn, Kathryn Ott and

Vance Grannis, Jr. at the Nunn's Sky Rock Farm in Hamel, Minnesota. Judges were Arlene Rigdon and Doris van Heeckeren. Minnesota continues to attract horses from the upper Midwest. The site champion with a score of 47 was a Dutch Warmblood, *Winythepooh JSF (Riverman – Charite – Saluut)* owned by Sue Carr of Waterloo, Iowa. Reserve champion with a score of 45 was *Rainey Day (Renaissance – First Sequoia – Fascination)* an Oldenburg mare owned by Carol Morgan of Hastings, Minnesota.

The Minnesota site organizers hope to hold a 2 day full Stallion Site in 2006 to provide stallion owners in the Midwest a shorter hauling distance to get their stallions approved. Anyone interested in taking their stallions, mares or foals to an approvals inspection in Minnesota in 2006 should email Vance Grannis, Jr. at swanmama@aol.com.

Signature Farm, Moorpark, CA

The first site on the regular Approvals Tour was at Signature Farm. This was also the largest site on the tour as well. As always, the site host presented a large number of quality horses, as did a number of other local breeders. Site Champion was the thoroughbred mare, *Barney's Legacy (Valdali – Courtneys Legacy – Run Of Luck)*, who scored 43 points and was entered into the Main Mare Book. *Barney's Legacy* is owned by Tally Chang. Reserve Champion was *Wonder Woman (Wizard-Margie Z-Gladwin)*, a 43 point Main Mare Book American Warmblood mare owned by Rose Carver.



Winythepooh JSF (Riverman – Charite – Saluut)



Rainey Day (Renaissance – First Sequoia – Fascination)



Barney's Legacy (Valdali – Courtneys Legacy – Run Of Luck)



Wonder Woman (Wizard-Margie Z-Gladwin)

Pollyrich Farm, Solvang, CA

Rick and Buffy Oas hosted their first AHHA Approvals site at their magnificent farm in Solvang, CA. The site also served as one of the AHHA's two Final Stallion Sites. Three of eight stallions presented were approved. Chaleon (Calido I-Ella-Caletto I) owned by Crooked Willow Farms, and Con Caletto (Contender [E]-Galaune-Caletto I) owned by Signature Farm both completed the two-day final stallion inspection for mature stallions and were given their final approval. Upon completion of performance requirements and their three-year probationary period, these stallions will be eligible for a lifetime breeding license. Chicardo (Clinton-Mycarda-Corofino I), bred and owned by Hans DeGroot, passed the one-day inspection for young stallions.

Champion for mares at the site – and the highest scoring mare in the nation – was I Laconda (Loutano-Donatina-Caretino), owned by Adrienne Altman. I Laconda, a stunning Holsteiner mare, earned 50 bonits and entry into the Premium Select

division of the Main Mare Book. Olyvia (Rantares-Ericka-Condino), a Holsteiner mare owned by Cindy Ramirez, scored 49 bonits. By virtue of passing the Mare Performance Test, Olyvia was awarded an additional bonit and placed in the Premium Select division of the Main Mare Book.

W2 Holsteiners, Penngrove, CA

Wendy Webster graciously stepped into the breach when the AHHA was forced to switch Northern California site hosts with very short notice. A veteran breeder who has also hosted a number of AHHA Approvals Sites, Wendy orchestrated her site seamlessly, making the myriad of last minute arrangements look far easier than it could possibly have been.

Site Champion was the Holsteiner mare, Total Eclipse (Dolany-Leonie III-Calido I) owned by Wendy Webster. Total Eclipse earned 46 points and gained entry into the Premium division of the Main Mare Book. Orbitere M (Edelmann-Zenia-Silvester), a Holsteiner mare owned by Lisa Adams-Mitchell



*Chaleon (Calido I-Ella-Caletto I)
Photo by Tass Jones Photography*



*Con Caletto (Contender [E]-Galaune-Caletto I)
Photo by Paula C Photography*



Chicardo (Clinton-Mycarda-Corofino I)
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Olyvia (Rantares-Ericka-Condino)
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also earned 46 points, entry into the Premium division of the Main Mare Book and Reserve Champion honors.

Crooked Willow Farms, Larkspur, CO

The AHHA judging team came to Crooked Willow Farms for the third consecutive year. Crooked Willow's impressive facilities, and the helpful and professional staff make it a pleasure for the judges and attendees alike.

Crooked Willow provided both the Site Champion and Reserve Champion for the site. P Simone (Contender [E]-Ganda-Caretino) is a Holsteiner mare that scored 45 bonit points and was placed in the Main Mare Book. Pamela (Hatalom-Sarah-Sascha), a Hungarian mare, scored 43 points and was also placed in the Main Mare Book.



Total Eclipse (Dolany-Leonie III-Calido I)
 Shown with Owner Wendy Webster and the AHHA Judging Team

Texas Breeders Association, Glen Rose, TX

For the third consecutive year, the Texas Breeders Association held a breeding stock approvals site in Glen Rose, Texas



I Laconda (Loutano-Donatina-Caretino)
 Photo by Tass Jones Photography



Orbitere M (Edelmann-Zenia-Silvester)



P Simone (Contender [E]-Ganda-Caretino)



Pamela (Hatalom-Sarah-Sascha)



Albarez (Alcatraz-Ilesha-Loutano)
Photo by Terrie Hatcher

in conjunction with a major regional horse show. This prestigious horse show provides a showcase for area breeders to display their quality breeding programs. Show competitors and breeders are brought together in a unique, tremendous environment. Wendy Davis Gerrish did a fantastic job of balancing multiple priorities in order to bring both events together so successfully.

Texas Site Champion was Raechele (Contagious-Lancera I-Concerto II), a Holsteiner mare bred by Wah'Kon-Tah Sport Horse and owned by Alice Womble Heitmann. Raechele earned 46 bonit points and a place in the Premium division of the Main Mare Book. The Holsteiner mare Tallulah OHF (Lordship-Madeleine-Ariadus), owned and bred by Wendy Davis Gerrish/October Hill Farm scored 45 points and secured a place in the Main Mare Book.

There was also a Preliminary Stallion presented at the Texas Site. Albarez (Alcatraz-Ilesha-Loutano), owned by Guy



Raechele (Contagious-Lancera I-Concerto II)
Photo by Terrie Hatcher



Tallulah OHF (Lordship-Madeleine-Ariadus)
Photo by Terrie Hatcher



Savannah (Caesar-Fedora-Con Brio)



Szilvia (Ariadus-Key Moment-For the Moment)
Photo by Reg Corkum

Hodgson was approved as a Preliminary Stallion and granted a three-year breeding permit.

Silver Creek Farms, Broken Arrow, OK

Summer Stoffel, owner of Silver Creek Farms, welcomed the AHHA Judges to her site in Broken Arrow, Oklahoma. Ms. Stoffel opened her brand new facility to the AHHA, impressing all who were in attendance.

Breeders at this site showed that Holsteiner blood runs strong in our stock and in our families as well. Site Champion was Savannah (Caesar-Fedora-Con Brio), a Holsteiner mare bred and owned by Arlene Rigdon. This mare earned 48 points and entry into the Premium division of the Main Marebook. Arlene's daughter, Rebecca, bred and owns the Reserve Champion, Sweden (Caesar-Caprise-Calme' [E]), a Holsteiner mare scoring 47 points and entry into the Premium division of the Main Mare Book.



Sweden (Caesar-Caprise-Calme' [E])

Pennoch Point Sport Horse, Reddick, FL

The Florida Approvals Site was co-hosted by longtime AHHA board members Mary S. "Masu" Hamacher and Breeding Committee Chairperson, Patricia Sullivan.

Champion of the Florida Site was the Holsteiner mare Szilvia (Ariadus-Key Moment-For the Moment), bred by Andras Szieberth and owned by Connie Larson. Szilvia earned 47 bonit points and was placed in the Premium division of the Main Mare Book. Reserve Champion was the Holsteiner mare, Rubaiyat (Liostro [E]-Britannia-Rantares), owned and bred by Dr. Patricia Sullivan. Rubaiyat scored 47 points and was also placed in the Premium division of the Main Mare Book.

Lake Erie College, Cleveland, OH

The Ohio Approvals site was hosted by Cheryl Kellerman, who made the trip down from Michigan to put on a wonderful site at Lake Erie College.

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Rubaiyat (Liostro [E]-Britannia-Rantares)
Photo by Reg Corkum



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Evaluating Breeding Stock

by Arlene Ridgon

Arlene Ridgon has been a licensed Senior Dressage Judge (S) for 35 years and has judged all over the US and Canada. She is a USEF "R" Sport Horse Breeding Judge, having held that license since its inception, in 1990. She has been involved in breeding, training and competing Holsteiner horses for 25 years. Though her field is dressage, she has produced horses that have gone into jumping and combined driving with much success. She has been long-listed for the USET Dressage Team and she earned her bronze, silver and gold USDF Rider Medals. She is a published author of articles on training, evaluating breeding stock, and bio-mechanics and has given many lectures and clinics. Arlene has been a judge on the AHHA Breeding Stock Evaluation Tour since 1986.

Certainty doesn't exist in the world of horses; perfection is an elusive goal never attained. The best we can hope for in our pursuit of breeding sport horses is some measure of predictability, so that we can decrease our chances of disaster and come close to the desirable, but not perfect, product.

Historically, in the United States, we have been breeding sport horses in rather simplified and haphazard ways. On the higher, more controlled side of breeding, we breed winners to winners – on the track, over fences, etc. – hoping to pass on the talent. Sometimes it works because the conformation that produced that special talent is passed on in the process, but often it does not.

On the more indiscriminate side, we breed the undesirables; horses that didn't stay sound in work or were not fit for or successful in competition. We try to "use" this animal in another way – by reproducing it. The breed deteriorates because we multiply the weaknesses.

In Europe, the success of their breeding program has been based on very different principles. The best representatives of the breed are used to maintain and improve it, and from the results of this breeding come the competition horses. The sport horse type is bred and from this the jumpers and dressage horses are produced, depending on individual talent. Structure, temperament, and movement all play an important part in breeding this type. These qualities vary somewhat from region to region, thus giving each warm blood breed a slightly different look and ability to perform. The breed organizations and their knowledgeable members follow certain directions in the development of their breed, based on the necessity for improving the breed and being competitive in the world market and in the world competition.

Before addressing the Holsteiner Horse in particular, I want to investigate the sport horse in general considering three main



criteria: structure, movement and temperament.

Structure

All horses have the same skeletal structure; that is the bones are equivalent – from the smallest pony to the draft horse. The difference in appearance of the various types and breeds is a result of the lengths of the respective bones and the angles with which they are joined. The sport horse is bred to be athletic, balanced and strong. He must be able to carry a rider in the demanding high level dressage, over difficult obstacles, or through rugged terrain (as in the driving or combined event horse). If we had the capability of looking "through" the muscle and flesh to the skeleton, it would be infinitely easier to evaluate a horse, since flesh can

mask skeletal faults, but not change them. For example, in the fore-quarter (under a large muscle mass) lies the angulation of the scapula (from the point of the shoulder to the top of the withers) and the humerus (from the point of the shoulder to the elbow) which determines the movement of the foreleg. We can predict how much the shoulder can raise and the foreleg compress over a fence and the capacity the horse structurally has to perform the elevated, round passage.

The length of the humerus determines to a large extent the length of the steps – the longer bone creating more of a "pendulum effect" of the foreleg and longer steps, both to the front and to the side (as in lateral movements), adding necessary "scope" to the dressage horse as well as the jumper.

The structure of the hind quarters is critical, as it is here that impulsion is created and correct balance maintained. The positioning of the joints (hip, stifle, and hock) and the length of the bones, as well as their angulation, determine the horse's ability to "compress" the hind leg. This is critical for the dressage horse...this compression of the hind leg in the weight-bearing

phase of movement is referred to “engagement” and is a definitive requirement for the balance and power required for higher level dressage. The bending of these three joints of the hind leg allows the leg to step under the center of gravity which lightens and mobilizes the forehand. Straighter joints (straight hock, stifle set back, shallow, steep hip) are obviously not going to allow this to happen, and while a horse constructed in this way may have great propulsion (as in jumping or running), he will be unable to sustain balance on his hind quarters.

The top line or “bridge” from the poll to the tail is also critical. The impulsion created by the hind leg must be carried through a strong loin and back into the neck. While proportions of the neck, back, and hind quarters are important for balance (i.e long neck/short croup combination will always be balanced on the forehand because of the forward location of the center of gravity), other aspects are even more critical. The way the neck joins the body and the shape of the neck vertebrae are fundamentally important for the sport horse. If the neck is positioned low, the horse will be restricted in his ability to lift his forehand over a fence or elevate in collection. The “ewe-necked” horse (lower branch of neck long; upper branch short) will not be able carry impulsion through the neck and lift the forehand to form the round frame needed for work “on the bit” or the good bascule over a fence.

Connections between the parts of the topline must be smooth and strong in order to achieve the “bridge” that enables lightness, balance and power – all necessary requirements for the sport horse.

A less critical part the horse’s structure is the size and shape of the head. However, a strong poll of adequate length is a necessity for the self-carriage an advanced dressage horse must exhibit. Depth and width of the body is of lesser importance, as long as it does not affect the correctness of the legs (i.e narrow bodied horses might be more likely to interfere, etc.)

Finally, the correctness of the alignment of the legs and the relative length of the bones must be addressed in order to choose strong, correct legs (not deviating in alignment as they pass through the joints) that will support and move the horse. Bone and feet must be adequate for the size of the horse. Slope and length of the pastern determines shock-absorbing qualities which contribute to elasticity with either extreme (long or short) being undesirable. Any unsoundness or fault must be considered for the structure might predispose toward such unsoundness, such as curbs, spavins, navicular, etc.

Movement

Agility and power are not possible without good balance; therefore movement must always be viewed with this fundamental principle in mind. It is not possible to lighten the forehand unless the hind leg can move under the center of gravity and the hip joint bend. Therefore, strides must be ground covering and the hind leg move in a “pendulum” arc, or equally forward and back from a vertical line. Sometimes noted here will be movement where the backward phase of the step will be longer than the forward,

and this horse will not be able to carry himself in good balance. Freedom and mobility of the shoulder should be present, with bending of the joints of the foreleg and some lifting of the knee. The “pointed toe and locked knee” movement, often evident in certain breeds, is not conducive to good ability in either dressage, jumping or cross country. Exaggerated lifting of the knee, though, is not desirable because it decreases economy of motion.

Regularity of the walk, trot, and canter must be clearly evident. The walk, having two lateral and two diagonal phases with no suspension must have exactly the same time lapse in between each beat. If not, the pace is produced in which legs on the same side move almost or exactly together, and this is a grave fault. As the steps become long at the walk, this tendency to lose regularity becomes more marked, as the horse protects himself from interference and the foreleg might be lifted too quickly. Freedom of the shoulder and hip joints must be evident, and the best movement at the walk is produced when the horse pushes through the topline without hollowing the back.

At the trot, in addition to clear regularity, we have suspension after each beat. The regular, deliberate beats form “cadence,” a very desirable quality as it denotes regularity and balance. The pendulum swing of the limbs with good articulation of all joints should be evident. One often sees good suspension, but not much bending of the joints, and this becomes a problem in engagement later on when the horse is required to “carry himself.” The hind leg must show the ability to carry the horse forward, not just push. Uphill movement produced by compressing the hind leg is very desirable.

A lack of suspension (if the fore quarters and hind quarters are sufficient) usually indicates problems in the topline that make it difficult for the horse to carry the impulsion through his back and neck from his hind quarters.

The canter is perhaps the most important gait in which to assess movement because it indicates most clearly the horse’s innate balance. The walk is always balanced because there is no period of suspension. Likewise, the trot, even though it has suspension, is more stable because the beats are diagonal pairs and are identical. The canter, however, has two phases where only one leg is grounded and the balance is much more precarious. The rotation of the hind leg under the center of gravity following the stride when one foreleg supports the whole body clearly indicates the horse’s ability to carry himself “uphill.” The loin and croup must be able to round or “arch” in this process which provides impulsion and power.

Temperament

With good structure and movement, we must select our breeding stock with trainability and consistency in mind. The character of the horse, or his desire to perform willingly for the rider, is often undervalued or unknown, and training such animals that lack this willingness is difficult and frustrating. However, if the structure of

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United States Wins Bid for 2010 World Equestrian Games

The 2010 World Equestrian Games will be in Lexington at the Kentucky Horse Park. This event will likely draw more than 300,000 attendees and millions of television viewers from around the world. The Kentucky Horse Park will host the games for two weeks in September and October of 2010.

John Nicholson, executive director of the Kentucky Horse Park, led a U.S. delegation to Bahrain that made the successful pitch to the FEI selection committee.



The World Equestrian Games include world championships of seven major equestrian sports – dressage, show jumping, eventing, driving, reining, vaulting and endurance riding. The games take place every four years, two years prior to the Summer Olympics.

The 14-day series of competitions will draw more than 800 equestrians and 1,000 horses from 50 countries. It will also attract more than 1,000 international journalists and will be televised in 180 countries. Prior World Equestrian Games have been hosted by Sweden, the Netherlands, Italy, and Spain. The 2006 Games will take place in Aachen, Germany.

“The World Equestrian Games is the very essence of what equestrian sport stands for,” said United States Equestrian Federation President and Olympic Gold Medal-winner David O’Connor. “It is simply the pinnacle of equestrian sport for each of the seven disciplines it represents.”

NAIS will be Private, Almost

For the equine industry the National Animal Identification Plan remains mostly motionless, even after the U.S. Department of Agriculture held a public meeting on Oct. 12 in Kansas City, Mo. The hot topic there was the privatization of the NAIS tracking database.

In July, comments and concern from horse owners, riders and trainers filled the inboxes of USDA officials involved with developing the NAIS. Some of the most hotly voiced concerns

hit on specific tracking issues: How will data be obtained? Will that data be private?

“The USDA realizes that the move toward privatization of the animal tracking database is an important change in implementation of the NAIS and is anxious to receive comments from our stakeholders in order to make the process as successful as possible,” said Dr. John Clifford, the USDA Animal and Plant Health Inspection Services deputy administrator.

But recent reports issued by the USDA have lacked specificity regarding NAIS and the equine industry. Representatives of the ESWG thought that the Oct. 12 meeting lacked direction and showed that the USDA’s planning is still burdened by uncertainty.

But there is one certainty. The NAIS will require the movement-tracking database to specifically include animal identification numbers, premise numbers, data and time of animal movement and the reason for its movement.

And the NAIS quagmire continues to leave many questions unanswered regarding the equine industry. Will every horse in the United States need to be tracked? How will they be tracked?

ESWG members recommend the use of radio-frequency identification devices (RFIDs). These microchips are low-frequency implant devices that can be read by a hand-held scanner. Collected data is transmitted directly to a computer database. Mann predicts the microchips will require veterinarian implantation, but they won’t need to be replaced when a horse changes owners.

Horses pose the toughest challenge for NAIS tracking as their movements are habitually more frequent and widespread than other livestock. ESWG recommendations suggest that tracking be limited to interstate movements and to those horses with pre-diagnosed health issues.

Members of the ESWG are also working with the USFDA to answer the following questions: Who specifically will report the tracking information? Who does the information get reported to?

For now, USDA officials are focused on installing the first component of the plan – registering premises. “All 50 states are up and running with their premises-registration systems,” said Thomson. Approximately 120,000 premises are currently registered, she said.



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the animal makes the work we require of him possible, it makes his attitude infinitely better. Requiring the animal to do what is very difficult for him is obviously going to elicit more resistance throughout training.

A reasonable, tractable temperament that allows the horse to focus on the rider without undue tension is obviously the most desirable and is especially important for the dressage horse; for everything that he does must be controlled and directed by the rider. Jumpers and event horses can “see” to a certain extent the job they are faced with, and the presence of tension is less of a problem, provided the animal is able to perform willingly. Lazy, dull, and sluggish horses are generally not suitable for sport at the higher levels.

The Holsteiner Horse

Because of the area where the Holsteiner Horse originated, northern Germany, the type of horse bred had several characteristics that “set it apart” from other warm blood breeds. Originally a draft animal required to pull carriages and farm machinery, an emphasis was placed on a well-constructed hind leg and a strong croup and loin. Uphill carriage that exhibited freedom and mobility of the forehand was also desired. The soil of this region was sandy, so power and joint flexion were

imperative. A tractable temperament was a necessity, as the horse was required to work long hours in less than ideal conditions. Soundness and good health were mandatory, for these horses represented the means by which the modest farmers supported their families.

After mechanization, the Holsteiner horse was bred for sport... its necessity as a work animal was gone. Out-cross stallions were used to refine and add elegance while still maintaining the substance and movement. A modern riding type was developed. Several important stallions influenced the breed tremendously because of the jumping ability that they brought to the brood mares. Bascule and scope were added to the already present ability of the horses for collection. The improvement went throughout the breed and satisfied the world market, as well as excelling in world competitions.

Today, we must critical attention to our breeding stock in order to keep the breed consistent and predictable. As one evaluates breeding stock to carry on the desirable qualities of the Holsteiner horse, we must determine if that individual will continue to improve the breed. Our future rests on our ability to breed consistent, top-quality horses that excel in competition.

Perfection is never attained, but knowledge of structure, movement, and temperament will allow us to make good decisions in the pursuit of excellence.



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“Within the next couple of months, [the USDA] is going to start releasing animal-identification numbers, but that will be mainly to the cattle industry first,” said Thomson.

Microchips looking like European ID Solution

We reported last week that the Equine Species Working Group, which is advising the US Department of Agriculture on implementing the National Animal Identification Plan, favors using radio-frequency identification devices or microchips to ensure horses’ correct identification. Horse & Hound is reporting that Great Britain and the rest of Europe are moving in the same direction, for much the same reason.

The Europeans also want to be able to trace all animal movements to control disease outbreaks, as well as to discourage theft. And a draft proposal from the European commission charged with accomplishing this goal is recommending that microchips implanted in the nuchal ligament of horses’ necks be mandatory in all horses born after January 2007.

Microchip identification devices have been available in England for about 10 years, according to Horse & Hound, but only about 4 percent of the country’s horses have had them implanted.

Expense and lack of confidence in the devices’ reliability are the main factors that have inhibited their use.

The stories on microchipping were originally published in the Chronicle of the Horse. Reprinted with permission - Ed.

New USDF Award for Breeders

Starting in 2006, breeders of currently competing performance horses and in-hand horses will be honored. The new USDF Breeder of the Year award is designed so that small as well as large breeders have a chance to win. A breeder can have between two and five horses in either the performance or dressage sport-horse breeding (DSHB) categories to qualify. Points are assigned to all horses ranked in the Horse of the Year (HOY) and FEI Young Horse award categories and to all horses ranked in DSHB HOY and Materiale HOY. The top five breeders in each of the two categories will receive recognition certificates from USDF. All breeders who meet the eligibility criteria will be ranked and listed on the USDF web site. Program details requirements are listed in the 2005 USDF Directory. Breeders must be USDF participating members, business members, or group members by September 30th of the award year. Check your “Breeder’s Portfolio” on the USDF web site to ensure that all horses you have bred that compete in performance or in-hand classes are in your portfolio list and eligible for points. For more information contact Sally Davenport at the USDF at 859-971-7306 or at sdavenport@usdf.org.



All's Well That Ends Well

by Solaman Lam

I recall seeing Manadi for the very first time in the fall of 1989. We were mesmerized by the Holsteiner breed from attending the 1988 Fall Stallion Keuring and auctions in Neumunster and felt we must go back to shop for horses in Schleswig Holstein from then on. We arrived at the Barn of Christina Schrodder in Hemdingen (near Quickborn), a stone's throw from the heartland of the Holstein breed in Elmhorn. My wife and I were introduced to a wide eye 5 year old chestnut with a blaze and 4 white socks. As we came from North America, we were accustomed to horses with the "right chrome" and this horse she called "Manadi" certainly has the right chrome. He was also an excellent mover with great shoulder and hock action. His sire is Marlando (a son of the thoroughbred stallion Marlon) and the dam line is Aldato-Urioso. The stamm is not a household number and it does not matter to us, as we were not shopping for breeding stock. Christina quoted us DMark 35,000 for the 5 year old. It was a very reasonable price even in 1989. After the routine pre-purchase vet check formalities were done, the horse was shipped to Vancouver, Canada where we resided at that time. We found out later that chestnut color was not a preferred color of the true Holsteiner aficionados in the region – and certainly not a chestnut with a blaze and 4 white socks. Years later, we found out from Christina that Manadi was a timid and nervous jumper in the beginning and did not take to jumping like his heritage dictates. In fact, she was too happy



to have rid of him and very surprised later to learn that he would compete in the World Cup Final in 1997!

Manadi was purchased for my daughter Samantha, but since she was still on ponies in 1989, I rode him in some adult hunter classes. When Sammy took over the reins she had Zorro as her main junior jumper and Manadi was her equitation mount. Together they competed in CET classes, which is the equivalent to the US jumper equitation classes. As it turned out, all this low level mileage was exactly what



this horse needed to build confidence and bond with his rider. As Sammy's riding skill progressed, I was looking for the right trainer to bring her to the next level. I met up with Mr. George Morris in the 92 World Cup Final in Del Mar, California and we agreed to attend his clinic in Seattle, Washington in the fall. After the clinics, I realized George was the right trainer to take Sammy to the next level of riding. I thought time with George would also help instill confidence, style and work ethic. In 1993, we took Manadi and 2 other horses to the Winter Equestrian Festival in sunny Wellington, Florida and opened our eyes to equestrian competitions at a higher level. Manadi did very well as a junior jumper for several weeks. He made a good impression on George as he was referred to as "the chestnut with the floating trot." The pair continued to have good results.



Bob Tarr Photography

Raymeister*

1999, 16.2 hands
Approved ISR/Oldenburger stallion

- 2005 Highest Scoring USDF Holsteiner
- 2005 USDF Leading Dressage Holsteiner
- Winner 2002 Stallion Performance Test
- Three time winner at Dressage at Devon
- Winner USDF Regional Championships, consistently scoring 9 on gaits
- Foals:
USDF Reserve HOY
ISR/Oldenburger HOY
Cosequin/USDF Regional Champion

Raymeister* would have been the top scoring 2005 USDF/AHHA Horse of the Year of all levels had we paid our AHHA membership. He has won at all shows, consistently scores 9 on gaits, and has beaten every Holsteiner he has ever competed against. Ray is easy to train, ride, and show, even for an amateur; yet he is athletic enough for the professional to go all the way. According to Helmut Schrant, Grand Prix rider and Training Director at Ray's stallion test, "Ray could be a Grand Prix dressage horse or a Grand Prix jumper. I could easily see him go either way. He is very versatile."

Foals

- 2004 First foal, Rashka, 2004 USDF Weanling Colt Reserve Horse of the Year (not shown in 2005, but look out in 2006)
Of his five foals, three are premium and two scored 7.9
Two colts were recommended for stallion prospects
- 2005 Rehlein (owned by Jill Schabel, WI) won Fillies of 2005 Championship, Regional Young Horse Championship, East Central Cosequin/USDF Breeders Series Grand Champion Filly, and was ISR/Old. Inspection Site Champion with 8.4
Rising Star (owned by Chris Skow-Marks) won ISR/Oldenburger HOY, 15th nationally

Pedigree

- Sire: Rantares is one of the top Holsteiners in the U.S. and a leading USDF sire
- Dam: Miss Nickle Annie* is one of the highest scoring mares approved by AHS, AHHA, ISR/Oldenburger, and NA/WPN. She has shown very successfully in dressage (70% average), hunter (Horse of the Year titles, even with beginner children), eventing (undefeated), and 2nd in Medal Finals. Her son Masterpiece (by Master) is also an approved stallion (SWANA and ISR/Oldenburger)

Standing at stud until sold. Price upon request.

Contact Ken Borden, Jr., Little Bit Farm, www.littlebitfarminc.com, phone 815-476-2911

They made their debut in Sunday grands prix at the Garden State Horse Show in 1994 and were Spruce Meadows Junior of the Year in 1995. With the help of George, they qualified for the '96 Invitational in Tampa and to everyone's surprise came home with 3rd place ribbon. Since we were on a roll, we decided to give the '97 Canadian World Cup qualifiers a try. As luck would have it, Sammy and Manadi also qualified for the World Cup Final in Gothenburg, Sweden. It was a great learning experience for both as the jumps were much bigger and wider than they had ever encountered before. They finished the competition without placing but it definitely was a memorable milestone for the pair.



In 1998 Sammy decided to relocate to Germany to pursue and hone her skills as a jumper rider. Manadi was sent to California to be sold. The parting was very sad to say the least for all in the family. Anke Magnusson found a buyer for him and his rider was Susan Demers. Unbeknownst to me the owner was actually Mr. Kelsey Grammer of "Cheers" and "Frazier" fame. I knew Manadi was sold to a nice home in Malibu with ocean view, but I did not know until later that he has a celebrity as an owner. Over the years the thought of Manadi in my mind has faded a bit, although the occasional memory flash was very strong.

As luck will have it, Susie Hutchinson visited Sammy's barn in Germany shopping for horses in the winter of 2004. Susie and Sammy befriended each other as their mounts were stabled next to each other in the World Cup Final in Gothenburg. Susie informed Sammy that Manadi is still alive and is still with Susan Demers. And he is 20 years old! I was visiting Sammy in October of 2004 and she mentioned Manadi was in Malibu and showed me a photo of him in his stall. This opened the floodgate to my emotions and also gave me an idea! As soon as I returned to Florida I called Anke up and inquired about Manadi. I asked Anke to find out if one day the owner wishes to retire Manadi, would he consider giving him back to me under my care? Among all people, Anke understands the special bond between this horse and our family. Anke was most gracious in contacting Susan and informed me that Manadi was coming back from a suspensory injury that sidelined him for over a year. They would consider such offer when the time was upon them. My heart sank a little as a result of such reply.

What I feared the most was that Manadi would be sold down the road and I would lose track of him forever. The thought of Manadi spending his remaining years in lesser conditions

than to which he was accustomed was almost unbearable. I have seen too many ex-grand prix horses being passed up for retirement and continue to be used for various purposes far beyond their time, all because of human greed. Nonetheless, I kept my hopes high as I reasoned the market and value of a 20 year old ex-grand prix jumper was relatively small and the owner certainly did not need the money. I kept my emotions in check and patiently waited for such a call.

Much to my surprise the call came sooner than I expected. I received a call from Susan in September 2005 inquiring if I was still interested in taking Manadi back! I was all too happy to agree. She then proceeded to obtain the approval from Mr. Grammer and the date was set with the shipper to bring Manadi to Florida.

Life is very mysterious and it has certainly gone full circle for this horse and rider partnership. Manadi will be completely retired from now on. After all, who would think that a DMark 35,000 chestnut with 4 white socks would make it to the World Cup Final with a 17-year-old jockey! With that feat, he certainly has earned his gold watch in my book and I will see to it that Manadi will be well taken care of for his remaining years and doing what he likes to do the most: mowing lawns.



This happy ending story would not have happened had it not been for the timely visit of Susie Hutchinson, the kind assistance of Ms. Anke Magnusson; the impeccable care and true love given to Manadi by Ms. Susan Demers; Mrs. Debbie Fisher for her devotion and kindness and to give Manadi a stall with an ocean view. Last if not least, the utmost generosity, compassion and understanding of Mr. Kelsey Grammer. To you all, I owe a debt of gratitude and heartfelt thanks.



Holsteimer Shop



Holsteimer Shop clothing and other items come embroidered with the AHHA logo to show your affinity for the Holsteimer horse. Personalization is available for an extra \$2.00.



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Outer Banks Reserve Double Mercerized Pima Pique

Features: 5 oz., 100% Pima Cotton Pique, 60/2-ply. Double mercerized for superior luster and fabric endurance. Luxuriously soft fine yarn for ultimate smoothness, durability and strength.

Colors: White, Bimini Blue, Black, Black Sapphire, Bright Red, Cobalt, Julep, Maize, Salmon **Sizes:** S, M, L, XL, 2X, 3X (men's); S, M, L, XL, 2X (women's)

Price: \$46.00



A White B Bimini Blue C Black D Black Sapphire E Bright Red F Cobalt G Julep H Maize I Salmon

Outer Banks Reserve Double Mercerized Pima Jersey with Tipped Collar

Features: 5 oz., 100% Pima Cotton Pique, 60/2-ply fine yarn. Double mercerized for superior luster and fabric endurance.

Luxuriously soft fine yarn for ultimate smoothness, durability and strength. **Colors:** Black Sapphire/Cobalt, Bright Red/Black Sapphire, White/Black Sapphire, Bimini Blue, Natural, Maize/Black Sapphire

Sizes: S, M, L, XL, 2X, 3X (men's); S, M, L, XL, 2X (women's)

Price: \$46.00



A Black Sapphire/Cobalt B Bright Red/Black Sapphire C White/Black Sapphire D Bimini Blue/Natural E Maize/Black Sapphire



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Jerzees Solid Pique Golf Shirt

Features: 6.5 oz., 100% Ring-spun Cotton Pique. Tubular body. Welt-knit collar and sleeve bands.

Colors: Natural, White, Birch, Sports Grey, Black, Butter, Deep Purple, Forest Green, Maroon, Putty, True Navy, True Red, True Royal.

Sizes: S, M, L, XL, 2X, 3X

Price: \$33.00



A White B Birch C Natural D Sports Grey E Putty F Butter G True Royal H True Navy I Deep Purple J Maroon K True Red L Forest Green M Black

Gildan Cotton Jersey Polo

Features: 6.1 oz., 100% Pre-Shrunk Cotton. Welt-knit collar and sleeve cuffs.

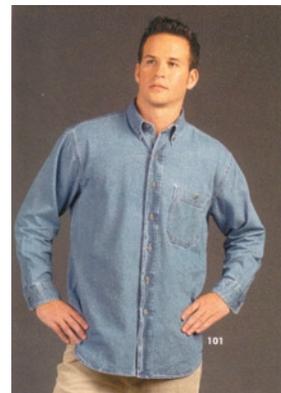
Three wood-tone button clean-finished placket with reinforced box. **Colors:** White, Ash, Sports Grey, Black, Forest Green, Maroon, Navy, Red, Royal

Sizes: S, M, L, XL, 2X

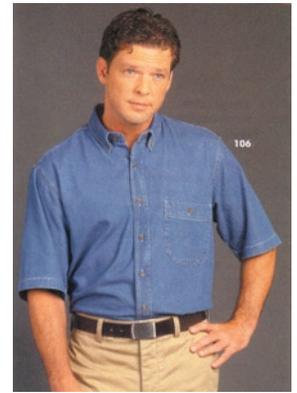
Price: \$27.50



A White B Ash C Sports Grey D Black E Forest Green F Maroon G Navy H Red I Royal J Black K White L Light Blue M Light Green N Light Purple O Light Orange P Light Yellow Q Light Pink R Light Grey S Light Blue T Light Green U Light Purple V Light Orange W Light Yellow X Light Pink Y Light Grey



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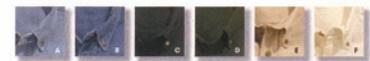


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Three Rivers Denim Shirts

Features: 7.25 oz., 100% Cotton Denim. Full cut. Garment washed. Button down collar with fusible lining. Top center front placket with wood-tone buttons. Left front mitered pocket. Shirrtail bottom and double back yoke. Replacement buttons on placket tail. **Colors:** Light Denim, Dark Denim, Black, Dark Forest, Light Khaki, Natural. **Sizes:** S, M, L, XL, 2X, 3X, 4X, 5X

Price: Long sleeved: \$39.00; Short Sleeved: \$37.50



A Light Denim B Dark Denim C Black D Dark Forest E Light Khaki F Natural



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Dunbrooke Century Fleece-Lined Field Jacket

Features: Tasiar Nylon Jacket with anti-pill Poly fleece lining. Elastic waist and cuffs, front pockets. Inside right chest security pocket. Machine Washable.
Colors: Black/Charcoal Heather, Red/Charcoal Heather, Taupe/Navy
Sizes: S, M, L, XL, 2X, 3X
Price: \$50.00



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Dunbrook Rio Reversible Fleece Vest

Features: Tasiar Nylon vest reverses to anto-pill poly fleece. Caped front and back. Elastic waist, front pockets on both Tasiar Nylon and fleece sides. Machine washable. Fleece shell.
Colors: Black/Black, Navy/Navy, Red/Black
Sizes: S, M, L, XL, 2X, 3X
Price: \$45.00



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Fruit of the Loom Best Full Zip Hood

Features: 8 oz., 50/50 Cotton/Poly Fleece. One-piece/one-ply hood. Matching molded zipper and tipped draw-cord. Pouch pockets.
Colors: Athletic Heather, Black, Navy
Sizes: S, M, L, XL, 2X
Price: 35.00



1630/16230 A White B Ash C Athletic Heather D Black E Burgundy
F Forest Green G Gold H Navy I Red J Royal K Scarlet
L Chocolate M Khaki N Khaki O Orange

Fruit of the Loom Best Crew

Features: 8 oz. 50/50 Cotton/Poly Fleece. One piece seamed rib collar with Lycra. Ribbed sleeve cuffs and band bottom.
Colors: White, Ash, Athletic Heather, Black, Burgundy, Chocolate, Forest Green, Gold, Khaki, Kiwi, Navy, Orange, Red, Royal, Scarlet
Sizes: S, M, L, XL, 2X, 3X
Price: \$29.00

Jerzees Supersweats Crewneck

Features: 9 oz, 50% Cotton/50% Polyester. Three-end fabric. NUBLEND yarn. RADICSPANDEX rib collar, cuffs and waistband. Cover seaming on neck, shoulders, armholes and waistband. Set-in sleeves.
Colors: Natural, White, Birch, Oxford, Baltic Blue, Black, Burnt Orange, Cardinal, Deep Purple, Forest Green, Gold, Khaki, Maroon, North Carolina Blue, Sandstone, Texas Orange, True Navy, True Red, True Royal.
Sizes: S, M, L, XL, 2X, 3X
Price: \$30.00



A Black B True Navy C Deep Purple D Baltic Blue
E Forest Green F Maroon G Cardinal H True Royal
I Texas Orange J True Red K Oxford L Burnt Orange
M North Carolina Blue N Khaki O Gold P Sandstone
Q Birch R Nickel S White



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A Brown/Copper B Gold Nugget/Deep Navy C Light Blue/Navy
D Light Steel/Black E Light Steel/Navy F White/Black
G White/Deep Navy H White/Deep Red I White/Deep Royal

Hanes Beefy Baseball and Beefy Ringer

Features: 5.5 oz, 100% Ring-Spun Cotton jersey. Ultimate Ring-Spun softness. High stitch, density fabric. Short or 3/4 sleeve and ribbed neck.
Colors: Brown/Copper, Gold Nugget/Navy, Light Steel/Black, Light Steel/Navy, White/Black, White/Deep Navy, White/Deep Red, White/Deep Royal
Sizes: S, M, L, XL, 2X, 3X
Price: \$28.00

Jerzees Supersweats Pant

Features: 9 oz, 50% Cotton/50% Polyester. Three-end fabric. NUBLEND yarn. RADICSPANDEX two-needle cover-stitched elastic waistband. Inside draw cord. Front and back rise differential for wearer's comfort. Side entry bag pockets. Elastic cuffs. No side seams.
Colors: Birch, Oxford, Black, True Navy
Sizes: S, M, L, XL, 2X
Price: \$32.00



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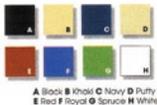
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Yupoong Brushed Cotton Twill Low Profile Six Panel Cap.

Features: 100% cotton, 3 1/2" crown. Medium buckram backing in front of cap. Six sewn eyelets, eight rows of stitching on visor, matching under visor. Self-matching fabric velcro-adjustable strap. One size

Colors: Black, Khaki, Navy, Putty, Red, White, Royal Spruce.

Price: \$25.00



A Black B Khaki C Navy D Putty
E Red F Royal G Spruce H White



302

Yupoong Brushed Cotton Twill Cap with Sandwich Visor

Features: 100% Cotton, 3 1/2 crown, contrasting piping on visor, eyelets, and button. Medium buckram backing, front stitch crown. Six sewn eyelets, eight rows of stitching on visor, matching under-visor, velcro adjustable strap. One Size.

Colors: Black/Khaki, Black/Red, Dark Grey/Black, Khaki/Navy, Navy/Red, Navy/White, Putty/Navy, White/Black

Price: \$25.00



A Black/B Khaki B Black/Red
C Dark Grey/Black D Khaki/Navy
E Navy/Red F Navy/White
G Putty/Navy H White/Black



303

Yupoong Brushed Cotton Twill Two-Tone Six-Panel Low Profile Cap

Features: 100% Cotton, 3 1/2 crown. Contrasting visor, eyelets, and top button. Medium buckram backing, front stitch crown. Six-sewn eyelets, eight rows of stitching on visor, matching under visor. Velcro adjustable strap. One size

Colors: Khaki/Spruce, Putty/Black, Putty/Navy

Price: \$25.00



6303T A Khaki/Spruce B Putty/Black
C Putty/Navy



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Anvil Two-Tone Brushed Twill Cap

Features: 100% Cotton brushed twill. Six-panel constructed crown with fused buckram backing. Fabric closure with brass buckle and brass grommet hideaway. Contrasting colored bill, top button and sewn eyelets. Pre-curved bill has six rows of stitching. One size.

Colors: Natural/Black, Natural/Ivy, Natural/Navy, Natural/Red, Natural/Royal

Price: \$24.00



A Natural/Black B Natural/Ivy
C Natural/Navy D Natural/Red



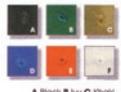
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Anvil Brushed Twill Cap

Features: 100% Cotton brushed twill. Six-panel constructed crown with fused buckram backing. Fabric closure with brass buckle and brass grommet hideaway. Pre-curved bill has six rows of stitching. Sewn eyelets. One size.

Colors: Black, Ivy, Khaki, Navy, Red, Royal, White

Price: \$24.00



A Black B Ivy C Khaki
D Royal E Red F White



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Anvil Low Profile Washed Cap

Features: 100% washed brushed cotton twill. Six-panel unconstructed crown. Sewn eyelets. Contrast color under-bill, sweatband and tape seams. Fabric closure with buckle and hideaway. Pre-curved bill has four rows of stitching. One size.

Colors: Black/Wheat, Khaki/Wheat, Navy/Wheat, Red/Wheat, Wheat/Khaki, White/Wheat

Price: \$24.00



A Black/Wheat B Khaki/Wheat
C Navy/Wheat D Red/Wheat
E White/Wheat



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Toppers Transit Computer Brief Bag

Features: 600-denier Polyester. Front pocket, PDA pocket, zippered compartments, key ring, padded laptop compartment, cell phone pocket, water bottle pocket, metal hardware.

Colors: Black, Navy
Size: 15 1/4" x 12" x 4"
Price: \$33.00



A Black B Navy



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Toppers Brief Bag

Features: 600-denier Polyester. Zippered-bottom gusset expands to 6 1/4". Accessory pockets; detachable/adjustable shoulder strap & ID tag.

Color: Black
Size: 16" x 13 1/2" x 4"
Price: \$30.00



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Toppers Leather Look Brief Bag

Features: Simulated leather zippered bottom gusset expands to 6 1/4". Accessory pockets, detachable/adjustable shoulder strap & I.D tag.

Color: Black
Size: 16" x 13 1/2" x 4"
Price: \$36.00



Jerzees Super Sweats Fleece Blanket
 Features: 9 oz 50-50 cotton/polyester. NUBLEND single ply three-end fleece. Stays pill-free, wash after wash. Rounded corners, edge stitch detailing
Colors: Black, Forest, Oxford, True Navy, True Red
Size: 60"x48"
Price: \$30.00



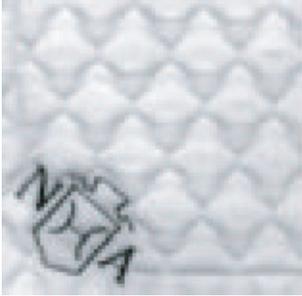
Quitman Fleece Throw
Features: 7.0 100% low-pill fleece. Matching whip-stitch border.
Colors: Black, Charcoal, Forest, Navy, Purple, Red, Royal
Size: 50"x60"
Price: \$30.00



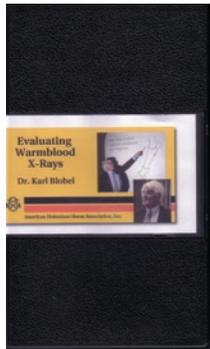
Badger Fleece Blanket
Features: 13 oz. pill-resistant fleece. Clean finished edge. Easy to carry strap
Colors: Black, Charcoal, Navy, Red
Size: 50"x60"
Price: \$35.00



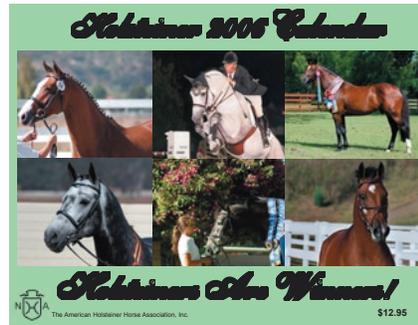
Badger Vinyl Blanket Bag
Features: Front and back clear plastic. Large zipper opening and woven handle.
Color: Clear
Size: One size
Price: \$25.00



AHHA Saddle Pads
 Available in either Dressage or Jumper/General Purpose styles.
 \$50.00

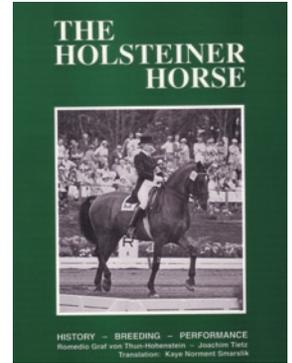


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SUNDANCE SQUARE
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Agenda

Thursday, February 16

- 8:30 a.m.- 5:00 p.m. Breeding and Registration Committee Meeting (Open)
- 7:00 p.m. Dutch Treat Dinner at Risky's BBQ, a real Fort Worth institution! Visit riskys.com for info and menu

Friday, February 17

- 8:30 a.m. Board Meeting (Open)
- 12:30 p.m. Lunch with the Board*
- 1:30 p.m. Board Meeting Resumes (Open)
- 7:00 p.m. Dutch Treat Dinner at Mi Cocina Mexican Restaurant.
- 9:00 p.m. Enjoy the downtown nightlife at one or more of many trendy hot spots! Try the improvisational comedy hit Four Day Weekend. It's hilarious! Check it out at www.fourdayweekend.com

Saturday, February 18

- 9:00 a.m. Board Meeting (Open)
- 12:30 p.m. Lunch with the Board*
- 1:30 p.m. Strategic and Long-Range Planning Session (Open)
- 6:30 p.m. AHHA Awards Banquet

Sunday, February 19

- 9:30 a.m. - 12:00 p.m. Strategic and Long-Range Planning Session

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When making hotel reservations, remember to tell the operator that you are coming with the AHHA and to provide you with the special rate!

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2005 All Breed Dressage Results

Congratulations to all!!!!The AHHA would like to recognize all of those horses and owners who participated in the 2005 USDF ALL Breeds Awards. The following results are not recognized by the USDF; however the AHHA does acknowledge the outstanding achievements made by Holsteiners and their owners in the 2005 Dressage show season.

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Place	USDF %	HORSE NAME /OWNER	SIRE/DAM	BREEDER
TRAINING LEVEL – OPEN				
1	71.923	Lopaca/Emily Tears	Lorentin I, Wurania	
2	67.5	Panterra/Tracy Schlabach	Fabio, Showgirl	Elaine Fae Elmer
3	65.193	Cervaro/Janet Phillips	Carpaccio, Edeltraut	Peter Knudsen
4	65	Rhapsodie/June Isono	Lancer II, Levkojent I	Conring Cramer
5	62.692	Carrizozo/Betty MacCagnan	Columbus, Lustige	Elizabeth McElvain
FIRST LEVEL – OPEN				
1	68.889	Kismet/Charlotte Trentelman	Cabarey, Zase	Charlotte Trentelman
2	67.857	Capri/Cindy Ramirez	Rantares, Ericka	Brian N. Jalbert
3	66.389	Connery/ Aless Hall	Caesar, Ima Bay Bell	Patricia Jones
4	65	Rulet/Marsha Mason-Thies	Riverman, Beyond the Limit	Marsha Mason-Thies
5	64.118	Cacique/ Alice Womble-Heitmann	Cambrdge, Kalandra II	Wah 'Kon-Tah Sporthorse
SECOND LEVEL – OPEN				
1	66.756	Monte R/Anneliese Vogt Harber	Monsum, Irmar	Horst Reibeing
2	65.363	Le Doux/Shelly Williams	Lepanto, Sky Bugs Aly Sheba	Cheryl Fincher
3	65.35	Cadeaux/Cynthia Johnson	Cicero, Fame	Mary Wickenkamp
4	65.294	Connery/ Aless Hall	Caesar, Ima Bay Bell	Patricia Jones
5	64.118	Cacique/Alice Womble-Heitmann	Cambrdge, Kalandra II	Wah 'Kon-Tah Sporthorse
THIRD LEVEL – OPEN				
1	65.334	Cacique/Alice Womble-Heitmann	Cambrdge, Kalandra II	Wah 'Kon-Tah Sporthorse
2	63.056	Oxsana/Barbara Haney	Aquilan Calypso, Prancelly Princess	Mary Beth Molt
3	62.222	Foenix/Reginia Sacha-Ujcz	Feldherr, Mira	Toedt Olaf
4	62	Micanopy/Tyra Vernon	Michelangelo, Walaika	Mary Hamacher
5	61.556	Fandengo/Susan Van Skike	Sucramonte, Lady of the Moon	Peggy Phaklides
FOURTH LEVEL – OPEN				
1	66.744	River Run Roscoe/Beverly Dudley	Riverman, Daddy's Image	Bevly Dudley
2	66.522	Contester/Dara Ripp	Contender, F-Lilianes	Dara Ripp
3	61.86	Foenix/Reginia Sacha-Ujcz	Feldherr, Mira	Toedt Olaf
4	61.611	Mandamus/Catherine Duszlak	Manchester, Wisteria II	Dr. Pamela Erdman
5	59.876	Ravishing Foxpaw/Meghan Kirk	Rantares, Unbelievable	Meghan Kirk
PRIX ST. GEORGE-OPEN				
1	66	Lyra/Stacy Hart McCarthy	Luck Luke, Romy	Erich Loenhardt
2	63.75	Concerto/Kim Gentry	Candidus, Victoria	Katheline Boyer
3	61.413	Colombo V/Brent Jensen	Carpaccio, Fabelhaft II	Peter Thomasen
4	61.334	Congo/Jennie Hlavacek	Caesar, Bristol	Arlene Rigdon
5	61.125	Regent/Paula Briney	Rantares, Bushy Target	Renne Farnum



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Please activate my horse in the following discipline (you may check more than one):

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Place	USDF %	HORSE NAME /OWNER	SIRE/DAM	BREEDER
INTERMEDIATE I - OPEN				
1	65.75	Lyra/ Stacy Hart McCarthy	Luck Luke, Romy	Erich Loenhardt
2	61.417	Congo//Jennie Hlavacek	Caesar, Bristol	Arlene Rigdon
INTERMEDIATE II - OPEN				
1	61.22	Luciano/Jill Cordsen	Lasandos, Petunie	Helmut Bies
2	60.732	Congo/Jennie Hlavacek	Caesar, Bristol	Arlene Rigdon
GRAND PRIX-OPEN				
1	66.734	Harmony's Cassiano/Harmony Sporthorses	Calypso I, Gestion	Christine Malone
2	63.107	Harmony's Coolio/Harmony Sporthorses	Caretino, Carola	Clausen Meiko
3	61.875	Contingent Fee/Jami Kment, Mike Smith	Con Brio, Wonderful	Mary Wickenkamp
4	60.833	Luciano/Jill Cordsen	Lasandos, Petunie	Helmut Bies
5	60.208	Karola I/Paige Finnegan	Leandro, Faszination	Hans Hinrich Boyens
TRAINING LEVEL –JUNIOR YOUNG RIDER				
1	71.923	Lopaca/ Emily Tears	Lorentin I, Wurania	
FIRST LEVEL-JUNIOR YOUNG RIDER				
1	66.389	Connery/Aless Hall	Caesar, Ima Bay Bell	Patricia Jones
2	62.361	Reveillee Tabitha Arenson	Ratibor, Azure Raja	Douglas & Natalie Cwik
SECOND LEVEL-JUNIOR YOUNG RIDER				
1	65.294	Connery/Aless Hall	Caesar, Ima Bay Bell	Patricia Jones
2	58.333	Reveillee/Tabitha Arenson	Ratibor, Azure Raja	Douglas & Natalie Cwik
THIRD LEVEL-JUNIOR YOUNG RIDER				
1	60.972	Hershey's Kiss /Sara Anderson	Rantares, Cierra,	Mary A. Kendell-Mallory
FOURTH LEVEL-JUNIOR YOUNG RIDER				
1	61.611	Mandamus/Catherine Duszlak	Manchester, Wisteria II,	Dr. Pamela Erdman
PRIX ST. GEORGE-JUNIOR YOUNG RIDER				
1	61.125	Rejent /Paula Briney	Ratibor, Jest A Daisey	River Glen Equestrian Enterprises
TRAINING LEVEL ADULT AMATEUR				
1	65.385	Cervaro/Janet Phillips	Carpaccio, Edeltraut	Peter Knudsen
2	62.692	Carrizozo/Betty MacCagnan	Columbus, Lustige	Elizabeth McElvain
FIRST LEVEL- ADULT AMATEUR				
1	63.718	Phaedre/Julie Halladay	Cicero, Impulse	Cherie Tatro
SECOND LEVEL- ADULT AMATEUR				
1	65.363	Le Doux/Shelly Williams	Lepanto, Sky Bugs Alysheba	Cheryl Fincher
2	59.474	Lulu/ Beverly Dudley	Rantares, Daddy's Image	Beverly Dudley
THIRD LEVEL- ADULT AMATEUR				
1	62.222	Foenix/Regina Sacha-Ujcz	Feldherr, Mira	Toedt Olaf
FOURTH LEVEL- ADULT AMATEUR				
1	61.744	Foenix/Regina Sacha-Ujcz	Feldherr, Mira	Toedt Olaf
2	59.876	Ravishing Foxpaw/Meghan Kirk	Rantares, Unbelievable	Mary Pawlak
PRIX ST. GEORGE-ADULT AMATEUR				
1	61.75	Ravishing Foxpaw/Meghan Kirk	Rantares, Unbelievable	Mary Pawlak
2	57.5	Majic/June Brody	Manchester, Vespers	Cathy McHenry, James Holland

Place	USDF %	HORSE NAME /OWNER	SIRE/DAM	BREEDER
YEARLING FILLIES				
1	80.9	Utmost/Carrie Paolucci	Luganda, Ratina	Carrie Paolucci
2	76.625	Ultimate Dream/ Ralph & Robin Dimone	Riverman, Danika Blue	Ralph & Robin Dimone
3	71.45	Uriela CWF/Crooked Willow Farm	Orleandro, Diana	Crooked Willow Farm
4	71.1	Uladee CWF/Crooked Willow Farm	Orleandro, Ina	Crooked Willow Farm
TWO YEAR OLD COLTS/GELDINGS				
1	75.6	Candalero/Kim Gill-Favier	Camiros, Larange	Kim & Henry Favier
2	67.9	Lord Liberty/Liberty Horse Farms	Lordship, Miss Royal Flagship	Catilyn Rittman & Sharon E. Ketz
TWO YEAR OLD FILLIES				
1	74.575	Tallulah/October Hill Farm	Lordship, Madeleine	October Hill Farm
THREE YEAR OLD COLTS/GELDINGS				
1	77.95	Rachmaninoff/ Mayanna Hayman	Riverman, Windsong	Elizabeth J. Daniel
2	71.7	Camelot/ Margaret Bettyas	Cottage Boy, Forever Amis	Margaret Bettyas
3	68.35	Copaxone/Nikki McEntyre	Cortez, Nicolin	Ylva Rosen
FOUR YEAR OLD AND OLDER STALLIONS				
1	78.05	Cacique/ Alice Womble-Heitman	Cambridge, Kalanda II	Wah 'Kon-Tah Sporthorse
2	76.15	Landonn/Brook Renauld	Lordship, Madeleine	October Hill Farm
FOUR YEAR OLD AND OLDER MAIDEN MARES AND YELD MARES				
1	77.7	Celebra/ Nikki McEntyre	Cortez,Camechen	Ylva Rosen



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Monocan – Home at Last

by Virginia Klumpp

Tragedies, mishaps, and accidents are bound to have occurred after thirty years of breeding horses. I have had few compared to others I have talked to, but the ones I have had, have been terrifying! This true story depicts a breeder's anguish, sorrow, and, yes anger, when something terrible like this happens to horses one has lovingly raised. A true story involving many different people has many points of view and many interpretations. This story reflects only my personal point of view my interpretation, and my reaction to the following events as they unfolded.

Monocan was a 1997 Holsteiner filly by Love Affair out of my mare Silver Sally MMP by Solid Silver. Both mother and daughter were quite spirited and good performers. The dam, Sally, through her years of eventing, was known to have never refused a fence. Silver Sally drove in carriage pairs with Bill Long, showed, foxhunted, was a mount for a whip, and carried my daughter to the hunt until the last of her days which ended suddenly in March of 2003. Silver Sally had some lovely daughters and Monocan was one of them.

I had sold Monocan and another handsome, gray colt in March of 2000. They went to a beautiful farm under the training of a young man that I knew to be a top rider and good starter of young horses. It looked to be a very good situation and I was happy about the sale and the expectation that these lovely young horses would be out in competition soon. All had gone well and both horses had been well started and had even gone to some local schooling shows.

It was September, 2000; we had rainy weather in the hurricane season, and oak trees were dropping acorns and leaves. During that fateful morning, with weather deteriorating, I had elected to bring my own horses in for the day. Monocan and her pasture mate, on the other hand, were turned out that morning. It is strange how I seem to have a crystal clear memory of the events of that morning as if it was yesterday. About noon, I received a terrible call from Monocan's trainer, who was sobbing on the phone: he told me that Elmo, the colt, had been killed and that Monocan had ended up three miles down a hardpan gravel road and was badly injured with a broken back leg. I thought quickly about what I should do next and I decided (against my family's advice) to go to the farm and the scene of the accident. I reasoned that my imagination was worse than reality and that I would always wonder what and

how the accident looked if I did not see it for myself. The bitter truth was that it was worse than any Earnest Hemingway graphic description of what happens to horses in the bullring. Elmo was lying dead about ten feet on the outside of the fence with all of his insides spread all over the fence and ground. The oak board fence was smashed over two sections and he had obviously tried to jump it from a downhill position and simply didn't make it with the top board shattered like a gutting spear. Monocan, by this time, had gone to the equine hospital and they said that it had taken five men in the rain to get her in the trailer. I walked the field in the rain to see if I could gain any sense about what had happened there. There were mostly long four-foot skid marks everywhere as the horses ran frantically before they crashed through the fence which was sharply uphill. The bottom of this field adjoins a large powerline that goes through our county. The owners were there and one of them was weeping-my reaction was anger and disbelief! On the next day, I went to see Monocan; she was sedated with her back leg in a cast. A sad sight to be sure and an end to a promising career.

Two days after this horse accident, our local foxhunt with foxhounds treed a bear on that same power line adjoining the pasture that Monocan and Elmo used. I know that bears often use electric power lines to traverse the mountains. As I viewed the skid marks in the pasture, it had been obvious that something had badly terrified and panicked the horses. And, because of all



Monocan (Love Affair - Silver Sally - Solid Silver)

the oak trees and acorns, I think it must have been that bear! After all of this, I tried the best I could to detach myself from this tragedy and go on with my life, putting the whole thing out of my mind. It was out of my hands and the promise and expectation that these two lovely young horses would go on to do good things was lost. I seriously considered giving up breeding horses forever. Why should I go through all this breeding, birthing, and raising them without a blemish to see something like this happen? Was it worth it? I blamed the accident on the owners deep down inside even though, intellectually, I knew it was not their fault. On that day, why didn't farm staff turn those youngsters out in the indoor arena instead of a slippery up and down field? Why? Why?

In the Spring of 2004, I learned that Monacan's owners were selling their farm and moving away. I wondered what would happen to Monocan after the sale of their farm and so I went to talk to them about the matter. Since Sally, her dam, had died this made getting her back much more important. I asked them if they could see their way clear, I would like to have her back to use as a broodmare. They said absolutely not and that she was part of the family and that they were taking her away with them to be used as a trail horse. I tried, in vain, to explain that she would never make a gentle trail horse and that her injuries were too severe to ever give her enough work to create a gentle trail horse for a beginner adult. I learned that in April Monocan's owners had her X-rayed and examined and the results were such that they also could see that her usefulness to them would be limited. I then got a call from them offering her to me at a price I could not afford. I sent letters and cards to them with no answers or return mail.

The farm where Monocan lived was sold for a great deal of money and the former owners moved away without their horses. I called and wrote to them as many times as I dared. Nothing happened. Then I learned that there would be a farm sale. I went to the sale and there she was in a paddock with her yearling filly, another horse, and the rest of the unwanted machinery and farm implements. There was supposed to be a silent auction and I put in a bid on her that was the highest and, as far as I knew, the only bid. I did not get Monocan. The other two that I saw there were sold. They were not injured and my interest was only in her. I learned later that there were other Holsteiner horses in the community in various ownership arrangements. They were eventually dispersed, but Monocan remained unclaimed and unsold. I went away from the so-called farm sale saddened and disgusted – I tried not to look at her as I drove away.

Monocan eventually became the property (by default) of the agent who handled the dispersal of the remaining farm property. Monocan had no credentials, bill of sale or ownership, nor anything else that would prove her bloodlines or what she was. I kept up with the agent and eventually he took her to his father's farm where he cared for as best he could. The whole situation weighed heavily upon my mind and I did not seem to be able to put it aside. I negotiated with the agent about this matter for

months. In late August, I asked him to let me take her to have her hocks and stifles x-rayed to rule out OCD and other abnormalities that might make her unsuitable for breeding. I also had a feeling that the agent thought she might make a suitable riding horse for himself and I also wanted to verify that she would not be suitable. The vet said she was suitable for breeding but her hocks were in pretty bad shape, especially on the left rear where the bone was broken. So for a modest down payment, I bought a horse from someone who really did not own her and let the chips fall where they may. During this time, I had a number of conversations with the AHHA office about this matter and ways that we might resolve this problem and restore her credentials.

I remember so well the afternoon she arrived home. I put her alone in the front paddock and it was like she knew just where she was, for she did not run around at all or look at things like a new horse will do. I later put her in a field with gentle old mares and a 14 hand pony intimidated her so badly, that he had to be moved. Monocan used to be the alpha mare in her group but her traumatic life changed that. She is doing nicely now and seems very quiet and at home. I had no idea, at the time, what we would do about her papers or Holsteiner credentials. This sad story about the life of Monocan had bothered me for sometime and I was very glad to have her back. She is still a big, beautiful, mare close to 17hands with good conformation and correct legs. She will never move the way she would have but at least I have her and she is not on her way to Japan to become table meat. Shortly we began a process of rehabilitation riding. When we began, Monocan was reluctant to trot more than a few steps with a rider. We pushed her a little more every time we rode her until she was able to trot freely for about ten minutes. When her movement deteriorated, we would stop the session and resume the exercise the next time. I used the same principles I learned as a RN working in rehabilitation hospitals.

Eventually the agent managed to get the credentials and then he transferred them to me. I am very grateful for his help, assistance, and patience. It wasn't just about money but it was about people and animals and doing the right thing.

Epilogue: Our 2005 October AHHA approvals are now over. Monocan is now officially bonited, approved and branded. In fact she was in the mare finals and stood in third place in the Holsteiner mare ratings. She performed beautifully, made a wonderful appearance, and traveled with a barely perceptible trace of unevenness in the rear legs. Monocan, when turned loose, used the whole arena and showed everyone what she could do as she used big ground covering strides down the long side. It was if she knew exactly what to do. To go from a barely able halting walk to a wonderful performance at a national approval was quite a large deal for us to accomplish in a year. The saga is finally over and we have all had a victory and a very happy ending. I thank everyone who had a part in helping me with Monocan and her rehabilitation, especially my daughter, Virginia, who did most of the therapeutic exercise.



AHHA Breeding Stock Approvals

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The horses presented at this site were equally wonderful. Site Champion was Adalaide Can (Chief Prospect-Stacy's Mare-Zodiac) a thoroughbred mare owned by Mindy Kerr. Adalaide Can scored 46 bonit points and was placed in the Premium division of the Main Mare Book. Reserve Champion was Touched Byan Angel (Riverman-Aschenputtle-Galoubet A) an Oldenburg Mare owned by Katherine and Ellen Allias and scored 46 points, entering the Premium division of the Main Marebook. Also earning Premium honors was Salina (Rantares-Loretta I-Levantos II) a Holsteiner mare owned and bred by Cheryl Kellerman.



*H Camilla (Coriander-Dardi-Athlet Z)
Photo by Paula C Photography*



Adalaide Can (Chief Prospect-Stacy's Mare-Zodiac)



Touched Byan Angel (Riverman-Aschenputtle-Galoubet A)

Virginia Horse Center, Lexington, VA

The Virginia Approvals site was held at the Virginia Horse Center, a large, modern facility in Lexington, Virginia. Hosts for this site were Reece Miller and Anna Nenonen.

Site Champion was H Camilla (Coriander-Dardi-Athlet Z), owned by Bonita Smith. H Camilla earned 48 bonits as well as entry into the Main Marebook Premium. Reserve Champion was Cantida (Cantus-Polyata-Polydor), an Oldenburg mare owned by Mr. & Mrs. Bertram Firestone. Cantida received 47 points and was entered into the Main Marebook Premium.

Haras de Beaupre, St. Clothilde, QC

For the first time in several years, the AHHA brought the Approvals Inspection Tour north of the border. The judges were hosted by Haras de Beaupre and saw a number of wonderful horses in Canada.



*Cantida (Cantus-Polyata-Polydor)
Photo by Paula C Photography*



In Perfekt Harmony (Fantast-A Perfekt Song-Evensong)



Paola HB (Landslide-Athena de Beaupre-Rex D'Armanville)



Bratt Z (Baloubet Du Rouet-Manni-Capitol I)
Photo by Tetley Photo

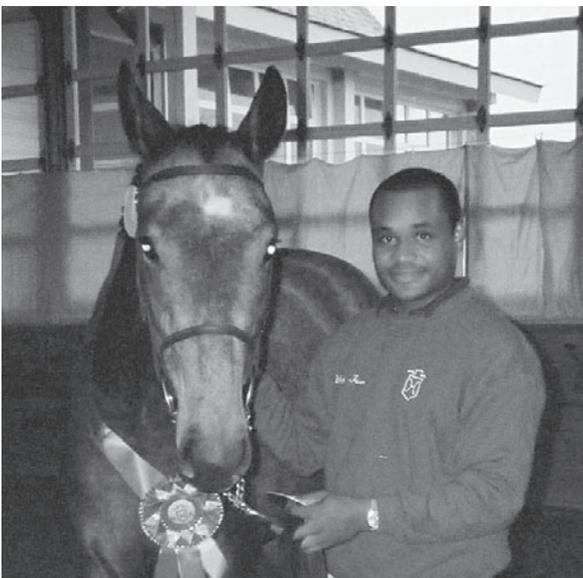
Site Champion was the Selle Francais mare, In Perfekt Harmony (Fantast-A Perfekt Song-Evensong), owned by Guy Gauthier, earning 45 bonits and a place in the Main Marebook. Reserve Champion was Paola HB (Landslide-Athena de Beaupre-Rex D'Armanville), bred by Haras de Beaupre and owned by Silvio Mason. Paola HB received 44 points and was entered into the Main Marebook.

The Selle Francais stallion, Bratt Z (Baloubet Du Rouet-Manni-Capitol I), owned by Francis Berger was also presented. The stallion excelled particularly in free jumping and was approved as a Preliminary Stallion and given a temporary breeding permit.

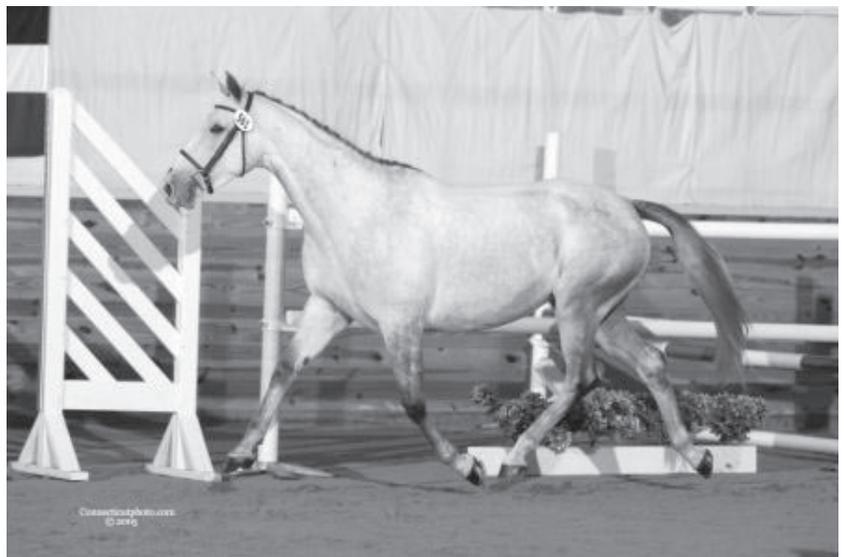
Winley Farm, Milbrook, NY

The second final stallion site was held at Winley Farm, a spectacular facility in Milbrook, New York. Even though no stallions were approved at this site, some fantastic horses were presented to the judges

Tanamera (Paramount-Ivana IV-Corofino I), a Holsteiner mare owned by Winley Farm, scored 49 points and was named Site Champion and placed in the Premium division of the Main Mare Book. Reserve Champion was Raine



Tanamera (Paramount-Ivana IV-Corofino I)



Raine (Lord Capitol-Natalii-Caracas)

(Lord Capitol-Natalii-Caracas), a Holsteiner mare owned by Cranwell Farm. Raine scored 47 points and was placed in the Premium Division of the Main Mare Book.

Also earning Premium Status were J Columbia (Corofino I-Rampe-Ronald), a Holsteiner mare owned by Bart Massucco and Lady HB (Landslide-Quiloa V-Dandy Du Vivier), a Holsteiner mare bred by Haras de Beaupre and owned by G Scott Smith.

Rancho La Querencia, Lemitar, NM

Rancho La Querencia provided the second Small Site Approval on December 3rd. Judges Arlene Rigdon and Hans DeGroot were able to view some of the nicest horses the desert southwest has to offer.

Site Champion for the New Mexico site was Isay Elegant (Isay Pete - Elegant Sherry - Havanace), a thoroughbred mare owned by Deb Langdon. Isay Elegant scored 45 bonit points

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and was placed in the Main Mare Book. Prima Del Rio (Le Santo - Kashmir - Columbus [E]), a Holsteiner mare owned and bred by Peter Paulson, was Reserve Champion. Prima Del Rio scored 42 points, securing entry into the Mare Book.

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The AHHA Approvals would not be possible without a selfless group of site hosts and an army of volunteers that donate their time, their skills, and their facilities for these inspections. We deeply appreciate their efforts.

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Loc.	Insp.	Horse Name	Stamm	Bonits	Tot	Honors	Book	Owner	Breeder	Sire	Dam	Dam's Sire
TX	PSA	Albarez	95	7 7 6 7 6 7 8	48		PSA	Guy Hodgson	Wolfgang Hildebrand	Alcatraz	Ilesha	Loutano
OH	HF	Aramando	325	7 8	15	Prem Foal		Cheryl Kellerman	Cheryl Kellerman	Amour	Lady K	Rantares
PG	SG	Absolute		7 6 6 6 7 7 7	46			Brian Bodarke	Brian Bodarke	Ariadus	Wyndana	Wynforan
FL	HM	Szilvia	Q0604	7 6 6 6 7 7 7	46	Site Champ	MMP	Andras & Leanne Szieberth	Andras & Leanne Szieberth	Ariadus	Key Moment	For the Moment
VA	HF	Addison	Q0272	8 9	17	Prem Foal		Deborah Bartlik	Deborah Bartlik	Ariadus	Lavendar	Michelangelo
FL	Y	Uncia	Q0604	7 9	16	Prem Yearling		Andras & Leanne Szieberth	Andras & Leanne Szieberth	Ariadus	Key Moment	For the Moment
QUE	PSA	Bratt Z	2067	7 6 7 6 7 6 8	47		PSA	Francis Berger	Van Der M Bruggern	Baloubet Du Rouet	Manni	Capitol I
TX	HF	Cochise WKT	104A	7 8	15	Prem Foal		Wah' Kon-Tah	Wah' Kon-Tah	Cacique	Heidi IX	Lambadero
OK	HM	Savannah	170	7 7 6 7 6 7 8	48	Site Champ	MMP	Arlene Rigdon	Arlene Rigdon	Caesar	Fedora	Con Brio
OK	HM	Sweden	Q0144	8 7 6 6 6 6 8	47	Res Champ	MMP	Rebecca Rigdon	Rebecca Rigdon	Caesar	Caprise	Calme' [E]
CA2	SA	Chaleon	1947	7 6 6 7 7 7 7	47		Stallion	Crooked Willow	ZG Hamdorf	Calido I	Ella	Caletto I
FL	Y	Cornelius	Q0613	8 7	15	Prem Yearling		Andras & Leanne Szieberth	Andras & Leanne Szieberth	Camiros	Eloquent Step	Go Step
CO	HF	Velvet Gloves	Q0531	7 8	15	Prem Foal		Mary Lou Stewardson	Mary Lou Stewardson	Camiros	Kin of Rhiannon Cabaret	
VA	FM	Cantida		7 6 7 6 7 7 7	47	Res Champ	MMP	Mr. and Mrs. Bertram	Firestone	Cantus	Polyata	Polydor
SF	2YO	Check Mate		7 7 6 6 6 7 7	46			Deirdra Davis	Deirdra Davis	Capitol Hill	Pretty Simple	Free Force
SF	Y	U.S. Capital	A0154	9 8	17	Prem Yearling		Signature Farm	Signature Farm	Capitol Hill	Lalique	Lanthan
SF	HF	Creme Brule		7 8	15	Prem Foal		Signature Farm	Signature Farm	Capitol Hill	Centerfold	Contender
NM	HF	Carino G	Q0591	8 8	16	Prem Foal		Rancho La Querencia	Roberta Gammill	Caretino	Ogolli	Riverman
CO	HF	Vixen	2966	7 8	15	Prem Foal		Jill Cordsen	Red Tree Farm	Carpaccio	Rapunzel	Aljano
OK	HF	Casciendo		7 8	15	Prem Foal		Silver Creek Farms		Cassiano	Rexana BP	Lansing
TX	HF	Cinco OPL	5302	7 8	15	Prem Foal		Deborah Graves	Wah' Kon-Tah	Cassini II	Levkoje I	Alcatraz
OK	Y	Uber Schonn	2067	8 9	17	Prem Yearling		Triple "S" Holsteiners	Triple "S" Holsteiners	Cathalido	Ouverture	Linaro
OK	HF	Catch Cardo TSH	1298	8 8	16	Prem Foal		Triple "S" Holsteiners	Triple "S" Holsteiners	Cathalido	Mycarda	Corofino I
NM	HF	Valencia Del Rio	1916	7 8	15	Prem Foal		Peter Paulson	Peter Paulson	Cathalido	Nebula	Lacoste
VA	HF	Valeta	318A2	7 8	15	Prem Foal		Reece & Esther Miller	Tom & Julie Byrne	Cathalido	OLavaletta	Lavaletto
OK	HF	Valencia TSH	104A	9 8	17	Prem Foal		Triple "S" Holsteiners	Triple "S" Holsteiners	Chicardo	Morning Mist	Riverman
OK	HF	Chirac TSH	1463	8 7	15	Prem Foal		Triple "S" Holsteiners	Triple "S" Holsteiners	Chicardo	Romance	Carolus II
OH	FM	Adalaide Can	16.1	8 6 6 6 6 7 7	46	Site Champ	MMP	Mindy Kerr		Chief Prospect	Stacy's Mare	Zodiac
FL	HF	Cody Eismann	A0078	7 8	15	Prem Foal		Jean Claussen	Jean Claussen	Cicera's Icewater	Heather Merano [E]	
CA2	PSA	Chicardo	1298	7 7 6 7 7 6 7	47		PSA	Hans DeGroot	Hans DeGroot	Clinton	Mycarda	Corofino I
FL	HF	View To Kill		8 7	15	Prem Foal		Christy Bond	Christy Bond	Clinton	Kimberly	Fruhling
TX	HM	Raechele	6660	7 7 6 6 7 7 6	46	Site Champ	MMP	Alice Womble	Wah' Kon-Tah	Contagious	Lancera I	Concerto II
OK	HF	Coletto TSH	776	8 7	15	Prem Foal		Hans DeGroot	Hans DeGroot	Contefino	Pauletta	Calido I
CA2	SA	Con Caletto	2067	8 7 7 6 7 7 7	49		Stallion	Signature Farm	Juergen Hattebuhr	Contender [E]	Galaune	Caletto I
NY	Y	Uma Corwin CBF	A0195	9 8	17	Prem Yearling		Laurie Cameron	Laurie Cameron	Cor Noir	Winter Morning	Ramiro's Bube
VA	HM	H Camilla	4294	7 6 6 6 8 8 7	48	Site Champ	MMP	Bonita H. Smith	Karl Paulsen	Coriander	Dardi	Athlet Z
NY	HM	J Columbia	18A2	7 6 6 6 6 8 7	46		MMP	R.L. Massucco, Jr.	Hans Werner-Sachau	Corofino I	Rampe	Ronald
PG	HM	Total Eclipse	306	7 6 6 6 6 8 7	46	Site Champ	MMP	Wendy Webster	Johann G. Thomsen	Dolany	Leonie III	Calido I
PG	HM	Orbitere M	8763	7 7 6 6 7 7 6	46	Res Champ	MMP	Plaid Ranch LLC/ Lisa Adams-Mitchell	Bodo Stelter	Edelmann	Zenia	Silvester
OK	HF	Via Le Santo		8 7	15	Prem Foal		Cheryl C. Moon	Cheryl C. Moon	Le Santo	Non Nobis	Calme' [E]
SF	HF	Lyonne		8 8	16	Prem Foal		Brendan D. Mesker	Brendan D. Mesker	Linaro	Silent Pal	Dordigan
FL	HM	Rubaiyat	Q0560	6 7 6 7 6 7 7	46	Res Champ	MMP	Patricia Sullivan	Patricia Sullivan	Lioistro [E]	Britannia	Rantares
SF	Y	Last Legacy	A0123	7 8	15	Prem Foal		Signature Farm	Signature Farm	Lioistro [E]	Scandal	Sabotage
SF	Y	Leading Edge S	A0123	8 7	15	Prem Yearling		Signature Farm	Signature Farm	Lioistro [E]	Reality	Ritual
NY	HM	Raine	730B	7 6 6 6 7 8 7	47	Res Champ	MMP	Ann Schwarzkopf	Cranwell Farms	Lord Capitol	Natalii	Caracas
MN	HF	Lucero del Norte	Q0541	7 8	15	Prem Foal		Carol Morgan	Carol Morgan	Lord Capitol	Kahlua	Rapport
CA2	HM	I Laconda	7126	7 7 7 7 7 8 7	50	Site Champ	MMPS	Adrienne Altman	Peter Hettler	Loutano	Donatina	Caretino
CO	HF	Valentene CWF	Q0182	7 8	15	Prem Foal		Crooked Willow	Crooked Willow	Orleandro	Diana	Le Santo
NY	HM	Tanamera	18A2	7 6 7 6 7 8 8	49	Site Champ	MMP	Winley Farm	Daniela Liebig	Paramount	Ivana IV	Corofino I
CO	HF	Quillo	8185	7 8	15	Prem Foal		Rick & Pie Lafferty	Rick & Pie Lafferty	Quantum	Hy Fly	Capitol I
CA2	HM	Olyvia [MPT]	5064	8 7 6 6 7 7 8	50	Res Champ	MMPS	Cindy Ramirez	Brian N. Jalbert	Rantares	Ericka	Condino
OH	HM	Salina	741	6 6 7 6 7 7 7	46		MMP	Cheryl Kellerman	Cheryl Kellerman	Rantares	Loretta I	Levantos II
MN	FM	Winnyphepooh JSF		7 7 6 6 6 8 7	47	Site Champ	MMP	Yvonne Sue Carr		Riverman	Charite	Saluut
OH	FM	Touched Byan Angel		7 6 6 6 6 7 8	46	Res Champ	MMP	Katherine and Ellen	Allias Hilltop Farm	Riverman	Aschenputtle	Galoubet A
VA	Y	Unforgettable HTF	Q0156	8 9	17	Prem Yearling		Hilltop Farm	Hilltop Farm	Riverman	Cabarette	Cabaret
TX	HF	Reeking Havoc	318D2	7 8	15	Prem Foal		Barbara L. Lyon	Barbara L. Lyon	Riverman	Underestimated	Othello
NM	HF	Rincon G	Q0538	8 7	15	Prem Foal		Roberta Gammill	Roberta Gammill	Riverman	Ozona	Cabaret
VA	HF	Rubix	3030	7 8	15	Prem Foal		Ann Case	Geoffrey Case	Riverman	Alexa Jordan	Cottage Boy
FL	Y	Una Estrella		8 7	15	Prem Yearling		Sandra Schultz	Sandra Schultz	Riverman	Sudden Glimpse	Look Fast
SF	Y	Untouchable Secret	104A	8 8	16	Prem Yearling		Signature Farm	Signature Farm	Secret Agent	Gigi	Merano [E]
SF	Y	Undercover Agent	741	7 8	15	Prem Foal		Signature Farm	Signature Farm	Secret Agent	Kalifornia VI	Leonid
SF	HF	Signature Samurai	741	7 8	15	Prem Foal		Signature Farm	Signature Farm	Stealth S	Kentucky IV	Leonid

Holsteiners are Winners!



The Birch Hollow show string made a happy return to the show ring after a year off for a wedding and the birth of the farm's first human baby. Bart Massucco piloted the King Milford mare, King Milford's Kim from stamm 2666, and the Ritual (Ramiro) mare, Ravenna 002 to numerous wins and good placings in the amateur owner hunter and jumper rings. Birch Hollow wishes every success in 2006 to the proud new owners of both these mares. Additionally, we look forward to the continued success of the recently sold Indoctro stallion son, Triomf, to be trained in 2006 by Irish Olympic rider Kevin Babbington.

Bart Massucco and King Milford's Kim



Several AHHA member breeders are among the top in many of the fields ranked by USEF:

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- 8 MARYANNA HAYMON - COLUMBUS, NC
- 9 IRON SPRING FARM INC - COATESVILLE, PA
- 11 LISA DWORKIN - SUMTERVILLE, FL

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- 1 WENDY WEBSTER - PENNGROVE, CA
- 5 MARY S. HAMACHER - MICANOPY, FL
- 14 ACORN HILL FARM - MADISON, VA
- 18 WAH'KON-TAH SPORHORSE - CYPRESS, TX

Hunters

- 1 AUGUSTIN G WALCH - STRATFORD, CANADA
- 13 JOAN IRVINE SMITH - SAN JUAN CAPISTRANO, CA
- 15 IRON SPRING FARM INC - COATESVILLE, PA

Hunter Breeding

- 4 DR JULIE BALLARD HARALSON - NEWNAN, GA
- 20 DR LAURIE CAMERON - STOCKTON, NJ

Jumpers

- 1 ADRIENNE ALTMAN - SHERMAN OAKS, CA
- 2 IRON SPRING FARM INC - COATESVILLE, PA
- 11 CATHERINE ANNE SLUSSER-EDWARDS - LUBBOCK, TX
- 13 THE OAKS - ESCONDIDO, CA
- 18 ELIZABETH R. MC ELVAIN - LEMITAR, NM
- 19 HIDDEN CREEK FARM, INC. - OAK CREEK, WI

Cotopaxi finished the year winning in dressage, show jumping and eventing. He is the current Pacific Regional and British Columbia Training Level Dressage Champion. Imagine, this jumper winning against the professional dressage riders with their fresh imports. It was sure fun. Next year will see him in the Grand Prix ring and likely Prix St. George dressage. Not many in North America competing successfully in both disciplines.



The U.S. Equestrian Federation has developed its new Leading Breeder Rankings. This is a new national rankings system for equestrian sport. In order to be ranked, Breeders must be members in good standing of U.S. Equestrian and their USEF number must be entered in the Horse's file. Horses must be USEF Life or Annual Recorded and earning points in USEF Horse of the Year or Silver Stirrup divisions.



Cotopaxi

L'Etoile 6 (Ligorett-abece/Castro) and Lauren Spreiser went to the last qualifier for the NAYRC last weekend. In spite of tremendous heat, he won the Team test with a 68%, and led our team to victory in the region 2Jr/YR Team Championships, where he was also declared FEI High Point champion. In the open show, we got a 67.875% in the Individual Test and won the Freestyle with a whopping 73.438%.



Rubaiyat

Congratulations to Lauren who ended up with an average for the NAYRC Qualifier season with a 66.400%, and sixth in the nationwide standings.



Versace

Rebecca Rigdon and Freedom Hill have been showing actively in the Midwest. Versace was the Cosequin USDF Mid-States Champion Filly this year. Her sister (Una Bela) was 3rd.

Rubaiyat (Liostro/Rantares), a 2001 Holsteiner competed in the Black Prong Dressage Show. She finished T-1 70% (first place), T-4 Qualifier 72.3% (first place) under rider/trainer Sharon Jerdeman. Rubaiyat is owned and was bred by Pat Sullivan.

Cooper 19 (Coriall x Wanderin II) and Suzanne Damsby-Phelps topped off their 2005 year by qualifying for the U.S. Dressage Freestyle Championships (World Cup qualifier) held in Burbank, California in April, and also the Grand Prix Championships at the USET headquarters in Gladstone, New Jersey, to place 6th.

Cimmaron (Columbus [E] - Lustige - Laredo) has had an outstanding competition year in 2005. He was named the 2005 USEA Training Horse of the Year. He finished 2005 ranked first in the nation and at the top of the USEA leaderboard for Training horses. His rider, Debbie Davis has been ranked first in the nation for Masters Training Riders and was named 2005 USEA Training Masters Rider of the Year. Cimmaron is also ranked first for the USEF PHR 2005 Silver Stirrup National Champion for Training level Eventing.



Cooper 19

Ultimate Dream, a yearling filly by Riverman out of a Davignport mare owned and bred by Ralph and Robin Damone of Amissville, VA has had a stellar show year. Among a number of other high placings, Ultimate Dream placed first among Yearling fillies at the Morven Breed Show and was first place among Holsteiners at Dressage at Devon.



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Errata from the Fall 2005 Issue:

Cicera's Icewater earned his permanent breeding license through the Combined Training Option.

Cathalido was bred by Harald Becker of Germany.

The fourth page of the KWPN article on Breeding Specialization was left out of the magazine. This information can be e-mailed to interested readers upon request. Send your requests to ahhambr@bellsouth.net.

p10 Mistletoe listed as by Ariadus, but by Acadius.

In "Winners" - Carvallo incorrectly listed as CarthagoxLavall IIXSandro, should be CarthagoxLavall IIXCaletto II.

We regret the errors.

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