Canadian Performance Futurity

Fall Classic Breeders Sale

New Website

Amalgamation Report
CHAIRMAN’S MESSAGE

December 2006

It brings me great pleasure to write this Chairman’s message for the second issue of the new Breeder’s Digest. The response has been great. So great in fact, that we have to limit the content for this issue, so if you do not see your show results or your story that is the reason.

Each New Year we look to the future with new plans and optimism. Highlights in 2006 were the very successful launch of the Canadian Performance Futurity and our first ever Canadian Young Breeders Championship. The Stallion Performance Test, Stallion Service Auction and other on going programs also ran to their usual high standards. The low point to the year was quite frankly, the lack of progress on the Sport Horse Canada amalgamation process. We did not expect the process to take so long and I apologize for not communicating in a timely and direct manner to all the membership. You will note from this newsletter and through our web site that this has changed.

It is important for everyone to understand that the CWHBA Board of Directors has been working very hard to resolve the issues to the point of making direct contact with the Minister of Agriculture. We have and will continue to make the case for Warmblood horses in Canada. Please read the information in this issue carefully.

The continued growth in memberships and registrations is the endorsement that means the most. I want to tender thanks, on behalf of our members, to the Board of Directors, to the Committees and all the volunteers, who make this organization such a vibrant and positive force for Canadian breeders. I want to thank the members, on behalf of the Board and volunteers, for your continuing support and loyalty.

As Red Green says, “we are all in this together and I am rooting for you”. Working together we will ensure that the future for Warmblood horses in Canada is not only secure, but continues to grow and improve.

Happy New Year,
Chris Gould

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CWHBA HISTORY

Bred throughout Europe for over 200 hundred years, the Warmblood horse’s pedigree has been recorded regionally since the times of Monarchies and Dukedoms. Germany, Switzerland, Holland, Denmark, Sweden, Poland and Belgium, to name a few, all have Warmblood breeding programs. Today’s Warmblood has evolved from the farm/military horse of the 19th century.

Dominant in the Olympic Equestrian Disciplines, Warmblood horses combine the athleticism of the Thoroughbred with the movement, substance, power, and trainability of the early military horse.

The CWHBA breeding aim is to produce a well bred Warmblood horse, correct in conformation and with good performance. A horse which, on the basis of its temperament, character, and rideability is suitable for Olympic or related Equestrian sports.

Members of the European Economic Community have reached an agreement which gives reciprocal recognition of pedigree from country to country and yet retains the autonomous control of the registration by each country’s breeder society. It follows that Canada can and should do the same.

The CWHBA is modeled after the very successful European Societies. It’s goal is to provide the same service and advantages to breeders that our European counterparts enjoy abroad:

- Certificates of Pedigree for your valuable Warmblood
- Performance selection and grading
- International standards of Mare and Stallion grading
- Performance records to aid in selection and breeding decisions
- Mare and Foal shows
- Education
- Marketing
- Organizational assistance in sales & promotion

ORGANIZATION

The association is composed of autonomous provincial societies that elect national directors to run the national body. Each provincial association has equal representation on the national board. Local promotions, mare and/or foal shows and sales are provincial responsibilities. Stallion approval and Stud Book management are national matters.
MEMBERSHIP

Owners of breeding stock, mares and stallions are eligible for membership and must be a Annual Regular member in order to register foals, and/or file stallion reports. Interested warmblood horse supporters may apply for Associate status and will receive the same publications as Annual Regular members.

Annual Regular membership...$70.00
Associate membership .............$35.00
Lifetime membership ............. $700.00

COMING EVENTS

JANUARY
Alberta Horse Breeders and Owners Conference
Capri Centre, Red Deer, Alberta
Friday, January 12th - Sunday, January 14th
www.albertahorseindustry.ca

Membership Renewal Due
Monday, January 15th

FEBRUARY
B.C. Chapter AGM
Saturday, February 3rd - Sunday, February 4th
Stallion Service Auction
Sunday, February 18th

“How to Sell your Sporthorse”
Sandy Alexander
Olds College, Alberta
Saturday, February 24th - Sunday, February 25th
Contact the College for more information

MARCH
CWHBA National AGM
Brandon, Manitoba
Friday, March 30th - Sunday, April 1st
See ad in Newsletter pg 16 or www.canadianwarmbloods.com for details and location

APRIL
Eastern Canadian Free Jumping Competition,
Orangeville, ON
Sunday, April 22nd

FEATURE STORY

Canadian Performance Futurity has a Strong Start in 2006

By Barbara Daley

When the Canadian Performance Futurity embarked on its inaugural competition year, as planned, it offered a class in each of the three disciplines of Hunter, Jumper and Dressage. These were held in three Zones across Canada: Pacific, Prairie and Eastern. This first year offered classes to four-year-old horses only. In 2007, horses from the same age group will graduate to a second class for five-year-olds, while the younger generation will debut in the four-year-old class.

A key draw to the program is the prize money, with $3,000 per class in 2006, and winnings divided between owners and breeders. This is funded largely by nominations. Breed specific bonuses were also awarded by CWHBA to top Canadian Warmblood horses, with proceeds from their annual Stallion Service Auction.

Support from the dedicated show venues, which were selected as having a high standard of competition and very good attendance, was well received. This included Cornerstone Farms Dressage Show, Amberlea Meadows Dressage Show, Alberta Hunter Horse Society Show, Tournament of Champions and Thunderbird Show Park.

Participation of horses was very good with good results. It was interesting to note the regional breeding influences that were predominant in many of the successful competitors.

Performance strengths were consistent with the underlying pedigrees. Basic credentials required at an entry level of competition, such as good movement and temperament, meant many horses were able to cross enter disciplines with success. The foundation of good breeding was supported with a high standard for training and preparation. Many owners chose to establish alliances with professional trainers and riders to ensure the horses would be prepared for the show ring.

Prairie Zone Hunter Champion, Surfer Girl - Beach Boy X Arkansas, owner: Sandra Donnelly, breeder: Touchstone Farm Ltd.

Photo by Kathy Roller-Stel
2006 represented a very positive beginning for the Canadian Performance Futurity. It is hoped the program will provide owners and breeders of Canadian bred horses with a specific goal of excellence in performance. The partnerships established will provide the Canadian breeding industry with the added momentum it needs.

Perhaps, over time we will come to see that the stage has been set for a truly Canadian team in the international arenas.

For more details visit: www.canadianperformancefuturity.com

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NEWS

Canadian Jumper Development Series

Congratulations, the new 2006 National Four-Year-Old Champion was crowned in the east. With a clear round under rider Danny Forbe’s, REVEL’S BOLERO, caught the eye of the style judge to claim the national title. Owned and bred by Nikki Lishman of Turtle Creek Farm in Puslinch, ON, Revel’s Bolero is a Canadian Warmblood by Quidam de Revel (SF) out of Radinka (NLD) by Kalusha (NLD).

CITA 2000 exported to Germany

CITA 2000 (Carthago Sun I – Caletto I – Latus II), bred by J.E.S. Breeding Farm in Calgary AB, was exported to Germany in October 2004.

In 2005 she accumulated 7 wins and 3 second placings in 1.20/1.25/1.30 m jumper competitions, plus numerous placings – always in a large field of +/- 50 horses!

In 2006 she won and placed in 1.30/1.40 m classes and was 8th in her first International Youngster Tour competition (up to 1.40 m).

CITA was considered one of the top 5-year-old jumpers in Germany and remained in the top field also as a 6-year-old in 2006.

Notice:

The Results of the 2006 National Stallion Tour and Stallion Performance Test will be included in the 2007 Stallion Directory to be published following this newsletter.
2006 Stallion Service Auction

by Krystl Ahrens

The stallion auction was another fun filled event in 2006. The Saskatchewan Chapter once again hosted this event. Held at PBR Auctions we had a busy day which resulted in some great fund raising for the CWHBA. We had a total of 52 stallion services donated with 44 of these selling through the first and second round of bidding. In Total we saw $38,165.00 raised. In 2006 we moved our production of the stallion service Auction video into DVD format. This video featured video and photos of many of the stallions offered in the auction. A great reference video copies are still available from the CWHBA office. Saskatchewan is also hosting the Stallion Service Auction for 2007. We have set the date of February 18th. We will be running again from 2-6pm CST. Bidding will once again take place via the phone. We have an exciting line up of stallions for this year’s auction. For more information please contact the office of Krystl at ravenwood-tack@sasktel.net

The stallion service auction is used as a fundraiser for the Foal Futurities and the Performance Futurity. All foals by nominated stallions in the 2007 auction will be eligible for the 2008 foal futurities which are held by each chapter. Foals by the stallions nominated in the 2006 auction are eligible for the 2007 Futurity. This is a great opportunity to show off your foals and highlight your breeding programs.

High selling stallion was the MillCreek Donation (one of) for $1800, the other 4 high selling were Pablo, Landkonig, Westporte and Autocrat (each receiving over $1500).

Alberta Warmblood Sale Takes It Up A Notch

by Barbara Daley

Red Deer, Alberta - The new venue, Westener Park in Red Deer, Alberta, was an ideal place to showcase a selection of warmblood horses, which were offered up at auction during the third annual Alberta Invitational Warmblood Sale. Each year this event is run by a dedicated group of volunteers who are committed to ensuring the needs of their buying public are met. Their secret: they listen to their customers and they make them feel welcome.

Clearly their model is working. Not only were there several new faces in the crowd, but their most popular buyers make their way to the show office to obtain a bidders card too. "I have bought horses at the warmblood sale the last three years and have been thrilled with the quality and the value. I look forward to coming back each year!" said Laurie Cunningham of Indio, California.

Many of the consignors of horses had supported the sale since the beginning. To ensure a good cross section of horses were offered to the public, several new consignors were readily welcomed to the program.

The efforts of the sale committee started to ramp up several weeks in advance of the sale, when the horses were presented for assessment. The committee is diligent in engaging senior breed inspectors and industry experts for this task. That meant the people in the stands could be confident standards for conformation and ability were met.

"I felt that the horses looked very good yesterday," said Les Burwash, Coordinator, Horse Program, Government of Alberta Animal Industry Division, and one of the inspectors for the sale. "The concept of giving buyer protection and a selection process is the right thing to do."

In addition, buyers assessed the horses through the chute and by trial rides over the course of the weekend. Amateurs and pros alike were drawn to horses bred for dressage or jumper, not to mention a good selection of fancy hunters.

A total of 29 out of 45 horses sold, which represented 64.4%. While this is a decline from 67% the year before, it represents an increase in actual numbers since more horses were offered for sale.

The top selling horse was Embassy, a lovely 2 year old Canadian Warmblood gelding, by the Holsteiner pedigreed Zangersheide stallion ‘Cheops Z’ and out of Cleveland Bay/Thoroughbred cross mare. This impressive youngster, bred by Gary Bredin and consigned by Sue & Don Maull, caught the eye of more than one enthusiastic bidder, finishing at a final price of $30,000 Canadian funds.

More information on the sale can be found at www.WarmbloodAuction.com

Sales Statistics:

Highest selling horse: $30,000.00
Average selling horse: $8,374.14
Total Sales: $242,850.00
Horses offer for sale: 45
Horses sold: 29 or 64.4%
Honorary National Director, Eve Mainwaring attended the Annual General Assembly of the World Breeding Federation for Sport Horses (WBFSH) with Chris Gould, as delegates for the CWHBA. The event was hosted this year by the Hanoverian Verband in Verden, Germany. The following is her report:

During our trip to Verden, we were able to re-establish contact with Dr. Fredericksen, Past-President of the Swedish Warmblood. During talks, he expressed interest in exploring Canadian prospects for the 1.4 meter and higher jumper divisions. We were also able to spend some time with Cord Wassman (Past-President of the Licensing Committee of the Hanoverian Verband and member of our 2006 SPT judging panel). We visited his farm in order to track down availability of semen for the top pony line he and his wife produce for the European market. We also met with Haken Wahlmann, President of the Finnish Warmblood and Fritz Von Blottnitz, both of whom have served as past SPT judges for the CWHBA. We discussed the judging standards in Canada and how that will impact the quality of our young breeding stock.

During my discussions with the various delegates from Germany, it became clear to me that shipping semen from Germany is a complicated process involving quarantine conditions for collections. It is only viable financially where the semen is in high demand. Sometimes, when seeking certain bloodlines, it is possible to find them in North America.

My main objective while in Verden, was to observe how the well established breed registries (in this case the Hanoverians) evaluate young horses and make their selections. I observed the licensing of approximately 70 young stallions from a group of 111. This was an awesome performance. I was particularly impressed with the attention that is paid to turn-out and appearance.

The Hanoverian breed society has always paid much attention to good movement and conformation which has made them producers of high quality dressage horses. Lately they have been stressing jumping as well and developed a program to promote jumping in young brood mares. Several top dressage horses have come from known jumping lines. Inspectors are now making some concessions to movement and conformation provided the young stallions show a lot of scope and technique.

We briefly visited 2 small breeding operations and one very large scale breeding and sales operation. The conclusion I came to was that the smaller breeders carry on horse breeding as a sideline business together with one or two other businesses. In the case of both small operations I visited, the breeders also raised pigs, sold agricultural products, accepted boarders with full mare care, or sold semen from their stallions. They had the whole family involved, with children doing chores, riding, training, showing, etc. In the case of the large scale operation, it was simply mind boggling. The broodmare herd was approximately 400. The young stock received preliminary training on the breeding farm before being moved to the training stables. The training stables are separate for the jumping and dressage disciplines, each having their own indoor arenas and outdoor rings. There was also a sales arena with large seating capacity, a chandelier and a spotlight system that was guided by infrared rays following the rider. This marketing and sales facility created an atmosphere for selling that is to dream about. In all cases, large or small, care and turn-out were very important to the breeders and was always evident.

For my personal enhancement of knowledge, I found the seminar on chute jumping very worthwhile, something I will carry to my judging trips. The workshop on cloning was also very informative. It is still very controversial as to its success. Our Canadian group of delegates did discuss the possibility of Canada hosting the WBFSH National Assembly possibly in 2008, with the logical choice being the Royal Agricultural Winter Fair in Toronto.

In summary, the event was beautifully hosted, the reception was very warm and arrangements were very efficient. The City of Verden is a very worthy site.
Canadian Warmblood Improves Member Services with Launch of New Website

By Barbara Daley

In recent weeks, the Canadian Warmblood Horse Breeders Association (CWHBA) launched the first phase of its new website. Long awaited, the site boasts a clean new look and is powered by up-to-date dynamic database technology.

As many CWHBA members know, the majority of the programs offered by the Association are driven by volunteer manpower. Once finalized, the website will be no different. Designates from each provincial Chapter will be able to update the site with current information on inspections and other events of interest to breeders in their area, in a timely and relevant fashion.

“Communication is key to the success of any organization”, said Chris Gould, President of Canadian Warmblood. “I am excited about the new site, I hope it will provide a much needed communications focal point for warmblood breeders in Canada. It is a reflection of our continued growth and expanding functions and services.”

There will continue to be links to the many programs offered by the association, such as the long running Fall Classic Breeders Sale, and its younger high-tech offshoot, the Online Foal Auction.

Enhanced marketing segments in the site support the Export Marketing initiatives which are championed by Equine Canada’s Breeds & Industry, while links to stallion information will become more accessible than ever.

International visitors to the site will come to appreciate the cultural diversity within Canada, as they visit each Provincial Chapter’s dedicated page. An outline of the history and unique geography these breeders share with prospective buyers of Canadian Warmblood horses, lend perspective to the benefit of ‘buying Canadian’.

To view the website, visit www.CanadianWarmbloods.com. Watch in the coming months as this new foundation bears the growth of more enhanced web communications.

Second Online Foal Auction Results in Happy Customers

By Barbara Daley

While the concept of an Online Foal Auction is challenging for many, the idea was readily embraced by several consignors across Canada. A total of 35 horses were offered through the unique sales format. All of them were weanling foals. While Canadian Warmblood Horse Breeders Association was the host to the sale, consignments were accepted from owners of Canadian bred foals.

Individual profiles of each foal were added to the dedicated auction website as they were accepted, and the bidding went live on September 7th through to the 23rd. Prospective buyers were able to bid in a traditional format, or they were able to take advantage of a special BUY NOW feature. By doing so, they accepted the posted sale price to ensure the purchase was executed promptly.

One foal who sold through this method was Xcelsior, a Canadian Warmblood colt by Tramino and out Marakesh, a daughter of the Dutch Warmblood stallion Wodan. The
foal was consigned by Marilyn Powell on behalf of the breeder Karl Fried.

“Tamara had been looking for a dressage colt and was seriously considering importing,” said Powell of the successful buyer. “She had been looking for a long time and was in the process of buying in Germany. She came, looked at the foal yesterday, and saw exactly what she had been looking for.”

Before finalizing commitments to purchase these horses, the winning bidders arrange for a pre-purchase exam from the veterinarian of their choice within a specified timeframe. Once that is complete, and they supply full payment directly to the seller, the foal is free to ship to its new destination.

In advance of that, foals stay in their home location. Buyers are able to assess the foals online, with photos featuring their conformation and video clips demonstrating their movement. Where geographically feasible, prospective buyers are encouraged to visit the foals by arranging an appointment with the seller.

Recognizing that this new format may not solicit consistently robust bidding activity, additional sale support is provided by continuing to feature the profiles of all foals, along with contact information of the sellers, on the website – www.OnlineFoalAuction.com - for the months following the sale. Through this, additional sales are achieved with good results for both sellers and buyers.

The Statistical Growth & Development of the CWHBA

by Jennette Coote

First Registrations occurred in 1993 since this time the organization has experienced a 262% increase in membership. Registration numbers in 13 years have increased from 89 to 5071 an increase of 4965 registrations. 2005 stats indicate that the membership owns 8.8 registered horses per member certainly an indication of strong breeding activity.

Stud Book entries which represent warmblood horses from the CWHBA registry, warmblood horses from other registries, and TB’s, Arabs and mares of other breeds have increased from 103 to 2360 a total increase of 2257 horses. Eliminating the 238 stallions that have been entered this leaves an entered mare population of 2122 entered mares. Of this population of entered mares 873 are CWHBA warmblood mares of 50% or greater warmblood breeding produced from the stallions in the book, leaving an entered mare population of warmblood and other breeds of 1249 mares. Of the CWHBA mares as of 2004 stats: we had 171 mares entered in the 4th generation Main Mare book indicating % warmblood of 7/8’s or greater, an increase of 156 4th generation mares in 13 years that are old enough to be inspected at 3, and have been presented to an inspection. Similar increases are experienced in all the ascending % books which indicate that the membership is continuing to select and breed warmblood daughters, looking to increase the % warmblood in their mare herd.

Transfers are a strong indication of economic activity. Since 1993 the CWHBA organization has transferred 7173 horses, taken at an average value of $12,365 (this value is the average of the 05 Elite Warmblood sale in Ont and the Fall Classic Breeders Sale in Ab) this transfer rates indicates a value of $88,694,145, since the start of the organization. The 600 plus transfers in 2005 at the average $12,365 generated $9,483,955. Export sales have continued in growth since 1993 as well. From a beginning of 2 export sales the organization has now sold 414 export horses, which represents 8.2% of the registered CWHBA population. Growth in Export sales has been between 10-20% per year.

Comparing prices received and pedigree of horses from the Fall Classic Breeders Sale, in 1997 10% of the horses consigned were second generation warmblood or more (they had to be 50% warmblood or an approved TB or AA mare bred to a warmblood stallion to be accepted in the sale) the average price was $4680. In 2006 67% of the horses consigned were second generation warmblood or more and the average price was $8589. This indicates major activity from breeders continuing to breed more warmblood in their programs and indicates that the buying public is prepared to pay 46% more for horses with greater warmblood content.
A number of rumors have been circulating regarding the status of the CWHBA under the APA and concerning correspondence with the Minister of Agriculture. The following facts should help to clarify the situation.

- The Animal Pedigree Act (APA) provides for two types of breeds — distinct or evolving.
  a. There is no definition for distinct breed in the APA but departmental documents define it as “A distinct breed under the APA is a population of animals with a common genetic origin and history, deriving from a common foundation population. Distinct breeds must be distinct, as defined by their physical resemblance, sufficient to differentiate the breed from others of its species. Animals of a distinct breed must demonstrate genetic stability, ensuring that the distinct characteristics of the breed can be passed on reliably from generation to generation.”
  b. The APA does define evolving breed as “means a group of animals in the process of evolving into a new breed”.

- The CWHBA, formed in 1988, was given Ministerial recognition, in 1991, as the Canadian registry for Warmblood horses, as a distinct breed. In 1992 the CWHBA By-Laws were also approved by the Minister, as were subsequent by-law amendments in 1994.
- Since that time the CWHBA has been operating as a distinct breed and continues to operate as a distinct breed registry for Warmblood horses. Neither the APA nor our By-Laws have changed.
- In 2002 an inspection of the CWHBA was conducted under the authority of section 52 of the Animal Pedigree Act (APA). (See below 3 and 4)

1. In 1999, the then new registration officer, David Trus, wrote asking for clarification of the distinctive characteristics of Warmblood horses because, “There are a number of issues which remain unclear to me and whose lack of resolution is creating problems for others.” The CWHBA indicated its willingness to improve the definition of Warmblood and in correspondence which followed, the CWHBA made five requests to meet with Mr. Trus. No meetings took place.

2. In January of 2001 the CWHBA wrote to the Deputy Minister requesting his intervention.

3. In August 2001, on behalf of the Deputy Minister, we were advised by Director General, Gilles Lavoie “that the Department will be conducting an inspection and examination of the association pursuant to Section 52 of the APA.” Chris Gould accompanied by Don Adams, Executive Director of Equine Canada, met with Gilles Lavoie to once more suggest that resolution through dialogue and discussion would be more effective. Mr. Lavoie maintained that the inspection would provide the information base to proceed with such a dialogue.

4. The inspection was to focus on:
   a. Given that the Warmblood horse is recognized as a distinct breed under the APA, do all Warmbloods registered by the CWHBA correspond with the requirements of a distinct breed, namely that:
      i. All have common genetic origin and history,
      ii. All are “distinct”, corresponding to consistent standards for the breed as intended at incorporation of the CWHBA, and
      iii. Genetic stability is maintained for the distinct characteristics of the breed?
   b. Are all animals being registered in accordance with the rules of eligibility as contained in the by-laws of the CWHBA, and are all applications forms, policies and procedures consistent with those by-laws?
   c. Do all animals trace back to foundation stock of the breed, either Warmblood foundation stock approved by the Minister or to foreign registries recognized by the Minister for that purpose? Do animals of approved foreign registries trace back to foundation stock of the breed consistent with requirements of the Canadian registry and the APA?

5. February 18th 2002, Mr. Bill Prins, former administrator for Ayershire dairy cattle began his inspection which was completed two weeks later. He did not contact anyone in the CWHBA. The CWHBA learned of its completion on a chat line on the internet. Chris Gould spoke to Gilles Lavoie and was given contact information for Mr. Prins, to whom he subsequently spoke by telephone.

6. The CWHBA made several unsuccessful requests for copies of Prins’ Report.

7. In 2005, on behalf of the CWHBA Board, Chris Gould
requested a meeting with the new Director General Michael Presley. Once again Don Adams from EC accompanied him to that meeting, January 20th. Mr. Presley undertook to meet again February 15th and provide a copy of the Prins Report, for discussion at that time. Mr. Presley canceled the meeting and Chris Gould met with Shane Morris a new member of the APA administration staff. No copy of the report was presented.

8. April 12th, 2005, Mr. Presley wrote a letter to the CWHBA Board of Directors outlining conclusions drawn from the Prins Report and providing a number of options. No report was included.

9. Finally, after additional prodding, a single copy of the report was received by the CWHBA office in September, just days before a meeting with APA officials to discuss the contents of the report.

10. The meeting held September 12, 2006 in Airdre, Alberta had in attendance members of the CWHBA Board, David Trus, Graham Clarke and Shane Morris. Invited observers included representatives from CSHA and Sport Pony as well as Don Adams from Equine Canada. The meeting was professionally facilitated and the following agreement was reached

“On September 12 the board of the Canadian Warmblood Horse Breeders Association met with representatives of Agriculture and Agri-Foods Canada (AAFC) in Airdre, Alberta. Representatives of the Canadian Sport Horse Association and Sport Pony Canada also attended. A number of issues were discussed in detail arising from the inspection report results communicated to the association in April, 2005 and received in early September. The positive meeting resulted in a plan to move forward quickly to clarify the definition of Warmblood horses as a distinct breed in Canada. There will be continuing discussions with association members and department officials on further breed clarification and amalgamation options.”

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11. The department provided a check list of steps to be followed (Checklist for Recognition of Distinct Breed Characteristics). It included a required description of distinct physical characteristics and pedigree documentation. Work on both documents was begun, but the department requested that we provide only the distinguishing characteristics document to start.

12. The Board of CWHBA provided a draft document and an outline diagram with endorsements from European experts, February 7th 2006. This was done after two conference calls with the Department, consultations in Europe and several Board meetings. A portion of this document (excluding the diagram and pedigree information) was circulated by the Department to seven breed associations for comment by March 10th. The CWHBA was to be provided copies of their response.

13. Shane Morris, who had been taking the lead on this file for the department, was transferred to other responsibilities. Requests for the association comments were unanswered.

14. April 24, 2006 the CWHBA wrote to the Minister raising concerns about the lengthy process and requesting his assistance in getting the information to finish step one, the distinguishing characteristics document.

15. July 21,2006 the Minister wrote back once again providing two options;

a. The CWHBA works with the CSHA and AAFC staff to define the Warmblood as a distinct breed and operate a single registry in a manner consistent with the requirements of the APA;

or

b. The CWHBA works with the CSHA and AAFC staff to define the Warmblood as an evolving breed and operate a single registry in a manner consistent with the requirements of the APA.

c. “Should you choose not to pursue either of these options, I am prepared to use my authority under Section 54 of the APA and issue the CWHBA an order directing that no more animals may be registered under its authority”. (Section 54 of the APA confers powers to the Minister to request actions by an association on the conclusion of an inspection, but does not supercede other provisions of the act).

d. The Minister’s letter further stated “I have asked Dr. Graham Clarke, Director Animal Industry Division, to ensure that the necessary staff and resources are made available to assure that this process moves ahead in a timely manner. As a follow-up to this letter Dr. Clarke will be contacting you about restarting the amalgamation discussions.”

16. The CWHBA response to the Minister August 30th was clear regarding the choice of option one; “Consistent with past communication, our Board once more underlines our commitment to the process we embarked on with your officials: clarifying the language in our bylaws regarding the distinguishing characteristics of Warmblood horses as a distinct breed” and “The opportunities and advantages presented by the Sport Horse Canada concept are still very exciting and we look forward to working with the Department and the CSHA to bring them to fruition” Since the Minister’s July 21 letter there has been no communication from Dr. Clarke regarding the distinguishing characteristics document or restarting amalgamation talks.

17. On October 17th, the CWHBA Board decided to attempt to reopen the amalgamation discussions by contacting the Joint Committee members. We also contacted several breed associations for their direct comments concerning the distinguishing characteristics document, which we provided to them in full.
18. Oct 25th the CWHBA received a second letter from the Minister reporting insufficiencies in our distinguishing characteristics document from several of the seven breed associations. Although we had been specifically asked to exclude genetic information, its lack provided the basis for some of the criticism. He did add “Several of the responses included examples of traits that might be helpful in future efforts to describe the Warmblood horse” and “Certainly the priority is to develop an acceptable description of the Warmblood as this is key to enabling the amalgamation process to move forward.”

19. The CWHBA is committed to amalgamation. At the February AGM delegates voted overwhelmingly to proceed with amalgamation talks. We are also committed to ensuring that Canadian Warmblood breeders are on an equal footing with their European counterparts.

20. The CWHBA is waiting to hear from Dr. Clarke regarding the next steps.

SUMMARY

• In 1999 we were asked to clarify the definition of the Warmblood horse. We agreed, but were prevented from doing so by subsequent actions of the Department – refusal to meet, hiatus during inspection, delay in releasing inspection report.

• In 2005 we were again asked and agreed to follow a procedure laid out by the Department to clarify the definition of the Warmblood horse. The first step was to develop a distinguishing characteristics document. A first draft has been submitted and we are still waiting to see the results so that we may continue with this process.

• WE ARE BACK WHERE WE STARTED. Seven years later the difference is we have a procedure in place (if the Department will allow us to complete the process) and we have established a Joint Committee to proceed with amalgamation with the CSHA.

Note – The process laid out by the AAFC (Checklist for Recognition of Distinct Breed Characteristics) and the distinguishing characteristics document, is apparently new. The department was unable to provide examples of how this had been handled by other associations of any species.

CWHBA POSITION

We believe that Canadian breeders have the right, under the Animal Pedigree Act, to breed and register Warmblood horses in Canada in a manner that is consistent with international practice and standards. We will do everything necessary to defend that right.

Nevertheless, we have, and will continue to cooperate with the Government in every way. We have responded to every request in a timely manner and have been patient in spite of long delays.

We are committed to the Sport Horse Canada concept as agreed to in April 2005 and are ready and willing to work with the CSHA and other Joint Committee members to bring it to fruition.

We believe everyone, including government officials, must follow due process in their actions. The APA provides for a very clear process for amalgamation of associations. It includes the right of members to vote. We are committed to ensuring that CWHBA members can exercise their right. We are also committed to offering a viable proposal upon which to vote.

We are volunteers doing what we can to improve conditions for breeding and marketing Warmblood horses. We have made substantial progress toward meeting that goal. We developed the CWHBA, an organization that is duly constituted under the Animal Pedigree Act. We have operated in compliance with our bylaws. Rumours to the contrary are unfounded and do nothing to improve the lot of Canadian breeders. The CWHBA is fully committed to providing the best possible service to members... we constantly look for new programs and for ways to improve the administration of breeding and the evaluation of breeding stock.

The CWHBA is a member /volunteer driven association, interested in furthering the WARMBLOOD horse in Canada and committed to fulfilling the purpose stated in our By-Laws:

The purpose of the association and the breeding aim shall be attained in particular by:

a) The unification of the breeders of warmblood horses in Canada.

b) The keeping of the Stud Book.

Note – The process laid out by the AAFC (Checklist for Recognition of Distinct Breed Characteristics) and the distinguishing characteristics document, is apparently new. The department was unable to provide examples of how this had been handled by other associations of any species.

c) Uniform breeding program which, through the Association’s Stud Book regulations, are binding for all members.

d) The organizing of breed shows and representation in exhibitions.

e) Suitable measures for the furtherance of sales.

The above measures shall be carried out for the good of all horse breeders.

We encourage all members to contact the Stud Book Committee with questions or comments and to become familiar with the APA.
New Initiative from AAFC

Amalgamation Advisory Process
Press Release - November 2006

On November 23, 2006 Agriculture and Agri-Food Canada (AAFC) hosted a conference call with representatives from the boards of directors of the Canadian Warmblood Horse Breeders Association and the Canadian Sport Horse Association. The purpose of the call was to advise both boards of the process AAFC’s will use to develop a breed description(s) for the population of horses represented by the two associations. Under the Animal Pedigree Act breeds must be defined both in terms of their genetic makeup and physical resemblance, with only one association representing each breed. Options for describing the horses will be presented to members of both associations for consideration at the next annual general meeting. It is expected the development of an appropriate breed description will assist in furthering the amalgamation discussions already underway between the two groups.

As noted on the call, Agriculture and Agri-Food Canada has invited 6 people to act as an advisory group for the purposes of developing acceptable breed description options. The advisory group will meet in-person on December 12th and it is anticipated it will complete its work by mid-January. The Department has made use of similar advisory groups in the past to ensure that it has access to the in-depth animal knowledge required to develop a suitable breed description. However, AAFC will be solely responsible for compiling, interpreting and using the results of the consultation in the manner in which it sees fit.

During the conference call, Dr. Clarke was asked about a Departmental survey of horse breed associations who had previously provided comment to AAFC on a draft version of a breed standard for Warmbloods. Breed associations representing Thoroughbred, Standardbred, Trakehner, Sport Horse, Appaloosa, Morgan and Arabian horses were invited to provide input. The results of this limited survey were strictly for use by AAFC, for the purpose of determining whether the proposed breed description for Warmblood horses was sufficient to describe a distinct horse within the Canadian marketplace. Based on its own assessment and the survey results, AAFC determined that an acceptable definition under the Animal Pedigree Act had not been achieved and that further work would be required.

Since during the conference call, the issue of performance characteristics was raised as a possible distinguishing feature. It should be noted that Audit and Evaluation clearly indicated in the mandatory 3 year review of the APA that “performance breeds” and “colour breeds” are not accommodated under the APA. Furthermore, the APA speaks specifically about “physical resemblance” and therefore any guidelines are to aid in choosing acceptable physical characteristics.

AAFC Information Release
Dec. 19, 2006

Agriculture and Agri-Food Canada (AAFC) has established a special advisory group to consider workable breed definitions for the Warmblood / Sport Horse populations. The AAFC Warmblood - Sport Horse Advisory Group met on December 11th and 12th in Ottawa. The work towards the development of a breed description(s) covering the population of horses represented by the Canadian Sport Horse (CSHA) and Canadian Warmblood Horse Breeders’ (CWBHA) associations was carried out in a cooperative and objective atmosphere and good progress was made. At this point in the process a considerable amount of relevant information has been identified, critiqued, discussed and documented.

The meeting covered a wide range of issues that are relevant to the creation of a workable description for this population of horses. Issues included;

- History, relevance, changes and requirements of the Animal Pedigree Act
- The populations in Canada and abroad that must be considered
- The uses and purposes for which these horses are typically bred and the evolution of these over time
- Physical characteristics relevant to soundness, performance and breed distinction
- Development of objective criteria for breed characteristics useful to breeders
- Application of the science of genetics to breed criteria and breed improvement which are relevant to this process.
- Other issues such as the market for these horses

The next phase will be to document a draft description(s) based on the initially agreed criteria. This description will be a first draft and will need considerable work and input in several areas. As much as possible, the Advisory Group will endeavour to use objective descriptors written in easily understood language and avoid terms which are open to individual interpretation.

The Advisory Group members mutually agreed on an appropriate environment for working and communicating that would allow it to complete its work and development of practical alternatives for AAFC consideration. AAFC will communicate with the Advisory Group principally by telephone and email over the next month to 6 weeks. AAFC will then consider how it wishes to use the advice from the Advisory Group for purposes of indicating future options open to the CWBHA and CSHA.

Dr. Graham Clarke
D. Trus
Agriculture and Agri-Food Canada
Circulaire d’information - 19, Dec. 2006

Agriculture et Agroalimentaire Canada (AAC) a mis sur pied un groupe consultatif spécial qui examinera diverses définitions de race pouvant être mises en pratique en ce qui concerne les chevaux Warmblood et les chevaux sportifs. Les membres du groupe consultatif d’AAC sur les chevaux Warmblood et sportifs se sont réunis les 11 et 12 décembre à Ottawa. Les travaux en vue de l’élaboration d’une ou de plusieurs descriptions visant les espèces de chevaux qui intéressent l’Association des chevaux sportifs canadiens (ACSC) et l’Association canadienne des éleveurs de chevaux Warmblood (CWBHA) se sont déroulés dans un climat préconisant la collaboration et l’objectivité. Des progrès ont été réalisés. À ce stade-ci du processus, une quantité appréciable de renseignements pertinents ont été recueillis, analysés au cours de discussions puis consignés.

Durant la réunion, nous avons traité d’un vaste éventail de questions dont il faut tenir compte en vue de créer une description pratique à l’égard de cette catégorie de chevaux, notamment :

• l’historique, la pertinence, les modifications et les exigences de la Loi sur la généalogie des animaux;
• la nécessité de tenir compte des populations du Canada et de l’étranger;
• les utilisations et fins auxquelles ces chevaux sont habituellement destinés, et l’évolution de celles-ci au fil des ans;
• les caractéristiques physiques relatives aux qualités de reproducteur, à la performance et aux qualités distinctives de la race;
• l’élaboration de critères objectifs quant aux particularités propres à une race qui serviront aux éleveurs sélectionneurs;
• l’application de la science de la génétique aux critères de race et à l’amélioration d’une race dans le contexte de ce processus;
• d’autres questions comme le marché qui existe pour ces chevaux.

La prochaine phase consistera à documenter une ou plusieurs descriptions provisoires en fonction des critères convenus au départ. Cette description sera la première ébauche ; de nombreuses modifications devront donc y être apportées à bien des égards. Dans la mesure du possible, le groupe consultatif s’efforcerà d’utiliser des descripteurs objectifs rédigés dans un langage simple et évitera d’employer des termes qui laissent place à interprétation.

Les membres du groupe consultatif ont convenu d’un climat de travail et d’un mode de communication qui leur permettront de mener à bien leurs travaux et d’élaborer des solutions de rechange pratiques qui seront présentées à l’examen d’AAC. Le Ministère communiquera avec les membres du groupe consultatif principalement par téléphone et courriel d’ici les six prochaines semaines. AAC déterminera ensuite de quelle manière il utilisera les recommandations du groupe consultatif en vue de présenter les options qui s’offriront à la CWBHA et à l’ACSC.

Dr. Graham Clarke
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CWHBA 2006 National AGM
March 3- 5, Quebec City
by Colleen Embree-Jay

Every year the Board of Directors and many members of the CWHBA travel to a city somewhere in Canada to attend the National AGM. In 2006 we congregated in beautiful Quebec City. Even though the temperatures were frigid, the hospitality was hot!

On Friday the Board of Directors met for an afternoon of discussion and planning while the delegates toured the downtown. The meeting room was atop the hotel with a spectacular view of Old Quebec City and the St Lawrence River. Members’ farm videos and promo, as well as Sponsor tables were set up around the room for viewing on the coffee breaks.

Friday evening is always a great time, when everyone meets in the hospitality suite to visit with new and old members.

Saturday is a day filled with Plenary Sessions. Some of the topics under discussion were, the WBFSH report, Mare Inspection Procedures & Policy, Stallion Licensing & Approval, Interstallion Project, Canadian Performance Futurity, Auction Schedule, Amalgamation Process with CSHA and a report presented by Shane Morris from the Dept of Agriculture.

After a very long day, we all broke for a wonderful dinner and visit to the Ice Hotel.

Sunday was the AGM and with a very good turnout it was another full day of interaction.
The Inspectors clinic and Mare Inspection took place on Monday at a farm outside the city.

As always it was a terrific event with lots of homework for all!
2007
CWHBA National AGM
March 30th - April 1st.
Inspectors clinic April 2nd
at
Canad Inns
Brandon and Keystone Centre,
1125 18th St
Brandon, MB, R7A 7C5
Ph: (204) 727-1422
Fax (204) 727-1427
(This is a Non-smoking hotel)
During the Manitoba Winter Fair.
Contact: Dana Young 204-966-3316 or Nancy Schmidt at 204-476-2547

12th Annual Fall Classic Breeders’ Sale Holds the Course

Once again breeders provided an excellent selection of horses of all ages. Quite Easy son Apollo QV topped a particularly strong group of yearlings from exceptional bloodlines. Achieving the top price for the section A horses at $10,000. Breeder Pat Metcalfe received the breeder’s cooler from the Tack Corral and new owner Sky Stone Stables of Okotoks received the Sparks Innovations High Selling Section A horse Award. The Section B high selling horse cooler sponsored by New House Farm went to the beautiful and well-schooled daughter of Warkanson, Waramagic. Purchased for $24,000 consignor Equiptop Farm received the breeder cooler from the Tack Corral.

Of the 65 consigned horses 45 sold for an average $8597. 10 horses went out of province and 1 sold to our American neighbors. The sale attracted a strong attendance of Alberta and British Columbian buyers with a record number of bidders recorded. Winner of the $500.00 Trainers appreciation draw was Calgary trainer Elyse Nelson.

The sale had a good attendance for both days and the large crowd received the new program for the gala evening with much appreciation. Winner of the $400 Dressage Kur competition sponsored by Kirshman Farms was Pandoer CWHBA approved Stallion ridden by Zana
Hodges. Winners of the $400 Magnum Trailers/First Choice Living Quarters Obstacle Driving was Too-Bit Acres Vixen driven by Kathy Playdon. Mikki Weiberg and Hana Midland gave an excellent Vaulting demonstration. The great excitement of the evening was presented in the Allied Seismic Young Horse 3 Bars. The CWHBA approved stallion Timebreaker owned by John and Jackie Van den Bosch and ridden by Tammie Phillips took the 1st place of a $1500 purse. A new record of 5’7” was set then when our sponsor offered an additional $500 to top that height, to the crowd’s delight they jumped 5’10”. The $500 prize to the highest jumping Canadian Warmblood was earned by 3-year-old Waterloo with his rider Cobie Van den Bosch.

The sale run by volunteers received many positive comments on how smooth the sale ran, the friendly reception to buyers from all the workers and consigners at the sale. Les Burwash member of the selection committee commented that the quality of the horses offered continues to improve, that the breeders are producing a quality product that should perform well in the sport. Pedigree reader Ron Anderson who has pedigree read for the Spruce Meadows Sales stated that he was impressed with the overall high quality of the horses presented.

The Alberta chapter of the CWHBA wishes to thank the Alberta Horse Industry Association for allowing us to access the services of Teresa van Bryce, association administrator. Her professionalism and ability made a smooth road in the onerous job of sales administrator.

Photos by Mara Coote Freeman

Timebreaker - 3-bars Competition Champion

### Fall Classic Breeders’ Sale Historical Statistics

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*Two Year Old, Warmblood, and Warmblood+ were combined for 1995 to 1997

**All dollar amounts are in Canadian funds.

Canada’s Elite Warmblood Sale a Resounding Success in Its New Venue

By Elizabeth Ciemniewski

For two years in a row the top selling horses at Canada’s Elite Warmblood Sale have been consigned by Joe & Louise Palmer of South Lane Farm, Vankleek Hill, ON. Following on last year’s success, when their 3-year-old black Oldenburg stallion, Sambuca (Sunny Boy/Glorieux), was purchased for $41,000, the Palmers again enjoyed the spotlight this year when their 3-year-old Hanoverian mare, Solo Hit (Sandro Hit/Donnerhall/Rubenstein), topped the bid board at $52,000.

“It was an unexpected pleasure to have the high selling horse again this year,” Joe Palmer stated. “The breeding of Solo Hit is truly a world class pedigree. I would like to congratulate Mr. Hans Schinker on his purchase of Solo Hit. This is a horse that we think is one of the finest Hanoverians in Canada.”
Northern Alberta Breeders Show Success at New Venue

Spruce Grove, Alberta – Following several years running the Northern Alberta Breeders’ Show, a group of Canadian Warmblood volunteers decided to break with tradition, and offer a new venue. On Saturday, August 26, this annual event was hosted out of Spruce Valley Equestrian Centre in Spruce Grove, Alberta.

With a goal to increase the number of entrants and to attract other attendees, the venue was selected for its central location, which was just 10 minutes west of Edmonton. Approximately 75 people attended in total, which surpassed participation over previous years.

Gary Bredin, a dedicated breeder and one of the long-time participants remarked on the new format. “The show was well organized. The venue location was fantastic and worked exceptionally well for showing foals.”

The Breeders’ Shows, run by various Canadian Warmblood Chapters across Canada, offer breed based classes, along with a Mare Inspection and the Foal Futurity. Breeders and owners present their warmblood horses for assessment or judging by a selection of accredited individuals. The panel at this year’s Northern Alberta Show consisted of Heather Smith-Oberten, DVM, a Senior Inspector with Canadian Warmblood; Cathy Challic, Intermediate Judge and Head of Equine Studies at Olds College, Olds, Alberta; and Joanne Wright, Senior Judge and Olds College employee.

The purpose of the event is two-fold: to ensure breeders are meeting top-class breeding goals; and to showcase these successes to the public so that more awareness of these top standards is achieved. “As breeders we like the fact that the venue was closer to a major center, thus allowing for maximum exposure to the public,” commented Sheri Bresee, owner of Aspelund Ridge Warmbloods. “This helps create more publicity for warmblood breeding in Canada.”

The program represents three very important stages of the breeding process. The Mare Inspections provide Mare Owners with scores on conformation, movement and overall suitability for breeding within the Canadian Warmblood Stud Book. Successful mares are granted breeding approval, and those with scores of 7 or more are awarded a premium status. The Foal Futurity, open to offspring of nominated stallions, provides owners with early assessment on the outcome of their selection process. Finally the breed classes, judge older age groups for suitability in sport.

A key to the day’s success was the participation by many stakeholders, which was noted by Laure deGroot, breeder and competitor. “We were very impressed with the hospitality of the show and competitors as everyone chipped in to lend a hand.”

Equi Products, D & R Veterinary Services, Sue & Don Maull of Maull’s 77 stock Farm, Shaw Insurance, Excell Warmbloods, New House Farms, Equitop Farm all made generous donations to the program. Spruce Valley Equestrian donated the facility and put the proceeds of the stabling fees back into class prize money.

The show committee is already planning for 2007, where they expect even more growth through participation and sponsorship. Inquiries on participating can be directed to Jennifer Stephenson at 780-696-2506 or jenkevv@telusplanet.net. More information on Canadian Warmblood, including breeding approval and registration, can be found at www.CanadianWarmbloods.com.
North Alberta Breeders Show Results, Aug. 26, 2006

Foal Futurity

1st - Last Time Twister - April 18, 2006 - TimeBreaker x Last Call - Tango Selene - o/b Eugene Landsbergen & Carla Foolen
2nd - Leroy - May 20, 2006 - Eastern Ruler x Caro’s Choice - Country Choice - o/b Jean & Erika Kuehnemuth/Westwood Warmbloods
3rd - MH Bebop - May 31, 2006 - Sandstorm x M3 Soliel - Urybaldi - o/b Donna O’Neil/Marsh Haven Farms
4th - Bay Filly - May 21, 2006 - Beau Soleil x SH Mayday - Meadow JR - o/b Henri & Laurie deGroot
5th - Tutafika - July 23, 2006 - Time Breaker x Paloma - Garfield - o/b Morgan Primrose

Open 2006 Foal

1st - Bling - 2006 - Bratt Z x Viola Rose H - Matterhorn - o/b Shawna Cook/Carousel Ridge
2nd - Kat - May 10, 2006 - Bablou du Rouet x Weekend Lady - Weekend Guest - o/b Jean & Erika Kuehnemuth/West Wood Warmbloods
3rd - Sullivan - April 16, 2006 - Sir Donnerhall x Folkett - Falko - o/b Jean & Erika Kuehnemuth/Westwood Warmbloods
4th - Catherine’s Foal - May 30, 2006 - Urybaldi CH x Indy 500 - Lucid - o/b Sharon Oakley
5th - Request TM - May 2, 2006 - Regardez x Icon - Cheops Z - o/b Jennifer & Kevin Stephenson/TM Farms

Yearling

1st - Sovereign Hit - May 25, 2005 - Sandro Hit x Del Amika - Donnerhall - o/b Aspelund Ridge Warmbloods/ Gary Bresee
2nd - CF Double Dare - May 16, 2005 - Donner Bube x CF Desert Wine - CF Canadian Diplomat - o/b Bruce & Marilyn McGhan/Chylee Farms
3rd - Windovers Willow - May 9, 2005 - Urymate de ste Hermelle x Genesse - o/b Godewind Melaine Martin/Windover Farms
4th - Overtime - March 31, 2005 - Time Breaker x Night Destiny - Winlord - o/b Holly Anne Yelic/Mistral Winds Meadows

Young Horse Champion

1st - Bling - 2006 - Bratt Z x Viola Rose H - Matterhorn - o/b Shawna Cook/Carousel Ridge
2nd - Request TM - May 2, 2006 - Regardez x Icon - Cheops Z - o/b Jennifer & Kevin Stephenson/TM Farms

2 year old

1st - Sassha - March 6, 2004 - VDL Artic x Caro’s Choice - Country Free - o/b Jean & Erika Kuehnemuth/Westwood Warmbloods
2nd - World Class II - June 6, 2004 - Warkanson x Weekend Lady - Weekend Guest - o/b Jean & Erika Kuehnemuth/Westwood Warmbloods
4th - Last Shaded Moon - July 1, 2004 - Warkanson x Last Call - Tango Selune - o/b Eugene Landsbergen & Carla Foolen
5th - Dominique - June 13 2004 - Dublin x Folkett - Falko - o/b Eugene Landsbergen & Carla Foolen

3 & 4 year old Mare show

1st - Calinka van de Hermitage - March 16, 2002 - Calvados x MN Ruberth - Woflgang - o/b Charolette Edgars/Valley Field Farm
2nd - Milagre - 2003 - Eastern Ruler x Brook - Kenley Legacy - o/b Excell Warmbloods

5, 6 & 7 Mares

Taylor II - May 31, 2000 - Novalis x Winds of Spring - Charming Charm - o/b Donna O’Neil/Marsh Haven Farms

Eight + Mares

Doc’s Bit O’Lena - May 5, 1994 - Doc’s Son O’Lena x Bit O Fashion - MoonDeck Junior - o/b Henri & Laurie Degroot
Score: 7 - CF Tella Tot - May 17, 2006 - Holme Park Vincent x CF Tinka Tot - Turn About - o/b Bruce & Marilyn McGhan/Chylee Farms
Synvella - Match 4, 1998 - Synaistry x Foravella - Cadeauxgenereux - o/b Sylvia Schilperoot
Score: 7 - Infanta - Sept 1, 1996 - Urybaldi CH x Animation - o/b Jennifer Arbuckle
SH Mayday - May 20, 1985 - Medd-O-JR x Gulustras Beauty - El Gulastra - o/b Henri & Laurie Degroot
Paloma W - May 1, 1997 - Garfield W x Paola - Pageno - o/b Morgan Primrose
Champions of both the Mare Inspection and the 2006 BC Foal Futurity were the mare and foal combination presented by Su Bright of Shamrock Farm in Aldergrove. Her home bred NA/WPN mare, Promise of Peace, by Idocus out of Jontue ster by Nebelhorn was awarded a premium. Her stunning colt, Inner Peace, by the CWHBA entered Dutch stallion Ikoon, was a show stopper with his elegant look and super movement.

Reserve Mare Champion was awarded to the entry of Bob & Kirsten Tapella, Phancy, registered NA/WPN by Consul out of Santana. Phancy was also a premium mare. Interestingly, Consul is the dam’s sire of the newly licensed Formation. Phancy’s 2006 filly by Rafaello, Rieslynd, took the Reserve Champion ribbon and cheque. Congratulations all.

We had an inspection clinic held on August 19th with Colleen Embree-Jay. She explained what inspectors are looking for and how to present the mare.

Our Mare inspection and Foal futurity was held in Treherne at Quo Vadis Stable where the hospitality of Dena was greatly appreciated. Out of 10 mares we had 2 go premium. The top Premium mare was the lovely Whymysical QV by Oxford out of Sonja owned by Dena Metcalfe. The mare Untanzen QV by Oxford out of Leda VH also went Premium. She is owned by Pat Metcalfe.

We had 12 foals at our foal futurity. The very floaty moving filly, Galaktika came out on top this day. She is by Autocrat out of Geena owned by River Ranch Farm, Urs and Hannah Schlup.

Congratulations are in order for Quo Vadis Stable who had the high selling colt in category A at the CWHBA Fall Sale in Olds, Alberta. Apparently Appollo QV was a very good and handsome boy!!
Ontario Breeder’s Show
August 20th

Once again, the Hogendoorn family held the 4th annual CWHBA breed show at their farm in Baden. It is held every year to give breeders the opportunity to show their horses to a European judge and to compare their breeding product with other warmbloods bred in Ontario. All warmblood horses, registered by one of the registries recognized by the WBFSH are eligible to enter this show. The show turned out to be a great success with a high quality of horses.

This year’s judge was Hendrik Gabel from Germany, a certified riding instructor in Germany and test master at the CWHBA stallion performance test for the last 4 years.

The Foal class was a big class of high quality foals, most of them CWHBA registered. The winner of the foal class, was also the Grand Reserve Champion of the day.

1st - Brandy, CWHBA filly - Flemmingh x Alexas by Alexis, owned by Susan Voll, bred by Hogen-doom Sport Horses. According to the judge: Brandy is a filly with lots of bone, a super type, a great top line and lots of power from behind.

2nd - VDL Bonita H, CWHBA filly - VDL Ulando H x Liberty/ Libero H, o/b by Hogendoorn Sport Horses - a correct jumper type.

Yearling Class

1st - Angelina II, CWHBA filly - Timebreaker x Concorde’s Tiantha / Concorde, o/b by Timothy Millard. She has a nice top line and is also a nice jumper type with a good saddle position.

2nd - Feuermeister, Canadian TRK colt - Feueranzer x Fanciful Slippers / Blake’s Image, o/b by Tamsyn & Bonnie Kouwenberg. He is a big colt, with a good trot full of quality.

2 Year Old Class

1st - Zest De Pomme, CWHBA mare - VDL Navarone x Always Out xx / Explodent xx, o/b by Timothy Millard. Zest de Pomme has a correct light type with a good walk.

2nd - Fotogenic, mare - Feueropal x Sylvia Jana / Vincent, o/b by Tim Dooreleyers. She showed a nice walk and a good character.

3 Year Old Class

1st - Riga, Han mare - Raphael x Chanel / Carte Dior, owned by Sherri Hunt Serazin bred by Millcreek Stables. Riga is an older type mare but is very correct with good gaits.

2nd - VDL Waikiki H, CWHBA mare - Indoctro x Dynamite / Nimmerdor, o/b by Hogendoorn Sport Horses. A young looking three year old but, a nice jumper type.

4 Years and Older Mares & Geldings Class

1st - Victoria III - Indoctro x Katrina / Nimmerdor, owned by Susan Voll and bred by Henk Klunder. A mare with a nice type, great lines and a good mover.

2nd - Java II, CWHBA mare - Power Van Vrijhern x Tudor Bouquet / Tudor Gleeman, o/b by Lorraine Denhoed. She showed a good trot with a good rhythm.

Junior Champion: Brandy,
Junior Reserve Champion: Zest De Pomme,
Senior Champion: Riga,
Senior Reserve Champion: Victoria III
**Grand Champion** of this year's show was Riga, **Reserve Grand Champion**: Brandy.

Winner of the CWHBA studbook inspections was Java II. The winner of the CWHBA riding horse test & the Purina Cup was Riga. Her score for rideability under saddle with the test rider was 7.5. For free jumping she scored 9 for scope & 8 for technique.

*For complete result, please visit the website at www.hogen-doorn.ca and go to the "Results from 2006 Show."*

**Foal Futurity Results**

1st - **Bovaire**, by VDL Ulando H out of Jimarilla by Voltaire, o/b by Tim Millard and Melissa Brown

2nd - **Balthazar**, by Rasputin out of Pirona by Jacardo, o/b by Aaross Farm

3rd - **Brando RS**, by VDL Ulando H out of Fine Design by Majestic Regent, o/b by Rising Star Sport Horses

4th - **Anika**, by Ikoon out of Princess Allie by Lorbas, o/b by Jackie Vandenbrink

5th - **Rivalla**, by Oxford out of Riverdale by Kadans, o/b by Jackie Vandenbrink

6th - **Agenda**, by Autocrat out of Reel Em, o/b by Sandra Dustin

**Ontario Year End Awards:**

**Top CWHBA Hunter**

**Norfolk County** - 2000 CWHBA – Patriot x Fanfair/ Furioso x Arkansas. Norfolk County earned the highest number of points in the Ontario Hunter circuit, with top placings in the Adult Amateur Olders and the Pre Green Hunter Lows. Owner: Gaylands Farms, Stouffville, ON, Breeder: Touchstone Farm Ltd, Mayerthorpe, AB

**Top CWHBA Jumper**

Brookshire, 1998 CWHBA mare – Bajazzo x Ambrosia /Arkansas x Abrupt. Brookshire earned the highest number of points in the Ontario Jumper circuit, with top placings in the Senior Amateur classes. Owner: Fiona Gallagher, ON, Breeder: Touchstone Farm Ltd, Mayerthorpe, AB

**Top CWHBA Dressage**

Limestone Springtime, a 1999 CWHNBA mare by Goodtimes and out of Limestone Stable Moonstruck (Goldschlaeger), earned the 2006 CWHBA Ontario Chapter Award for Dressage.

Springtime was the top performer, both in terms of placing and level of difficulty, at the Ontario Dressage Championships. The award was announced at the Ontario Chapter AGM which was held at Waterstone Estates. Springtime was bred by Kathie & Francis Groenewegen of Elginburg, Ontario and is owned in partnership, by the breeder and Grandview Equestrian.

**Top CWHBA Eventer**

Spring Wishes, - Jiggy (Harry Potter) X Elana (Han) / Elute, owner/breeder Sylvia Dixon, Beasley Farms, Schomberg, ON.
Saskatchewan Warmblood Showcase
Aug 27/06

Mare Inspection

Frontabulas CSHA - Frontenac (Westf) x Lark Wyn (TB) - owner Teresa Binetruy 7.33

Wasabi CWHBA - Warkanson (Han) x Prelude (Trk) - owner/breeder Lisa Johnson 7.13

Ebon’s Willow CWHBA - Warkanson x Marionette - o/b Pat Slimmon

Tabeer TB - Golden Act x Tee Ell Cee - owner Jill McDonald

Adios II CWHBA - Arkansas x Banner (CWHBA) - o/b Lisa Johnson

Take It Away TB - Key To The Sea x Dip Away Sham - owner Linda Kroeker

Foal Futurity

1st - Faradawn CWHBA - Freestyle x Zahra /Zodiak - o/b Vonda Opfergelt

2nd - Ebon’s Freetime CWHBA - Freestyle x Encina (CWHBA) - o/b Pat Slimmon

Open Breed Yearling

1st - Africa - out of Tiny (KWPN) - o/b Julie Walker

2nd - Ebon’s Fifth Avenue CWHBA - Freestyle x Encina - o/b Pat Slimmon

3rd - Ebon’s Freedance CWHBA - Freestyle x Ebon’s Elayna (CWHBA) - o/b Pat Slimmon

Open Breed 2 Year Old

1st - Ebon’s New York Minute CWHBA – Novalis (KWPN) x Encina (CWHBA) o/b Pat Slimmon

2nd - Ebon’s Connor CWHBA - Capone (Holst) x Ebon’s Nikita (CWHBA) - o/b Pat Slimmon

3rd - Ebon’s Overdrive CWHBA - Oxford (KWPN) x Carina (Swiss) - o/b Pat Slimmon

Open Breed 3 Year Old Line Class

1st - Ebon’s Baton Rouge CWHBA - Beau Soleil (CWHBA) x Ebon’s Julianna (CWHBA) - o/b Pat Slimmon

2nd - Fergus Low Wood CWHBA - MJ Fusion (CWHBA) x MJ O’Mally - o/b Linda Donnelly

3rd - Ebonique CWHBA - Eastern Ruler (KWPN) x Marionette (CWHBA) - o/b Pat Slimmon

Open Breed Model Hunter 3 years and older

1st - Ebon’s Baton Rouge

2nd - Wasabi

3rd - Fergus Low Wood

Youth Showmanship Challenge age 14-18

1st - Devon Stead

2nd - Katrina Williams

3rd - Tabatha Hughes

Adult Showmanship

1st - Scott Williams

2nd - Gail Smith-Epp

Riding Horse Test

1st - Ebon’s Clearly Canadian CWHBA - Capyrus (SF) x Ebon’s High Fashion (CWHBA) - o/b Pat Slimmon

2nd - Ebon’s Nov-Ami CWHBA - Novalis (KWPN) x Encina - o/b Pat Slimmon

3rd - Pik Me First CWHBA - Pik Kaiser

Open Chute Jumping Special

1st - Ebon’s Clearly Canadian CWHBA - Faradawn, filly - Freestyle x Zahra (Zodiak), Owner - Vonda Opfergelt of Dundurn

2nd - Ebon’s Willow CWHBA - Fergus Low Wood

3rd - WH Boogieman - Faceman - o/b Wayne Ward/Lindsay Hanson

4th - Ebon’s Baton Rouge
Early Nominated stallions:
- Apanarde
- Autocrat
- Coka CH
- Double Diamond
- Farrington
- Fiador
- For Paragon
- Freestyle
- Gervantus II
- Goya de Lully
- Jamestown
- Justice
- Kingston
- Lanciano
- Pegase de Hanomar
- Polyfax
- Raffaello
- Sagnol
- Silberpfeil
- Tramino
- Urybaldi
- V’Tropez
- VDL Ulando H
- VDL Windsor
- Wasabi
- Weltwynd
- Whirlwind II

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February 18, 2007

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