Cabriolet

by Sharon Gall

Cabriolet was bred by St. George’s Stables in Calgary AB and is now owned by Laura Gall of Edmonton AB. This stunning grey mare currently stands at 16.2 hands and was very capably ridden by Laura Gall and her trainer Shauna Cook in both the hunter and jumper futurities in 2006. Cabriolet won the CWHBA 4 year old Jumper Futurity and was 2nd in the Canadian Performance Jumper Futurity and 5th in the Canadian Performance Hunter Futurity for 4 year olds. The summer was complete when Cabriolet was named the CWHBA Prairie Division 4 year old Jumper Champion for 2006.

Laura Gall is a previous Alberta Show Jumping Series Champion of the both the ASJA Children’s Equitation Medal and the Children’s Hunter Division and was a member of the Alberta Select Riders Team for 2 years. While balancing her university studies in physical education and sports psychology Laura has the ambition to be in the Grand Prix ring and is thrilled that Cabriolet has the talent to take her there.

On The Scene in Ocala

by Elizabeth Ciemniewski

What more could a young girl want but the opportunity to spend a few weeks out of the winter in sunny Ocala, Florida with a handsome fella. And if the handsome fella happens to be a horse, even better!

Having taken time off from riding in order to work and attend university in Ottawa, Vivian Millard couldn’t wait to get back in the saddle this year. She found herself in Ocala this winter with her coach, Beth Underhill, and a few of the horses from Sentinel Hill Farm, including the young Canadian Warmblood stallion, VDL Ulando H.

Vivian commented on her experience on riding the young stallion, Ulando. “Until this year, Ulando has been shown by Beth due to his huge jump and careful nature. This winter has been a milestone for both Ulando and myself. We always knew Ulando had the talent for a pro, and now it’s nice to see that he also has the temperament for an amateur.”

Mornings in Ocala begin with an hour or two of turn-out for Ulando in one of HITS’ large, grassy paddocks, followed by a late morning nap in the warm Florida air. If a class is not scheduled for the afternoon, Vivian exercises Ulando on the track that encircles the warm-up rings, working on collecting and extending at the walk, trot and canter, followed by a long hack to clear both their minds.

The pair have also made admirable progress in the show ring. Since their first outing in January they have moved up two divisions, and double clear rounds are becoming more frequent.

“I’m looking forward to the show season in Canada,” says Vivian. “Ulando has been so good in Ocala. He is just turning 6 years old this year, so we’re still taking our time and not pushing him too hard. I want showing to be a positive experience for him, so that his outlook for the future remains bright.”

We look forward to watching this young horse/rider team develop!
South Wind

by Liz Gayford

South Wind, a chestnut Canadian Warmblood gelding, Bajazzo x Aphrodite (Arkansas) was purchased by Liz Gayford of Markham, Ontario, from Chris Gould of Touchstone Farm, Mayerthorpe, Alberta, in December 2000 as an unbroken 3 year old. He was broken and trained by Liz and her father Tom.

South Wind won the $10,000 5 year old Young Horse Final at the Royal Winter Fair in Toronto in 2002 with Liz and was 2nd in the 6 year old final at the Royal in 2003. South Wind and Liz went on to win many placings in the 1.40 metre Jr/Am and Rising Star classes and in several modified Grand Prix’s in Ontario, including a 2nd place finish in the $20,000 Grand Prix at Halton Place in October 2004.

This past year with Liz, South Wind was circuit champion in Aiken, South Carolina in April and in Collingwood, Ontario in August, both in the High Jr/Am Division. He was 4th in the $20,000 Grand Prix at Halton Place and 3rd in the $5,000 Grand Prix at Fox Run. He was 3rd in the 1.40 Jr/Am Provincial Zone Standings in Ontario going into the Royal.

In October 2006, South Wind was sold to Bronte Gray-Rochon, a 13 year old young rider from Toronto. Later that month, South Wind carried Bronte to 5th place overall in the Children’s Jumper FEI Final at Spruce Meadows. It was their second show together.

Bronte plans to compete in the 1.20 metre Jr/Am Jumper classes in 2007 and will move into the higher levels as she gains confidence and experience.

South Wind is a pleasure to work around both at home and at the Horse Shows. He is a real pet and a top competitor, a rare combination. We wish this new partnership all the best in the years to come and extend a warm thank you to Chris Gould for breeding such a fine animal.

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