SPOTTED In The Northland

Horse-A-Rama April 4th & 5th, 2009 Manitowoc County Expo Grounds

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Horse-A-Rama is in its 20th year of fund raising for buildings and maintenance of the equine facilities at the Manitowoc County Expo in Manitowoc, WI. It was a sunny, crisp 44 degrees when we arrived at 8 am. The grounds were impressive, spacey, clean, and filled with friendly, helpful, busy "Horse-A-Rama" volunteers wearing yellow tee-shirts and HAR hats buzzing around like work bees on a mission.



A little over 200 miles one way, we started out a few days before the event, planning from the information on the website www.horse-a-rama.org and had prioritized a few "must see events." You'll never guess what was at the top of the list.... Appaloosas of coarse!!! We quickly read the Horse-A-Rama Program and noticed 4 out of 13 board members were Proud Appaloosa owners!

We were pleased to see not one Appaloosa promoting booth but three!

NEWApHC (Northeast Wisconsin Appaloosa Horse Club http://www.trailsendappaloosas.com/NEWApHC/) and Lakeshore Appaloosa Promoters Club (Linda Scholten 920-693-3537 or Jeff Born 920 892-2158 pairadice@excel.net) both collaborated a very nice size booth with colorful pictures galore! I stopped in to talk to Linda and Richard Scholten of Rich Lin Acres who were manning the booth, and they were well equipped with Appaloosa info, pictures and stories of their own. A three-sided wall displayed pictures of many colored Appaloosas that were easily recognizable both from the past and the present. The NEWApHC has many plans this summer. Please check their website for more information and their shows.

Schauts Appaloosa Ranch (Dan and Gloria Schauts http://members.lsol.net/schaut) had a very nice booth with a LIFE SIZE black blanket model. "Fred" as they call him, is a 50 Yr old fiberglass Appaloosa Horse down off the rooftop of their barn for a paint job. You couldn't miss it! It had so many fans I couldn't get near it for a full picture either, so you'll have to take my word!! What a nice booth filled with Appaloosa and club info!

Across the way was "R" Country Acres (www.rcountryacres.com). Jim and Ellen Redeker had some nice old Appaloosa Journals and wonderful Club info as well as bragging rights to promoting their stallion "SUPER GRAND STAND" at their Appaloosa/Barn Security Camera booth.

While waiting for the HEATED ARENA events to start for the day, we viewed the horse barns to "spot" as many Appaloosas as we could see. There were several already empty stalls so we knew we had better head over to the arena. The stands were filling quickly as they announced the first event and the National Anthem. We watched Yvonne Barteau and some beautiful Warm bloods in the pristine arena well lined with fresh shavings that filled the air with pine sent. Yvonne spoke about

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the book she has written, "Ride the Right horse" understanding the core equine personalities and how to work with them. I was given a signed copy by the author herself as a gift from my husband.

Then in came Joey Jorgenson on a pretty chestnut leopard mare, ALTO POLLITO LENA, (Owned by Ivan Grandrud) illustrating his fundamentals of reining. The crowd was hypnotized by the partnership as they ran their sliding stops, spins and patterns. The arena soon became so crowded that people were standing in the doorways! Even though Joey had trouble with his microphone, the crowd hung on to his every word. We were all quiet enough to hear him without it as he made his way from one end of the arena to the other explaining and demonstrating his techniques.

The Parade of Breeds followed and I held my breath as the Appaloosas came in.



Jena Ribley on R SWEET ANDREW 2008 Reserve Hi Point Novice Rider at the Canadian Nationals. R SWEET ANDREW is her flashy leopard gelding. Jena also won many titles regionally and at the WI State 4-H Horse Show in English and Western. She was so elegant looking against all those boys! (Right)





Pictured here are some of the very proud participants in the Appaloosa Parade.



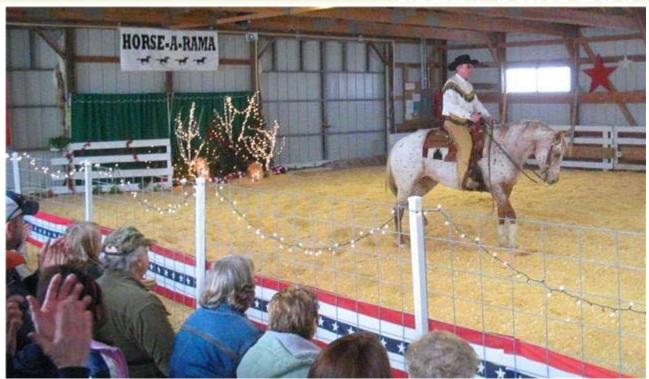
Dave Schwartz rode BAR S TRITON owned by Don Cooper. Triton is three time Superior horse in pleasure winning over 559 National points, many with Don Cooper in the saddle. (Left)





Jake Holschbach on PV ALEDO BLE owned by Jake's mom, Beth Suchan. 2008 ACCAP 2nd in the Nation for Open Speed & Games, together they entranced the audience with flashy athleticism demonstrating game techniques and a few entertaining talents. (Left)

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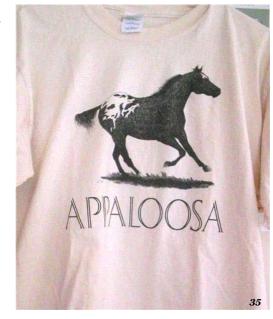
Joey Jorgenson on ALTO POLLITO LENA owned by Ivan Grandrud This pretty leopard mare is a Montana Champion and Canadian Supreme Non Pro Reserve Champion Snaffle Bit Derby horse, and MRCHA Amateur Derby Champion. You could easily see those spots all the way across the arena. (Above)

Each horse and rider did a great job showing the diversity of the Appaloosa. Demonstrations ranged from English, Games, Reining, and Western Pleasure. Not to mention the diverse of colors and patterns of our beloved Appaloosa! They ended the Appaloosa Parade by having the riders throwing these mystery softball size things out to the audience.... what was this I wondered? As I tried to snap a few last pictures, one came flying by and I reached out to catch it like a Maid of Honor trying to catch a bouquet, nearly knocking my husband in the head with the camera! I unfolded it and to my surprise it was an Appaloosa Tee Shirt from the Lakeshore Appaloosa Promoters!!! What a fun day.... my heart filled with spots, warm memories that made me smile, and I proudly wore my Appaloosa Tee shirt home! (Lower right)

Editors notes: Many thanks to Dar Arrowood, a Sooner member up in Rapid River, Michigan, for taking the time to go to this event, take pictures, and send in a report to share with everyone.

We are making this article available to all the regional clubs whose members participated in this event in appreciation for their effort in promoting the Appaloosa horse. Dar wrote a newsworthy story and sent nice photos!

This article appears in the May/June issue of Sooner News, and non-Sooner members will be able to view it, along with the rest of the May/June 2009 issue, in late May. Other back issues of Sooner News can be seen at www.sooner-aphc.com. Just follow the links from the home page.



ADAM CHRONISTER SERVICE AWARD

In 2001 the Sooner Appaloosa Club Board of Directors established the Adam Chronister service award in memory and tribute to a young man who had been a member of the SApHC since the age of three. Adam was the son of Jim and Donna Chronister and started his show career in 1971 in the leadline class at the tender age of three. He was the youngest recipient of the J.E. Baker Sportsmanship Award, given to exhibitors who exhibit good sportsmanship during the competitions. Adam remained a member of the Sooner Club until his death in March of 2000.

Adam had a positive attitude toward everyone he met. He was always willing to lend a helping hand to anyone that needed help and once you met him, you were friends for life. Wherever he went there was always someone he knew. He served as a Director and show manager for the Sooner Club in 1996 and 1997. In 1987 at the age of 19 he became the youngest licensed race horse trainer in the state of Oklahoma. The income from his training paid for his last semester at OSU.

Wherever he went, he promoted the Appaloosa. He loved all animals, but horses were his special passion. More than once he would prove that Appaloosas could compete and win against all other breeds. He took his Appaloosas to open barrel competitions, county fairs and special events because he was proud of his horses.

After his untimely death at 31 years of age, the Board wanted to recognize other people in the Club with the same attitude and helpful nature shown by Adam. So this award was established. The Board votes each year and decides who the recipient will be.

The brass plate on the plaque reads;

"ADAM CHRONISTER SERVICE AWARD" "PRESENTED TO THE INDIVIDUAL WHO HAS WORKED TO PROMOTE THE BEST INTERESTS OF THE APPALOOSA HORSE AND THE SOONER APHC"

Past recipients of the award are;

2001 Tiffany George

2002 Randy Hazelwood

2003 Angie Smith

2004 Carol Johnson

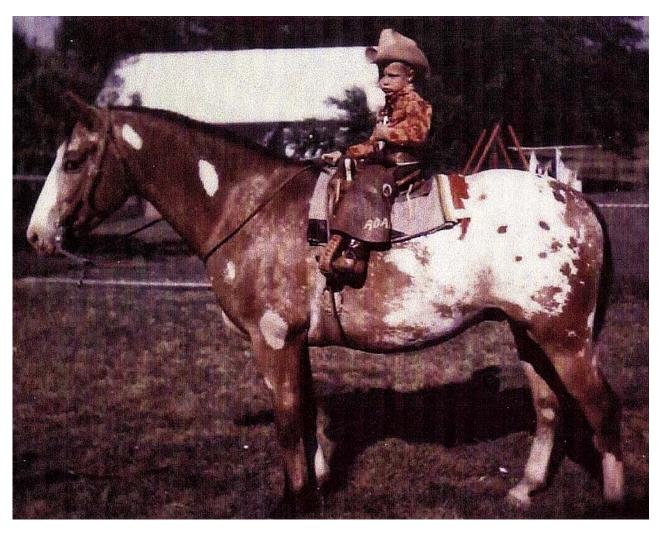
2005 Dedra Tiger

2006 Vie Bottger

2007 Gerald Lukacik

2008 Marian Alton

The family of Adam Chronister wants to thank the Sooner Club for establishing this memorial.



Last issue we ran a story on Beware Britches, which included a clipping from a newspaper showing young Adam Chronister seated on 'Beware.' Included above is a slightly different pose, in color, and who the Adam Chronister Service Award honors.

Be sure to check out the new event for Youth at this year's Reichert Celebration, which we've included in this issue.



New Sooner Members

Jim & Lee Campbell

Submitted by Marian Altor

New Sooner members, Jim and Lee Campbell, have lived fifteen years at their present location near Haskell, Oklahoma. Their breeding facility is set up to accommodate visiting mares, and there is a new office, breeding area, and separate room for procedure with cooled semen, embryo transfer, etc.

Jim and Lee had experience with cutting horses in the past but have become involved in the racing industry for several years. Their first horse to send to the track was a Paint named April, sired by Treasured. They still have April's mother, age 27, and mother's half sister, age 28.

Their present stallion is AQHA Separate Rainbow SI 93, winner of \$39,620. His sire AQHA Separatist SI 101 won \$889,044. His dam AQHA The Rainbow Riva SI 95 won \$20,049. Separate Rainbow is a descendant of Beduino (TB), Hempen (TB), Zevi (TB), AQHA Firey Watch, etc. He was purchased four years ago at Heritage Sale.



The Campbells are thrilled and grateful to have mares from Arizona, Texas, Utah, Kansas, Indiana, Kentucky, Iowa, Tennessee, Missouri, Arkansas, and Oklahoma bred to Separate Rainbow.

Jim and Lee will be retiring soon to their farm after being a part of building twelve banks for Citizens Security Bank. They welcome visitors to Campbell Farm, and they have become interested in our Appaloosa world since Appaloosa breeder, owner, trainer John Deideker (see Colida/Cass story in March/April Sooner News issue) bred a couple of fine mares to Separate Rainbow. His ApHC Streakin Rainbow was recently purchased

by ApHC race trainer Angie Jones, who trains ApHC Bug Be Gone, champion gelding, for Sooner members, Jim and Miriam Lovell of Claremore, Oklahoma.

The Lovells have a 2009 colored stud colt by Campbell's stud Separate Rainbow, out of Bug Be Gone's dam, ApHC We Go Soso. Lovell's, Alton and Crouch, have a yearling colored daughter of Separate Rainbow (pictured at right) and out of Lightning Kat.

Campbell's had eleven 2009 foals. In recent years they have donated breedings to the Oklahoma Appaloosa Racing Association (OAR), attended meetings and races, including ones at Will Rogers Downs in Claremore.



Note: Jim and Lee Campbell not only have excellent facilities for visiting mares, they also have patience, knowledge, and all it takes to work with mare owners in a professional friendly way. We welcome them to Sooner ApHC. M.A.



TO EXPLAIN THAT, LETS START WITH THE YEAR 2001, WHEN ONE OF MY BEST MARES FOALED A SOLID CHESTNUT FILLY ON FEBRUARY 27. IT WAS THE MARE'S THIRD FOAL, AND THE MARE'S THIRD SOLID COLORED FOAL. I TRIED TO REBREED HER IN 2001 AND 2002, AND BOTH TIMES SHE FAILED TO SETTLE. ONE VET SUGGESTED SHE WAS ALLERGIC TO THE EXTENDER USED IN THE TRANSPORTED SEMEN. AFTER 2002, I MADE NO ATTEMPT TO TRY AND BREED HER, AND MOVED TO OKLAHOMA IN 2004.

IT WASN'T UNTIL 2007 THAT I DECIDED TO TRY BREEDING THE MARE AGAIN, WHEN MY CURRENT VET SAID HE COULD PROBABLY FIGURE HER OUT. HE ACTUALLY DID, BUT SHE SETTLED WITH TWINS, WHICH SHE LATER ABSORBED.

EVEN THOUGH SHE ABSORBED THE TWINS, IT WAS A STEP IN THE RIGHT DIRECTION, BECAUSE EVEN THOUGH SHE LOST THEM, SHE DID ACTUALLY SETTLE FOR THE FIRST TIME IN YEARS. SO, SHE WAS BRED BACK TO THE SAME STALLION THAT SHE HAD SETTLED TO WITH TWINS, AND THIS TIME, IN 2008, SHE SETTLED WITH ONE. THEN 2/3RDS THROUGH THE PREGNANCY CAME THE CEM SCARE. THE STALLION SHE WAS IN FOAL TO WAS STANDING AT THE FARM IN KENTUCKY WHERE THE ORIGINAL CASE OF CEM WAS DISCOVERED. THAT STALLION WOULD LATER TEST NEGATIVE, AND BE CERTIFIED CEM FREE. THAT WAS A RELIEF.

THEN, FINALLY, ON THE MORNING OF APRIL 22, 2009, I DISCOVERED IN MY CENTRAL PASTURE WHAT I HAD BEEN WAITING EIGHT YEARS FOR......

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Our 2009 Foal Crop

ALL THE RAGEOUS Diamond Run Farm

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SIRE: ZIPRAGEOUS (AQHA)

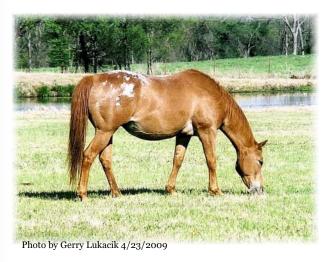
DAM: FROST MY ASSET

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Photo by Gerry Lukacik 4/24/2009

Spring has to be the most favorite season at Diamond Run Farm. It's the time when everything springs back to life, and new life begins. It also provides great backgrounds for photographs that would have been impossible just a few weeks prior. This spring is even more special, with the arrival of Frost My Asset's first foal since 2001. It's been a long wait for this foal. Then, when it finally arrives, it just happens to be a beautiful colored filly! ALL THE RAGEOUS (pending) is by Ziprageous (AQHA) and is pictured, above and on the opposite page, at less than 48 hours old!



Our "senior citizen," Easy Clipper, is also doing well this spring, and is fat, slick and just enjoying the 'good life.' (lower left)

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