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Iowa's First ACD Baby Show

by Wendell Lupkes



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On November 4th, the first American Cream Draft Horse weanling congress was held in Britt, Iowa. Four draft horse breeders attended with a total of seven weanlings and two yearlings. Doc Neumann and Bob Mouw provided comments on the young stock as to correct conformation and movement. Robert Mouw is a long time draft horse breeder/trainer as well as supplier/trainer for horses at Arlington National Cemetery.

Dr. A.J. Neumann, "America's Draft Horse Vet" and contributing writer to the Draft Horse Journal has spent a lifetime working with and judging draft horses all over the world. Attending were event organizer, Connie Purchase of Milford, Iowa, Kevin Johnson of Le Sueur, Minnesota; Joe Dolan of Coggin, Iowa, and Wendell Lupkes of Waterloo, Iowa.

We arrived at the Hancock County Fairgrounds around 10:00, give or take. This wasn't a formal event, so we had coffee first in the kitchen in one of the buildings. When all the horses arrived, we pulled into the outdoor area and unloaded. There was plenty of "talking" between all the youngsters. and the local newspaper interviewed several of the human attendees. Then we took turns taking each young Cream in front of the "judges", Doc Neumann and Bob Mouw. We'd walk them straight away from the judges, then back toward them. We'd do that a couple of times, then hand the young horse to someone else so the owner could look for what the judges saw. I don't know about the other Creamsters, but I don't seem to have as keen an eye for the subtle details that Doc and Bob were able to spot so quickly.

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Welcome New Members

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FROM THE DRIVERS SEAT

Dear All,

Hopefully by the time you receive this, the worst of this Winter from hell will be on its way out. In the past 4 days we have had a 40+ degree temperature swing. After 4 years actually got to use my 7 foot tractor mounted snow blower for two + days.

To shorten this column I should probably just say, pull out your newsletters from previous years at this time and send in your reports which as Cream owners are due now. Without the information gathered from the stallion, mares bred and foaled, and the name and number of animals that died during the year the Association does not have current information to give out that is often requested during the year. Are we declining or growing, how many Creams are there? are some of the questions often asked.

Our Annual Meeting in Reno will be here before you realize it. Sandy and John Schwartzler have done a wonderful job of planning an interesting time. REMEMBER To reserve a room the code is ADCHA16 (American Draft Craft Horse Association) not ACDHA. I think it was very thoughtful of Sandy and John to recognize the newest recognized breed association in this Country! Make your reservations NOW. The Rodeo week end is a very popular event and rooms fill up quickly.

Meeting bids for next year are due to be discussed and decided at this meeting. Think it is the East coast's turn.

As usual at this time I say DUES are due. Please send in when you send in your annual reports and exercise your right as an active member to vote. It wasn't that many years ago that only those physically at the meeting could vote.

To the members who have placed their names on the ballot for director, I say Thank You. Over the years the Board of Directors have become more involved with decisions during the year. I often hear complaints, my answer is if you don't like the way the Association is going, then please run for the Board. Every year the nominating committee has a hard time getting members to run.

One of my other pleas has to do with the newsletter. Sue Engel is the editor; her responsibilities do not include creating articles. It's your newsletter. Send in pictures and information, PLEASE. Sue does a wonderful job, but needs your support.

This will be my last column as your President, a position that I have enjoyed at least most of the time and a position I have been honored to fill. The reason that I am not seeking re-election is very simple, I never thought I would serve as President as long as I have, I am not burned out, plan on staying active but it is time for new leadership. The years have passed much to quickly.

To all who served on the Board during my terms as President, thanks for helping me, many times you did actually change my mind on many things. I would be remiss if I didn't mention a couple of members by name:

Betsy Ziebell who got me involved in this Association over 25 years ago, was my guide for so many years and she and Clarence sold me my first Cream.

Karen (Smith) Watson who is also someone I can call and ask questions of and who also engineered me getting my first Stallion from Colonial Williamsburg. He still resides with me. We have grown old together!

Nancy Lively, who is now a wealth of information, has been a great help and like the two previous ladies will tell me what she thinks whether I like it or not. I have never had to figure out what any of these ladies really thought on any subject.

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Dear Members,

My name is Connie Purchase and the intent of this letter is to ask for your consideration in allowing me to continue serving as a director of the ACDHA.

My husband, Dennis, and I live on a farm in North West Iowa. Our present 4-legged family consists of many horses, goats, cats and a dog. Add in some feathered friends (chickens and ducks) and you have the whole crew. My husband is a building contractor while I run a recordkeeping service for livestock operations.

About 1995 I first heard about American Creams. I researched the breed and I WAS HOOKED. I was able to purchase my first boys (Ben and Jerry) from Don and Linda Johnson in 2002. "The Boys" were all I had hoped for and more. I was so enthralled with the Creams that I knew I wanted to expand to breeding. In 2004 I bought my first girls, Baskin Robbin and Wells Blue Bunny. I still own the originals and have the good fortune of adding to the herd with some of my own breeding as well as a rescue gelding also thru special circumstances. My boys are geldings, and all of my horses both ride and drive. They have been in parades, on trail rides, in driving competitions, and on exhibit at state and county fairs. I'm currently preparing to use a team to participate in a Guinness World Record attempt for the most number of draft horses plowing at one time!

I became a member of the ACDHA in 2002 when I bought my first horses. When researching the breed I had the opportunity to meet many long time members of the association and then I had the privilege of spending time with them when I attended my first annual meeting in 2003. I found the 2-legged members were as neat as the 4-legged. I've attended most annual meetings since joining the association. When the meeting was held in Waverly, IA I was able to help, and then in 2012 I had the privilege of co-hosting the annual meeting in Spencer, Iowa. I'm looking forward to co-hosting the 75th Anniversary of the association when the annual meeting will be back in Iowa in 2019.

I feel the current role of the ACDHA board is to provide resources to the membership while maintaining the foundations this breed was based on. We have a history to be proud of. When I joined this association we didn't have face book, we didn't have a web page, we didn't understand DNA color testing, and we were just recognizing JEB. I feel the past boards have done a good job of handling those situations and bringing us to today. There are many situations facing the association presently; economic effects on the entire horse industry, scientific advancements, and low membership numbers, limited finances, etc. My hope is to remain a part of the leadership addressing these issues and whatever else the future brings us.

Thank you for your consideration.

Happy Trails,

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Hello ACDHA Members,

The nature of this letter today is to let you know that I'm interested in serving this organization as a director. I would also like to ask for your consideration to this position. Now, for a little background on me: I grew up on a farm where we used draft horses to raise field corn, grow a large garden, haul wood & mow, rake, and haul hay. When I say grew up, I mean I cannot remember NOT using Belgian horses for these tasks. My introduction to the nostalgic Cream Draft, was in an article in one of the draft publications in the late 80's. I was immediately enamored with this majestic breed. At that point I determined in my mind that I would one day raise these beautiful horses. I wanted to immediately go purchase some, however, we were raising registered Belgians at the time. Not to mention my Father was still running the farm and breeding operations at that time. Now, fast forward over 20 years, I have 2 very nice Cream Draft mares and recently acquired a magnificent young stallion of which all are registered.

Being elected to this position will allow me to help with many aspects of this organization, including, keeping this horse pure and true to type. I am very much in touch with draft horses and draft owners as it relates to farming with horses, that which this horse was bred for. With that being said we, in the American Cream Draft, have something to offer every draft owner from farmer to the show ring.

Through the medium of Facebook alone, I have been contacted by numerous horse owners who are interested in the Cream breed and are desperately in search of information on these beautiful and loving creatures. It has been my privilege to direct them to the information they desire. I am also thrilled to connect more great people to this wonderful organization. Together, I am certain that we can grow the ACDHA to an awesome level of dominance and gain tremendous recognition for our beloved Creams.

I look very forward to helping with the propagation of this breed.

Many Blessings,

Michael Bradford
TN



We are proud to present to the members of our sister organization the ACDHA , registry no.1 of the AMERICAN DRAFT CRAFT HORSE ASSOCIATION (ADCHA) Ole Nannie.

Follow our progress on foot-book. Our web site should be operational shortly.

REMEMBER. When you make your room reservations for the Annual Meeting in Reno the block of rooms are reserved under the ADCHA. not the ACDHA.

P. Davies Tremel, Acting President

Holding Nannie is stable boy F Stephen

We reviewed all the young stock, and then Connie had a special request of Doc and Bob. She had an order for a Cream colt to be a future sire in North Carolina. After careful review, the consensus was that Edy's colt was the most balanced of the double-champagne colts in the running.

Then we got them all lined up for photos. Imagine getting nine young horses to stand still and look the same direction long enough to memorialize the event. Reminded me of mom trying to get all the grandkids "just right" in front of the Christmas tree for that one perfect image. Photos by Garry Luterek (neighbor of Wendell Lupkes)

We then adjourned to the kitchen for lunch, warmth, and more swapping of stories. As we headed back to the trucks and trailers, we talked with Randy, the Hancock County Fair grounds superintendent, about the facilities and the possibility of larger American Cream shows at Britt.

Perhaps this is the start of a tradition.

The woman in plaid is Connie Purchase.



The member with the most facial hair is Kevin Johnson.



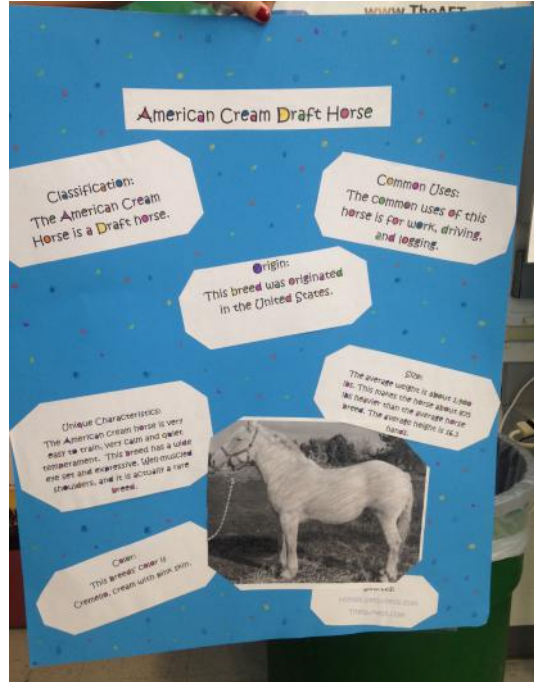
The member below is Joe Dolan.



The member with the sunglasses/hat fashion statement is our Vice Wendell Lupkes.



My name is Kayla Silden, and I attend Shoemaker High School in Killeen, Texas. I presented a research project on the American Cream Draft Horse for my Equine Science class this semester. I created a poster displaying the qualities and characteristics of the American Cream breed. Thank you to the American Cream Draft Horse Association for helping me accomplish finding my presentation requirements; their website was a big help. I enjoyed being an ambassador for this breed.



Healthy Horse Treats

What You'll Need:

- 1 cup flour
- 3/4 cup beer
- 2 cups molasses
- 1 pound grain
- 1/2 cup raisins

What To Do:

- Mix the flour, beer, and molasses thoroughly. Add grain to mixture slowly and mix well. Finally, mix in raisins.
- Pour this mixture into an oiled 12-by-15-inch pan, and place in a 250°F oven.
- When the mixture starts to firm up (about 25 minutes), remove the pan and cut the contents into bite-sized pieces. Then, return the pan to the oven and bake until the treats are mostly dry and fairly firm (roughly 40 minutes).
- After removing the pan from the oven, let it cool before removing the treats.
- Place the treats on cooling racks overnight.

Think SUMMER! Get a head start and make yourself a fire pit from old steel fence post, old steel rim and horse shoes. Very clever idea.



RIDER excuses



Welcome to the Microchipping Program for our Creams!

We are officially rolling out our ACDHA Microchipping Program for protection of our valuable Cream drafts in 2016! The goals are to properly identify Creams that surface as unknowns and be able to keep track of Creams transferring ownership. These goals are critical to breeding programs and building Cream numbers, and general management practices for our beloved Creams.

Mr. Clair Rierson kindly donated \$500 to purchase the first batch of chips for the ACDHA, making the first chips free to members. He told me how excited he was about this program for the Creams, and he wanted to help jump start it with me. Mr. Rierson told me he wished there had been a way for his grandfather's horses to have been identified and "known" when the estate was sold. Sadly, the horses he grew up with had been dispersed through auctions when the estate was settled, and there were no records. Losing those horses and their history was a big loss to him and the breed.

This happens far too often. You might not even plan for it, natural disaster, death in the family, but it happens. Please protect our Creams.

I searched far and wide for the right fit of microchips for the Creams, I found a company (Found Animals) I thought to be a good match for our goals. I will be able to purchase the microchips at rescue prices, and there are amazing benefits with this chip if used properly (owner registering the proper information and keeping it up to date)!

1. Mr. Rierson and the ACDHA will be offering the first group of chips to its members. See the request form (this newsletter, or I can send you one) to be filled out and returned to me.

2. What do YOU get when you chip your Creams?

- a. The chip is a permanent form of identification for this horse.
- b. It is a 134.2 kHz ISO standard microchip.
- c. YOU as the horse's owner will be the primary contact for the horse should the horse ever be scanned in a recovery situation. Emergency, lost, stolen, etc. The ACDHA is listed as a secondary and permanent contact.
- d. 100% Lifetime Registration, free for life and 24-hour access online.
- e. Transfer of ownership is free, and easy.
- f. Owner information - self uploaded at any time, whenever it changes: include photos, veterinarian contact, secondary local emergency contact, special instructions (i.e., medications, feed restrictions, etc.).
- g. Owner can add additional pets to the same registry (Found Animals Registry®), even if different chip companies, they also accept all brands and frequencies of microchip.
- h. A certificate will accompany each microchip that will need to be filled out and owner keeps one for their file and returns one for the Association with the serial numbers and vet signature (confirming which horse received which chip).

i. Protection and peace of mind.

3. Offers a confident and accurate way to identify our Creams, for breeding, buying/selling situations, and lost/recovery situations. This allows for Creams to maintain breeding line integrity by confident identity as well.

4. What is it going to cost? The first batch of chips are generously offered to the members free, plus \$5 shipping and handling per chip (S/H discounted on multiple chips). The request or application for chips (maximum 5 per member) is in the newsletter and this will allow us to make sure all the members get an equal chance at chips.

5. Cost for you to have vet insert a microchip? PLEASE ask the right questions to your vet! It should cost in the \$25-40 range. I have polled several vets in a few different states, and they are all close to this range. What questions and information do you provide to the vet?

- a. "I am supplying the microchip" in a sterile injection package.
- b. "I will not need the vet to register the chip, our chip will be registered by us."
- c. "I will not need the vet to sign me up for a registry, we will have lifetime registration with this microchip."
- d. "I WILL need the vet to provide a local anesthesia at the injection site (it is a big needle)."
- e. This can all be provided and accomplished during regular spring shots and/or a regular visit.
- f. I can also provide literature to you and/or vet needed for proper injection site instructions. Please let me know if you need this.

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Microchipping continued-

6. Microchips will also be available after this first group of chips have been dispersed. To provide incentive for owners, the price will be \$20 for a Cream already registered, and \$10 when it accompanies a Cream's registration or transfer. Shipping and handling will be \$5 per chip, and discounted on multiple chips.

From what I figured, we have had 13 unknown horses (2014-2015). Of these 13 horses, I am aware of 3 positive identifications, leaving 10 unknown Creams. This is not a statistically significant number of horses when we are trying to secure the successful identification and breeding in order to strengthen and build numbers of our beloved endangered breed. Keep YOUR Creams safe and your peace of mind sound – Please microchip.

PLEASE keep them safe and your mind sound for just a few dollars - MICROCHIP your animals! This microchip has a FREE LIFETIME registration, 24/7 access, free transfers, and MORE....

*FROM THE DRIVERS SEAT continued from pg. 2*

So that I am not accused of being a sexist I need to mention 3 men, John Schwartzler for so many guided tours and our hours of horse and fire service discussions, Wendell Lupkes for taking the time to explain so many different things to me and for his efforts in the Rescue mission. Then last but not least is Dave Lively who calls me up once a month and does a radio station interview on Creams, farming, and Amish culture from Bennington, Vermont. I am amazed that the radio station allows him to do that. It's probably a good thing we don't live closer to each other as we would never accomplish anything but talk animals, farming and politics. Of course Dave has the ability to simplify problems and get down to the basics.

To all who have taken the time to host a Meeting THANK YOU, I have crisscrossed this Country from Oregon and California, to Iowa a number of times, and Missouri, Indiana, Vermont and of course Williamsburg. You have made it a reason to travel this Country, see different sites and visit so many different farms. A lot of fun and many memories.

We have accomplished a lot over the years, JEB testing, Tracking Registration, A.I. breeding. Remember Wendell Lupkes is now set up for A.I. and then there was the rescue operation that we took on. We also now have Junior Members; they are the future of this organization. I am proud to say that all four of our grandchildren are involved with horses. Maybe one day they will be members. There have been many other changes, but this column is getting to long to mention.

To my wife Paula, thank you for all the proof reading and support. She really doesn't like horses but puts up with my craziness with the horses and antique fire apparatus.

To the membership in general, you are like an extended family. It's nice to know people throughout this Country. I have had fun with all of You and sincerely appreciate your friendship and many kindnesses.

Take care, remember this is a Hobby and we should be having fun while we seek to save this rare breed.

Sincerely

Frank Tremel

ACDHA Microchip Request Application 2016

This first group of microchips is being offered to the ACDHA membership compliments of Mr. Clair Rierson, to jump start our Microchipping Program to keep our Creams identified, known, and safe.

- These chips will be offered at a first come first served basis.
- Members can apply for up to 5 chips for existing ownership of Creams.
- It is CRITICAL that YOU, the owner, complete the registration online when the chips are received and injected. This will NOT work if you do not complete this step. (If you require assistance, I am happy to help – please contact me.)
- Please fill out and return this application to [MerEquus Equine Rescue & Sanctuary, Kerrie Beckett](#) (either email to: MerEquusEquine@gmail.com or kerrie.beckett@yahoo.com or mail to: PO Box 7, Poland, Maine 04274).

Name _____

Address _____

Current Member? _____ Yes _____ No Phone _____

Total number of Creams you have _____

Number of chips being requested _____ (5 Max)

- 1. Horse's Name (ACDHA registration #) _____
- 2. Horse's Name (ACDHA registration #) _____
- 3. Horse's Name (ACDHA registration #) _____
- 4. Horse's Name (ACDHA registration #) _____
- 5. Horse's Name (ACDHA registration #) _____

*If horse(s) is NOT registered, please state whether or not registration will be submitted with the microchip verification:

Will you microchip all of your Creams now and/or in the future? _____ If no, please tell us why:

This first group of chips will be free to members plus \$5.00 shipping and handling per chip. We have conducted a survey with a few veterinarians to implant the chips (ask the right questions – see the article in this newsletter). Although this price will vary, the cost was roughly \$25- \$35 per chip. Please require a local anesthesia be used when implanting the chip for your horse's comfort.



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MerEquus Equine Rescue and Sanctuary (MEERS).

It is official, MEERS is a 501(c)(3) non-profit charitable rescue committed to the American Cream Draft Horse.

I debated on how to write this article... upbeat, no, too bubbly. Then I decided to just write from the heart. I hope that you will read this article if for no other reason than at some point when a horse in need crosses your path ... you will know that we are here for you.

Know me, know my passion:

In case you do not know me, I got my first Cream in 2011. Timex, McBride's gelding, is my baby boy. Too big according to standards (hogwash) – his heart is too big if anything. The rest is history, I fell in love with the breed. As I have found out, you cannot stop at just one Cream. They seem to keep coming ... and just like that there are 5 (or are there 6 now?).

I have been doing horse rescue for about 20 years on a very small scale, mostly with high risk cases. I have continued taking horses on when possible and since Timex, I have focused mostly on Creams. Princess Buttercup was rescued from a killpen in 2012 (see my facebook page for her introduction). Then there was the large Michigan rescue of Creams (thank you, Wendell), from which we adopted Dolly. After that in 2014, I helped a local woman obtain a 2 year old Cream filly. After 2 months, the lady dumped her here at my farm. About the same time, another gelding that had bounced around from one owner to the next (I am his 5th owner, he was only 7 years old) arrived. Then with what seemed like so many Creams at killpen auctions around the country, it seemed logical to complete my 501(c)(3) with Creams as the focus. So, here we are!

“It will take a village to save the Creams,” not one person or one tactic can do it alone. I believe it will take this Association, our members and ALL your friends and families to be successful at securing and rehoming as many Creams in-need as possible. We must all support each other, be it breeders, pet owners, showing families, and others. It will take all of us.

Opinions About Horse Rescues and Killpens:

There is a wide range of opinions about killpens and slaughter auctions. However, we do not belong to the quarter horse club that has more than 2.8 million horses in the US (in 2005, 15 year registrations). We belong to the ACDHA, where we strive to protect the remaining individuals of a critically endangered breed having only 400 or so registered ACDH. Therefore, we need to look at Creams identified at auctions differently. There are not unlimited Creams to replace the ones that go to slaughter. Our issues are different from more common breeds, and we need to be mindful of those differences and act accordingly. We need to be proactive and have a network amongst our members and friends that can identify these ACDH when they show up at auctions. And we will need to work together to secure their safety – be it a phone call or a presence at the auction.

Also, please don't discard geldings from your list of valuable horses; they are important to this breed. They provide a face that promotes kindness and beauty and work ethic and gratitude – these are critical traits that distinguish our breed, especially in working situations. They may have less monetary value than a breeding quality mare may have, but a well-trained driving team of geldings can be GOLD. Please remember to value all of our Creams.

How You Can Help: For example -

Donate – We do not beg for money all the time – though this venture cannot be done without monetary donations, I will be honest.

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Availability – There are also other forms of help that are just as important, for example, offering transportation (our biggest expense along with veterinary care), stay facilities (being able to layover at your place during transport), or fostering. Several individuals have made invaluable offers when I secured the Idaho mare from the killpen – an ongoing venture by the way and I will get to that later!

Collect – We are collecting proof-of-purchase seals from feed bags! We belong to 2 programs: Nutrena and Tribute. If you use products from either of these companies, you can help!! Just clip out the proof-of-purchase from the bag and SAVE them! You can send them to MEERS, bring them to a meeting, or contact me and we can figure it out.

Fundraise – Participate in periodic fundraisers that will be arranged, and I will put notifications out via different media types. Stay tuned for these!

We now have a Facebook page. PLEASE visit, Like and Share with LOTS of people. I am still figuring out the PayPal and all of other necessary components, but please be on the lookout in the next week or so. I do not yet have a Web page, but I am working on that. As soon as that is up I will let everyone know.

So, you might ask - What has MEERS been doing?

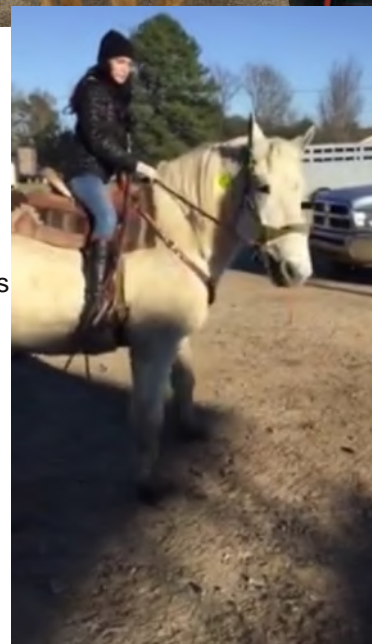
In December, we secured this lovely Cream from an Idaho auction. Updates have been posted about the Idaho mare a couple times. It has been quite the ordeal for this poor mare! She went down on the trailer 2 days before Christmas. Showing neurologic signs, she had to remain in isolation for 2 weeks until test results cleared her of any contagious disease. She remained in ICU until she was diagnosed with EPM. She has since started a very long road to recovery, after medication side effects and stress. She has become a very costly mare, so she would be a fine example of when we would need donations. We have received a few donations and offers to help in other ways. Thank you so much for all your support! I will post another update soon, as I just received updated photos of the mare. As soon as she is strong enough to travel, she will be heading eastward.

The beginning of January, we secured the safety of this mare. Once she arrived at her destination, however, well – she is not a Cream but a dirty grey Percheron. All

parties that have handled her along the way, including both transporters, have said that she is the sweetest doll they have ever worked with! So, although we are happy we secured a lovely mare, the encouragement and pictures are not always convincing as to the breed/color of these horses on a computer. Thus, if it is ever possible to have people just stop by and view the horse to confirm it is a Cream, it will be an important step to help our cause. However, this mare is very kind and there are interested parties that have offered to give her a home if one is ever needed. Meet Jasie.

We look forward to really making a difference in the Cream world, be it small or huge. Every Cream life matters to us. MEERS wants you to come along for the ride/drive of a lifetime, always with a Cream!

Thank you!
Kerrie Beckett



The 2016 ACDHA Meeting In Reno, Nevada -

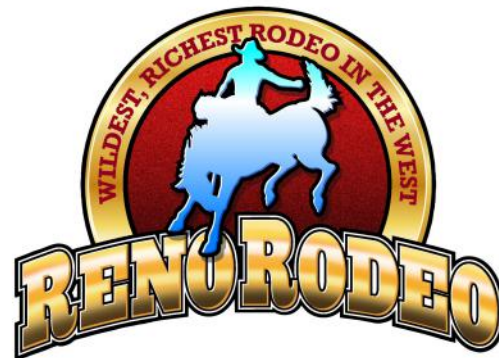
Members please note that the Peppermill Resort & Casino has blocked out 18 rooms in the Peppermill Tower for our group on Thursday, Friday & Saturday June 16, 17 & 18. The reservations are found under Group Code # ADCHA16.

Please note the code is NOT an abbreviation of the American Cream Draft Horse Association! You'll have the option to stay over on Sunday night if you chose to keep your room for an extra night, but we don't have a rate for Sunday. The discounted room rates are locked for Thurs. @ \$79, Fri. @ \$109 and Sat. @ \$139. The State of Nevada will add a \$2 a room Tourism surcharge as of January 1st.

These room rates are very good during Reno Rodeo Week.

The Peppermill also provides a free complimentary airport shuttle service for it's guests that runs every 30 minutes between the Reno Airport and the Resort Hotel.

The Reno Rodeo Cattle Drive herd comes across the streets of Reno into the Rodeo grounds at noon on Thursday June 16th to kick off Rodeo week. Wait at the intersection of Sutro & Odie (NE corner of the Livestock Center) for a good vantage point and follow them into the Rodeo grounds .



The ACDHA Meeting will be held on Friday June 17th at the Peppermill Tower in the Conference room up on the 17th floor. It offers a great vista of the City of Reno. The resort will provide us two restaurant menus which will be distributed at the meeting for members to place their luncheon order. Prices will range from \$10 for a foot long deli sandwich and upwards for a full meal and can be paid for at that time.

Following the ACDHA Meeting on Friday, we've secured a block of tickets for the ACDHA members to attend the Rodeo on Friday night so we can sit as a group. The ticket cost is \$18 per person and will be collected at the Meeting.

Saturday morning is the Reno Rodeo Parade downtown passing along Virginia Street's Casino Strip. Saturday would be a great day for a side trip to see Lake Tahoe and other local sights.

Sunday we've planning a Steam Locomotive train ride to visit the ghost town of Virginia City. The train pulls out from Carson City at 10am and round trip fare is \$52 per person/ \$48 for seniors/\$32 for Kids. We may put together a shuttle vehicle to Carson City (Horse Trailer?)

Local travel brochures will be handed out at the meeting for all the ACDHA members .

Looking forward to seeing you all in Reno!

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Story from the online version of "The Leader"

November 11, 2015

THE LEADER

Rare horses come to Britt

One of Kevin Johnson's horses returns the love after getting a nice scratch on the back.

Emilie Jenson | The Leader By Emilie Jenson



BRITT - They are one of the rarest breeds of horses in the world, but 16 of them could be found in Britt Wednesday morning.

Several members of the American Cream Draft Horse Association gathered in Britt to critique their newest additions and prepare for future showing and breeding.

"We are taking our upcoming horses and critiquing them, looking them over for ways to improve the breed, subtle things we can do to better breed or breed away from," said Connie Purchase, a director with the ACDHA.

The American Cream breed started in Iowa Falls, and only around 400 of them can presently be found in the world, Purchase said. "They started at the turn of the century with one old mare, no matter what they bred her to, she produced this color," she said."

"We have seven babies here today, only 16 were born in the country," said Purchase, who brought four horses of her own. "These horses are so rare we appreciate them, and they are still very much in danger."

The four breeders in attendance in Britt were from Iowa and Minnesota, but association members and breeders and their horses can be found across the country and in Canada..

"We are everywhere from California to Florida to Maine, Vermont, and some in Canada," said Purchase. "This year we exported some to Germany."



The Livestock Conservancy has showcased the American Cream Draft in Tractor Supply Company's Out Here magazine for the Spring 2016 issue. This is a very big boost for our horses and best of all these magazines are free to the public. If you have a TSC in your area stop in and get a copy.

Those of you who do not have a TSC and would like to have a copy please send me an email and for the cost of postage I will mail it to you. If you need more than one copy for others in your area let me know and I can send them by Priority Flat Rate and save you some money.

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From your Newsletter Editor

Greetings,

This will be the last newsletter before our annual meeting, if you have any pictures and activities you want to share with the members please send them to me at sulynnengel@juno.com or sulynnengel@yahoo.com. Those of you at the annual meeting will be expected to share pictures of your time in Reno with me by July 20th. I will need you to help me make this a terrific newsletter documenting our 72nd meeting.

Thank you and see you in Reno,

Sue

American Cream Draft Horse Association



Statement of Fees



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MEMBERSHIPS (Dues yearly on or before June 30th)

| | |
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| Full Membership: | |
| One Time Fee | \$30 |
| Annual Dues | \$25 |
| Associate Membership: | |
| One Time Fee | \$30 |
| Annual Dues | \$25 |
| Junior Membership | |
| Annual Dues | \$5 |

REGISTRATIONS

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| Up to one (1) Year of age: | |
| Members | \$25 |
| Non-Members | \$40 |
| Over one (1) year of age: | |
| Members | \$50 |
| Non-Members | \$80 |

TRANSFERS

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| Within fourteen (14) days of sale: | |
| Members | \$20 |
| Non-Members | \$30 |
| After fourteen (14) days of sale: | |
| Members | \$40 |
| Non-Members | \$60 |

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Voting Member: \$25.00
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