President's Message

By Joan Olson

Dear Members,

This message I would like to emphasize the importance of vaccinations for our horses. Many do not like to and when the horse incurs a disease that can eventually kill or maim it, then the owner realizes that a vaccine might have saved the horse or at least helped it to get over the sickness faster and resume normal life. I only speak from experience, and hope that other breeders heed this and do what is necessary to help out their stock.

In relation to this we as horse owners need to take notice of other horses in the area when we go to shows or events. Some do not like to admit they have a sick horse or do not even realize it. Disease can spread rapidly and infect a horse in a matter of days. If you see sick horses in the area be careful, take precautions.

So I am done preaching and wish to extend my congratulations to all Curly breeders who have a new colt or filly in the barn! How exciting it is to see new life bounding around and trying out those precious little legs. Let’s remember to get our registrations and update memberships if need be.

Our Convention this year will be a phone conference call. We are discussing the date and have come up with October 7 as our first pick. The information for this call will be in the next Curly Cues edition for August. Stay tuned! We hope Members will consider calling in, it is very simple, and there will be instructions in the Curly Cues and on the website.

Hopefully this spring our Breeders will be considering their best horses for the next foaling season of 2018. Improving our Breed is the ultimate goal!

Good Wishes to all,

Joan Olson ABCR President

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Welcome together with us our latest Curly Horses!

**Lola Vadensis ABC# 4212**

**Loralei Vadensis PB789**

Owned by Mireille Wosten
Netherlands
Congratulations!!
Curly Horses for Sale

WWW KaCee Alexis
14 H Bay 2011 Mare
Old Type Curly, But Not Extreme.
Halter Broke, has been a broodmare.
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WWW Proud Mary ABC# 4203
DOB 2014
$1500.00
Sire: SLL Sir Patrick’s Lil Chip ABC# 3366
Dam: Silvie Rose of Sharon ABC# 3229
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Ruby’s Good Boy
2015 Gelding
$1000.00
Sire: WWW Drifter’s Blazen Image ABC# 3895
Dam: MCH Aishihic Ruby ABC# 3447
Marvwoodke@gmail.com
HD Pride’s Moonstruck ABC# 4087
Foaled May, 2013
14.3 Hand Black and White Tobiano Mare.
Big, stocky, curly and with one blue eye, this Mare is the bomb!! Definitely a head turner for sure. Friendly, gentle, handled regularly. Well trained under saddle, excellent ground manners. Good for the Farrie and Vet. No Bolt, Buck, Rear, Bite or Kick! Carries one gaited gene so she can gait.
By Maximum’s Pride, ABC# 3650 out of Red Cloud Skyedancer, ABC# 3342.
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Bay 3 year old Mare, very curly coated, very friendly, now starting ground training for saddle. Price will increase with training. $2800.00
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**Letter of Acknowledgement**

ABCR designed a “Letter of Acknowledgement” to help people who rescued Curly Horses or have a Curly with unknown parentage. ABCR can compare the DNA of these horses to the DNA of all the ABCR horses registered with DNA. This way possible relationships between e.g. a rescue horse and an ABCR registered horse can be identified. However, this DNA comparison only delivers hints of possible linages of the unknown Curly Horses, and further research needs to be done by the interested owner to see if this relationship leads to a sound story where the unknown Curly Horse came from.

Please note that if you order a “Letter of Acknowledgement” for your unknown Curly Horse

- it is NOT GUARANTEED that possible relatives can be found
- this is NO REGISTRATION of your unknown Curly Horse
- you will receive
  - o a document “Letter of Acknowledgement” stating if possible relative have been found or not
  - o a form with possibly related horses for your personal use to do further research on the heritage of your unknown Curly Horse
  - o a copy of test result from UC Davis

If you are interested to receive a Letter of Acknowledgement, please proceed as follows:

1. Go to ABCR website and use the form which applies:
   - a. member - cost is $50
   - b. non-member –cost is $85 (includes a one-year ABCR membership)

2. Pay the corresponding amount by paypal or check

3. Send the completed form and complete membership form (if new member) to ABCR office along with a photo of Curly Horse for placement on Letter of Acknowledgement You find hints how to take a good Curly Horse Picture here: [https://www.facebook.com/notes/american-bashkir-curly-registry/how-do-i-take-pictures-for-the-abcrregistration/31549727527412](https://www.facebook.com/notes/american-bashkir-curly-registry/how-do-i-take-pictures-for-the-abcrregistration/31549727527412)

4. Wait for UC Davis DNA collection form sent to you by ABCR office

5. Pull hair with roots as described in DNA collection form and send it directly to UC Davis

6. UC Davis returns the results to ABCR.

7. ABCR compares the results to books for heritage links.

8. ABCR returns to applicant:
   - a. Letter of Acknowledgement
   - b. Form showing possible heritage if available
   - c. Copy of test result from UC Davis

Contact ABCR office with questions at (877) 324-0956.
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ABCR CURLY HORSE BREED STANDARDS

BODY CONFIRMATION
- A medium size head with well-defined jaw and throatlatch
- Wide set eyes with eyelashes that curl up
- Ears that are short to medium in length with curls inside (ear hair does not totally shed out in the summer)
- A medium length neck, deep at the base of the neck where it joins the base of the shoulder
- Noticeably short back, deep through the girth
- An appearance of a long under line and the belly cut high in the flank
- Heavyboned legs and short cannon bone as compared to the forearm
- Medium withers and a flat croup with a shallow slope to the base of the tail

CURLY CHARACTERISTICS
Body (Fine, soft hair)
- Ringlet (can be several inches long)
- Marcel Wave (deep soft wave in the body coat)
- Crushed Velvet (soft dense pile of curls in body coat)

MANE (EXTRA FINE HAIR)
- Kinky – preferable
- Wavy
- Should shed all or partial in the summer
- Split mane (hangs on both sides of neck)

TAIL
- Ringlets
- Wavy
- Should shed partial at the head of the tail in the summer of some horses may shed tail completely

FETLOCKS
- Curly – preferable
- Wavy
- Should shed in summer but still retain some long hairs

HOOVES
- Almost perfectly round in shape
- Very hard and dense
- Proportioned to the size of the horse

SIZE AND WEIGHT
- Average-15 hands
- Average weight-800 to 1000 pounds

UNIQUE CHARACTERISTICS
- Curly coat can be hypoallergenic (the horsehair is round instead of flat and testing has shown the hair is closely related to mohair)
- Can completely shed the mane and/or tail in the summer, only to grow back in the fall with the winter coat.
- Noticeably short, strong back, sometimes indicating five lumbar vertebrae
- Even-tempered disposition
- Quick pulse and respiration recovery
- Very dense bone in the legs
ABCR CURLY HORSE DATABASE
“FREE TO ABCR MEMBERS”

ABCR PROVIDES A FULLY LINKED ABCR CURLY HORSE STUDBOOK ONLINE WITH MORE THAN 8,100 ENTRIES AND 2,950 PICTURES INCLUDING ALL ABCR HORSES. THESE ARE THE FEATURES OF THIS DATABASE:

1. FULLY LINKED PEDIGREES WITH PICTURES
2. SIBLINGS VIEW: FIND FULL AND HALF SIBLINGS OF A GIVEN ABCR ANIMAL AT-A-GLANCE
3. OFFSPRING VIEW
4. VERTICAL PEDIGREES: VERTICAL PEDIGREES LIST FULL SIBLINGS OF EACH HORSE IN THE PEDIGREE AT-A-GLANCE, WHICH AS A GROUP REPRESENT VARIOUS COMBINATIONS OF THEIR PARENTS’ GENES, AND ARE GOOD INDICATORS OF THE RANGE OF POSSIBILITIES THAT ARE LIKELY TO BE PASSED ON. USING VERTICAL PEDIGREE ANALYSIS GIVES BREEDERS INTERESTING INSIGHTS E.G. ABOUT CONFIRMATION OR THE EXTREME CHARACTERISTICS THAT CANNOT BE TRACKED IN A DIRECT MANNER.
5. REVERSE PEDIGREES: REVERSE PEDIGREES SHOW OFFSPRING OF THE OFFSPRING OF A GIVEN ANIMAL.
6. TRIAL MATING: TRY OUT MATING’S BETWEEN ABCR HORSES AND LOOK HOW THE CONFIRMATION OR OTHER CHARACTERISTICS WOULD MATCH.
7. ADDITIONAL INFORMATION SUCH AS COEFFICIENT OF INBREEDING (COI) AND PEDIGREE QUALITY
8. INDICATION OF DNA AVAILABILITY AND EXTREME CHARACTERISTICS
9. NAME GENERATOR: GENERATOR FOR HORSE NAMES BASED ON MORE THAN 40 YEARS OF ABCR CURLY HORSE NAMES—ALWAYS NEW AND FANCY COMBINATIONS, FUN GUARANTEED!
10. ADDITIONAL FEATURES: ADVANCED SEARCH, FULLY SCALABLE BETWEEN 3 AND 8 GENERATIONS, SAME ANCESTORS HIGHLIGHTED, ENLARGEABLE PICTURES
**Sentimental Journey**

**April 1986 Curly Cues**

1986 Pasadena Rose Parade -- ABC's parade unit enjoying New Year's Day -- Near row; I to R: Sam Borges, Tahoe Black Curly #85, So, Tahoe CA; Mel Blue, Li'l Diamond Chip #10K, Litchfield CA; Don Wybert, Tchuhchik #50, Alta Loma CA; Corine Mead, Q-Card #15, Sequim WA; Manuel Garcia, Bucephalee #181, Hanford CA. Ctr row; Dayle Johnson, Peter Paint #226, Ely NV; Vern Barnhart, Peacock D #100, Ellensburg WA; Lee Drummond, Princess Curl #144, Hanford CA; Sunny Martin, Pello Cheno #18, Ely NV; Pres. Norman Dills (Marshall), Curly Clown #35, Winnemucca NV. Far row; Lorrie Hofstad, Bel J #152, Fallbrook CA; Rhita Flake, Pats Diamond Chip #33, Clovis CA; Pat McKendry, Jay's Curly Boy #19, Morgan Hill CA; Deborah Drummond, Kostia Galliano #105, Hanford CA. SIMPLY MARVELOUS GROUP! (Rob Plunkett Photo)

**October 1986 Curly Cues**

"The Old Grey Mare" Pello Cheno #18

She's a lot of horse, this old grey mare (nearing 21) standing 15-3 and weighing 1350#. But she is every inch a lady with her calm attitude and intelligence. Even tho' not ridden for a year or more, she will go back in the show ring, rely on her memory, give it her all, and be in the money, often winning. She seems to enjoy trying new obstacles in trail classes. Altho' she has been Sunny Martin's pride & joy for 15 years, she is now owned by Debbie Mitchell who has ridden "Cheno" to two Nat'l Performance Championships, '80 & '81, plus Hi-Point Performance Horse at ABC's 1983 Show. With the trophy display are 3 ribbons from the Pasadena Tournament of Roses Parade, and the pair will be adding a 4th to the collection this coming New Year's Day. WOW!
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An Early Christmas Gift
By Diane Mitchell

I have bred horses for the past 14 years. I am fully aware of the horrors of gest anyone do what I did. My chances of 10,000!

I have a 19 year old mare, Curly Angel. She has always had trouble babysitting. In Nov. of 2006, I noticed that cycle for a few months. Thinking it was the same Holstein, BB Copper Son ABC but if you saw it, it was not. It would not show up again. I thought it would be too late now. 2) She had never had twins, so why worry?

March 2007 March 2007 noticed not only showing a large summer wore off. I know she was. I didn’t have her ultrasound. She was not pregnant.

I continued to watch her, and when she started developing milk, I separated her. I put her into a pen by my house so I could keep a close eye on her. This pen is about an acre, and heavily wooded in one corner.

On Oct. 18, I arose and looked out my window. I couldn’t see her, and thought I better go check. I got her food ready, called her, but she didn’t come. I heard a baby horse snort. I found a filly, but no mom. I began to worry. This mare was an excellent mare. Why would she leave her foal? Then I heard another baby horse snort. My heart beat quickened. I thought of all the horrors of twin births, and started to panic. I ran to find the mare, and she had just delivered a colt! Twins!

I called my vet. I called a neighbor to come help. I was past the hard part, and all was well, so far. Even the mare was making milk by the gallons! It turned out the next week would also be trying. The colt, being the youngest and smallest, wasn’t able to nurse as much as he needed. He had diarrhea, which my vet and I used different medicines to stop. We would get it under control, to have it start up the next. He was small and weak. He slept a lot more than the filly, who also pushed him away from momma’s milk. I used milk replacer for him, but he wasn’t very willing to take it. I tried probiotics, which helped some, but the diarrhea continued.

Finally, towards the end of week one, the diarrhea stopped. He started taking the milk replacer, and the probiotics started making a difference. Now, they are 2 weeks old. The filly is doing great, and even she is taking some milk replacer. The colt is much stronger, and more playful.

I was fortunate. Next time I may not be. My vet has threatened me, if I don’t get all of my mares ultrasounded, regardless of how far along they are. I am enjoying these two tremendously. They have been named: (filly) Precious Texas, and (colt) Texas Miracle.

For now, and in the near future, the plans for the foals are to promote the Curly horse. Obviously, one is curly, one smooth. What better way to explain what the breed is, the differences, yet similarities, and what makes them a ‘Curly’ horse. I already have requests from magazines and newspapers, for pictures and stories. I will do all I can to let people know about these rare twins, from a rare breed.