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Welcome!

We're delighted to bring you the inaugural issue of Sportaloosa Quarterly. It's the online magazine of Sportaloosa International and it'll be in members' email inboxes 4 times a year.

We'd like to thank you for your interest in this brand new registry. Sportaloosa International is just 6 weeks old as we write and we're thrilled with the response. We hope a fresh, friendly and supportive approach, a carefully created studbook and a strong focus on promoting the Sportaloosa as a user-friendly and spectacular coloured athlete helps breeders, riders and competitors alike to feel part of a community of spotted horse enthusiasts.

In this first magazine, you'll get a glimpse of the guality of the stallions now registered with Sportaloosa International - all stallions advertised with us get a full page ad in each issue of our magazine at no extra cost. Also in this magazine, the new southern hemisphere foal crop. We have news on our launch at Equitana, handy tips, spotted successes and more.

Check out our New Year competition below and keep an eye on www.sportaloosa.com for a new competition each month.

We'd love your news and your views. If you have any 'wouldn't it be great if' ideas, please send them through. Let us know what you're up to with your spotted horses and don't hesitate to email photos!

Happy New Year and may all your dreams come true in 2009. Petra & Samantha

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Win a cap and stickers - New Year caption competition



Win a Sportaloosa cap and car stickers by thinking up a great caption for these 2 photos of the Sportaloosa stallion Cayuse Confewsion. Enter at www.sportaloosa.com/competition.shtml

Congratulations

To Kelly Ross of New Zealand on winning a free lifetime membership to Sportaloosa International. Our draw was open to everyone who had registered interest in Sportaloosa International, plus anyone our invitees referred.

To Lyn Karman of Victoria, Australia on winning a free service to the Sportaloosa stallion Cayuse A Grand Illusion in our Equitana draw.

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Contact Petra or Samantha to find out how to hire the branding iron and mark your Sportaloosa with the brand for unique performance.

Now recording points Registered Sportaloosas can be

Registered Sportaloosas can have points recorded in whatever discipline you choose to compete in. We recognise events run by any group or organisation that keeps an official record of the performance of all horses entered in the event.

We award bronze, silver and gold medallions for achievement as well as record your Sportaloosa's achievements against his performance record with Sportaloosa International. For the first year, submitting points for Sportaloosa awards is completely free to all lifetime members.

For the forms you need, visit www.sportaloosa.com and be sure to take them with you to your next event.

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SPORTALOOSAS AT EQUITANA ASIA PACIFIC '08

Well the 2008 Equitana, staged at the Melbourne Royal Showgrounds is over and boy what an event! If you have never gone to Equitana, promise yourself

you'll attend the next one to be held in two years' time. It is a must for all horse enthusiasts.

Words can hardly describe the four action-packed days, the staggering amount of things to see, the tremendous atmosphere. Apart from all the 'goodies' one could buy there were international trainers and educators giving wonderful clinics and at night awesome entertainment.

The Breeders Village that housed thirty breeds was a hit with everyone. Although the weather wasn't the best with cold, rain and hail it didn't dampen anyones spirits! The Sportaloosa International stand manned by Vince and Samantha Mcauliffe received a constant flow of interested visitors. Each day was a grand parade in the main arena of all the breeds.



The Sportaloosa stallion on show, Cayuse A Grand Illusion received a lot of comments on his very quiet well behaved nature amongst all the 'going-ons' that upset some horses. He also looked stunning ridden under saddle in the individual breed displays. A large amount of literature about the new registry was handed out and quite a few people took a cap or car sticker home.

Hundreds of people entered the free draw for a service to Illusion and the lucky winner was Lyn Karman of Doveton, Victoria.





The highlights of the event would have to be the entertainment put on by Australia's treasure Guy McLean. His colt starting demonstration under lights in the big main arena was stunning, especially when he managed to ride an unhandled touchy youngster in an hour.

The quadrille put on by the top ten dressage riders from the Grand Prix freestyle ridden to the sounds of a didgeridoo was sensational. To see the Olympic standard show jumping and the sensational Andreas Helgstrand from Denmark riding the black stallion Whisper in a freestyle dressage was also very memorable. Welcome to New Zealand

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Training tip – timing



We all like to see those deep, straight stops which are essential to the training of the reining, cutting and challenge horse.

To stop a horse on his hind quarters the timing of your aid and body position are everything. You must say whoa and apply the aid when the horse's hind feet are in the air and just coming forward. This lets the

horse bring his hind legs up under his body for a balanced stop. If his hindlegs are already on the ground you will make the horse stop on his forehand.

Practice stopping at the trot first as the timing isn't as crucial, although your body position is the same. When the horse is stopping good at the trot start practicing at the lope and master the timing.

When stopping always remember to relax, don't tighten up or ride on your thighs. Sit deep in the saddle rounding your lower back, not arching it, relax your shoulders (taking a deep breath is helpful), keeping your legs long and loose.

Use your hands in a set and release and no higher than your waist. It's often a good idea to lope the horse for awhile so he's looking to stop and when he does sit quiet and let him relax at a standstill as a reward.

More next time... send in any questions on training, handling and we'll answer in the next issue.

Breeding tip – like to like

When it's excellence you're aiming for, don't leave anything to chance.

Use the very best quality mare and stallion you possibly can and make your choices positive ones. Don't rely on one to make up for the faults of the other but choose horses that will complement each other's structure and ability.

When making your selection, look carefully at the horses in the pedigree of the mare and stallion and pay particular attention to how similar they all look to each other. If it's



easy to tell they're related and the traits they show are positive ones, your chances of producing the horse you want are significantly increased. If each of the horses looks very different, you'll find this breeding choice to be a lottery... the chances are slim that you'll win! If you notice the same negative traits appearing within a horse's family, avoid breeding to this horse.

Don't forget the colour... one of the Sportaloosa's most easily recognised traits is his coat pattern. You'll never find us encouraging you to breed for colour alone but with just a little effort and attention, you'll find you can consistently produce a superb type of horse that also has a coat pattern.

More on producing well marked foals next time... we'll have plenty of information for you courtesy of the Appaloosa Project - an international research effort devoted to unravelling the mysteries of the appaloosa coat pattern.



Training tip – jumping



One of the greatest thrills in riding is being able to take your horse over jumps. Most jumps are made up of rails and the height and width can be altered depending on the stage of you and your horse. You can start off with 'baby' jumps and as you and your horse gain confidence you can progress upwards.

Of course you are keen but one day your horse refuses or runs out at the jump! A variety of reasons can cause this but the basic cause is a lack of obedience to the rider to go forward from the leg. In fact this is the most common cause of many of the problems we have when riding. With these refusals you have to be quick to correct your horse.

That is the reason one should always carry a stick as standard equipment to reinforce the forward motion with quick

use behind the leg or on the side the horse runs out to.

You are the leader in the jumping so the horse must respect your command when asked to jump. If you don't then I'm afraid you won't be doing much jumping! If you are a little unsteady always use a neck strap to hold onto, especially at takeoff. If you punish your horse by jabbing it in the mouth with the bit very soon it won't enjoy the jumping and start to refuse.

Always ride your horse to the takeoff, for if you stop riding just before the jump that is where your horse will stop. Look up and forward and ride encouragingly. Your approach to the jumps should be as straight and central as possible to give the horse a fair go at attempting it. If you cut in too sharp or the distance between is wrong this can cause a stop too.

When you are going well be careful not to overface your horse with too big a jump beyond his present scope or this will cause a refusal and damage his confidence. Go back to low easy jumps if this happens so he gets his confidence again. Some horses are always bold but others are a little soft and need to be encouaged and helped.

If your horse persists in refusing please have him checked by a vet and/or a chiropractor to check to see if there isn't an undetected unsoundness that is causing pain to your horse, which would be a disability not a disobedience.

Try to end each session with a good jump, reward the horse with a relaxing walk around the jumps and finish.

When going on a bush ride, practice jumping fallen logs. Always check first that the takeoff and landing haven't any holes or debris to land on. Always ride with a safety hat and if going out alone tell someone where you are going.

One doesn't have to compete to enjoy the thrill and fun of jumping on your willing Sportaloosa.

Finally, remember to log your hours for your Let's Ride award!

Tell your friends!

This first issue of Sportaloosa Quarterly is absolutely free to anyone who would like it. We'd love you to send it far and wide, to as many people as you like.



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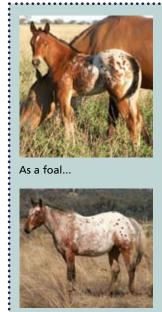




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Changing spots...



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And now with new foal...

A warm welcome to:

A very warm welcome to our recent new members.

Kelly Ross - New Zealand Rachael Jacobsen - Australia Debbie McRae - New Zealand Sharon Irwin - New Zealand Debra Bawden - Australia Eileen Oswald - New Zealand Sheena Martin - New Zealand Wayne Cook - Australia Valmai Jones - Australia Ev Lagoon - Australia

Thanks so much for your support of this new registry and welcome! We're delighted to have you with us.

Registered stud prefixes:

AP - Afton Park Oregon Park - Ev Lagoon Savannah - Valmai Jones Arawood - Arawood Appaloosas CA - Debra Bawden Cayuse - Cayuse Appaloosas Mighty - Sparkling Acres Appaloosas Shawin - Shawin Appaloosas

Vale - Marires Eagle

Our sympathy to Sharon Irwin of New Zealand on her loss of this striking stallion as a result of a paddock accident.



Spots on top in historic win

Congratulations to Rock 'n' Wood Ranch and trainer Michael Schmidt of Germany, who rode the leopard mare Rock 'n' Roll to win the NZWRF South Island Western Pleasure



Futurity in December 2008.

This event, now in its 11th year, has never previously been won by an Appaloosa, so this is no small achievement!

Rock 'n' Roll also took out Runner Up High Point Junior Horse of the NZWRF South Island Show.

This event is held annually in Nelson, at the top of the South Island in New Zealand.

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On site AI training at Sparkling Acres Appaloosas By Petra Davidson

For many stallion owners who'd like to offer transported semen from their stallion, getting started can be difficult.

While excellent breeding clinics are available, sending your prized stallion away for training carries no guarantee that you'll be able to safely collect semen from him yourself when he comes home.

In spring 2008, the team at Sparkling Acres (Petra and Appaloosa stallion Mighty Luminous, affectionately known as 'Needles') completed Al training at home with what could be the world's first mobile breeding unit.

Al experts Keith Atkinson and Jessie Jones arrived with their fully equipped mobile laboratory and breeding phantom. Dodging torrential showers of rain, they set up the phantom and we were underway.

With Keith supervising, me handling and Jessie on collection duty, we tackled the task of introducing Needles to the phantom.

We strapped an old cover over the phantom and scented it with urine from an in season mare. Jessie prepared the artificial vagina (AV) ready for action and we took Needles over for a look. To our delight, he needed no convincing at all and jumped straight on. With one minor adjustment to get the pressure in the AV right for him and a bit of testing from Needles to make sure this strange looking mare would support his weight, we completed his first collection in record time.

Needles then stood by patiently while we took the sample into the mobile lab to see if it was any good. Under the microscope it was clear that we weren't going to have any trouble with semen quality from this stallion either.

With the first run out of the way, it was time for me to learn how to prepare and then handle the AV.

The artificial vagina is a long tube with an outer layer that gets filled with warm water. The collection bottle (into which the sperm runs) is fitted to the end with a filter inside it. This all fits inside a rigid sleeve with a handle. The inside of the AV is lubricated and must be at the right temperature so that the stallion will be comfortable with it and the sperm won't be affected by temperatures that are too high or low.

We'd established that Needles was comfortable with a temperature of around 44 degrees celsius and that about 2 litres of water in the AV provided



First look at the phantom mare, with Keith supervising



The ESS phantom can be adjusted to the right height and angle for individual stallions

a level of pressure he was happy with. With the pie warmer waiting at the right temperature in the mobile lab (to keep the collection warm until mixed with extender), the fridge ready to cool it down once mixed) and the AV ready, the job of completing the collection while the AV is at the right temperature was underway again.

Jessie again fitted the AV so I could watch and get the sequence of events right in my head, as getting the stallion's penis into the AV quickly is vital, especially while the stallion is learning. Too slow and the stallion quickly loses interest. Having learned that some stallions can take a LOT longer to convince to mount the phantom mare, we didn't want to give Needles any reason to lose his enthusiasm!

Our second collection was also a good one, so the next part of the lesson followed straight on. Jessie showed how to prepare the semen for transport by removing it from the AV, checking it for quality, mixing it with extender and chilling it ready to be packed. Needles' semen was mixed with 2 different extenders so Keith and Jessie could monitor its performance over the next couple of days and tell me which extender was ideal to use for him.

We'd done so well on day one that we left Needles to relax in his paddock and had plenty of time to go over training tips as well as to cover my many questions about semen preparation.

Day two was more of the same, with me preparing and fitting the AV while Jessie handled Needles. We got the job done, though I was close to forgetting to remove the thermometer from the AV before putting it on and somehow I don't think Needles would have appreciated that!

By the end of the second day, Needles and I had completed a full run more or less on our own; I hadn't dropped the AV, he'd behaved well and was extremely easy to handle due to his acceptance of this strange new way of breeding.

We came away from the training with a solid grounding and with every aspect of the procedure assessed and mapped out for us. We know which extender to use for this particular stallion and know how he should perform. Plus, we have ongoing advice available by phone if we need it.

ESS is based in the Hawkes Bay of New Zealand. Its principal Keith Atkinson has run one of NZ's most successful performance horse studs - JK Holsteiner - with horses exported throughout the world. JK Holsteiner has bred by chilled and frozen semen long before it become fashionable so Keith is an ideal person to be instructing stallion owners on AI. His pupil Jessie is well on the way to becoming an accomplished horseperson in her own right and already has considerable experience in the collection and preparation of semen so is the perfect partner in the venture.

Both Keith and Jessie are easy to talk to, very patient and excellent teachers. When training with Keith, know that he has an opinion on everything and isn't afraid to tell you what it is! Equine Stud Solutions is a one of a kind business though, providing a complete service on a subject it's hard to find concrete and practical information on.

Find out more at www.equinestudsolutions.co.nz.



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Jessie checking a semen sample

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Colt x Cayuse A Grand Illusion

Sportaloosa play pen

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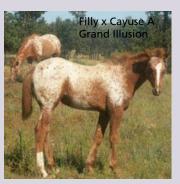
















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SCHEDULE OF FEES

Membership

Membership	NZD	AUD
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Mare over 12 months	\$58	\$50
 if already entered in Appaloosa or Knabstrupper registry 	\$24	\$20
Colt over 12 months	\$58	\$50
Stallion classification (over 24 months)	\$168	\$150
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Other		
Transfer of ownership	\$18	\$15

First ever Knabstrupper frozen semen now in Australia

Xhogun Middelsom is a rare purebred Danish Knabstrupper stallion, owned by the Blacklaw Sporthorse Stud, Scotland.



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This imposing whiteborn stallion is homozygous for the spotted gene so will produce a spotted coat pattern to any solid coloured breed of mare. He is premium graded and performance tested, gaining the highest performance test in UK, a premium 8 out of the possible 10. He is now in

dressage training and also displays well over jumps.

Xhogun is a substantial stallion standing 16.2 with nine inches of bone, deep heart girth and excellent straight paces. He has a commanding appearance and good work ethic. His leopard sire Xanthos was a successful dressage horse and has many successful progeny all over Europe who compete to international level. Perhaps on of his most famous sons is Zanko, a multi gold medel winner at the paraolympics.

The dam of Xhogun is also a leopard Knabstrupper who received a premium and silver medallion for her superior offspring. Her sons and daughters are now all over Europe and the USA.

Cayuse Sportaloosa stud at Manilla, NSW imported the frozen semen and hopefully will get some warmblood cross appaloosa mares and warmblood mares in foal to him to produce some spotted dressage and jumping horses of the future.

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LYNWAY CHANTILLY LACE (AAA) Silver Medalion at Halter SPANISH LACE (AAA) ROM at Halter 1980 High Point mare at Halter





MC's Rockledge Photo: MC's Ranch

Babe Warrior with MC's Rockledge at foot Photo: MC's Ranch



Prince Plaudit Photo: Johnny Johnston / www.boldheart.com

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Prince's Fury

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Sundance 500 (great great great great grandsire of Spanish Lace) Photo: Sundance 500 International

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Arab Toswirah Alkhar (left) with son Texas Plaudit (imp) Siri Sheik (grandsire of MC's Rockledge) Photo: Melville Stud Photo: Sundance 500 Internationa

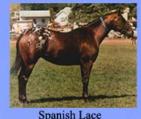


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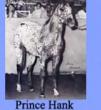


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