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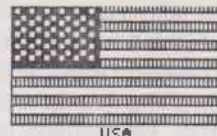
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NEWS FROM THE U.S.



USA

Waterford Stud is expecting a number of foals by the young stallion **Nesscliffe Sunrise** (Mabnesscliffe Survivor/Tireinon Dawn) including two Thoroughbreds. A new barn will be completed in time to accommodate visiting mares for this year's breeding season. **Crossroads Lady Diana**, by Derwen Rebound, is now with Anna Bliss in Rehoboth, Massachusetts. Anna's older sister, Molly, was second at the North American young rider's 3-day Event Championship. Anna and Lady Diana are training with Mike Plumb and will be eventing at the training level this year. Submitted by India Hayes, So. Waterford, Maine

John and Ann Lamb, Avondale Farm, are the proud g-sire and g-dam of "colt" Daniel Fletcher Antal. Daniel, the Lamb's first grandchild, was born in February.

Oregon's first cob foal arrived in March to the farm of Barbara Wynn. Wynsom's Magnificent Obsession, a chestnut, is by Brynarian Braint ap Maldwyn(D) and out of Finally a Filly (A). Barbara can't believe his size and exclaimed "He's three times the size of other foals his age!"

A new Welsh club has been formed in Oregon. A.W.E. standing for All Welsh Enthusiasts is devoted to promoting the Welsh Pony, Cob and Welsh Partbred, as well as HAVING FUN together, encouraging sportsmanship, competing in Open events, and making our Welsh as visible as possible. To that end, I paid a visit to my son's first grade class when they were studying the British Isles with two of our Welsh to "show and tell". Section A pony Charge and Section D Cob Jolly made quite a hit. After lungeing Jolly to demonstrate the wonderful flying trot, Jol settled right down and adored the children coming up to give her pets and hugs. She stood like a rock and lowered her head to get eye to eye level. When told that Jolly would have a baby next year, the children asked, "Where will the baby come out?" Having just finished reading a book about discussing sexuality with children, I perceived this was one of those "Where did I come from?" questions. So my answer was the foal would come out the birth canal. The children persisted: "But where will the baby BE when it comes out?" I tried again. It will be coming out an opening that is under Jolly's tail. They looked puzzled. Exasperated, the teacher said, "I think they want to know if the foal will be born in the barn." "Yes!" the children shouted, "Will it be born in the barn or where?" Just when I thought I knew all the answers, I realized I didn't know the question! Submitted by Cindy Dishman

NEWS FROM CANADA



CANADA

The Annual General Meeting of the Welsh Pony and Cob Society of Canada will be held in Vancouver, British Columbia on the weekend of April 22-24 at the Surrey Hotel.

CANADA - continued

Patricia Gammon reports one of the fourteen large hunter ponies from Ontario to qualify for the Royal Winter Fair in Toronto in 1987 was the half-Welsh **Total Recall** (registered as Ashton Elin) by the Section D Welsh Cob stallion **Ashton Aelwyn ap Math** and out of the Arab mare **Ashton Bourree**. The five-year old mare and her eleven-year old owner, Ainsley Vince, both in their first full season of showing, were placed fifth in the stake class. It is thought to be the first time a "green" rider with a green pony has qualified for the Royal.

Aelwyn himself took part in a twenty-mile sponsored ride in aid of a local riding for the disabled association in September and completed the distance in heavy rain, spashing through water and mud with great enthusiasm raising \$523 in sponsorships. He probably retains a "race memory" of Welsh weather!

Patricia adds, "Incidentally, I was interested to read the item by Richard Miller on trimming Welsh Cobs in the Autumn 1987 issue of NACC. Did you know that the Canadian Equestrian Federation rules for showing Welsh Cobs put out in January 1985 specify: Section 6 GENERAL (a) "Welsh Cobs shall be shown with full mane and tail and with feather on their heels. In harness classes, a braid in the foretop and behind the ear is permitted." It seems that we in Canada are more purist (I suppose some would say "old-fashioned") about our Cobs than even the British! However, I assume this rule of the CEF means that if people from the States bring their Cobs up to show here with pulled manes and/or tails, they risk being disqualified.

On the subject of quarter-Welsh being included in the part-bred registry as in Britain, I did propose this as a constitutional amendment here last year, but had to withdraw it as the Canadian National Livestock Records, which controls all animal registrations here, will not consider anything with less than 50% blood as the pure breed. We did, in fact, manage to hang on to one of our Cob x T.B. mares long enough to produce a foal out of her by a T.B. (We, in fact, sold her in foal with the proviso she come back to us to foal and we kept the filly.) The 3/4 T.B. is a magnificent eventer type and should start competing this year. All our other Cob x T.B. (which we are calling "Welsh Warmblood" fillies have been sold as youngsters, so we haven't been able to repeat that kind of breeding, but Afiena Kamminga has put one of them to a T.B. stallion and produced a super colt out of exactly the same type, so it seems that this cross is very like a breed for "reproducibility".

Submitted by Patricia Gammon

By now, Barbara Brown and Neil Ferguson, Thornbeck Farm in Rexton, New Brunswick, have welcomed a new foal by Cwmfelen Golden Eclipse out of a Newfoundland Pony mare. Barbara reported her mare was due "any day now".



NEWS FROM BRITAIN

Our sympathies are extended to Okeden Stud. Dr. June Alexander writes: "We have been devastated to find **Gorse** dead in her paddock last week: at post mortem she was four weeks off foaling a FILLY but she had a very rare condition of pregnancy toxemia." **Okeden Gorse** (Llanarth Meredith ap Braint/Arth Maid of Honour) was born in 1972 and the first homebred cob of Okeden Stud. She has been a supreme champion in the ring as well as an excellent producer. Several of her foals have been imported to the United States.

Notice that Dr. June Alexander has been selected as a Section D Panel Judge of the Welsh Pony and Cob Society has just been announced.

Interesting News Notes

The Welsh Cob premium program pays money to winners at certain shows. Premiums for Yearling to Two Year Olds range from £20 to £40 while mature stock can win from £100 to £250 per show. Premium stallions are subject to rules which include, among others, the following: 1.) A minimum number of mares must be covered, registered or unregistered. In the case of Welsh Cobs Section D the number is 10 and for Welsh Ponies (Cob Type) Section C the number is 6. If the number of mares covered falls below the recommended figures the Premium Grant will be reduced accordingly. 2.) A maximum stud fee is 60 gns. 3.) Every mare owner has the right to visit a Premium stallion which must be available at all reasonable times.

Pictured Left: **Okeden Gorse**

Upcoming Events in Britain

April: 16 Ponies of Britain; 21 West Midland Stallion Show; 23 Lampeeter Stallion Show

May: 1 Southern Counties Spring Indoor Show; 1-2 Leicestershire; 2 Llandyrnog Spring Show; 6-7 Nottingham; 7 Glanusk Stallion; 8 Ponies of Britain Club Ltd; 18-19 Shropshire & West Midlands; 19-21 Devon County; 25-26 Staffordshire; 27-29 Hertfordshire 28 Montgomeryshire; 30 Surrey County

June: 1-2 Suffolk; 1-4 Royal Bath & West; 4-5 Midland Counties; 9-11 Royal Cornwall; 8-10 South of England; 11 Ponies in Britain Club; 11 Aberystwyth; 14-16 Three Counties; 17-19 Essex; 18 Derbyshire County; 18 Severn Valley Assoc.; 19-22 Royal Highland; 21-22 Cheshire County; 22-23 Lincolnshire; 25 Clwyd Assoc. Summer Show; 29-30 Royal Norfolk

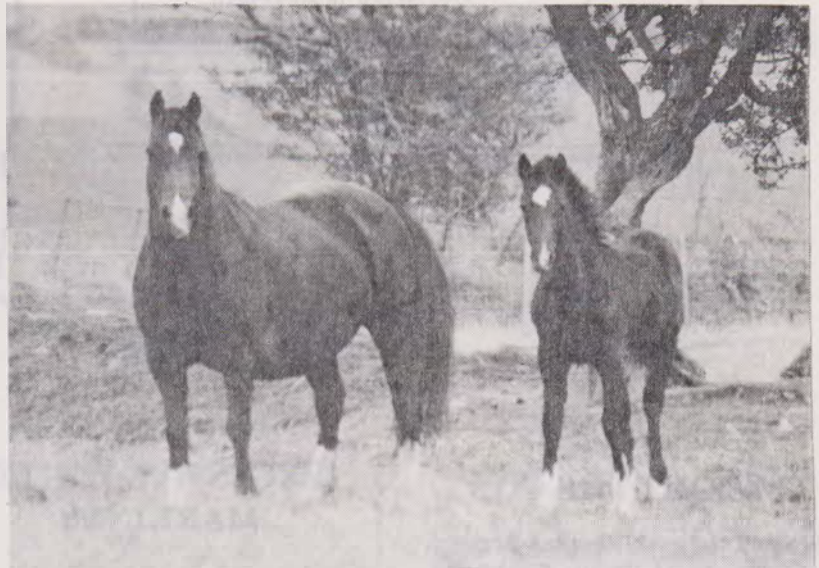
July: 2-3 Seaton Ross; 3-7 Royal of England; 9 Tendring Hundred Farmers' Club; 10 Market Bosworth 9 Northleach Show; 9-10 Bridgend Show; 12-14 Yorkshire; 14-16 Kent County; 18-21 Royal Welsh; 20 East of England; 23-24 Royal Bath & West; 20 Llandyrnog; 26-28 Royal Lancashire; 27 Nantwich & So. Cheshire; 27-28 New Forest & Hampshire County 29-30 Border Union; 30 Abergavenny; 30 Oswestry; 31 Tring

August: 3 Nevern; 3-4 Bakewell; 9-10 Anglesey; 11-12 United Counties; 16-18 Pembrokeshire; 17 Vale of Glamorgan; 18 Denbs & Flints; 18-20 Ponies of Britain Club; 19-21 Spillers Ardingly; 24 Gillingham & Shaftesbury; 25 Merioneth; 25 Monmouth; 27-29 Kenilworth; 29 Edenbridge & Oxted; 29 Madresfield; 29 Moorgreen; 29-30 City of Leicester

NEW SUBSCRIBERS

The following people are new subscribers to NACC for the first quarter of 1988.

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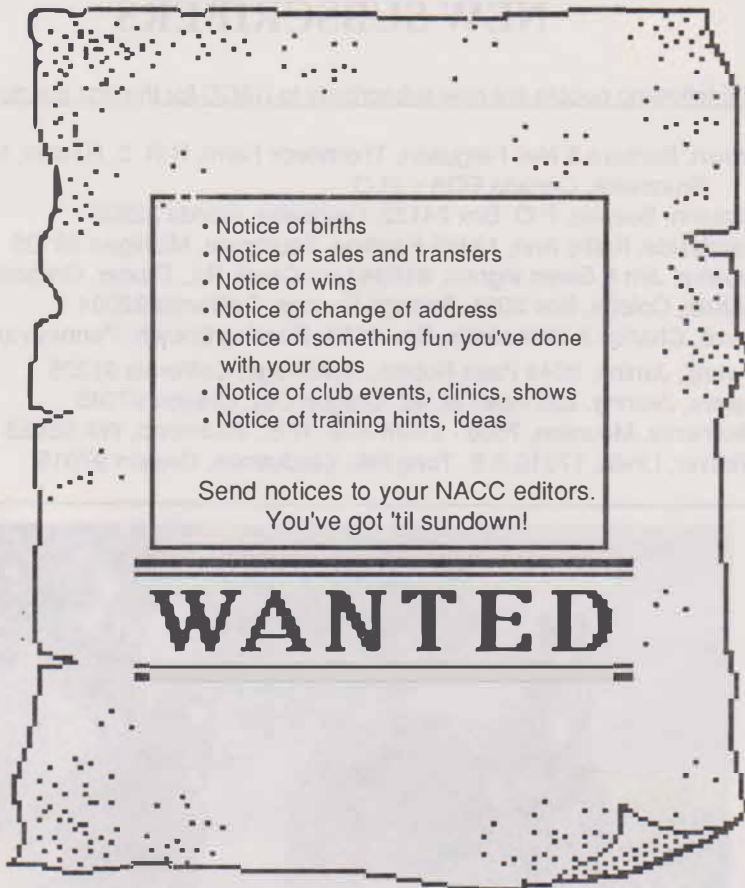
SYNOD ROSEMARY by Brenin Dafydd with foal,
SYNOD ROSARY by Brynymor Welsh Magic.
ROSARY was the top-priced foal at Builth Cob Sale selling for 1450 gns.

DIRECTORIES MAILED

Member/Breeder Directories for both the U.S. and Canada have been mailed. (They're fat this year and full of photos!) If you have not yet received your copy, you may do so by writing or calling the Secretary of the Society. Before taking action, check to be sure you've joined! If not, it's still not too late. Contacts are as follows:

U.S. Welsh Pony & Cob Society of America, P.O. Box 2977, Winchester, VA 22601 Secretary Victoria Headley, (703) 667-6195. Membership fees are \$200 for Life, \$35 for Family/Firm, \$25 for Annual, \$15 Annual Associate and \$10 for Junior (age 18 and under). Includes Yearbook

Canada Welsh Pony and Cob Society of Canada, Contact Mrs. Mary Cork, Secretary, RR 2, Caledon East, Ontario LON 1E0, or call (519) 941-9633. Membership fees are \$200 for Life, \$20 for Annual Membership and \$5 for Junior (18 and under). Please make Money Order or *certified* cheque payable to: Canadian National LiveStock Records. The Directory is for 1988 through 1989.



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- Notice of something fun you've done with your cobs
- Notice of club events, clinics, shows
- Notice of training hints, ideas

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ABOUT THE COB

From "The Horse Keepers Encyclopedia" by W. H. Walter, Elliot Right Way Books, Surrey, U.K. 1969.

"... a very strong, ride-and-drive type, short-legged and a fast trotter . . . with silky mane and heel tufts. The breed has been evolved from the native Mountain Pony, which it closely resembles, through the 'Old Welsh Cart Horse', by many crosses, including the Thoroughbred. The trotting action seems to point to some Hackney or English Roadster influence. Though making an excellent harness horse, the mare can be used in breeding good Polo Ponies, and the stallion has been much in demand abroad for breeding military horses. The uses of a Cob of this type are obvious and almost unlimited.

EXCESSIVE WHITE MARKINGS

The Board of Directors of the WPACSA will soon be addressing the question of whether or not to refuse (or qualify) registration of ponies who have 'EXCESSIVE' white markings. Comments on this subject will be heard by the Board. The Board's findings will define, uphold, and/or change a breed standard rule instituted in 1906 when the registry in this country was founded and it will affect all ponies and all breeders in the U.S. Express your opinions by contacting the WPACSA Directors at P.O. Box 2977, Winchester, VA 22601

IN THE MAILBAG COUNTERPOINT

By Kathy Reese

As a Section C breeder, I feel that I must respond to the Cob Questionnaire article that appeared in the Winter 1988 issue of NACC. A number of breeders of Section C and D, myself among them, did not respond to the survey. I did not respond because I felt that I needed to do a great deal of research to prove my points and because I feel that our current registration rules are fair and suitable and follow the rules of every other country in the world except Canada. The U.S. Cob registration rules follow the rules of the U.K. in both principle and practice. As a C breeder, I will only comment on Section C.

The questionnaire proposed that if a Section A or B were crossed with a Section C or D that male offspring could not be used at stud. Further, if the offspring was a mare, her male offspring could not be used at stud either. Thus, male offspring would be barred from reproducing until the third generation (which translates in real terms to about 30 years).

As most people are aware, Section C is a mixture of A, B, C, and D and it is a fairly new section. The 1964-65 volume of the British Studbook only included 13 fully registered Section C mares and four Section C stallions (two of whom were re-entries changed from Section B to C). Given that the average time for a generation is 10 years and given the small gene pool, it would have been impossible for Section C to flourish without the continued use of A, B and D blood. It is sometimes assumed that A's, B's and D's are no longer used in Section C in Britain. This is absolutely not the case. They are used and used often. Following are the top 21 Section C sires as listed in the 1987 Welsh Pony and Cob Society Journal. At least one-third are Section D. With a 13.2 hand height limit, this alone would show the necessity of crossing back on A or B lest all Section C creep up over 13.2. Two of the sires are both by

COUNTERPOINT - continued

and out of Section D so one must assume they are Section D who did not make D height. Following the name of each sire I have made a note of how each would fare if the rules proposed by the Questionnaire were applied to them.

1. **Nebo Brenin** - Sec. D
2. **Lyn Cwmcoed** - by a Sec. A; would not be eligible as a sire
3. **Synod William** - would not exist; by a stallion not eligible for use as a sire
4. **Menai Fury** - by a Sec. A; would not be eligible as a sire
5. **Cippyn Red Flyer** - Sec. D
6. **Nebo Bouncer** - (1987 Royal Welsh Ch.) out of a mare by a Sec. A stallion; would not be eligible as a sire
7. **Isaman Dafydd** - OK; both parents Sec. D
8. **Tyssul Coram** - Dam is out of a Sec. B and sire line would not be eligible; would not be eligible as a sire
9. **Derwen Adventure Boy** - Sec. D
10. **Gwelfro Tywysog** - Dam is out of a Sec. B and sire line would not be eligible; would not be eligible as a sire
11. **Synod Reagan** - OK as he stands, but under the proposed rules none of his tail male line would have been eligible so he would not have existed
12. **Parc Dafydd** - Sec. D
13. **Ebbw Victor** - Sec. D
14. **Leyeswick Flyer** - Dam by a Sec. A; would not be eligible as a sire
15. **Cyttir Telynor** - Sec. D
16. **Nebo Daniel** - Sec. D
17. **Persie Nimbus** - OK himself but sire line would not have been eligible so he would not have existed
18. **Glanteify Meirion** - Sire was by a Sec. A; would not be eligible as a sire
19. **Paddock Welsh Flyer** - Both sire and dam Sec. D
20. **Synod Rascal** - OK but sire line ineligible so he would not have existed
21. **Tyssul Geraint** - Dam out of a Sec. A; would not be eligible as a sire

This list of stallions who have not only been Champions in their own right but are the sires of the current crop of Section C Champions illustrates the need for and the use of Sec. A and B in C breeding. The necessity of Sec. D influence, of course, speaks for itself. There are also many many Champion and Champion-producing mares with A and B parents and grandparents.

Section C are Welsh PONIES of Cob Type. To deny the pony influence would be the death of Section C. Yes, some people will make mistakes and some will breed ponies that are not ideal Sec. C's. To me, one **Turkdean Cerdin**, one **Menai Fury**, one **Lyn Cwmcoed**, or one **Synod William** make 100 mistakes worthwhile. There is the pressure of the showing and of the buying public to make the breeding of typey Sec. C ponies everyone's goal. The less than typey examples won't win at the shows and won't be purchased by successful breeders and, in the long run, probably won't make much contribution to the gene pool. I firmly believe that the cream will rise to the top.

I take strong exception to the comments in the Questionnaire article that state crossing an A or B with a D to produce a C is somehow different here than doing the same thing in Wales. Why?? A number of Sec. C Champions in Wales include A, B and D animals close up in the pedigree. Every Welsh Pony or Cob in the U.S. is descended directly and entirely from stock imported from Britain. Have we been sold nothing but trash, unworthy to breed from—from these lovely folks so glad to see us coming? I would like to think not, nor do I think that we are so lacking in discernment that we can't pick and choose. Obviously not every Sec. A or B is a good candidate to sire or produce a Sec. C. For example, I would certainly not use the very T.B. type of Sec. B (often deplored and often winning in the U.K. showings) to produce a C.

I am also disturbed by the argument that, in the U.K., animals that are not of the correct type are easily disposed of. What a shame that we don't have a nice country nearby with their knives and forks poised for a dinner of yummy five-month old foal. Selling foals for meat can be a profitable activity in Britain—given that very little is often spent on them in their short lives. Foals are often not weaned until the moment they are sold; they are often not halter broke and, despite supposedly strict laws against cruelty, they are often jammed on lorries in great numbers. I have also seen them left without food or water for unconscionable amounts of time. It may be easy disposal, but it's not very pretty. I think we have something better even though our breeding errors may not be buried (in the literal as well as figurative sense). We have performance classes where ponies show English, Western, Trail, Driving and Hunter—often the same pony, often the same show. We have 4-H and open pony shows, riding for the disabled and the back yard pony for a child to ride and love. Many of our ponies do not need to breed on to lead useful lives. Most breeders wish the best for the breed and have the breed standard firmly in mind. Let's not legislate to stop the very few to the great detriment of the majority, but educate through shows, clinics, videos and handbooks. All responsible breeders welcome the responsibility of helping new owners and breeders recognize the correct type.

I would be happy to communicate with anyone on this subject: Kathy Reese, Rt. 1, Box 52, Dover, AR 72837 (501) 331-2642. I would also be happy to do Cob pedigrees—four or five generation—and will include any information asked for: color, section, etc. at no charge.

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**CHARLIE THE
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Below is an excerpt from a column 'Show Jumping Commentary' by Peter Churchill which appeared in a British magazine about 1984. The article was entitled 'Charlie' tops the Foxhunters.

"A Record 1,017 shows staged over 1,300 preliminary rounds for the Hoechst Foxhunter Championship in 1983, attracting over 45,000 starters. These impressive figures make the Foxhunter series the biggest showjumping tournament in the world—but does it produce top horses?

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This year, from all those thousands of starters, 21 finalists entered Wembley Arena last Tuesday night for the final. Well over half of them were the sorts that any jumping rider would be pleased to see in his yard—particularly the ones in very little tackle and it was nice to see that there were quite a few of them this year.

Mennell Watson, a regular winner of novice classes at Hickstead, came out the winner after an eight-horse final on John Holton's eight-year-old palomino **Charlie Brummell**.

Mennell, from Co. Down, is now based in Maidenhead, Berks, and Charlie Brummell, a one-time inmate of Lars Sederholm's yard, was sired by a **Welsh Cob**. The strength of that bloodline showed in Charlie's bouncy, powerful stride, particularly in the turnbacks which modern show jumping demands. . . ."



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Section A: (All by the stallion Twinkling Superstar of Penrhyn)

- Chestnut Filly out of Ceulan Shoned, 3/20
- Grey Filly out of Penrhyn No Wonder, 1/14
- Bay Filly out of Terfyn Fae Candy, 3/1
- Grey Colt out of Penrhyn Fair Ilar, 3/18

Section C:

- Bay Colt, Turkdean Sword Dance (C) x Belle Chimes of Penrhyn (A), 1/26

Section D:

- Bay Filly, Llanarth Trustful x Gweneth Pres y Penrhyn, 2/26
- Black Colt, Okeden Sensation x Llanarth Meleri, 3/3
- Palomino Colt, Turkdean Sword Dance x Parc Ceridwen, 3/4
- Chestnut Colt, Llanarth Trustful x Gweneth Aur y Penrhyn, 3/13
- Bay Filly, Llanarth Trustful x Penrhyn Sensational Lady, 3/24
- Black Filly, Okeden Sensation x Llanarth Morwen, 3/19

The following Cobs are available from Grazing Fields Farm, Ltd. with a more complete description in the Winter '88 issue of NACC:

- 1987 Black Filly, PENRHYN MARIAH, Okeden Sensation x Sydenham Keria
- 1987 Bay filly, PENRHYN BLUE MOON, Okeden Sensation x Bwyd y Barcud
- 1987 Bay filly, PENRHYN BRIGHT VALENTINE, Okeden Sensation x Fair Tegolin of Penrhyn
- 1986 Bay filly, PENRHYN BRIGHT SUNSHINE, Okeden Sensation x Fair Tegolin of Penrhyn
- 1986 Palomino gelding, PENRHYN SABRE DANCE, Turkdean Sword Dance x Gweneth Pres y Penrhyn
- 1984 Bay mare, PENRHYN SENSATIONAL LADY, Okeden Sensation x Nebo Fair Lady
- 1986 Black filly, OKEDEN WELSH PRINCESS, Lidgett Bakers Boy x Arth Maid of Honour
- 1986 Chestnut filly, RHYSTYD FANCY, Ceredigion Tywysog x Rhystyd Lady Diana



1987 U.S. REGISTRATIONS/ TRANSFERS

Victoria Headley, Secretary of the WP&CS of America gave a report on registrations and transfers at the November 1987 Annual General Meeting. For the Stud Book, 323 Section A and B Welsh Ponies were registered in 1987 up to November. Section C and D registrations totaled 39 compared with 25 for the same time in 1986. Ninety-three Half Welsh were registered in 1987 compared with 106 in 1986. Transfers of Welsh Ponies and Cobs totalled 1,072 for 1987 with 89 transfers of Half Welsh. In 1986 there were 1,031 transfers of which 39 were for Half Welsh.

From the book "Show Horses and Ponies" by Phyllis Hinton and John Nestle, David and Charles, Ltd., Devon, 1973

"It is a rather interesting fact that a group of Germans visited a fair at Lampeter in 1914 and bought every light horse they could lay hands on, of which all must have been cobs, and they also bought every cob they could find in Cardiganshire. This clean-out of livestock must have had a considerable effect on the number of cobs left in Wales and probably had an effect on future breeding."

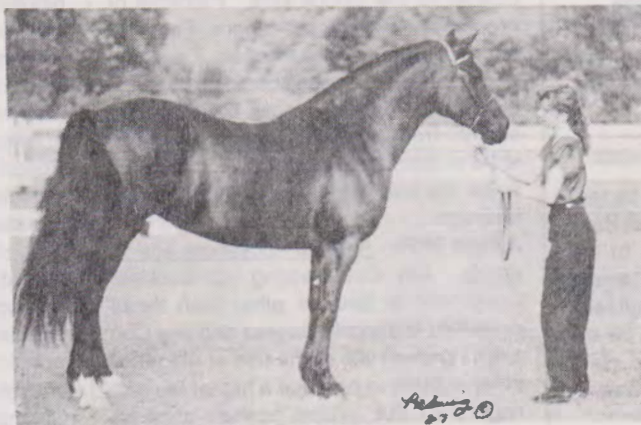
Photo (left) LLANARTH WELSH WARRIOR, Kenchurch Welsh Cobs
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(Effective December 1, 1988)

Rule XXXVI, pg. 283, add new:

Chapter IV. Welsh Cob

Article 3623. Eligibility. All must be registered in the Stud Book of the Welsh Pony and Cob Society of America, Inc. or the Welsh Pony and Cob Society of Canada and must be entered under their full registered name, or, if under one year, be eligible for registration. Registered Half-Welsh Cobs are not eligible to show in Purebred Welsh Classes.

Article 3624. Height. Whenever possible, classes should be divided into "C" and "D" Sections. "C" Section shall be referred to as Welsh Pony of Cob Type and shall not exceed 13.2 hands. "D" Section shall be referred to as Welsh Cob, and shall exceed 13.2 hands with no upper height limit. Sections "C" and "D" may be shown together in breeding and performance classes but may not be shown with Sections "A" or "B". If there are eight or more "C" Cobs and eight or more "D" Cobs in a performance class the class must be split and the prize money doubled. "C" and "D" Cobs must be measured in accordance with Rule V, Chapter I.

Article 3625. Type and Conformation. General Character. Strong hardy and active with pony character and as much substance as possible. Color: Any color except piebald or skewbald. Head: Full of quality and pony character. A coarse head and Roman nose are most objectionable. Eyes: Bold, prominent and set widely apart. Ears: Neat and well set. Neck: Lengthy and well carried. Moderately lean in the case of mares but inclined to be cresty in the case of stallions. Shoulders: Strong but well laid back. Forelegs: Set square and not tied in at the elbows. Long strong forearms. Knees well developed with an abundance of bone below them. Pasterns of proportionate slope and

length. Feet well shaped. Hoofs dense. A moderate quantity of silky feathers is not objected to but coarse, wiry hair is a definite objection. Middlepiece: Back and loins, muscular, strong and well-coupled. Deep through the heart and well ribbed up. Hindquarters: Lengthy and strong. Ragged or drooping quarters are objectionable. Tail well set on. Hind Legs: Second thighs, strong and muscular. Hocks large, flat and clean, with points prominent, turning neither inward nor outward. The hind legs must not be too bent and the hock not set behind a line falling from the point of the quarter to the fetlock joint. Pasterns of proportionate slope and length. Feet well shaped. Hoofs dense. Action: Free, true and forceful. The knee should be bent and the whole foreleg should be extended straight from the shoulder and as far forward as possible in the trot. Hocks flexed under the body with straight and powerful leverage.

Article 3626. Artificial Appliances and Irritants. Any Cob wearing turn-buckles, equipment or devices other than those permitted in specific classes and any Cob showing evidence of the use of ginger or other irritants to produce a higher tail carriage than the natural position shall be disqualified from the class in which it is showing.

Article 3627. Shoeing Regulation. Cobs may be shown barefoot. Foals and yearlings must be shown barefoot. In all classes the foot should be natural in appearance with the frog close to the ground. The length of toe for "C" Section Cobs must not exceed 4 1/4"; the shoe excluding nails but excluding pad must not weigh more than 11 oz. The length of toe for "D" Cobs must not exceed 4 1/2"; the shoe excluding rails but including pads must not weigh more than 12 oz. These measurements and weight will in most cases be less depending on the actual size of a Cob and the type of competition.

Article 3628. Ring Procedure. Only one person shall be allowed in the ring with each Cob, except in driving classes where each Cob may be headed by one attendant, properly attired. The attendant must take no action that would affect the performance of any Cob. Assistance in showing from outside the ring is prohibited. Passengers are allowed in driving classes. Unruly Cobs must be excused from the ring. Judges must severely penalize any Cob that shows any indication of instability or weakness or any evidence of laboring action due to faulty conformation, training, long toes, heavy shoes, or improper shoeing.

When Cobs are shown standing, the toes of at least one hind foot should be no farther back than the point of the quarter. Stretched Cobs must be disqualified.

Article 3629. Attire (General). In all classes, handlers, riders and drivers should be appropriately attired. Those persons who in the opinion of the Judge are inappropriately attired, may be excused from the ring.

Article 3630. Driving Attire and Appointments. Gentlemen to wear suit or slacks and jacket, shirt, tie hat, gloves, apron and carry a whip. Ladies to wear slacks, blouse and jacket or tailored suit or dress, hat, gloves and apron, and carry a whip. Juniors and adults riding in the show may wear riding clothes in driving classes but must have gloves, apron and whip. Failure to follow the above rules will be penalized. Period dress is allowed only in Antique Vehicle classes. Drivers under 12 years of age must be accompanied by an adult. In case of extreme heat, jackets may be removed at the discretion of the judge. Appropriate rain gear is permissible.

Article 3631. Championships. Ribbons won in classes restricting Cobs in any manner shall not count towards any Championship unless such classes are complementary and have the same conditions. When a Championship is offered, management shall keep a score card of winnings throughout the competition which shall be prominently displayed. The Champion and Reserve titles shall be awarded to the two of the four Cobs which have acquired the most points in Open Performance classes. In addition to the points, only these four Cobs shall receive half points for ribbons won in Model Classes. In case of a tie, the Champion or Reserve shall be awarded to the Cob that has accumulated the most amount of points in performance classes. If the scores remain tied, the Champion or Reserve shall be worked off on the rail using the same judging specifications as in the Open classes.

Chapter V. Welsh Cob Breeding Classes

Article 3632. Cobs to be shown In-Hand at Walk and Trot except in Group Classes. Stallions three-years-old and over must have all the fully developed physical characteristics of a stallion. Mature stallions must be masculine in appearance. Any question in this regard shall be determined by the official veterinarian. Cobs must be serviceably sound, in good condition and well groomed. To be shown in halter or bridle. Stallions may be shown in tack.

Transmissible weakness or unsoundness to be counted against in Breeding Classes. No Cob, except geldings, may be shown in a Group Class unless it is being shown in a Singles Breeding Class at the same show. Actual age to be taken into consideration in judging foals and yearlings.

Cobs may be shown with full, natural or evened mane. The entire mane may not be braided, however, one single braid behind the ear is permissible. Tail to be unset and ungingered. A bridle path, if necessary, shall not exceed two inches.

Any Cobs wearing spoon cruppers, quarter boots, humane tail braces, switches and wigs or any Cobs whose tails have been docked, nicked, ginged or put in a tail set for the class entered shall be disqualified. Emphasis shall be on breed characteristics. Natural reaching action is desired. To be judged 75% on breed type, conformation, quality and substance; 25% on way of going, disposition and manners.

Article 3633. Recommended Classes. Foals, fillies; Foals, colts; Yearling Fillies; Yearling Colts; Yearling Geldings (Ineligible for Show or Grand Championship Classes); Two-year-old Fillies; Two-year-old Colts; Two-year-old Geldings (Ineligible for Show or Grand Championship Classes); Three- and Four-year-old Stallions; Senior Gelding; Three-year-old Mares; Three-Year-Old and over (a) Brood Mares with foal at foot, ineligible in (b); (b) Brood Mares without foals but having been bred, ineligible in (a); Yeld Mares; Five-year-olds or over, Stallions; Get of Sire Produce of Dam - three animals by the same sire, combined ownership permitted; Breeder's Herd-stallion and three mares, all property of exhibitor, all to be Two-Year-Old or over; Junior Champion (Two-Year-Old and under); Senior Champion (Three-Year-Old and over); Grand Champion. Show Champions and Reserve Champions shall be selected as outlined in Article 335.3. Championship Classes should be divided according to sex when entries warrant.

Chapter VI. Welsh Cob Performance Classes

Article 3634. General. The Welsh Cob is strong and proud going and his show ring training should be aimed at developing his natural and characteristic action to its best expression. Suitability of the Cob and its action for the type of job at hand is essential. Open to Stallion, Mares and Geldings. To be judged 60% on performance, manners and style; 40% on breed type, conformation, quality and finish with emphasis in

the order listed under recommended classes unless otherwise specified. One class may be judged with no conformation in any section. Stallions may be shown in Ladies and Junior Exhibitor Classes unless the prize list stipulates otherwise.

Qualifying Gaits:

(a) Walk: true, fast, flat footed, elastic and showy.

(b) Trot: Square, straight, open, reaching and powerful. Extreme speed penalized.

(c) Canter: Smooth, slow, collected and straight on both leads.

Article 3635. Recommended Classes. To be eligible for any Stake Class, a Cob must have been entered, shown and judged in at least one qualifying class judged under the same specifications. Championship classes will be allowed only when there are fewer than three classes offered in a section. When three or more classes are offered in a section, the Championship must be awarded on a point basis, using 5, 3, 2, and 1 values for first through fourth places.

A Model Class open to all Welsh Cobs is prohibited. One may be offered, however, in each of the classifications listed below. The Model Class must be offered in addition to the required number of classes for the section and will receive half points. To be shown in halter or bridle without quarter boots. To be judged on type, conformation and finish. To be moved on the line. Classes for adult riders must be offered separately from those for Juniors. Suitability to be emphasized in all classes.

(a) Welsh Pleasure Cob Section. Cobs to wear unset, ungingered tail. Hunter braiding is prohibited. To be shown with a natural foot and unweighted shoes. Pads may be used but additional weight of any description is prohibited. Any Cob wearing a spoon crupper, showing evidence of ginger or set tail, or whose feet and shoes exceed the limits set forth in Article 3627 shall be disqualified. If separate sections with a Championship are offered for English Pleasure and Western Pleasure Cobs, the same Cob may not enter both sections unless it is so stipulated in the prize list. To be judged 60% on manners, performance and style, 40% on breed type and conformation.

WELSH PLEASURE COBS ENGLISH EQUIPMENT - OPEN, MAIDEN, NOVICE, LIMIT, STALLIONS, MARES, GELDINGS, CHAMPIONSHIP. To be shown at a Walk, Trot and Canter, both ways of the ring, without martingale. To be judged 60% on manners, performance

and style; 40% on breed type and conformation.

WELSH PLEASURE COBS WESTERN EQUIPMENT - OPEN, MAIDEN, NOVICE, LIMIT, STALLIONS, MARES, GELDINGS, CHAMPIONSHIP. To be shown at Walk, Trot Jog and Lope both ways of the ring on a reasonably loose rein without undue restraint. To be judged on performance, with emphasis on manners 60%; breed type and conformation 30%; and appointments 10% (See Rule XXXVII, Chapter I, Article 3705).

WELSH TRAIL COBS ENGLISH OR WESTERN EQUIPMENT (Class may be divided.) To be shown over and through obstacles at a Walk, Trot or Jog and Canter or Lope. To be judged on performance with emphasis on manners 60%; neatness (silver not to count) 10%; breed type and conformation 30%.

WELSH PLEASURE DRIVING COBS - OPEN, MAIDEN, NOVICE, LIMIT, JUNIOR (4-years and under), STALLIONS, MARES, GELDINGS, LADIES, GENTLEMEN, AMATEUR, JUNIOR EXHIBITOR, PAIRS, TANDEMS, CHAMPIONSHIP. To be shown to a suitable two- or four-wheeled vehicle, four-wheeled vehicle for Pairs but not a viceroi, racing sulky, or Fine Harness rig. To be shown both ways of the ring at a Walk, Working Trot and Trot On and stand quietly and except for tandems, to back quietly. Maiden Cobs shall be asked to do a Walk and Working Trot. To be judged 60% on manners, performance and style; 40% on breed type and conformation.

COMBINATION WELSH PLEASURE COB. To be shown in harness as a Pleasure Driving Cob and Under Saddle as an English or Western Pleasure Cob (separate classes shall be provided for English and Western Combination Cobs but classes may be combined if entries for either class is less than three).

(b) Welsh Formal Driving Cob Section. Cobs to wear long natural mane and long, natural unset, ungingered tail. The foretop and first strand behind ears may be braided. The foot must be natural with unweighted shoes. Pads may be used but additional weight of any description is prohibited. Any Cob wearing quarter boots, a spoon crupper, humane tail brace or false tail or showing evidence of ginger or a set tail or whose feet and shoes exceed the limits as set forth in Article 3627 shall be disqualified. To be shown to a suitable four-wheeled vehicle. Type of harness is optional.

WELSH FORMAL DRIVING COBS - OPEN, MAIDEN, NOVICE, JUNIOR (4-YEARS OLD AND UNDER), STALLIONS, MARES, GELDINGS, CHAMPIONSHIP. To be shown both ways of the ring at Animated, Natural Trot and Animated Walk. To stand quietly and, except for Tandems, back readily. To be judged 60% on performance, manners and style; 40% on breed type and conformation.

(c) Welsh Hunter and Jumper Cob Section. The rules of the Open Hunter and Jumper Pony Division shall apply to all Welsh Hunter Ponies/Cobs except that breed type shall be considered in Conformation Classes and stallions may be shown. Braiding is optional. Fence height for "C" and "D" Cobs shall conform to the rules of the Open Hunter and Jumper Pony Division except fence height for "D" Cobs over 14.2 hands shall be 3'3" with spreads 3'3".

(d) Welsh Draft Harness Cob Section. Utilitarian usefulness is stressed for Cobs, harness and wagon. Cobs to wear long natural mane and tail. Braiding with decorations optional. Tails not to be docked. Clipping of fetlocks optional. If shod, shoeing must conform with Article 3627. To be shown to a suitable four-wheeled vehicle except a cart may be used for singles, Heavy draft type harness with collars and breeching. Full harness and lead bars on lead teams optional. No one may assist the driver in any way except in the event of an emergency. Passengers are permitted. Section "C" and "D" ponies may be combined with a hitch and within a class.

WELSH DRAFT HARNESS COBS - OPEN, MAIDEN, NOVICE, LIMIT, JUNIOR (4-years and under), STALLIONS, MARES, GELDINGS, LADIES, AMATEUR, JUNIOR EXHIBITOR, CHAMPIONSHIP. For Singles, Pairs, Tandem, Unicorn, four pony hitch, six pony hitch. To be shown both ways of the ring at a Working Trot and flat footed Walk. To Halt, stand quietly and back readily. Individual maneuvers may be requested. To be judged 60% on manners, usability and performance; 40% on breed type, suitability and conformation. Fancy equipment not to count over a neat suitable working outfit.

COB BREEDERS GIVEN VOTE OF CONFIDENCE BY BOARD

At the recent Annual General Meeting of the Welsh Pony and Cob Society of America, the Board of Directors accorded American Cob breeders a vote of confidence. Under pressure from several individuals to adopt purported Canadian registration rules, the Board maintained its stand to follow British Cob registration rules, which are used by every major registry in the world with the exception of Canada. It was felt that American Cob breeders have the intelligence and motivation to continue breeding Welsh Cobs along British guidelines without being strictly legislated.

The Board has monitored Cob registrations, with a special review every three months since the inclusion of Cobs in the stud books. Latest statistics prove the faith of the Board is not misplaced. In 1980, the first year Cobs were registered with the Society, 78% of Cobs registered were of Cob x A or B breeding. In 1987 this figure has dropped to 16%. This significant drop reflects increased awareness of proper type and basic changes in breeding programs. Of the 16%, most were either bred by a few individuals or imported. Many of these imported animals are excellent type within their Section (C or D).

American breeders have not bred and registered Cobs for as long as their British counterparts, but one must remember that the Welsh Registry in the United States is only a few years younger than the British Welsh Registry. Surely, American breeders have enough intelligence to carry over knowledge gained from breeding A's and B's to the breeding of Cobs. Type does not vary among the Sections so very much. To emphasize this point, read the breed descriptions for each Section. One sees as many GOOD quality Cobs, proportionately, in the U.S. as in Britain. That is not to deny that we have some that could be termed "a little rough"; Britain has these, too. Sometimes even the most complete knowledge of genetics doesn't preclude a foal better hidden from polite company.

The Directors have expressed sincere faith that American breeders will exercise the same care in the selection and breeding of Cobs as they do in selecting and breeding A's and B's. They will do an educated and informed job.

It is difficult for American breeders to understand the amount of crossing between the Sections which has been done and is being done in Britain. British papers do not designate a Section prefix on registration numbers. Many famous animals in the British Stud Books have even been switched between pony and cob sections. This was done to promote and encourage type.

Realizing that Welsh Cobs were nearly extinct at the end of World War II and that nature did not leave only the best Cobs, it is evident that a great deal of study went into the best use of the then available gene pool. The results of decisions made in Britain at that time speak for themselves and guide American breeders today as they seek to promote and preserve Welsh Cobs in the United States. The present available gene pool in the U.S. is similar in size and diversity (or lack thereof) to that in Britain in 1945. Judicious use of occasional crosses in the pony Sections will again be valuable.

GOOD Cobs bring GOOD prices and win in the show ring. This principle is as important to American Cob breeders as to British Cob breeders. Shows are being encouraged to use judges certified by the British panel of judges for Sections C and D and exhibitors are being very careful to fill the classes when these judges officiate. Clinics have been held and are being planned to help American breeders and judges further educate themselves in desirable Cob characteristics.

This article was written by an American Cob breeder who has all imported Section D stallions and mares but feels that breeders do not need to be regulated to the point of not being able to use every available means of improving their stock within the Welsh Stud book. The article has been reviewed by several of the largest cob breeders in the United States. They agree with the concepts stated and resent the implication that they need severe regulations governing their selection of breeding stock. They want to be free to look to other Sections of the Welsh Stud Book for improvement of type without being penalized.

Carlene D. Sharples, Windcrest Stud Farm

Note: One item of interest regarding a recent Cob survey. The section covering Canadian Rules was incorrect as [to] what was printed on the survey form is NOT, in fact, the current Canadian Rules. For more information on up-to-date items of any type effecting Welsh Cobs in the U.S. or comments on this article, please contact me at 84 Gristmill Road, Randolph, NJ 07869.

WELSH COBS

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Of the four sections in the Welsh Stud Book, only the Welsh Mountain Pony can be called an "aboriginal native type"; therefore it is not surprising that such diverse types can be found in the other three Sections. The average height of a Welsh Cob may be taken as 15 h.h. but animals of illustrious and authentic parentage can be found as much as 4 inches on either side of this average. This is not new; the cobs registered in Volume I of our Stud Book were also 50:50 plus or minus 15 h.h. Type also varies from the distinctly "carty" to almost blood-like; it is an animal of comparatively modern evolution and very diverse composition.

Mr. Moses Griffith in his interesting talk on the origin of the Welsh cob (given to the Welsh Cob Conference in November 1955), said that, from his studies of medieval Welsh literature, it was apparent that the breed was well established by the 15th and 16th century. It is between that time and the present day that the Welsh cob became of diverse and sometimes accidental composition.

It would seem that the native pony played a large part on the female side in forming the Welsh Cob and that, upon the male sides, Yorkshire Coach horses, Arab, Thoroughbred and a greater measure of Hackney blood was drawn upon. More recently, small Shires were used to produce colliery horses, alas, since this cross brought nothing but coarseness and clumsiness. There is a generally agreed consensus of opinion that the Welsh cob is a fusion of the native pony and the "Welsh Cart Horse." Whatever this "Welsh Cart Horse" may have been, it is obvious from the description given by Tudur Aled in the early 16th century that it bore no resemblance to the ponderous and much-befathered English Shire.

In the 19th century there were four stallions that can, quite justly, be called the modern "tap root" sires since the best families of the breed today all trace back to one of them (or a combination of some or all). Though the Welsh cob was a thriving breed long before the advent of these four stallion, they unquestionably did a great deal towards conferring uniformity of quality and type. They are:

MEIARTH MODERN MAID, owned by the Ceulan Stud, Wales. Meiarth is dam of Ceulan Mandarin that the Davies family ride about the stud. Both her sire and dam were Royal Welsh Show Champions.



OLD DOUSE and her Chestnut filly foal **FLOWER** by **FLOWER OF ENGLAND** (Painting 32 ft. x 25 ft. on a mahogany panel)

Painted for owner of Old Douse—John Walters of Llanfair, Clydogan, Cardiganshire, tenant and agent for the Carrington Estate, signed G.A. 1803, reputed to be George Abbot who is known to have painted in Wales.

Painting given to David Prosser, Brynderwen, Carmarthen (Secretary of Carmarthen Show) in 1848. Then passed into the possession of the Rev. David Evans, Maesmawr, Llanybyther, who kept several Welsh Cobs, including Cardigan Driver.

The later Mr. Hutton—E. E. Hutton's father—(and E.E. Hutton is now 89 years of age), purchased the painting in 1898 through the late Mr. David Evans, Llwynedfor (father of the late Tom Jones Evans) from David Davies, Pistyll Elnon, Lampeter, son of Mrs. Jane Davies. Baylie, Cellan (eldest sister of John Walters). Flower herself became a very famous trotting mare for John Walters and later bred some good trotting stock, some of which are recorded in the Hackney Stud Book.

1. **TROTTING COMET** (834 Hackney Stud Book), a brown horse, 15.2 h.h., foaled about 1836. His sire, **FLYER**, was a blind black horse of the ancient trotting species common to Cardiganshire in those times. **FLYER'S** breeder was Mr. Pryse Loveden (afterwards Sir Pryse Pryse) of Buscot Park near Reading and Gogerddan near Aberystwyth (the latter is now the home of the Welsh Plant Breeding Station). Mr. Pryse Loveden was also the owner of **BLACK JACK** and **CAULIFLOWER** (sire and g-sire of **FLYER**) that were typical examples of "the light Welsh cart horse." Mr. Pryse Loveden was the father of the late Sir Lewis Loveden Pryse (our local squire) who was President of the Welsh Pony and Cob Society in 1921-22. About the dam of **TROTTING COMET** little is known apart from the fact that she was a chestnut Cardiganshire trotting mare of some renown. Since **TROTTING COMET** was such a phenomenal success at Stud, his parents must have been of old, germane and well-established stock.

2. **CYMRO LLWYD**, a dun, foaled 1850 sired by an imported Arab (imported by Mr. Crawshay, an ironmaster, of Cyfarthfa Castle, Merthyr Tydi) from a trotting mare—"the fastest of her day."

3. **ALONZO THE BRAVE** (22 Hackney Stud Book) a 15.3 bay Hackney, full of the historical Shales blood. Bred by Mr. Redhead of Leverington in 1866; he won a prize at Newnham in 1871 before coming to Montgomeryshire (1871-1873 then to Cardiganshire, the County which has had the most influence on Welsh cob breeding).

4. **TRUE BRITON** (839 Hackney Stud Book) foaled 1830. Bred by Mr. John Walters, Llanfair Clydogau, Cardiganshire (agent and tenant on the Carrington Estates); he was sold at three-years-old to Mr. Thomas Jones, New Court, Lampeter, who travelled him for about ten years when he died still quite a young horse. This Mr. Jones was a stonemason and **TRUE BRITON** was better known as "ceffyl du Twm m'asiwn" i.e. the black horse of Tom the mason. Judging by the size of his hoof and height of the bones of his fore-leg (which were until quite recently at a

blacksmith's shop at Llanwnen, near Llanybyther) TRUE BRITON was a horse of 15 h.h. or more. His sire was RULER, a Yorkshire Coach horse, and his dam was DOUSE by TRUE BRITON TROTTER, g-dam OLD DOUSE. (See painting) TRUE BRITON TROTTER was also bred by Mr. John Walters and sold to his sister, Mrs. Jane Davies, Baylie, Cellan, Lampeter, for £100. It was Mrs. Davies' son, David Davies of Pistyll Einon, Lampeter, that recorded the above pedigree of TRUE BRITON with the Hackney Society. TRUE BRITON TROTTER became blind when 7 years old and ran as a wheeler in the mail coach from Llandovery to Trecastle every alternate day for 15 years without a break. There is a monument on the road-side between Llandovery and Trecastle to commemorate the load of passengers who were killed at Christmas time 1935 when the coach was driven by a drunken driver over the hedge, down a steep bank into the river below. TRUE BRITON TROTTER, being foaled in 1821, was on this same route at this time.

The late Mr. Charles Coltman Rogers prepared a series of extended pedigrees of these early cob sires which appear in the first five volumes of our Stud Book. Limitless time, labour and patience must have been involved in compiling such comprehensive pedigrees; without them, there probably would not be any record of the pre-Stud Book cobs. There are some errors in the pedigrees, e.g. GRANBY is given as the sire of TRUE BRITON TROTTER which is not possible since GRANBY was not foaled until 1824 (G.S.B. Vol. iv. p. 226). However, the errors are few and detract little from their tremendous value. Mr. Rogers claims that DOUSE, the dam of TRUE BRITON, was an Arab mare that a marauding tribe of gipsies sold to John Walters. I think my painting of OLD DOUSE (1803) with her filly foal, FLOWER by FLOWER OF ENGLAND supports the pedigree given in the Hackney Stud Book some 20 years previously rather than the version of the "Arab mare bought from the gipsies." It is interesting to note that BLEDDFA SHOOTING STAR through his dam, ALVESTON BELLE by CYMRO, traces back to OLD DOUSE in ten generations (via CARDIGAN COMET II, foaled 1877). However, these horses recorded in the H.S.B. (as indeed three of the most famous four sires) are nothing like the Hackneys which we know today and were "Welsh" withal but recorded in the H.S.B. since there was no Welsh Stud Book at that time.

NEBO FAIR LADY, sold by Miss Lorna Gibson to Mr. and Mrs. S. K. Martin, Caper Hill Farm, Far Hills, New Jersey in 1974 for a record price. She was the first Cob to cross the ocean by air.



Mr. A.D. Thomas's 13 year old Welsh cob stallion, LLWYNOG-Y-GARTH, that won his class for the third year in succession (1957).



LLANARTH BRUMMEL, a prize winning Section "D" cob of palomino coloring



5553 SEREN CEULAN

CORRECTIONS

Dear Cob Owners:

Thanks to the help of Gail Morris, President of the Welsh Pony Society of America, we have received some very welcome updates and corrections to our Welsh Cob Data Base. By one of the oddities that afflict computer users more frequently than we would like to admit, several Cobs by Dafydd y Brenin Cymraeg were incorrectly attributed to his son, Dai Hanesydd y Penrhyn. These sires are right next to each other alphabetically and, obviously, there was a slip while copying information in the sire category. In the same way, four Cobs out of B-23961 Mary's Cotillion were attributed to Mary's Fandango.

You may have noticed that these Cobs were correctly identified in the 1987 directory. We hope that it did not cause you any inconvenience and ask that you will let us know right away if you have further corrections to offer.

On your 1988 NACC Cob Directory will you please change the sire for the following from Dai Hanesydd y Penrhyn, D-26, to Dafydd Y Brenin Cymraeg, D-33:

- C-186 FAIR ILAR III OF PENRHYN
- D- 90 FAIR TEGOLIN OF PENRHYN
- C-150 GWENETH PRES Y PENRHYN
- D-144 HEAVENLY'S SPIRIT PRINCE
- D-211 LLEVOC ORANGE BLOSSOM
- D-178 MIHANGEL Y TWYSOG CYMRAEG
- C-110 WINDCREST ATHENA
- C-215 WINDCREST BAYBERRY
- D-101 WINDCREST DYFED
- C-111 WINDCREST TIARA

Also, please change the dam of the following from Mary's Fandango to Mary's Cotillion, B-23961 (dun):

- D-256 CANYON OAKS DAPHNE
- C-153 MARY'S DAWNS
- C-190 MARY'S FROLIC
- D- 99 MARY'S MEGAN

Other corrections:

- C-172 LYNTON CHARLES THE FIRST is out of 8498 Chamcook Mefusen Lighthouse
- D-87 BAYFORD TRUE PATRIOT is out of (14514) Chancerie Mist by Caradog Llwyd
- D-16 BROCKLEBANK JIM is out of 2543) Brocklebank Bonnie
- C-323 MERIONETH MERLIN is out of (36310) Chalkhill Dragonfly, Bay, by Turkdean Cerdin
- C-65 CROSSROADS REPLICA is out of B-25614 Heathwood Golddust by B-15492 Plum Creek's Midnight
- C-210 TWIN GATES LANCER is by (C-172) Lynton Charles the First out of (B-14849 Tamarack Lady Linda by Coed Coch Ballog
- D-198 LIDGETT BLACK LADY is out of Wrayton Bounty
- D-319 SYNOD ROSIE-O-GRADY is by Brynymor Welsh Magic (13506) Chestnut, x (64650) Synod Rosemary, Black

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CORRECTIONS

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| m D-267 | ABBY'S HOLIDAY | | | Neemann, John A. |
| g WCSA 51 | AEDDAN PENSAER Y PENRHYN | "B Dafydd Arwr y Penrhyn | Penrhyn Chestnut Skylar 1978 liv.cream, 13.2 | Keese, Sandra A |
| g WCSA 56 | ARGRAFF NWYFUS Y PENRHYN | "N Dafydd Y Brenin Cymraeg | Nebo Fair Lady (ches) b 1978 chest, 15.3 1/2h | ? |
| s WCSA 65 | BACHGEN PRYDFERTH Y PENRHYN | Dafydd Arwr y Penrhyn | "He Gweneth Dywyll "Taffy" | ? |
| m D-196 | BRENIG FALLON | Ffoslau Caradog ap Dafydd | Brenig Fiona (black) by 1983 black | Neemann, John A. |
| m C-106 | BHYD Y BARCUD "Mushroom" | Honeyton Michael ap Brain | Llanarth Phillida (liv. deceased 1969 palo, 14.1 | Ingersoll, Mrs.H. G. |
| s C-116 | CARREG ATEB AUR Y PENRHYN | Turkdean Sword Dance (pal | Pren Arwr Y Penrhyn (c 1983 chestnut | ? |
| s D-151 | CHMEDL AUR Y PENRHYN | Turkdean Sword Dance (pal | Gweneth Pres y Penrhyn 1983 palo. 14 h | GFF |
| m | COBLYNAU COPPERCADI | Derwen Reality | Sharon's Champ 1987 Cob x TB | Cummings, Deborah |
| m | CROSSROADS BRIAR ROSE | Cascob Flying Colours | Nance Queen of Wales (c | Evans, Mrs Sue |
| g D- 4 | CROSSROADS CAPTAIN COURAGED | Dafydd Y Brenin Cymraeg | Crossroads Happy Day B(1977 bay, 14.2h | Cornelia ? |
| m C- 8 | CROSSROADS JOYFUL | Dafydd Arwr Y Penrhyn | Aquila Mopsy B19101 gre 1977b grey | Sudol, Mrs Cynthia |
| m D- 31 | CROSSROADS LADY DIANA | Derwen Rebound D-3 (15696 | Crossroads Happy Day by 1981 bay | Bliss, Miss Anna |

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| g D- 10 | CROSSROADS NORTHEAST KING | Derwen Rebound D-3 (15696 | Nance Queen of Wales (c 1978 bay, 14.2 | Lloyd, Stacy B. |
| m D- 64 | CROSSROADS QUEEN ELIZABETH | Derwen Rebound D-3 (15696 | Crossroads Happy Day B(1982 bay | Heard, Gordon T. |
| s [05539] | CROSSROADS REPLICA | Derwen Rebound D-3 (15696 | 1982 black | Stewart, Dr A. Douglas |
| s D-205 | CROSSROADS RHAYADER | Cascob Flying Colours | Menai Ceris (D) (bay) by 1985 bay | Robocker, Jean |
| m D- 14 | CROSSROADS ROSINA | Derwen Rebound D3 | Crossroads Happy Day B(1978 black | Evans, Mrs Linda W. |
| s | DAFYDD ARWR Y PENRHYN | Dafydd Y Brenin Cymraeg | Llanarth Phillida (liv. 1974 liv. chest 13.3, C ? | |
| m C-326 | GLENDOWER LADYSLIPPER | Dawns Dathliad Arian y Pe | Fair Ilar III of Penrhy 1987 liv chestnut | Reese, Kathy |
| m D-164 | GORDON'S LADY ANN | Okeden Sensation (black)D | Welsh Rite of Penrhyn (1984 bay | Neemann, John A. |
| m D-131 | GWENETH AUR Y PENRHYN | Turkdean Sword Dance (pal | Gweneth Dywyll (dk. che 1983 ches | GFF |
| m D-106 | GWENETH DYWYLL | Golden Glory (ches) | Llanarth Phillida (liv. deceased1970 ches, 14.2 | Ingersoll, Mrs.H. G. |
| m C-150 W | GWENETH PRES Y PENRHYN | Dafydd Y Brenin Cymraeg D | Gweneth Dywyll (dk ches 1976 chestnut, 15.2 | GFF |
| m D- 15 | HEATHWOOD ROYALE | Derwen Rebound D-3 (15696 | Plum Creeks Playgirl (B 1978 grey roan | |
| m D- 6 | HEATHWOOD SYLVIA | Derwen Rebound D-3 (15696 | Heathwood Golddust 1980 black, 15h | Rubin, Lawrence |
| m D-197 | LIDGETT BLACK BESS | Derwen Rosina's Last (bl) | Llanarth Welsh Maid (bl 1984 black | Neemann, John A. |
| m D-198 | LIDGETT BLACK LADY | Derwen Llwynog | Wrayton Beauty (bay) by 1984 black | Neemann, John A. |
| m C-105 | LLANARTH PHILLIDA | Menai Ceredig (bay) | Llanarth Philomel (cr) deceased1962 liv. chest | Ingersoll, Mrs.H. G. |
| m D- 69 | LOCKERIDGE WENDY | Hewid Meredith (dkbay) | Lockeridge Tamsin by LI 1981 bay | GFF |
| g | LORD STARLIGHT OF PENRHYN | Dafydd Arwr Y Penrhyn | Lady Starlight of Penrh 1979 grey, 13.3h | ? |
| g C- 93 | MAGIC BALL OF PENRHYN | Turkdean Sword Dance (pal | Magic Comet (ches) by S 1974 liv. cr, 13.1 | Perry |
| g C-114 | MAGIC LANTERN OF PENRHYN | Magic Ball of Penrhyn (li | Penrhyn Pennywise (grey 1983 liv. cr. | Neemann, John A. |
| m D-199 | OKEDEN BELLE ANNIE | Trevallion Telynor (bay) | Rhysted Mattie (bay) by 1984 bay | Neemann, John A. |
| m D-200 | OKEDEN CLOVER | Derwen Telynor (bay) | Okeden Gorse (bay) byLI 1984 bay | Neemann, John A. |
| m D-201 | OKEDEN MAGICAL MAID | Paith Magical Meredith (b | Arth Maid of Honour (ba 1984 black | Neemann, John A. |
| m D-202 | OKEDEN MEGAN | Llanarth Lloyd George | Okeden Heather (bay) by 1984 bay | Neemann, John A. |
| m D-203 | OKEDEN MERRY MAID | Paith Magical Meredith (b | Arth Maid of Honour (ba 1983 | Neemann, John A. |
| s D- 89 | OKEDEN SENSATION | Parc Sir Ivor (bl) | Okeden Gorse (bay) by L 1981 black, 15.3 h | GFF |
| s D-194 | OKEDEN TELYNOR | Trevallion Telynor (bay) | Okeden Bramble (bay) by 1984 bay | Neemann, John A. |
| m WCSA 28 | PEACH FESTIVAL OF PENRHYN | Turkdean Sword Dance (pal | Penrhyn Peachbloom 1976 chest roan, C | ? |
| m D-253 | PENRHYN BRIGHT SUNSHINE | Okeden Sensation (black)D | Fair Tegolin Y Penrhyn 1986 bay | GFF |
| s D-252 | PENRHYN COUNTRY SQUIRE | Okeden Sensation (black)D | Bwyd Y Barcud (palo) by 1986 bay | Folsom, Elizabeth |
| m D-162 | PENRHYN SENSATIONAL LADY | Okeden Sensation (black)D | Nebo Fair Lady (ches) b 1984 bay | GFF |
| g | PHILLIP PALFRI Y PENRHYN | Dafydd Y Brenin Cymraeg | Llanarth Phillida (liv. liv. ches 14h, dre | ? |
| m D-338 | PVR FIRST LADY TELYNOR | | | Neemann, John A. |
| m | SINTON DOLLY | Byefields Dafydd | Trefaes Polly by Carado | |
| g D-273 | SMOKE TREE HUEY LEWIS | Magic Ball of Penrhyn C-9 | Llanarth Morwen D-2(630 1986 palomino roan | Williams, Mandy |
| m D- 47 | SYDENHAM KERIA | Oakhatch Cymydog Da (ches | Hewid Dlyth (bl) by Der 1981 black 14.3 | Phillips, Mrs Suzanne |
| m D-204 | SYDENHAM MORWEYDDEN | Derwen Supreme (black) | Liddle Arietta (black) 1983 black | Neemann, John A. |
| s D-195 | SYDENHAM NOCTURNE | Llanarth Flying Comet | Sydenham Jonquil (black 1984 black | Neemann, John A. |
| m C- 61 | SYNOD GAY TRACY | Synod William (bay) | Tydi Gem (ches) by Tyss 1981 black | Lawrence, Campbell & Joa |
| m C-132 | TLWS GWERTHFAWR Y PENRHYN | ? | ? | ? |
| m C-132 | TLWS GWERTHFAWR Y PENRHYN | Turkdean Sword Dance (pal | 1982 ches, | Neemann, John A. |
| m C5824 | TROLLBERG MORVA'S MEGAN | Cwmfelen Golden Eclipse | Windsore Pocket Model palomino | James, Wendy |
| s C- 91 (| TURKDEAN SWORD DANCE | Turdean Cerdin (lt. ches) | Llanarth Dancing Satel 1968 palomino | GFF |
| s [d5915] | WHITE GATE DANCER | Crossroads Replica [d5539 | Gen-y-Cerig y Penrhyn I 1986 bay 3 socks | Brown, Barbara and Neil |
| m D-270 | WINDCREST CHLOE | Dafydd Y Brenin Cymraeg | Okeden Honeysuckle liver | Gaffer, Gary & Janet |
| m C-241 | WINKS BETHANY | Dai Hanesydd Y Penrhyn D- | Winks Fanfare (greyB) b 1984 palo | Johnson, Dr. Geoffrey or |
| m D-230 | WINKS CAUSE | Winks Prophecy of Penrhyn | Winks Meadow Rue B(grey 1985 grey | Chew, Miss Amberly |
| m C-335 | WINKS GLORIOUS | | | Bridges, Frederick |
| m D- 84 | WINKS JOYOUS | Dai Hanesydd Y Penrhyn D- | Winks Traveler B (grey) 1982 ches | Crome, Diane |
| s C-233 | WINKS NOAH | Dai Hanesydd Y Penrhyn I- | Winks Funfare (A.gr) by 1985 ches | Denman, Mrs Mena Kedo |
| s D-307 | WINKS TRUSTWORTHY | Winks Prophecy of Penrhyn | Winks Angel B-27428 ch 1986 ch ro | Schroeder, Wayne |
| m D-236 | YONDER FARMS BANDWAGON | Cyffylliog Pendefig (bay) | Farnley Facet (Bbay) by 1984 bay | Radovich, Kris & Gay |
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