

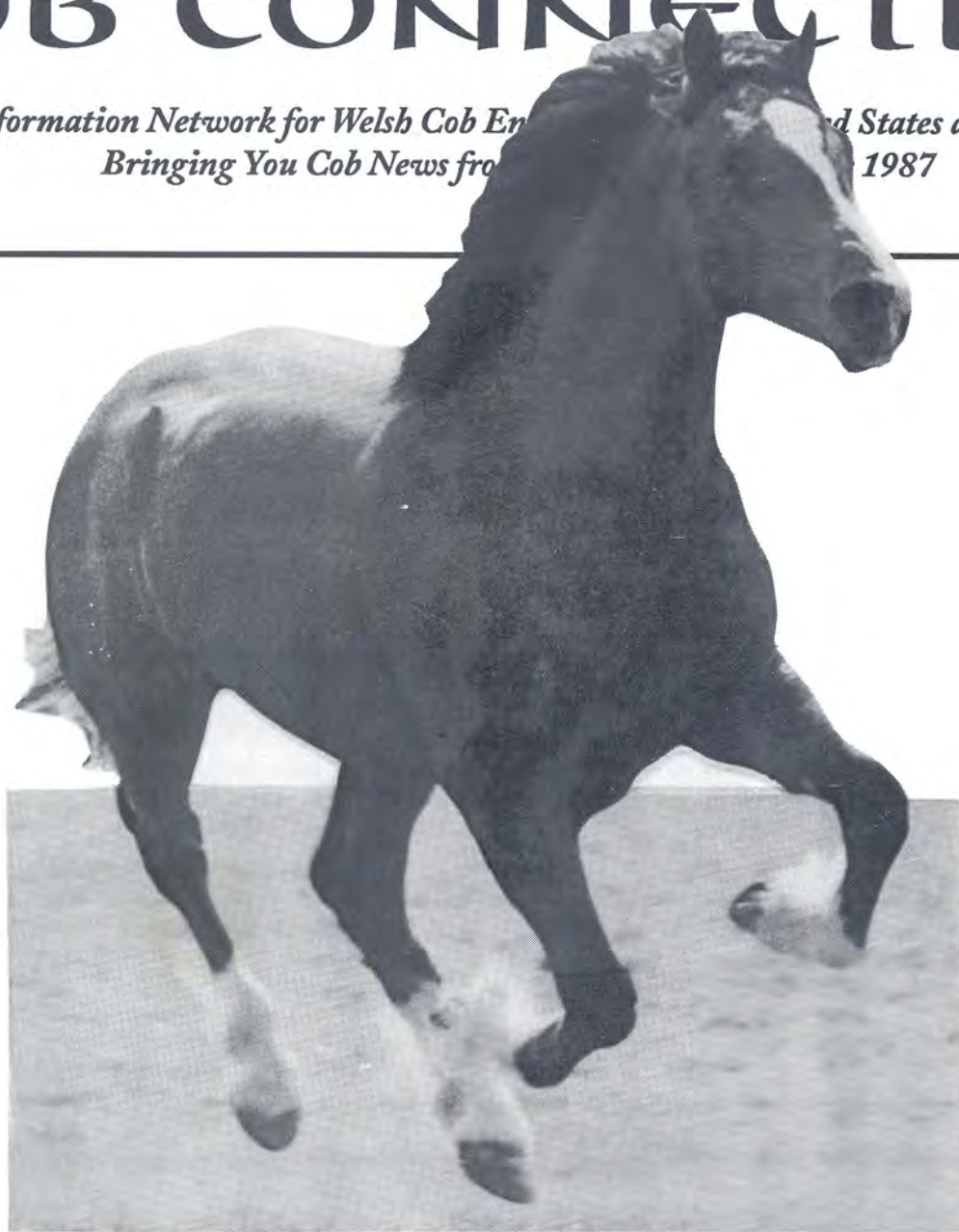


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Congratulates Mrs. Ellen Carroll
of Great Falls—and Berryville—Virginia
for the purchase of

GWRTHANFARN ROSEMARY (76192)

Gwrthanfarn Rosina (by Cippyn Red Flyer) x Twyford Druid

Mrs. Carroll will have a foundation herd of imported Welsh Cobs as soon as their Berryville Farm is completed.



Ann Corcoran up.

Also, congratulations to Ruth & Tracey Laufer
of Utica, Pennsylvania
for the purchase of
Menai Mighty Model
Crossroads Rose
Crossroads Lucky Lady

Best Wishes, Gordon T. Heard

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Welsh Cob Stallion Llanarth Trustful is now available in greeting card form! For all Welsh enthusiasts (and those of us who can only wish to have a stallion as nice); we can all enjoy his beautiful paper silhouette galloping across our bulletin boards... The card is printed in full-color on a glossy white card stock, custom die-cut, blank on the inside, with a wonderful description of the Welsh Cob on the back. The description includes a little history, breed type, and characteristics. Photo is by equine photographer Kendra Bond. If you would like to make an order, please address it to:

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LETTER FROM THE EDITORS

Well, we promised we would be "somewhat reorganized by the time the Fall issue is printed" and we are just that—somewhat reorganized. We have some new regional correspondents to announce as well as some organizational details.

Everything pertaining to ads, articles, subscriptions and news may continue to be sent to Cindy Dishman at 35807 Willama Vista, Pleasant Hill, OR or Ann Lamb at 12534-277th Place N.E., Duvall, WA. If you have information pertaining to the Directory it should be sent directly to Ann however, we do share your news with each other. Perhaps by the new year we will have the name of an additional editor to announce.

In the interim, we DO have a list of incredibly enthusiastic cob lovers who have volunteered to be REGIONAL

CORRESPONDENTS. These folks will submit news from their area about YOU and what YOU are doing with YOUR cob(s). Of course news-sharing is completely voluntary and no one will be trying to get the down-and-dirty on what really happened when your cob stallion got loose (although that might make for an interesting story) or other farm nightmares like that. Rather, the correspondents will be someone whom you may contact and get to know and who will share all the news from your area about cob-type activities (including who is for sale and who just sold) with the newsletter.

Correspondents will write their own columns and make a contribution to the newsletter wherever they receive news from YOU.

Please welcome the following Regional Correspondents:

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We would still like to hear from any persons who would be interested in being a correspondent from the Northeast or Southeast regions.

Cindy, Ann, & Kristen

9/2 Dear NACC

My husband, Tracy, and I have been looking at Welsh Cobs for about four years now. We decided that this year we were going to buy one!

We had the pleasure of meeting Gordon Heard of Crossroads Farm and are buying not one, but three cobs! We have arranged for the purchase of the imported mare MENAI MIGHTY MODEL, CROSSROADS ROSE and Model's filly, born May 5th of this year.

We went to Syracuse, NY July 4th weekend of the NEWPA Show and had a great time. We had a chance to meet quite a few Welsh enthusiasts from both the U.S. and Canada. Everyone was just great to us!

Next year we hope to start getting our new cobs out to shows. We want to meet (and make) lots of new "Welsh" friends.

We took Rose to a local County Fair last week. People were very interested in her. It was amazing how many people thought she was a young Percheron or at least part Percheron. Rose's black color and feathered legs really had them confused. We had quite a few people ask us for more information on cobs and several asked about stallions and stud fees in our general area. Unfortunately, we couldn't answer these questions very well.

We plan on taking the cobs to other local shows next year in hopes of generating more interest in cobs. Tracy and I would appreciate it if anyone would send us pictures of their cobs. We would like to make up a scrapbook showing off what a cob can do and showing cob stallions—some free advertising for your cob!

We have had several questions from people who were interested in breeding non-cob mares to a cob. Any information on the location of some stallions, stud fees, etc. would be appreciated. In the interest of promoting the breed, we would love to have more

information to pass on to others.

We are planning to attend the AGM; hope to see everyone there!

*Ruth & Tracy Laufer,
Utica, Pennsylvania*

PS: I don't have a Macintosh or an IBM computer, but if I can help with the NACC in any way, let me know!

9/22 Dear NACC

Thought I would send this photo along for you. One very important way we promote our cobs and carriage driving is by "showing" or "getting out" wherever it may be. At this country fair, we not only promoted our animals, we had a lot of fun with all "passengers." Even the hot air balloons didn't get more than a curious glance. We also raised over \$400 in three hours and donated all proceeds to the Recreation Department, a worthy cause.

*Sincerely,
Bob Tocci, Tockel Farms,
No. Easton, Massachusetts*



D-192, FOXFIELD DANCING SWORD, stallion. Sire: Turkdean Sword Dance; Dam: Fair Ilar III of Penrhyn. Photo taken September 7, 1992 at the 1st Annual "Old Tyme Field Day" sponsored by the Easton Recreation Department, Easton, Mass. Clipping appeared in the Brockton Enterprise, September 9, 1992. Paid circulation, 8,000 daily.

10/3 Dear NACC

Received the Summer issue yesterday. The issue certainly has a lot in it—great! Liked the Ancestors section. I have a few for you. [see section 'Welsh Ponies and Cobs Identified' this issue] I'll keep on search for the others. We have some news for you regarding shows, etc. [see 'Salutes' section, this issue] Other news from Coblynau Stud: We did our first A.I. (I believe a first for cobs in Canada) collection from DERWEN REALITY. The mare is BRYNARIAN SILWAN owned by Mr. and Mrs. Peter Wilding-Davies in Langley, B.C. (As far as we know, the mare is in foal as per our last telephone conversation with Peter.) For everyone's information, this is breeding a mare that is 2,820 miles away from the stallion. (That's a distance farther away than Toronto from San Francisco, California.)

We have enclosed \$15 U.S. for the ad and \$13 U.S. for photo screening (2 picture, 4 x 6). Also, \$10 renewal of subscription. Total: \$38 U.S.

I do hope you'll like the photos of 'Cardi' [see ad, this issue]. I really do think he will be special and if you or anyone else is interested, please let us know. I'm sorry I don't have any decent pictures of Cwmbran. Either one of these two colts would be as asset out West in view of their bloodlines.

*Kindest regards,
Keith, Jenny & Andrew
Parsons,
Coblynau Stud, Tottenham,
Ontario*

10/5 Dear NACC

I sold my Sec. D colt HEATHER HILL VICTOR to Smokey & Jenny Chapman of Palo Alto, California. He has the best home ever and to all appearances, he is giving satisfaction to these new Cob owners. Please send them the Cob Connection. Enclosed is a check for my renewal and their subscription. Thank you,

*Pat Holmes, Heather Hill Farm,
Woodside, California*

10/6 Dear NACC

Thank you for the copy of North American Cob Connection. You and your staff deserve credit for the interesting and informative publication. I am enclosing my subscription for 1993. I would, however, very much like to have you send me a copy of the 1992 Directory and the Fall 1992 edition of the Connection. If you would send me those with an enclosed bill for the appropriate amount, I would send a money order off to you immediately. Keep up the good work; I think your newsletter has a great variety of interesting information.

My husband and I have just purchased land where we will build a new house and barn, etc. in the spring. I hope to buy my first cob (possibly a team) at that time and start driving again, something I haven't done since I was in junior high school. I'm really looking forward to that time. Thank you again for the sample newsletter.

*Sincerely,
Jean Northrup, Rothesay, NB*

Jean—You will receive four issues plus a Directory for the \$10 subscription fee. Rather than running January-December, your subscription will expire with your fourth issue which for you, will be Spring 93. Your expiration date appears on the newsletter's mailing label. CD

10/6 Dear Cindy

Thanks for your letter; the newsletter arrived just after the letter. Enclosed is a \$13 balance for our ad—it looks good. Also enclosed are results of SEWPCA that I was sent. I suggest asking Randy Bullard for Ozark Empire Fair results.

I must admit to some relief that [Winterlake] Duncan has gone to Alaska. From his pictures, he could give [Winterlake] Alexander a run for his money in halter classes.

We went to an open show in Fort Smith, Arkansas a couple of weeks ago. [Lidgett Black] Bess was 3rd in the pony halter, 1st in Hunter Under Saddle and Hunt Seat Equitation and 2nd in Hunter Hack. This was a show run by one of the local Arab clubs for the Arkansas/Oklahoma State Fair. There were Arabs, Quarter horses, Appaloosas, Morgans and other assorted breeds! One guy was driving by the fairgrounds and saw the Welsh tied up to the trailer and he drove in just to find out what they were! I have several people curious about the cobs.

I would love to be the Arkansas Cob Correspondent if you don't already have one yet. I am enclosing the form from NACC.

Well, best of luck with driving [Okeden] Jolly. I have been mostly riding this summer—not much time to drive, too!

*Mandy Williams & Cobs, Wyvere Welsh,
Waldron, Arkansas*

Dear NACC

What a wonderful issue we received again, chockful of Cob news. Since, on this gorgeous Indian Summer day, the forest behind our farm is all ablaze with crimson and orange—most of it natural, not “hunter orange” although bird season is already on and moose season is just finished. I had already completed a short six mile trailride with my little Cob mare

“Gwenda”, I decided to drop everything else and read NACC cover to cover. A trail ride with my favorite little mare is the only thing, in my judgement, which takes precedence over reading the CC. Good thing I did indulge myself reading all, so I noticed my subscription runs out! Will see to that together with this letter.

As to our year of absence, you're wondering where and what? Well, now, we've had to alter our plans somewhat. No matter how hard we tried, we simply haven't found people to live on our farm and take care of our animals for that year. With four Cobs left, and two or three cobs only, everything else, the purebred Highlander cattle and some of the crossbreds having been sold, we thought it wouldn't be too big a job for the right person, it it didn't come off. It's a shame as we had hoped—though staying largely on the European Continent for the entire year, moving with the seasons between Northwest Europe and the Mediterranean, to include a visit to Wales to see some farms and a major show, so we could observe the many strains of Cobs in existence, and gain a wider understanding of the breed, which is only possible with a wider exposure than we can have here. But it was not to be. However, there may still be the opportunity to go for a shorter visit late next year. If we don't make it to Wales, at least I know some fellow Cob enthusiasts in my home country, the Netherlands, which I could visit. There are a fair number of Cobs there now, the Dutch being ardent horse breeders, not just of Dutch Warmbloods, but also of adopted breeds from elsewhere. For breeders of Welsh of course, it's quite an advantage to be so close to the source in GB. Imports take place frequently, involving much less expense than for us here on the “wrong side” of the Atlantic. Will be happy to report on any Cob exposure I might chance into, while abroad next year!

Meanwhile, the good part of this change of plans is that we don't need to say goodbye to our horse family for so long. I hope in particular to have a good long distance season with Gwenda next summer, since this year we had to drop out half way, as she and I had a mishap on one of our conditioning rides in early summer, and as a result, she ran through a (smooth) wire fence and hurt herself, not seriously, but just enough to be slightly “off” for the next four weeks or so, cutting into our conditioning program and missing all the major midsummer rides. We never did any of the multi-day Competitive trail rides we had hoped to enter, staying with Judged Pleasure rides instead. Fortunately, she recovered one hundred percent, but too late to catch up for the season. It did however, leave me time to work with my four year old fillies, Megwen and Blodwen, who have just been started under saddle. I can't ride both of them, as well as Gwenda, but have failed to find someone to ride Megwen for me. That's the drawback of living pretty much in the “middle of nowhere”—no experienced, but horseless, riders available, who would jump at the chance. . . I have managed to take Blodwen out a few times. She and I completed two Judged Pleasure rides and it seems she likes the distance sport, so we have another candidate next year for the Competitive Trail rides—these rides need so much long term conditioning, that any amount of “time out” ruins a season, we having another “spare horse” also kept in condition (which of course takes a lot of extra time) may pay off, when the first one gets “indisposed” for whatever reason. So, New Brunswick trails, look out for the Trollberg Cobs next year! Which reminds me, reading about your own intended travel plans for next summer. If you (or any other “Welsh Cob Person” from the U.S.) do find yourself in the northern corner of New England, and have an extra day or two, keep in mind that both our Trollberg Welsh

Cobs farm and Thornbeck Welsh Cobs of Barb Brown and Neil Ferguson, are now located less than 7 miles apart. You can visit all the purebred registered Welsh Cobs (but one) between Ottawa and Wales—and a good number of their partbred relatives as well (see Barb's review in the last CC)—at or around our two farms, near Woodstock, New Brunswick, which is right across from Houlton, Maine, at the end of Interstate 95. Our farms are less than an hour's drive from the U.S. border in Maine. And boy, do we have trails to ride for visitors! Barb and I can go visit each other on horseback, riding our Welsh Cob mares over eight miles of beautiful trails up and down hills, through woods and a few fields, *fun* trails (one has a beaver pond to cross) and forest roads, no traffic to speak of, very few houses, just some cottages and one or two permanent homes along a backroad. Deer tracks everywhere, some moose tracks and even the occasional paw mark of a black bear. I'm happy to say, the owners of the feet, which leave those interesting imprints in the mud, keep out of the way, at least they haven't show up so far to scare our horses. Come and be our guest, but don't forget your riding outfit or you'll regret it! Take care,

Afiena Larsen-Kamminga, Trollberg Farm, Maplewood, New Brunswick

PS: By the way, Canadian buyers of the "Tour of Welsh Stud" tapes, be aware that at your tax expense the Ottawa bureaucrats are now sitting on any videotapes you import, for months, having them screened by some sort of morale squad (can you image the stir this title "Tour of Welsh Studs" has caused these warped minds???) My tapes, mailed from U.S. on August 11 have been sitting there since the end of August (the customs office informs me) and they also inform me there is no telling when I will receive them. This is the middle of October. They're sitting on

our legal property at our expense for the silliest of reasons!

10/16 Dear NACC

Thank you for my first issue of Cob Connection. It's nice to keep up with the news from the U.S.A.

I was lucky to spend the summer with the Shields Family at Hastening Farm, Middleburg, Virginia where they keep quite a number of cobs mostly by the imported stallion BAYFORD TRUE PATRIOT. Kate does a wonderful job promoting Welsh Cobs in the area and it is also great that all the cobs actually do something. They all are ridden regularly and she regularly competes in driving events and hunts through the winter months. Quite frankly, I don't know how she finds the time. I would just like to say "thank you" for a wonderful time spent in the States and for all the kindness shown to me by the entire family. Keep up the good work, Kate! Best wishes,

Gary Hodges, Arizona Welsh Cobs, The Bwlchllan Stud, Dyfed, Wales

10/22 Dear NACC

Please find enclosed 12 dollars for renewal.

Last year we bred KILTIES FIRST EDITION, D393 x D6357, to ALVESTA CLASSY LASS, B5875 x B30657, Section B mare. The result: CLASSY'S STORMY EDITION, C7006, Section C. This is an outstanding chestnut colt, good conformation, excellent flat bone, big, strong and very bold.

We bred KILTIES FIRST EDITION to RIF-N-RAF. 1A198049 Shetland, Arab, Quarter horse cross. The result: a half-Welsh filly, BUFFY DAWN, R322, born a dun now turning chestnut, nice temperament, good looks and lots of speed.

KILTIES FIRST EDITION was hurt in a breeding accident, was gelded and is now Junior Eventing with his new owner, 16 year old Sarah Hill and he is jumping very well.

*Yours truly,
Wilf Taylor, Groundbirch, B.C.*



Afiena Kamminga riding Ashton Gwenda, 100% Welsh Cob mare (in foreground), and friend Liz riding a Tennessee Walker.

UNITED STATES

Cathy Reid and Cindy Dishman attended their first ever CDE at Remlinger Farm in Carnation, Washington on September 18-20. As observers, they went to learn all they could about the event, since they plan to begin competing next year. They were pleasantly surprised to meet two cobs at the event: Sinton Sultan, a 12-year old gelding driven in the Prelim. Division by Jean Terry made the l - o - o - o - n - g trek from Marysville, California. Cathy was especially excited about "Blue", as the gelding is called, since he is the sire of her Sec. D mare, Mary's Cadi. Jean and Blue are experienced on the CDE circuit having competed at Carnation last year and in Sister, Oregon the previous year. Jean likes the Northwest driving scene citing friendly competitors and show organizers and beautiful settings. The other Sec. D gelding, 6 year old Brynarian Brython, was expertly driven by owner Sue Billings of Cobble Hill, B.C. This event was the first for this Training Level duo who earned the best dressage score among the many competitors in their division. Brython and Sue hung on in the marathon and cones to trot off with top honors for Training Level single horse. Both cobs drew much attention and admiration among the viewing audience.

The current two issues of The Western Horse magazine feature articles about Welsh with accompanying photographs. Carlene Sharples penned 'The Popular Welsh Cob' although photographs of all four sections are displayed including color shots of England's LEYESWICK FLYER and LEYESWICK MARK. Other pictured cobs in Issue 54 include Sec. D mare WARCOLAG COMET MOTH ridden sidesaddle, eventing Sec. D mare LIDGETT LADY RACHEL, retired Section D MEIARTH MODERN MAID at 36 years old and black Section D OKEDEN SENSATION. The Western Horse issue 55 contains an article by Karen MacLeay titled 'The Perfect Gift: Pay Less and Get More!' Three cob photos featuring what appears to be TURKDEAN SWORD DANCE in his younger days, LEYESWICK BRENIN in cart and LIDGETT LADY RACHEL being ridden in dressage.

Patricia Didier of Mawrllyn Welsh Cobs, Port Washington, Wisconsin rode her trusty Section D gelding, CROSSROADS Y RHAYADER on their first Competitive Trail Ride as they accompanied a friend. The Novice Division of this ride is a 13 mile timed trek. Patricia felt she and Rhayader did really well considering they spent only 3 weeks preparing for the event. Patricia felt the stares of the other competitors—most who ride Arabians—as they eyed Rhayader. Perhaps they underestimated this substantial cob with an immense body and heavy legs. Perhaps is right. Patricia and Rhayer placed 6th of 15 for their first effort!

Plans are underway for an indoor arena at Mawrllyn Welsh Cob Farm, which should be completed by Spring. According to Patricia, Spring weather can be worse than Winter. There is also much excitement with the planned arrival of their first cob foal out of their Section D mare, MADOC QUEEN ELIZABETH who was bred to BRYNARIAN BRITON. Briton made a farm visit last year when the Didiers hosted the American Heritage Driving Event. Briton was not only in attendance, he won the Overall Preliminary Division.

A chat with Jean Robocker of Kalispell, Montana revealed her plans to head back to Wales in a few weeks. It seems she has found a very nice cob youngster with the the bloodlines she likes and she would like to view this weanling in person. Before her trip, however, she will say good-bye to her 1990 striking bay filly, MAI'S MOIRA by Llanarth Trustful out of Scole Mai. Moira will be moving to Bellevue, Washington where her new owner, Marily Schuck will begin her ground work in preparation for a riding career.

From the Fall Welshmania: A party for Mrs. Hope Ingersoll on October 2 marked her 88th birthday and yes, several Welsh ponies attended.

Mark and Mary-Ellen (Mel) Bosworth have been the proud owners since May of SPRING SONG OF PENRHYN, 1991 NEWPCS show Supreme Champion. SPRING SONG is by LLANARTH TRUSTFUL out of FAIR TEGOLIN OF PENRHYN. Mary-Ellen reports that there are three other new Welsh pony arrivals at Ashland. Laura Perry now has a Section D gelding, HANDSOME LAD OF PENRHYN. His former owners were Sue and Mike Phillips. Look for Amiee Bernier soon on SALTWOOD PHOEBE, Aimee's yearling Section C filly from Cynthia Kirby's Saltwood Farm, Rhode Island. Saltwood Phoebe is by Wotfield Evening Flight out of Liseter Shining Glee. Mel, a 4-H horse club leader says that she now has 10 Welsh ponies at Ashland, and that at least half of her 4-H club members are riding Welsh ponies.

The Bosworth filly, LADY SARAH OF PENRHYN and Ellen Flock's mare PENRHYN'S SENSATIONAL LADY were featured together in a Farnham Company magazine ad last spring. (Anyone see it?) The ad appeared in several prominent horse publications, so hold on to your old copies; hoof autographs may be available soon.

CANADA

Carol McDonald reports a bay Welsh Warmblood foal sired by BRYNARIAN BRENIN AP MALDWYN.

Alberta news includes the arrival of a Section C colt owned by

Sheila McLellan. The colt has been sired by Ardmore Whirlwind out of her imported Section C mare, KILTIE'S SPECIAL EDITION. He was a big hit at the Stampede display.

From Saskatchewan, Alana Wilson reports Kelly Acres has four foals this year including two Warmbloods by Section D BRYNARIAN EIDDWEN COMET. "Comet" and Section C KELLY ACRES KOFFEE KRISP have been invited to accompany the Wilsons by the Alberta Pony Breeders to take part in the Equi-Fair booth and displays at Spruce Meadows on September 9-12.

Keith and Jenny Parson, Coblynau Stud, Hilary Tolhurst, Cwmfelen Stud and Lawrence Flask were three of six Canadian Welsh farms to exhibit at the Eastern National Welsh Show in Syracuse, New York. This group brought a total of four cobs which made a VERY respectable showing both in halter and performance.

Sheila and Bill Jones of Pen-y-Bryn Farm, Ontario, visited the Lampeter Stallion Show in Wales this spring and stayed at the Parc Stud.

Transfers from the Fall '92 Canadian newsletter show the following lease/sales:

MERIONETH MERLYN, C7000, 1985 stallion by Menai Fury was leased December 1, 1991 by Mr. & Mrs Campbell Lawrence, Glendower Farm to Kirsten Brunner, RR #2, Hillsburgh, Ontario N0B 1Z0.

LLANARTH DILYS, D4863, 1979 Mare by Llanarth True Briton out of Llanarth Iarles was sold April 1, 1992 by Peter Wilding-Davies to Sandra Evans, 1164 Hutchinson Rd., RR #2, Cobble Hill, BC V0R 1L0

THORNBECK GOLDEN DAWN, R162, 1987 Mare by Cwmfelen Golden Eclipse out of Nancie was sold March 17, 1992 by Donny Breau to James Lynds, RR #1, Harcourt, NB E0A 1T0

Stallion reports for 1992 show BRYNARIAN BLEDDYN D6120, owned by Norm Evans, B.C., has bred one mare.

UNITED KINGDOM

Newest British subscriber Gary Hodges, who spent the summer months at Hastening Farm with Kate Shields and Family in Virginia, is now back in England, well, Wales, to be exact. He has moved to the Bwchlilan Stud of Welsh Cobs in Gwynfe, Dyfed—the heart of cob country. Gary is working as stud groom at this very large stud where an enormous herd of all black cob mares and four stallions reside. One of their stallions has been a three times Royal Welsh winner and Champion Cob at the Royal of England. Plans for the 1993 show season include competing at all major shows. Also, a large crop of foals are expected which will keep Gary very busy, no doubt.

Gary has stepped forward to serve as the North American Cob Connection's correspondent in the U.K.

UPCOMING PROFILES!

If you have a preference about cobs you would like to see profiled in the North American Cob Connection, your suggestions will be welcome. (The 'Brain' article in this issue is an example of a profile.) Better yet, if you have a an article about one such special cob, photocopy it and send it along. (Be sure to include your source and year of publication.) We will make it a goal to feature at least one influential deceased stallion or mare in each issue. And, to our Welsh and English subscribers, we especially welcome your contributions. Photographs will be gladly received and happily returned. Ideas and articles may be sent to 35807 Willama Vista, Pleasant Hill, OR 97455.



PARADING AROUND!

The Santa Barbara Old Spanish Days Fiesta is a tradition that goes back 68 years to 1924 when the first Fiesta and Parade honoring the founding families of Santa Barbara was held. Mrs. Stephanie Abronson driving her Section B Welsh Pony GLAN NANT SECRET to a circa 1890's white Runabout was followed by three Welsh Cobs. Mrs. Janina Owens was mounted on her Section D Welsh Cob mare MARY'S LLANCES; Miss Patricia Jameson was riding Mrs. Owens' imported Section D Welsh Cob stallion LEYESWICK BREIN and Miss Cory Johnstone rode a Welsh Pony of Cob Type, SHILOH DUCHESS. The Welsh entry contributed toward making this parade the largest equestrian parade in the U.S. with over 500 horses and mules entered. It was estimated at 150,000 people lined the route with thousands more watching the event on television.

Entry into the parade required an application including a photograph of each member dressed in costume. Since the group didn't have traditional costumes ready, the team and their friends feverishly worked on making matching saddle blankets,

borrowing chaps and chinks, black western hats, and white full sleeved shirts to match and blend with Mrs. Owens' turn-of-the-century riding dress and an Edwardian period costume made for Mrs. Abronson to match the age of the runabout.

Earlier this year, Mrs. Owens and Mrs. Abronson entered the Canoga Park Memorial Day Parade and the Northridge Parade



for Parks and Recreation with Miss Johnstone and Miss Lira Vickers. Having devised Renaissance style costumes in the red, green and white of the Welsh Flag, adding the red griffin to the front and back of tunics, these colorful costumes catch the eye of parade judges and spectators alike, winning the Novelty Costume trophy in each parade. When allowed, a Welsh flag is carried by one member of the parade group. In addition, Paige's costumes have been created including tunics and caps with matching green ostrich feathers. The Paige's tunic and cap costume have been used for Welsh breed exhibitions as well as parades. Mrs. Owens and Mrs. Abronson would like to make the simple patterns available to any Welsh groups interested.

*Above: Santa Barbara Old Spanish Days Fiesta Parade, August 7, 1992. In period costumes to blend with circa 1890 runabout pulled by Welsh Riding Pony, Glan Nant Secret, driven by Stephanie Abronson. Far left is Janina Owens mounted on the Sec. D Welsh Cob mare Mary's Llances. Middle rider is Patricia Jameson riding Owens' Sec. D Welsh Cob stallion *Leyeswick Brein. Right is Cory Johnstone on Shiloh Duchess, Welsh Pony of Cob Type.*

Left: Patti Jameson mounted on Shiloh Duchess. Patti is wearing a Renaissance-style Paige's costume developed for Welsh breed exhibitions and parades, by Stephanie Abronson and Janina Owens.



The Welsh parade group intends to appear next in the 43rd Annual 1992 televised edition of "The Fabulous Holiday Christmas Lane Parade." It will be held in Huntington Park, California on Sunday, November 15 at 1:00 p.m. Pacific time. This and many other parades are run by Pageantry Productions, a professional parade organizing company. We hope our Welsh parade group will next year appear in the televised Hollywood Christmas Parade and the ultimate goal—the fabulous Pasadena Rose Parade.



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F E A T U R E A R T I C L E

An Endangered Breed? Section C - Welsh Ponies of Cob Type

The following is a notice from the Fall 1992 issue of the newsletter of the Welsh Pony and Cob Society of Canada titled, "Section C, Endangered Breed?"

While Welsh Riding Ponies and Cobs make great strides forward in Canada, the Section C, or more properly, Welsh Cob of Pony Type, is being left behind. In fact there are very few Section Cs in Canada and only a couple that have 100% marked on their papers. What difference does this make, you ask? According to our Constitution, "for breeding purposes, either the Cob Stallion, Section C or D, or the Cob mare, Section C or D, shall have 100% Cob designated on its registration papers in order to register its offspring as Cob."

Therefore, if you breed your A mare to a D stallion and the resulting offspring is a filly, under our current rules she would be registered as 50% Cob and would most likely be a Section C. In order to breed this filly on, you then have to breed her to a 100% Cob. If you want to breed Section D's this would not present a problem as there are many good Section D stallions in Canada. However, if you wanted to carry on breeding Section C, you will be very limited in your stallion choice. I, personally, know of only one C stallion in Canada. If your resulting offspring is a colt, he is not eligible to be used as a Welsh breeding stallion under the Constitution.

Currently, a committee is working on looking at, and trying to resolve this lack of breeding stock in Section C. One suggestion has been that the percentage be removed completely from the Cobs. This would leave us in the situation that we are trying to avoid—using Cob on the ponies only once in several generations, thus losing Cob type. Another suggestion has been

to eliminate the percentages only on the Section Cs. While this seems feasible, what would happen if the A x D cross should grow over 13.2 hands and become a Section D instead? Would we then apply the percentage?

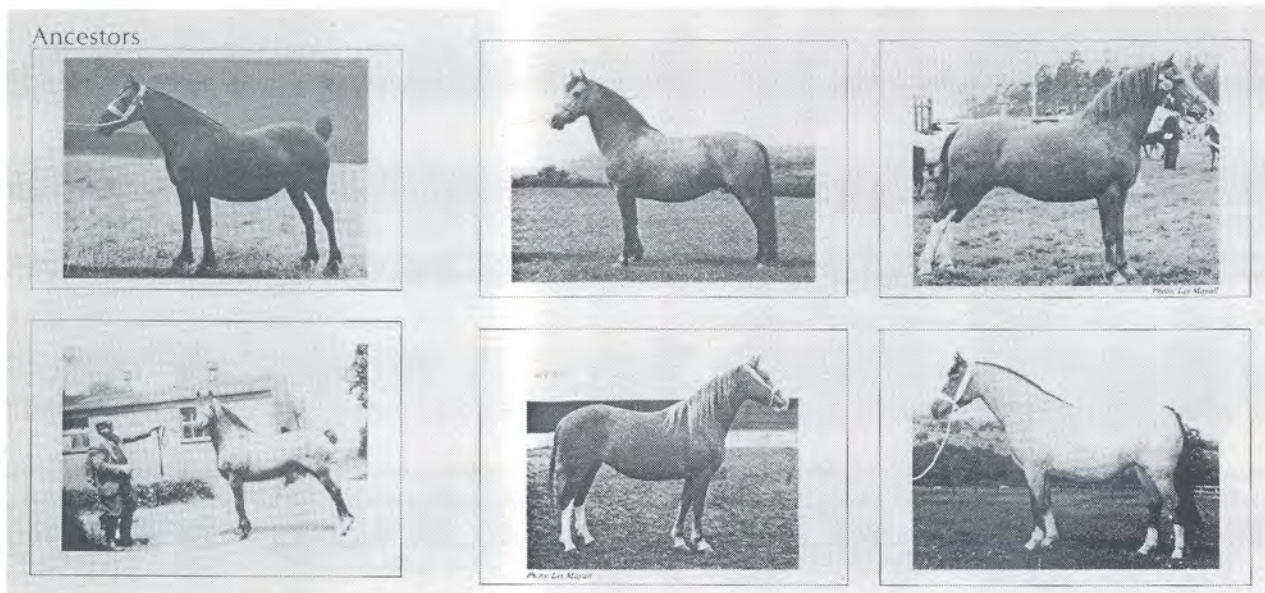
You do not have to be a Cob breeder to be interested in this problem, in fact maybe someone looking at the problem from a totally different point of view may come up with the solution. How about it, members? Any ideas? Write the editor or Section C committee or both!

[Newsletter editor, Pay Clay, Box 4, Site 2, R.R. #1,
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MORE Welsh Ponies & Cobs Identified!

Thank You, Jean Morton and Keith Parsons!



Thanks to Jean Morton of Bolton, Ontario and Keith Parsons of Tottenham, Ontario for helping to identify Welsh Ponies of Cob Type and Ancestors from the photos run in the Summer 1992 issue, pages 15-18.

On opposite page:

TOP ROW, left to right:

Polly of Hercws, Menai Ceridwen, Lily Cwmcoed

SECOND ROW, left to right:

Cardi Llwyd, Tydi Rosina, foaled 1961 (Meiarth Royal Eiddwen x Gerynant Rosina), Synod Gossip (Tydi Cerdin x Brierwood Eve)

THIRD ROW, left to right:

Meiarth Maid, Tyhen Mattie

FOURTH ROW, left to right:

Dewi Rosina, Parc Lady

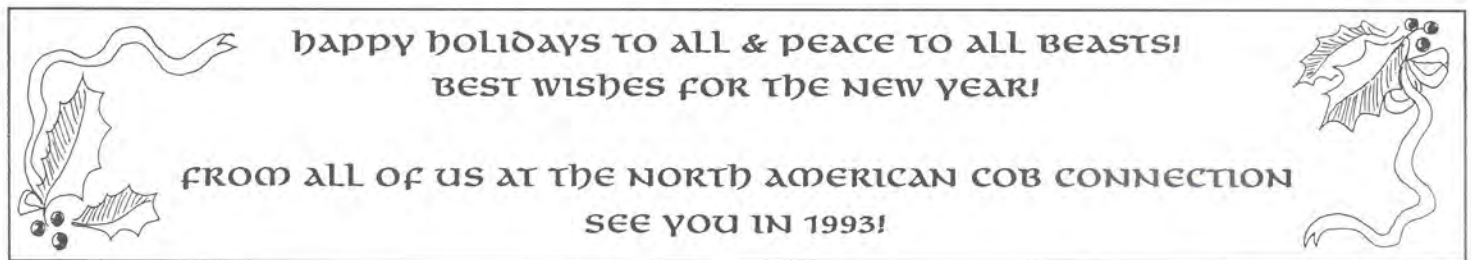
From the Summer issue:

page 16, top right: Tyssul Coran

page 18, 'At Work', Top Row (left to right): Tydi Cerdin (not Synod Cerdin) and Ross Mary

Second Row: Tyssul Valient, other, still unknown

Doreen Jones of Synod Stud gave Jean Morton the names when Doreen visited Jean some years ago.



SALUTES



Canadian National All Welsh Championships
Markham, Ontario, August 2, 1992. Judge: Mrs. A. Daunt

Cob Results, Sections C & D

Foal of 1992: 1. Coblynau Cardi, Jennifer Parsons

Yearling to 2 y.o. Colt, Filly or Gelding: 1. Beaverwoods Ebony, Christopher Steward

Mares, 3 and over: 1. Penrhyn Gwendoline, Vicki Cork 2. Dyfnog Valiant Vixen, Jennifer Parsons 3. Ashton Gwendydd, Rosemary Hawkrigg

Stallions & Geldings, 3 and over: 1. Merioneth Merlyn, Beaverwood Farm 2. Deytheur Dai, Lawrence Flaska

Best of Breed, C & D: Champion Coblynau Cardi, Jennifer Parsons

Reserve Merioneth Merlyn, Beaverwoods Farm

Best Foal of Show over all sections: Coblynau Cardi, Jennifer Parsons

Southeast Welsh Pony & Cob Club of America Show
Summerfest Show, Judges: Iona Pillion and Dana Caudle

87 Welsh and Half Welsh attending the show

Halter Champions, Both judge's result for these classes were the same.

Grand Ch. Cob Sec. C & D: Winterlake Alexander, Owner Amanda Williams

Res. Ch. Cob: Lidgett Black Bess, Owner Amanda Williams

Supreme Ch of Show: Winterlake Alexander, Amanda Williams

Performance

Limit Pony Welsh and Half Welsh Division Champion:
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OCTOBER 30-NOVEMBER 1 - WP&CSA Annual General Meeting, Winchester, Virginia

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Part II

The Story of Llanarth Braint 1854

As Reprinted from the WPCSA 1982 Yearbook • By Pauline Taylor, May 20, 1978

It is 30 years ago that Llanarth Braint first saw the light of day here at Blaenwern in the spring of 1948. Little did we dream then that the little fawn-coloured colt born that day was to play such a major role in the destiny of the Llanarth Stud and the future of the Welsh Cob breed.

Strange as it may seem, and explain it as you will, his arrival was purely accidental and not of any planning on our part. We had bought his sire, Llanarth Goldcrest (by Pistill Goldflake out of Pistill Sunset) as a foal from his breeder Mr. Gwilym Morris in Breconshire. He was a bright red chestnut colt with excellent riding shoulders and plenty of free action all round.

At 2 years old this colt, standing nearly 15 hh, contrary to all intentions mated with a smaller bay-dun mare by Cardi Llwyd which we meant to sell. As it happened we felt over-stocked at the time without the fodder



Llanarth Braint in 1954 with Buck Starr up.

necessary to keep

the cattle and horses through the winter of 1947/48 which proved to be the most severe in living memory. In November 1947 we took the mare to Llanybyther mart thinking to sell her. But I resolved that she must fetch at least 30 pounds or we would bring her back. We did not know at the time that she was in foal, though we thought it possible. Times were bad then. The highest bid in the ring was 25 pounds - so out she came, to be surrounded immediately by a group of rough looking dealers urging us to sell her. We refused saying that unless one of them offered 30 pounds we should not let her go. Then the haggling began until, as it reached 29 pounds, a man tried to take my hand to clinch the deal. But something inside me made me stick to my guns and refuse to yield. I kept on repeating "I said 30 pounds and I mean it!" At this they gave up and melted away - and home she came.



Llanarth Fortress. Breeding unknown. An arresting early photo from Pauline Taylor's collection. Underneath it all, it can be said that Fortress was the most important foundation of female lines at Llanarth. Pictured here with Gillian Cuff up at the international Pony Breeders' conference, Edinburgh, 1953. Miss Cuff walks away with the honors in authentic Welsh National costume. She is, in fact, a dead ringer for an early illustration in Dent and Goodall's FOALS OF EPONA. Fortress had only one filly, Llanarth Rocket who, herself, had only one foal, Llanarth Flying Saucer.

The following spring after the ordeal of that terrible winter when snow in places was level with the tops of the telegraph poles, Llanarth Kilda gave birth to Braint. We named him "Bambi" after Walt Disney's popular film of the day.

At 2 years, after shedding his pale woolly winter coat, to our astonishment a glorious glowing copper-coloured creature appeared with almost pure white mane and tail. "Bambi" seemed most unsuitable for such a god-like being brimming over with spirit and presence. By a sudden inspiration the Welsh word "Braint" (meaning 'dignity' or 'honour') came into my mind. Associated as it is with a famous old Welsh hymn in the Dorian mode, it also served as a link between the Welsh Cobs and my life as a musician with the Dorian Trio. So he was registered in the W.S.B. as Llanarth Braint 1854 - a name which he has vindicated to the full.

At that time my partner and I were much interested in colour and especially the Palomino colour in horses. This involved us in a study of the fascinating subject of colour genetics and we became founder members of the British Palomino Society. We gained a considerable reputation by supplying matched teams of Welsh Palomino ponies to Bertram Mills and Billy Smarts circuses and so on.

The colour in this country was then not recognized as being indigenous among the Welsh. It was rare and therefore attracted a much higher priced than the other more ordinary

colours. Though Braint himself was too dark in colour and has grown darker with the years, he carries the necessary "dilution" gene and hence has produced countless Palomino or near Palomino off-spring. This was not popular with the old cob breeders, who have always favoured the hard colours of bay, black and chestnut while just tolerating dun which, of course, carries the dilution factor too and triggers off Palominos.

For this reason and the fact that Braint was the very first undocked Welsh Cob to appear in the shows, he was very unpopular in certain quarters among the "old" brigade who distrusted anything they felt was new and fanciful. Up to the year 1951 when the anti-docking law was passed, all Welsh Cobs had been docked so, in his young days Braint stood out as an exception to the rule. Many judges for this reason put him at the bottom of the line.

"Cellist Pauline Taylor undertook a trip through Central Wales in her sever horse power Jowett in 1935. As she rattled her way over the unmade roads of the times, she recalls seeing the fire burning on the Brecon Beacons to commemorate the Jubilee of George V."

It was Mr. E.G.G. Griffiths of Trefnant who first singled out Braint in his commentary at the Royal Welsh in 1951 saying that in time to come more would be heard of the one and only Welsh Cob with a long flowing tail.

As the years passed his versatility both under saddle and in harness became apparent. Outside Wales, especially at the Ponies of Britain Stallion Shows he won recognition and did much to advance the popularity of the Welsh Cob. His "day of days" was in 1958 at the Ponies of Britain Summer Show in Harrogate where he was Supreme Champion. He won every class in which he had been entered - in hand, under saddle, in harness and finally in the Fancy Dress competition. He stood at the top of the line and 2nd, 3rd, 4th and 5th were his daughters. Many of those present that day have never forgotten it. He also showed his natural aptitude for dressage. Never since those days have we had such a performer as Braint excelling as he did in such a variety of ways. From that time on till he was retired at 20 years old, he had many notable successes. To mention only one or two: he is the only Welsh Cob to have won in hand, in harness and under saddle at the Royal Welsh Show; at 19 years he was Champion at the Royal Show giving a show in hand unequalled by any younger animal to the deafening applause of an ecstatic crowd of thousands; similarly at 20 when he last appeared at Aberystwyth Show in harness, he moved with such dash, style and speed that he left other competitors far behind. When we used to drive him for pleasure he would maintain the same rhythmic trot whether uphill or downhill covering hill after mile with no signs of tiring. His spirit was unconquerable and, added to this, he

was always so safe and dependable in every way. These characteristics have been transmitted in no uncertain measure to his progeny. Many of these - too many to enumerate - have been champions in their own right. Many in all corners of the globe carry his blood and, wherever they are, recommend the great virtues of the Welsh Cob.

"One particularly steep hill posed problems for her little car. After overheating the engine, the use of chocks and much employment of reverse, she ultimately gained the summit."



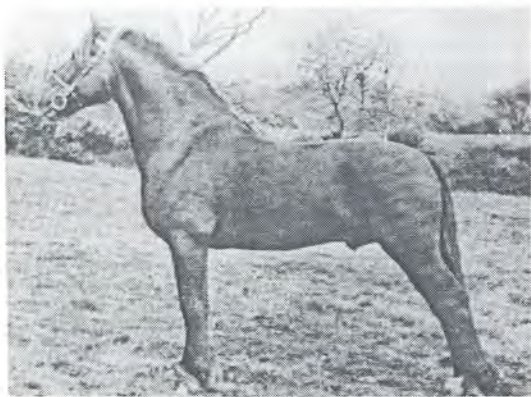
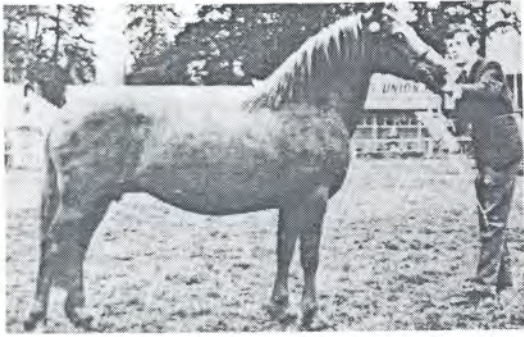
Llanarth Braint. His numerous Championships in-hand, under saddle, and in harness include all three at the Royal Welsh in 1960. Here he shows the free action for which his line is famous.

Photos courtesy of Bigley and Northam

Only last September we paid a visit to the Gschwendt Welsh Cob Stud, Maria Nasbach, near Vienna, and spent ten memorable days as guests of the owners Herr Ewald and Herr Milos Welde. Here in Austria I found the fulfilment of my long-held belief that Welsh Cobs like Braint could equal and even surpass the Lippizanas of the Spanish Riding School in Dressage and High School. On studying the pedigrees of their cobs I found all could be traced back to Braint. Before long when the University College of Wales can provide the facilities of cross-country riding and driving courses and an arena for dressage, it is hoped that the full potential of the Welsh Cob can be demonstrated here at Blaenwern as we saw it in Austria. In this way only will the legend of Braint and what he has given to the Llanarth Stud and to the Welsh Cob breed for generations to come be adequately recognised.

"The view was superb and, silhouetted against the setting sun, two men on their Cobs drove a flock of sheep. Everything about the scene seemed right. Her recent mechanical achievement seemed all wrong. She resolved then to do the same journey on horseback."

Continued on next page



On his retirement from the show ring in 1968 he fretted very much that he was no longer going to represent Llanarth as he had done for so many years. He was a born showman and would do his best for his handlers, who were many and varied in those days. He showed his disappointment and boredom by refusing to eat and going round in circles in his box. So we provided him some years ago with a donkey "Alfonzo" as his constant companion. It has been a great success; they are inseparable and it is amusing to see them like Dignity and Impudence always together.

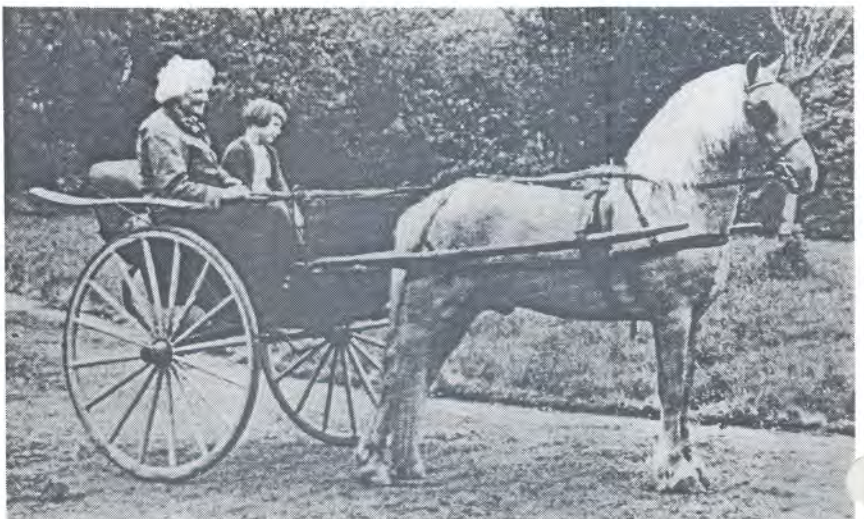
"Pauline found a two-year-old registered Cob filly in the hinderland behind Llanarth, near Newquay, and paid the then considerable price of 40 pounds. For three years, she had some enjoyable times exploring Wales on horseback—then came the war. As a member of the Dorian Trio, playing to school children, troops, factory workers, and many more, there was no time for riding, so Pauline put her mare out to grass in foal to the supreme champion of the day, Brenin Gwalia—and that was the start of the Llanarth Stud."
Stuart Newsham, from *Horse and Hound*



*Above, top photo: Llanarth Flying Saucer (Llanarth Braint x Llanarth Rocket). Sec. C Flying Saucer is dam of many Champions and producers of Champions including Llanarth Flying Comet, Llanarth Meteor, Llanarth Sian and Mrs. Ingersoll's *Llanarth Dancing Satellite. Middle: Llanarth Flying Rocket (Pentre Eiddwen Comet x Llanarth Flying Saucer. Show Champion and dam of Madoc's imported *Llanarth Mary Alice. Bottom: Llanarth Goldcrest (Pistill Goldflake x Pistill Sunset), sire of Llanarth Braint.*

Right: Llanarth Hywel ap Braint (Llanarth Braint x Llanarth Empress) Sec. C. Put to a gig designed and built by the late Bertram Mills.

Above Right: "The Famous Four." Llanarth Braint in 1979 at 31 years, Len Bigley and Miss Pauline Taylor. In the background, Braint's companion, Alfonzo.



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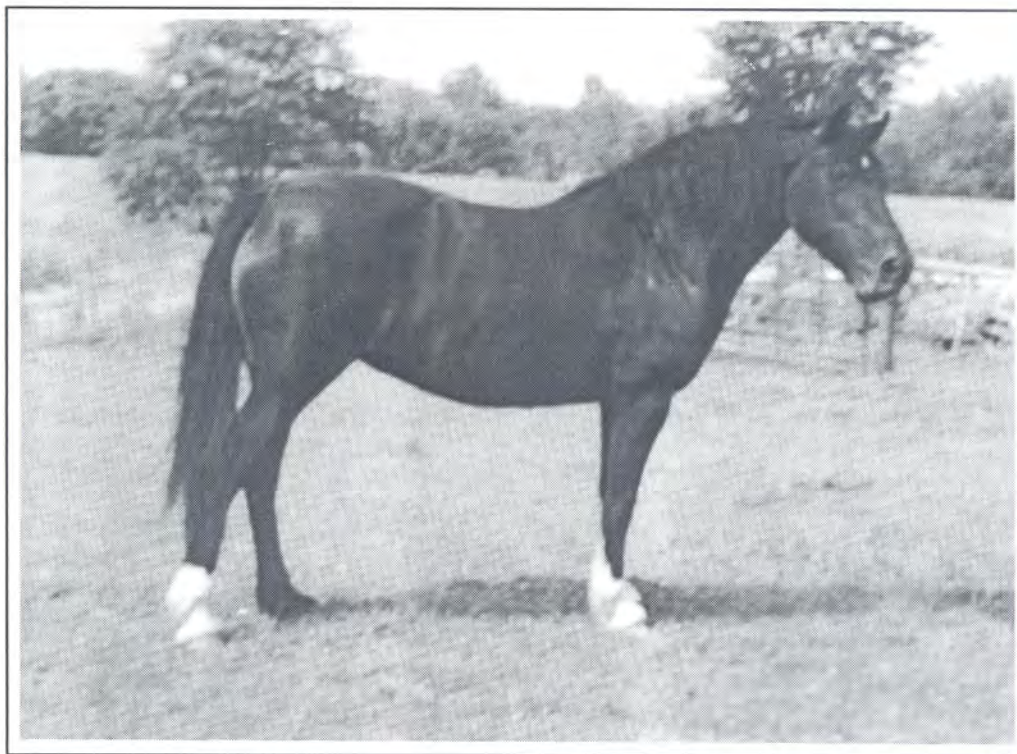
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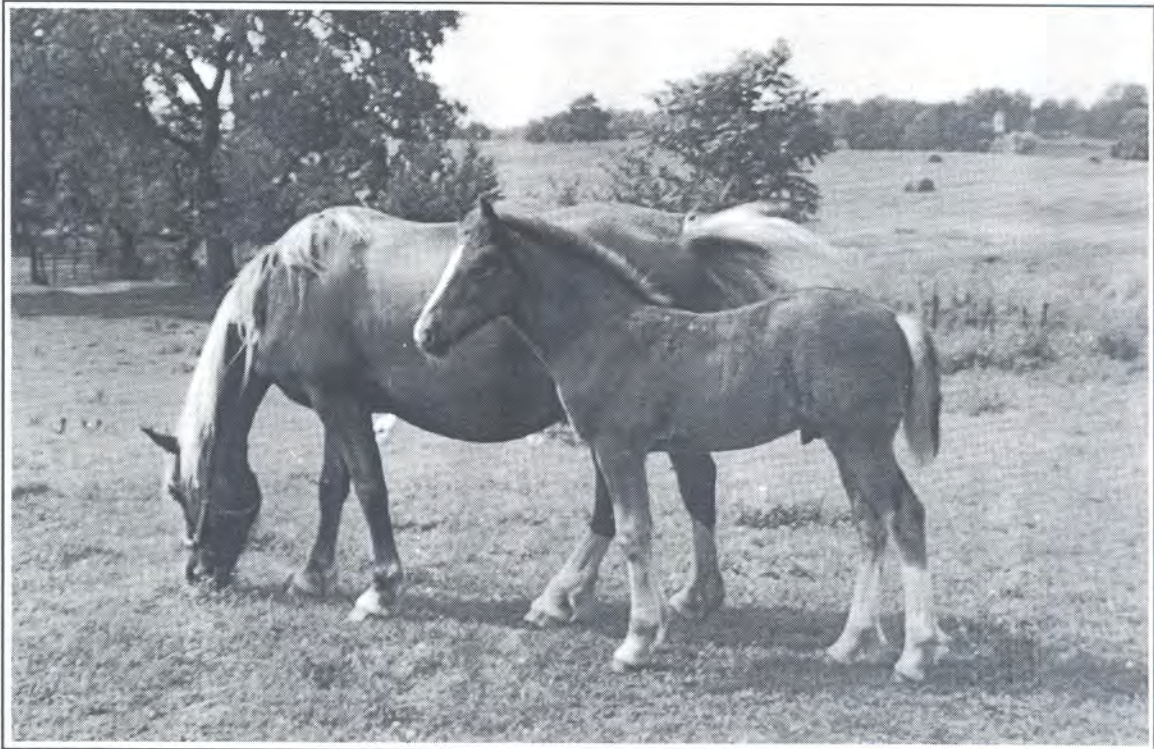
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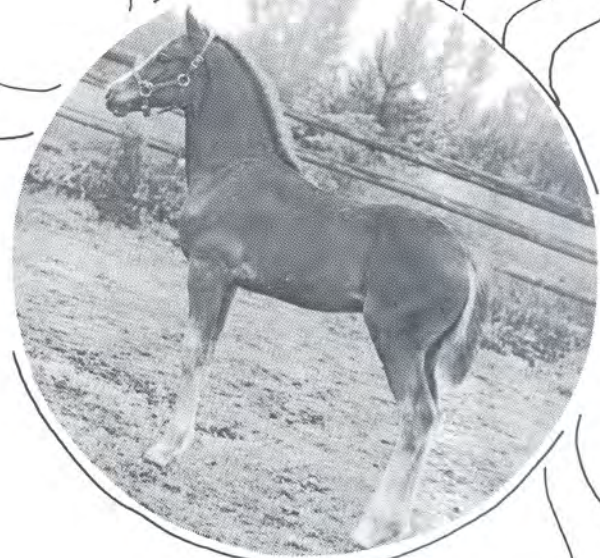
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1990 1/2 Cob Sec. C gelding. Chestnut Appaloosa. Absolutely beautiful. Sire is NW Ch. Cob, *Synod Gladstone. Dam is lovely Arab/POA cross. Very correct good mover. Excellent children's hunter or Pony Club prospect. Very willing, quiet and friendly. No formal training to date, yet willingly accepts tack and rider. Leads, ties, trims & hauls. \$750 to good home only. Kelty La Rocco, Florence, OR 503-997-5313

FOR SALE: RUSSET HARNESS. Custom made in England for a 15 hand cob. Paid \$1500; wil sell for \$800. Mel Bosworth, New England, 508-758-6672

C-183 Penny Dance of Penrhyn, Sec. C palomino mare, foaled 5/12/78. Sire C-91 Turkdean Sword Dance. Dam B-7542 Penrhyn Pennywise. Gentle, lovely mare, rides and drives. Shown pony hunter, champion at Welsh show, bred to RosMel's Bey Flame. \$3500. Barbara Evans, 603-432-5279, Ontario

WANTED: Sec. D or large Sec. C gelding, mature (6 years or older), prefer 14-14.1 hands (consider 13.2 or 13.3: would like to be able to ride also), with true, old-fashioned cob type! Trained to drive, trustworthy, and safe for an adult novice. (If he was trained to ride and loved the trails, that would be a plus.) *Most important* is a wonderful attitude: friendly, willing, confident, easily managed. A cob with whom I can gain positive experiences. Sound, with conformation suitable for driving/riding. No vices. *I guarantee a knowledgeable, loving, and permanent home!!* I'm not in a hurry, it's more important to find

just the right cob! Drop a note with photos, or a video to: Kristen Barndt, NACC Art/Design Editor, 1800 Penfield Road, Suite 107, Penfield, NY 14526. I'll send photos/videos back on request.

COB HOTLINE

Sara Bloomer, 74 Moore Rd., Sustex, NJ 07461. Experienced hunt seat rider interested in cob for riding, particularly desires bloodlines of Llanarth Math ap Braint.

Jeri Jackson, 30075 West 83rd St., De Soto, KS 66018 wants a large Sec. B or Sec. D for hunt seat riding. Phone 913-585-3650.

Linda Berezay, E. 24404 Roxanne Rd., Newman Lake, WA 99025 saw the "Braint" tape and is very excited about cobs! Plans to tour Foxbrush Farm (Gerald & Kathleen Fangsrud) very soon.

St. Nicholas and the Cob: A Christmas Vision

By Kristen Barndt

When I was a wee lad in
Builth Wells

And Christmas was nigh upon us,
I remember the sound of harness bells,
Bonfires bright and kitchen smells,
And the parish choir in chorus.

We were poor way back when,
With no hope for Christmas toys.
But the Day came just the same...
Then we heard a shout and such a noise!
From all the neighborhood girls and boys!

We ran down to the lane
As fast as we could
And there He came!
Riding a horse with flying mane!
The horse was small, but he
Carried St. Nick AND his sack
On his strong back
At a very quick jog!
He looked like a pack pony
Carrying peat from the bog!

I couldn't believe my eyes!
Was this vision but a dream?
St. Nick's horse was the color
of cinnamon sticks,
With a mane of Devon cream!

With legs of snow
To match St. Nick's beard
As it tumbled down His breast,
His nostrils flaired red
Like the Winter Sun
As it sets behind the crest.

St. Nick stopped and winked and
passed out the gifts
And then went on His way.
Oh! what a Wonderful Christmas Day!
A dolly for Sissy,
And Will got a boat!
A lorry for Stephen
And, lo and behold!
Mum got a five-pound note!

Was "St. Nick" really Old Man Bert
Who lives o're yonder hill?
And where did He get all those toys
for His sack?
We tell the story still...
Or was He really a Faerie Man
From underneath the knob?
To this day we do not know...
But, I'll not forget
the Day St. Nicholas
Came riding on a Cob!



TOUR OF WELSH STUDS - TAPES 2A, 2B & 4

Those of you who previously ordered videotapes realized you received Tapes 1 and 3, not tape 2, as was advertised in the Spring issue. This occurred because tape 2 became "misplaced". I was terribly distressed about the situation because you didn't get what was advertised AND in my opinion, tape 2 is the BEST ONE!

Tape 2 begins with the a visit to the Wyedean Stud, then goes on to an indoor show of all sections at Fayre Oaks. The Frampta Country Fair has footage of a pony auction and a flavor of typical fair follies—greyhounds racing, pipers, etc. The many studs visited total over 120 minutes of footage, including about 35 minutes of the most outrageous parking out of Llanarth cob foals I've ever seen. (plus, Cottrell Stud, Bengad, Tuscani, Cnewr, Moorcook, Horsegate, Rotherdale, Tyr' Eos, and Gerrig.) You'll also see many cob mares and stallions shown in hand and at liberty—gorgeous! This tape was made in 1987, recorded on extended play and totals 165 minutes. Unfortunately, it cannot be duped onto one tape. The video company will only record at regular speed so Tape 2 will end up using two videotapes.. Tape 4 totals 120 minutes. It was made in 1990 and covers the Forest of Dean Stallion Show, Silksheed and, oh, yes, Richard Miller, who took all this footage, paid a visit to look at some English Field Spaniels, one of which he eventually purchased and quite successfully campaigned in New England.

The video production company WILL edit out the few moments when the camera is on, and Richard doesn't know it and even the 10-minute segment on Spaniels. But the cost for such service is \$35 per hour and we must play the tape all the way through to the the spots needing to be edited—at \$35 per hour. So I made an executive decision that your fast forward button on the VCR was meant for just those occasions when you want to get past something quickly. In the combined time of 285 minutes for these two tapes, there are two or three places you might want to fast forward. I also reasoned that if you like cobs, you are an animal person and you should get a real kick out of the puppy/dog coverage. Consider it cometic relief from studying all those wonderful Welsh (or a time to refill the snack tray).

Also, so many of you ordered tapes 1 & 3 that our cost per tape was less than what was quoted. That is why we can offer these three tapes (Tape 2A and 2B totalling 165 min.; Tape 4 totalling 120 min.) so reasonably.

TOUR OF WELSH STUDS - TAPES 2A, 2B & 4

*Checks must be received by December 15; the tapes will be duped within 10 days.
A few additional tapes will be available, but no new tapes will be made after this offer.*

_____ Please send me Tapes 2A, 2B and 4. I am enclosing \$35.00

(\$30 for tapes, \$5 for packaging/postage) You may deduct \$4 if you received tapes 1 & 3.

Make checks payable to: NACC, 35807 Willama Vista, Pleasant Hill, OR 97455

Name & Address _____



100% Section D gelded stallion, Cwmfelen Golden Eclipse, is out to get the Christmas tree from the Trollberg Farm woodlot. Owner: Afiena Kamminga.

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