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Ventana Supreme's Rare Dreamer is a distinguished Saddlebred stallion renowned for his exceptional phenotype and athleticism. Bred by Piet Moller through meticulous selection, he has earned eleven titles as both a Multi-National and South African Grand Champion Three Gaited Horse in 2018. Notably he passes on not just his quality but also his impressive performance traits to his offspring, reflecting his excellence as a sire.

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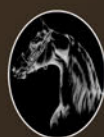
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SA SADDLE HORSE

Can you believe it's already been a year since we launched our very first SA Saddle Horse e-magazine? Now, holding the printed version in our hands, we're thrilled to unveil our biggest edition yet! This journey has been nothing short of amazing, and it's all thanks to our incredible clients who've made it possible. Your steadfast support has been the cornerstone of our success, and we can't wait to see what the future holds.

This edition is packed with stunning advertisements and informative articles, meticulously crafted by our dedicated SA Saddle Horse team. A special shoutout to Elpita and Fotojan for their tireless efforts in capturing breathtaking show photos. Your breathtaking images have been instrumental in creating the most captivating adverts for our clients, and we couldn't be more thankful.

Reflecting on our first year, SA Saddle Horse has achieved some remarkable milestones. From releasing two e-magazines to attending SANESA Nationals and various Eastern Cape Shows, it's been an unforgettable journey. And now, we're excited to announce that we're officially part of the media team at this year's National Championships. Look out for us – and be sure to give us a smile if you spot us around!

I want to take a moment to acknowledge the remarkable team behind SA Saddle Horse. Each member brings their own unique talents and perspectives, making us a formidable force. What truly sets us apart is our unwavering support for one another – we uplift, motivate and champion each other's successes. Thank you for turning SA Saddle Horse into not just a platform, but a close family. I salute each and every one of you.

On behalf of the entire SA Saddle Horse team, I extend our heartfelt best wishes to all the exhibitors gearing up for the National Championships! Remember to give it your all and, most importantly, enjoy every moment.

Much Love

Adri
xx



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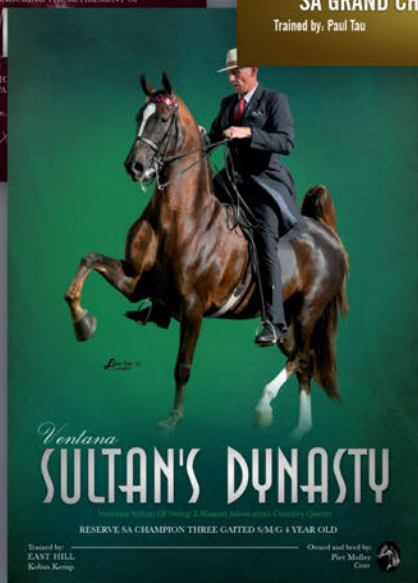
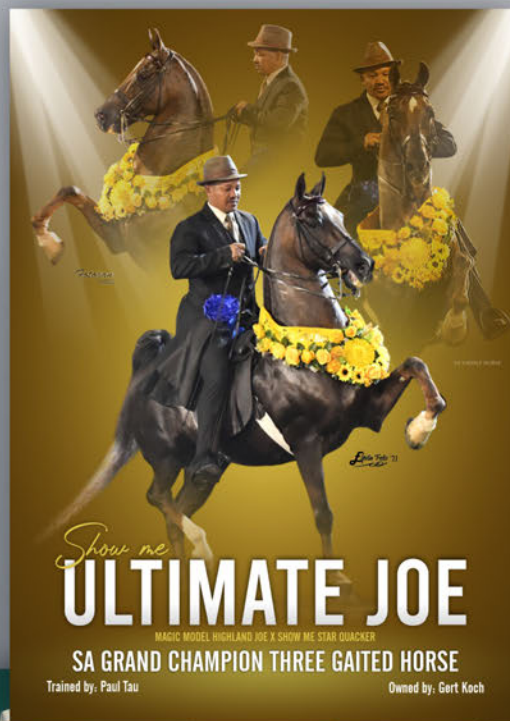
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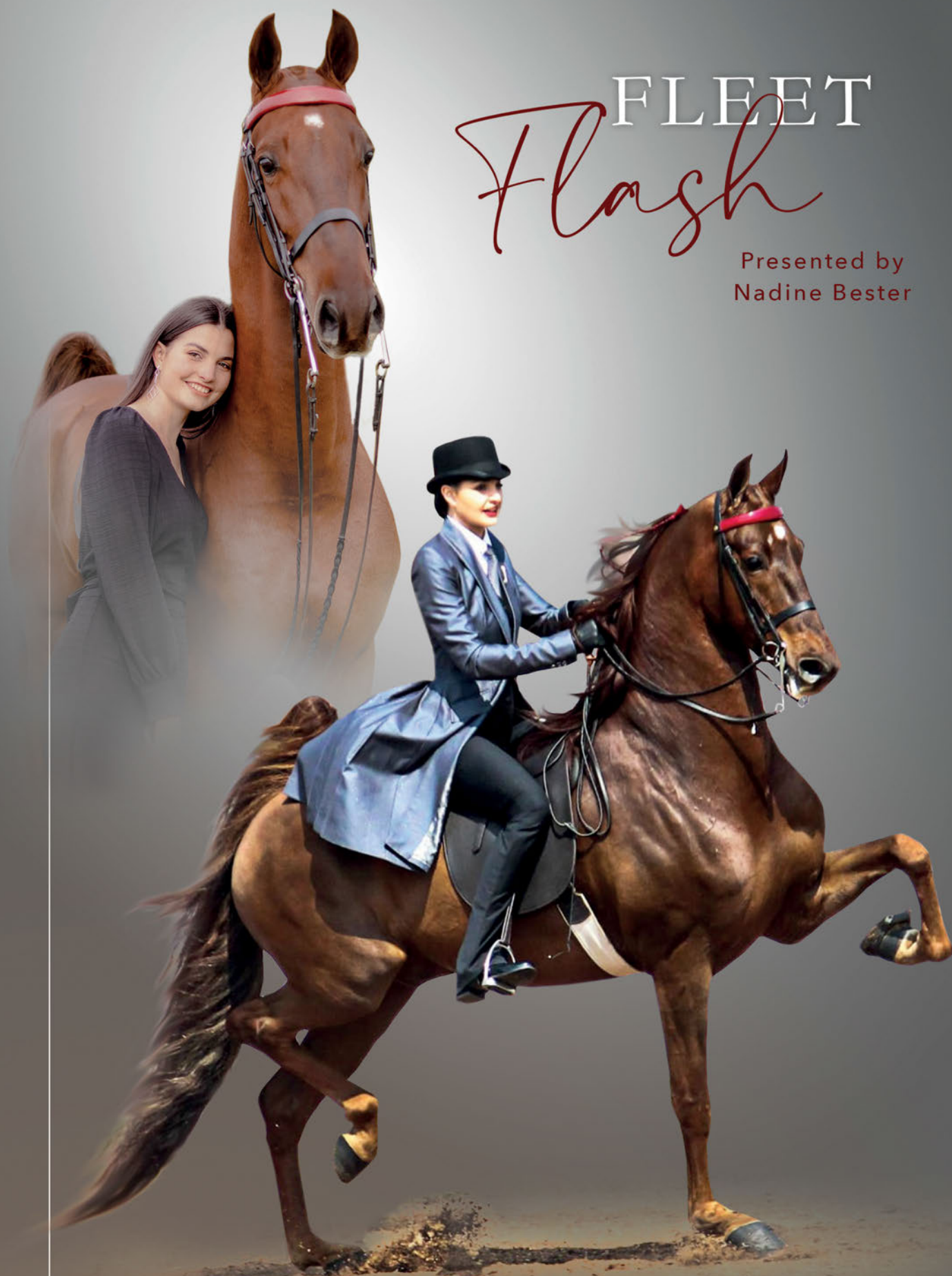
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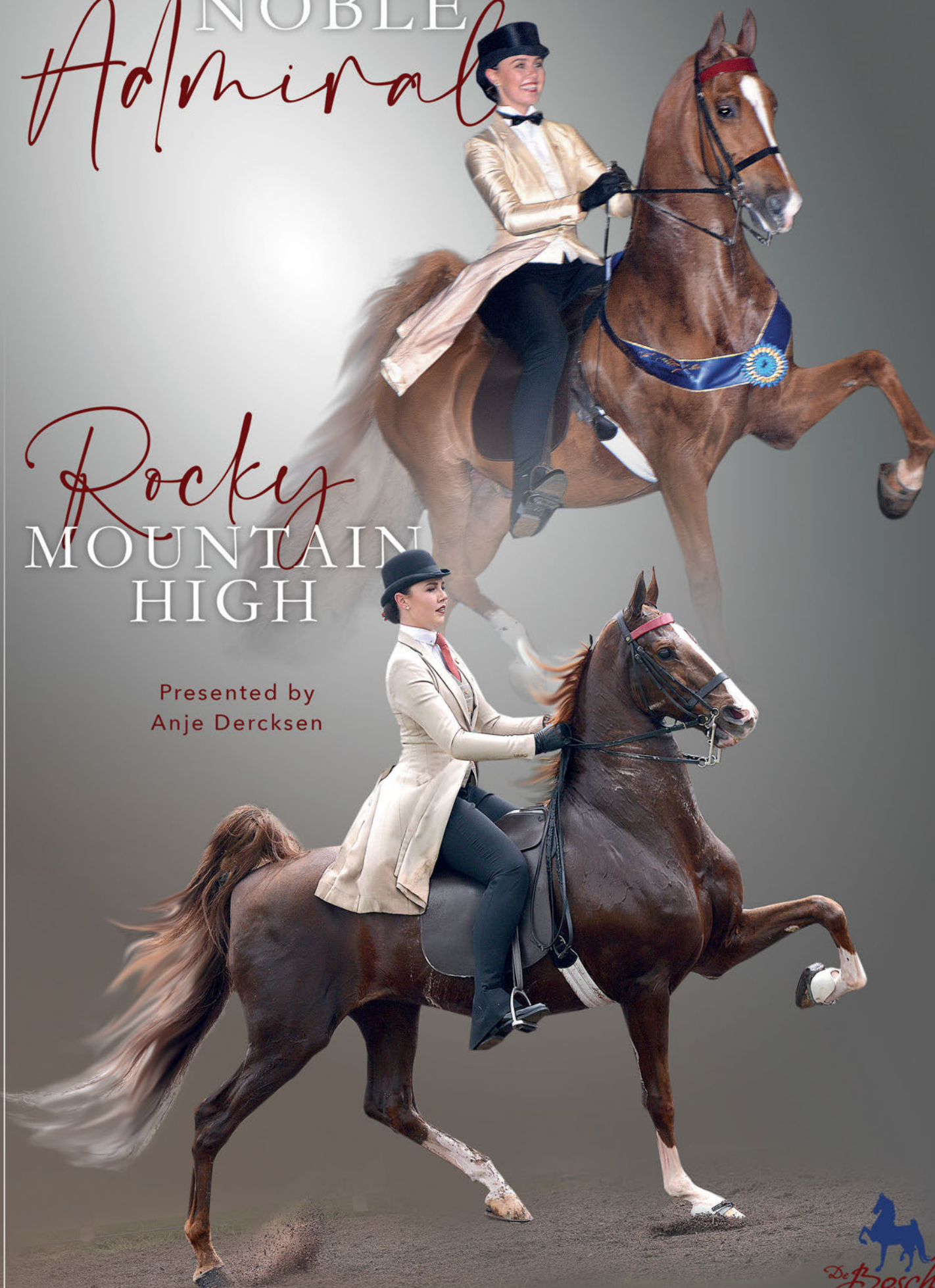
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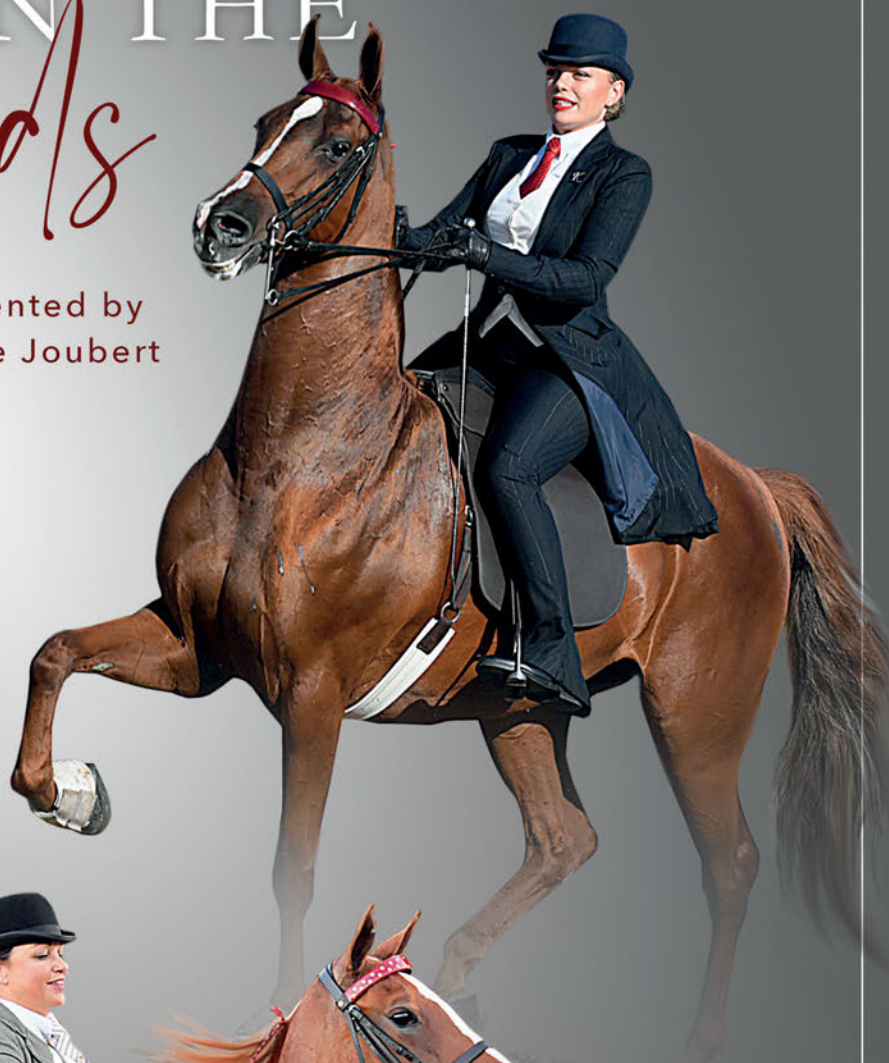
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CHANONE STABLES

Saddlebred Training Facility



Explore the world of equestrian excellence at
Chanone Stables in South Africa's Eastern Cape.

Recently, we had the pleasure of visiting this renowned establishment
and meeting the dedicated team, including Carlos, Reoné, and owner Charl Wilke.

Join us as we uncover their insights and experiences during our visit.

CHARL & ENONE WILKE | OWNERS

Charl, could you tell us how your love for Saddlebreds began?

Growing up on our family farm, horses were always a part of my life. In 1976, I had my first encounter with a Saddlebred, and it was love at first sight. Two years later, my dad bought me my first Saddlebred mare. Getting her covered by Brigadoon, a stallion owned by Izak Straus, was quite the adventure—I had to ride almost 50 kilometres to get there!

From there, my passion for the breed and the industry only grew. I was fortunate to own remarkable horses like Scharliman and Tramps Magic who left their mark in various divisions.

Could you describe the significance behind the name "Chanone Stables"?

Of course! It's a combination of my name, Charl, and my wife's name, Enone. It's a tribute to our partnership and our shared love for these amazing animals. Thank you, to my wife, Enone. She has been the backbone of support and patience. With her it grew into a mutual passion and without her it wouldn't be possible to enjoy. I am truly thankful for my son, Niel. Managing the farm for us to have more time to enjoy the horses.

Truly the success of Chanone is not only through great teamwork, but most importantly by the grace from our Lord Jesus Christ

What values do you prioritise in managing Chanone Stables?

Honesty is at the top of the list. We believe in being straight with our clients, providing them with excellent service and always putting the welfare of our horses first. Building strong relationships is also crucial. We want everyone who walks through our doors to feel like part of the family.

How do you see Chanone Stables contributing to the broader Saddlebred community?

Our vision is simple: create a safe, nurturing environment for every horse that comes our way. We aim to produce top-quality horses that inspire and drive the industry forward. And it's not just about training; we're all about showcasing the finished product too. We want to put our best foot forward at every opportunity.

Can you share a memorable moment in the history of Chanone Stables?

One standout memory is Tramps Magic's remarkable achievement at Bloemfontein. He clinched victories in both the Amateur Single Harness and Grand Champion Single Harness categories on the same day.

Another milestone was Scharliman's impressive performance, winning two grand championships in his career. His success in both the 3-gaited and Fine Harness divisions underscored our commitment to excellence and solidified our reputation in the industry.

Dare's Beau Fortune played a pivotal role in shaping our breeding program. He made history by defeating Wild Temper and breaking his multi-year winning streak. Beau Fortune's success laid the groundwork for our esteemed bloodlines, including Scandals Last Tango and Radetsky.

More recently, Ultimate Cloudburst emerged as a promising young talent, winning the year-old class at Bloemfontein. As a grandson of Dare's Beau Fortune and son of Valley's Cloudburst, Ultimate Cloudburst represents the next generation of genetics and embodies our ongoing pursuit of excellence.

Last but not least. Our daughter, Tammy made so many dreams come true. Moments that made us burst with pride. For 3 consecutive years she was selected in both 3 and 5gaited Protea Saddleseat teams as well as winning two 5gaited Champion of Champions titles. We could not be more proud.

Charl, what are your aspirations for Chanone Stables moving forward?

Ultimately, I'd love to see Carlos and Reoné take over the business one day. But for now, we're focused on breeding top-quality horses and providing outstanding service to our clients. Our goal is simple: to be the best in the business.

What makes Carlos Tutton an exceptional trainer?

Carlos is more than just a trainer; he's a true horseman. His dedication, skill, and passion for his work shine through in everything he does. Plus, we share the same values and beliefs, which makes our partnership incredibly strong.

What sets Chanone Stables apart from other facilities?

It's our ability to train young horses into complete show-ready products. Not many facilities can do that, but we pride ourselves on our expertise in this area.

Any thoughts on the future of Chanone Stables?

We're excited about what lies ahead. We want to continue producing top-quality horses, nurturing strong relationships with our clients and making a positive impact on the Saddlebred community as a whole. It's an exciting time for us and we can't wait to see where the journey takes us!





CARLOS TUTTON | TRAINER

How did your journey into the Saddlebred industry begin, and what ignited your passion for these magnificent horses?

Back in 2004, during my grade 10 Agriculture practical exam, I came across a Saddlebred for the first time. Their elegance and power instantly grabbed my attention, reshaping my career aspirations. Seeking to learn more, I immersed myself in articles and sought guidance from Twane' Janse. One memorable day, she introduced me to a 5-gaited horse named Fleets Daniel. The rest, as they say, is history!

How did you develop your skills in training Saddlebreds?

My journey into the world of training Saddlebreds started during my final Matric exams. With two subjects remaining, I took a week-long break and landed my first job at Mountainview Stables, under Irene van der Westhuizen. Starting with basic tasks like cleaning stables and backing young horses, I absorbed everything Irene taught me about horse care and training. She instilled in me the principles of the Monty Roberts method for starting young horses, which laid a strong foundation for my career. Over the next 12 years, I continued to learn and grow, with invaluable guidance from mentors like Harold Poil, who provided expert advice and helped refine my techniques in finishing off young, gaited horses.

What are your goals as a trainer in the Saddlebred industry, and what important lessons have you learned from working with Saddlebreds?


My main goal is to make Chanone Stables one of the best training yards out there, nurturing exceptional horses that can compete at the highest level and make their owners proud. As for the most important lesson learned, patience is key! These horses teach you to stay calm and humble, tackling challenges one step at a time.

How do you evaluate a new horse for training?

First things first, I check if the horse is in good health and has all its vaccinations up to date. Then, I look at its teeth and hooves to ensure they're in good shape. After that, I sit down with the owner to understand their goals for the horse. Once I have all the info, I tailor a training plan to meet those goals. finishing off young, gaited horses.

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REONÉ TUTTON | TRAINER

Baron's Distruction - Jacques Strydom

And speaking of partnerships, how did you and Reoné meet?

Ah, that's a sweet story! We actually met when she brought her horse to our yard for training. It was all thanks to Elsa Featherstone, who introduced us. From there, our friendship blossomed into something more, and a year later, I popped the question.

How did Reoné transition into joining the training team at Chanone Stables, and what inspired her to take on such a pivotal role in the operations of the stable?

After we got engaged, Reoné had a conversation with Jacques Strydom from Human Auto Stables, where she had previously trained. They discussed her situation, including her plans after the Bloemfontein show. Jacques recognised the need for her to continue her work and decided to send his horses to our yard in the Eastern Cape, enabling her to join our team at the new location.

Can you share some insights into how you and Reoné collaborate to develop and implement training programs at Chanone Stables? What strengths or qualities does Reoné bring to the training team, and how do they complement your own skills and expertise?

We work together as a team, leveraging our individual strengths to refine and execute our training strategies. Reoné's dedication, hard work, and excellent organisational abilities ensure smooth operations at Chanone Stables. Her talent for implementing efficient systems complements my expertise in horse training. We regularly discuss plans and strategies to enhance our training programs, ensuring that they meet the needs of each horse and rider.

What is the most rewarding aspect of working alongside your spouse at Chanone Stables, and how does it enhance your connection as a couple?

The most rewarding aspect of working with my spouse is the deep level of understanding and communication we share. Our ability to support each other professionally strengthens our connection as a couple. We can share our triumphs and challenges, enhancing our bond and enriching our relationship.

Owner: Jacques Strydom



Looking ahead, what are some shared goals or aspirations you and Reoné have for the future of Chanone Stables, both personally and professionally?

Our shared goal is to make Chanone Stables a thriving and successful training facility, producing top-quality horses and fostering strong horse-rider partnerships. We aim to contribute to the growth of the Saddlebred industry by providing exceptional care and training. Personally, we aspire to maintain a balanced work-life dynamic while pursuing our passion for horse training. Ultimately, we want to glorify our faith and serve as positive role models in our industry, acknowledging the blessings of the Lord Jesus Christ.

What training programs and services does Chanone Stables offer, and how do you customise them for each horse and rider? Also, what aspect of training do you enjoy the most?

At Chanone Stables, our primary goal is to lay a strong foundation for young horses, preparing them to excel in competitive disciplines like 3-Gaited, 5-Gaited, or Fine Harness. We believe in training each horse to the best of their ability while ensuring our riders match their level of skill and expertise. Our training programs and services are tailored to meet the unique needs of every horse and rider. We offer a variety of programs designed to develop skills, enhance performance, and foster a strong bond between horse and rider. One aspect of training that I particularly enjoy is working with young horses, especially teaching them to rack. It's incredibly rewarding to see them progress and thrive as they learn and develop their abilities.

What standout moments have you experienced in your career as a trainer?

Some highlights include seeing young horses I trained become SA Champions, especially in Gaited divisions. Also, being chosen as assistant coach for the 2018 3&5 Gaited Saddleseat Equitation World Cup Teams was a significant honour. Another milestone was accepting a Head Trainer position at Escalade Stables in Shelbyville, Kentucky, offered by Cathy Capsuto Walker. This role not only improved my skills but also allowed me to compete at the World Championships in Louisville, fulfilling a lifelong dream. Winning the Yearling Colt in hand was a particularly memorable achievement.

How many stables does your facility have, and what amenities are available for the horses and their owners?

Our facility boasts 34 spacious stables, each equipped to provide a comfortable environment for our equine athletes. Additionally, we offer large electrified outside paddocks where horses can enjoy playtime after training sessions. We prioritise the well-being of our horses, ensuring they have ample space, natural light and good circulation in their stables. Our layout allows for safe interaction among horses, promoting socialisation and communication.

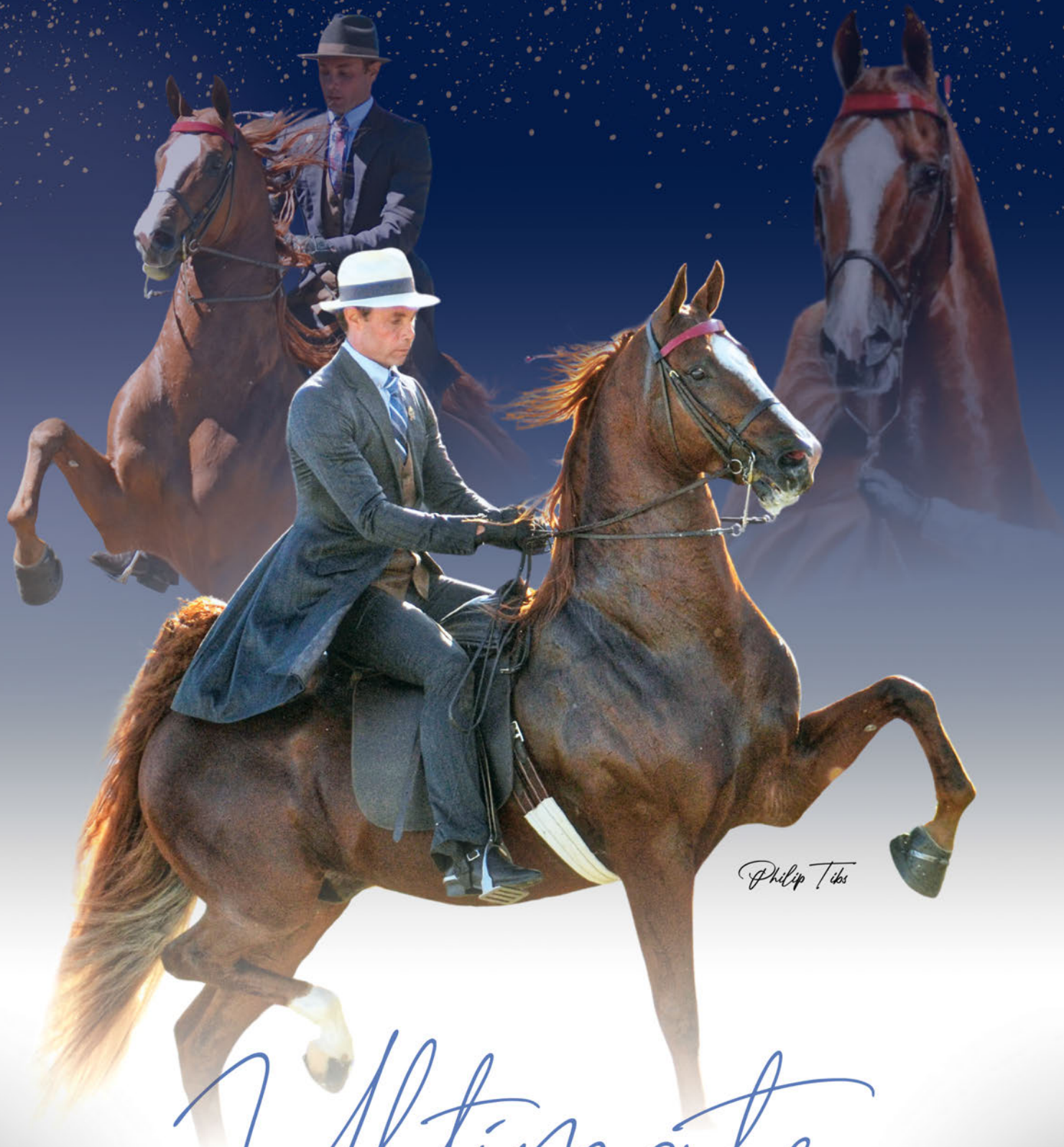
What message do you have for the younger generation aspiring to become professional trainers in the Saddlebred industry?

To the aspiring trainers, my advice is simple: Work hard, stay dedicated to your dreams and remain humble. Embrace every opportunity to learn and understand that every horse has something valuable to teach you. With perseverance and a passion for equines, you can achieve your goals and make a meaningful impact in the Saddlebred community.

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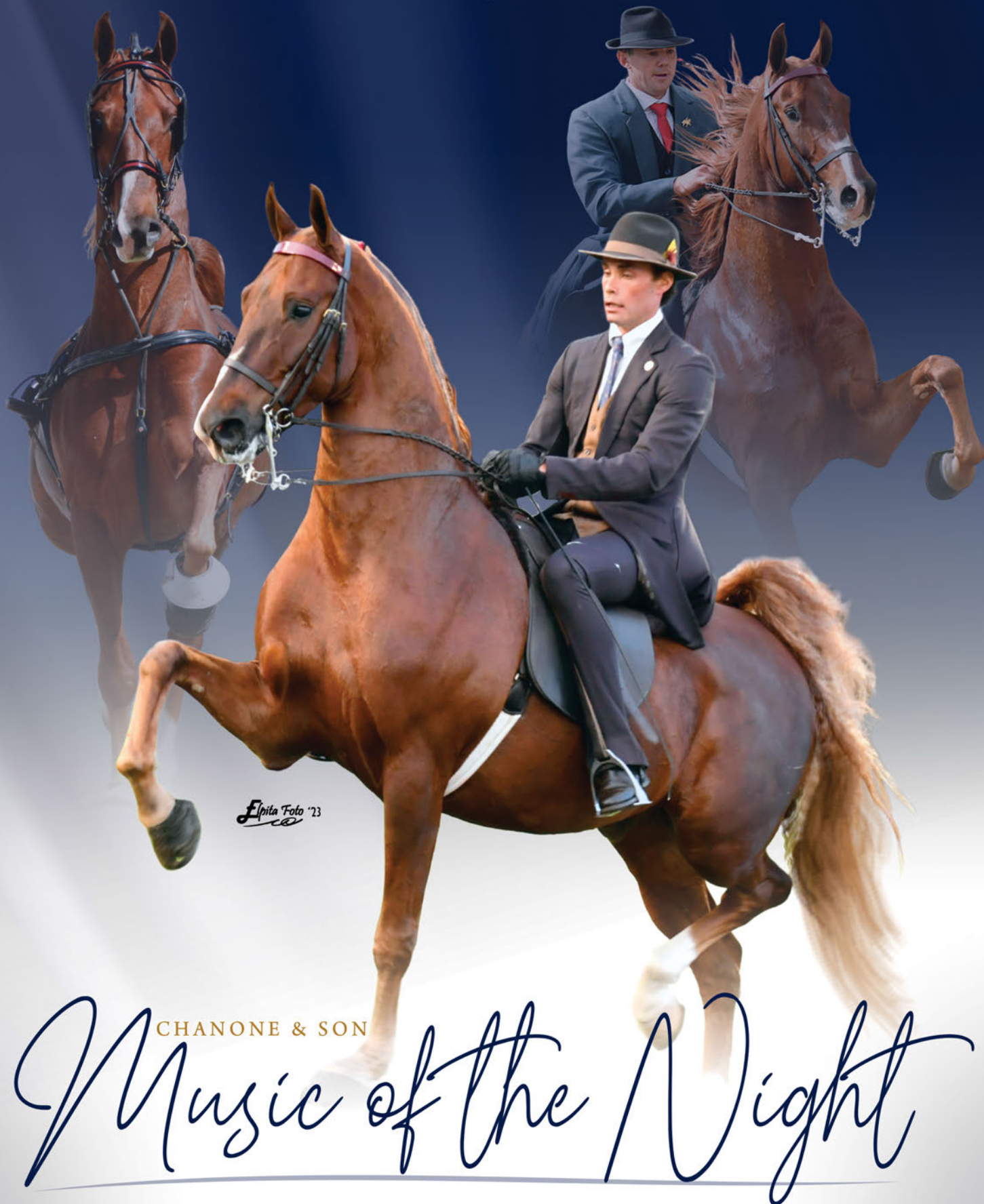
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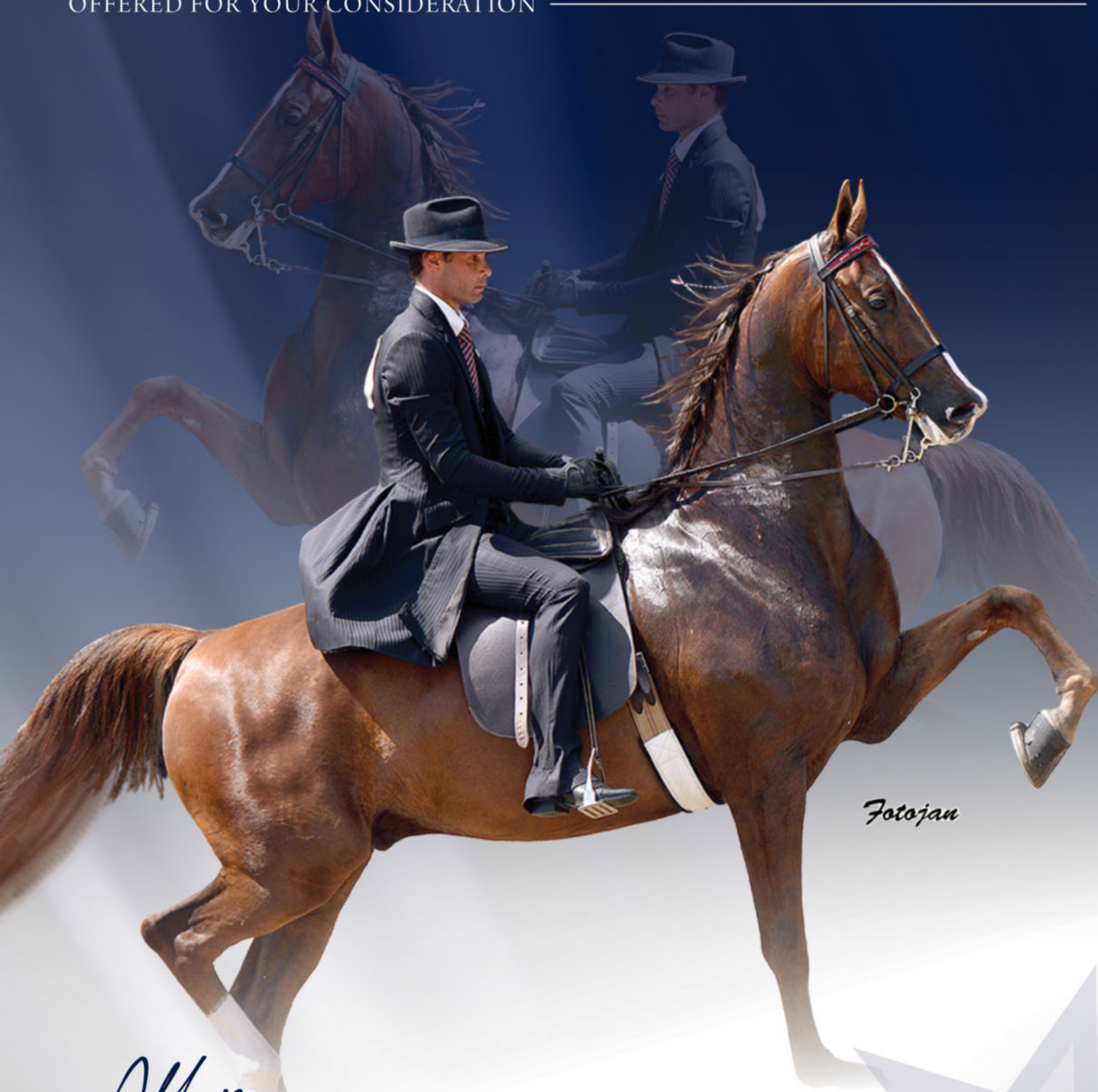
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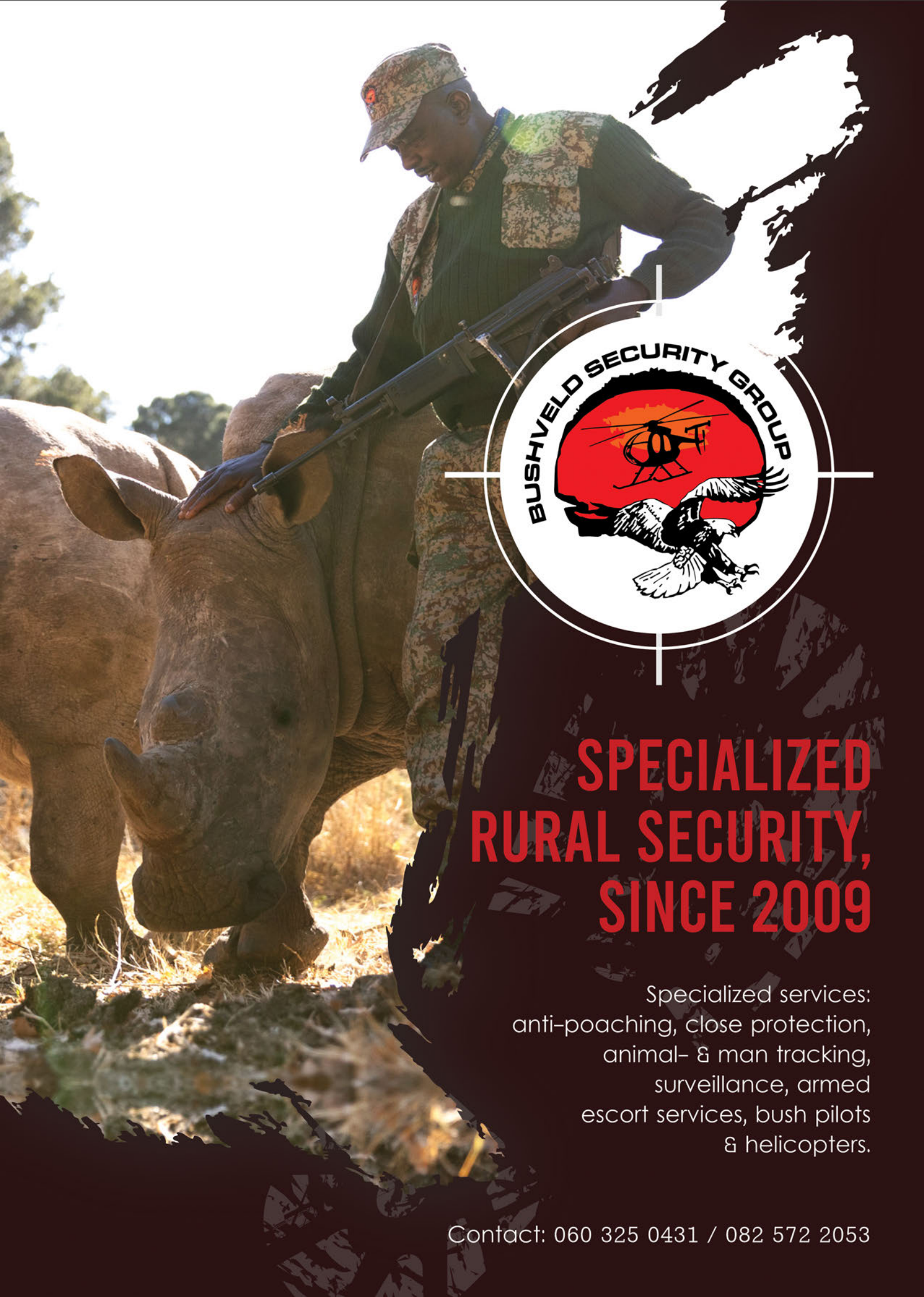
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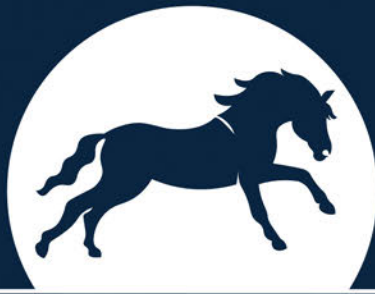
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Why is the hindgut so important to the horse?

As herbivores, horses possess a unique digestive system known as hindgut fermentation, crucial for breaking down fibers and optimizing nutrient absorption. The hindgut operates at its peak efficiency when maintaining the correct pH balance.

However, if acidity levels become too high, the horse's ability to process nutrients diminishes, leading to potential negative impacts on their health and well-being. Understanding and maintaining the delicate pH balance in the horse's hindgut is paramount for ensuring their optimal digestive function and overall vitality.

Hindgut Dysfunction:

Hindgut imbalance can occur due to various factors like stress, sudden diet changes, high-grain diets, or medications, leading to hindgut acidosis. Hindgut acidosis results in an acidic gut environment, causing inflammation, gut wall damage, and toxin release into the bloodstream.

Impact on Health and Behaviour:

Hindgut acidosis can lead to severe health issues like laminitis, poor body condition, appetite loss, and compromised performance. Behavioral changes, including increased spookiness, aggression, stereotypical behaviors, and elevated stress levels, can also be linked to hindgut imbalance. Studies suggest hindgut health impacts immune response, healing rates, and may increase antibiotic requirements.

CONCLUSION

A healthy hindgut biome is vital for a horse's overall health, performance, and behavior. Understanding and managing hindgut health is essential for optimal horse care and management.

In essence, the hindgut plays a pivotal role in the horse's ability to digest forages efficiently, maintain good health, and exhibit balanced behavior, highlighting its critical importance in equine management and care.

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Hindgut Dysfunction:

Common indicators of a higher likelihood of hindgut acidosis:

- Poor weight
- Bed eating/wood chewing
- Increased stereotypical behaviour
- Poor appetite
- Girthy behaviours
- Metallically smelling faeces
- Saddle/rugs slipping to the left
- Right hind mild lameness/right hind issues/unable to step through correctly
- Reluctance to canter/jump off right rein
- Colic
- Laminitis
- Poor hair/hoof quality
- Rug ripping
- Slower than expected healing rates for injuries such as small cuts
- Frequent infections/antibiotic usage
- Poor performance recovery

Signs that your horse could potentially have hindgut acidosis (note: there could be other physical reasons; always seek a vet's advice):

- Is your horse hot, making it difficult to put your leg on, and you feel more like a passenger than a rider?
- Does your horse cramp behind when jumping?
- Is your horse resistant to having a hind leg picked up?
- Is your horse not muscling up as expected?
- Does your horse exhibit general tightness throughout the body?
- Does your horse have loose droppings?
- Does your horse suffer from tying up (Azoturia)?
- Is your horse a poor doer?
(Note: horses can still look well while having a low level of hindgut acidosis.)
- Is your horse generally grumpy, especially when grooming or tightening the girth?
- Have you treated your horse for ulcers with the vet, only to have them return?

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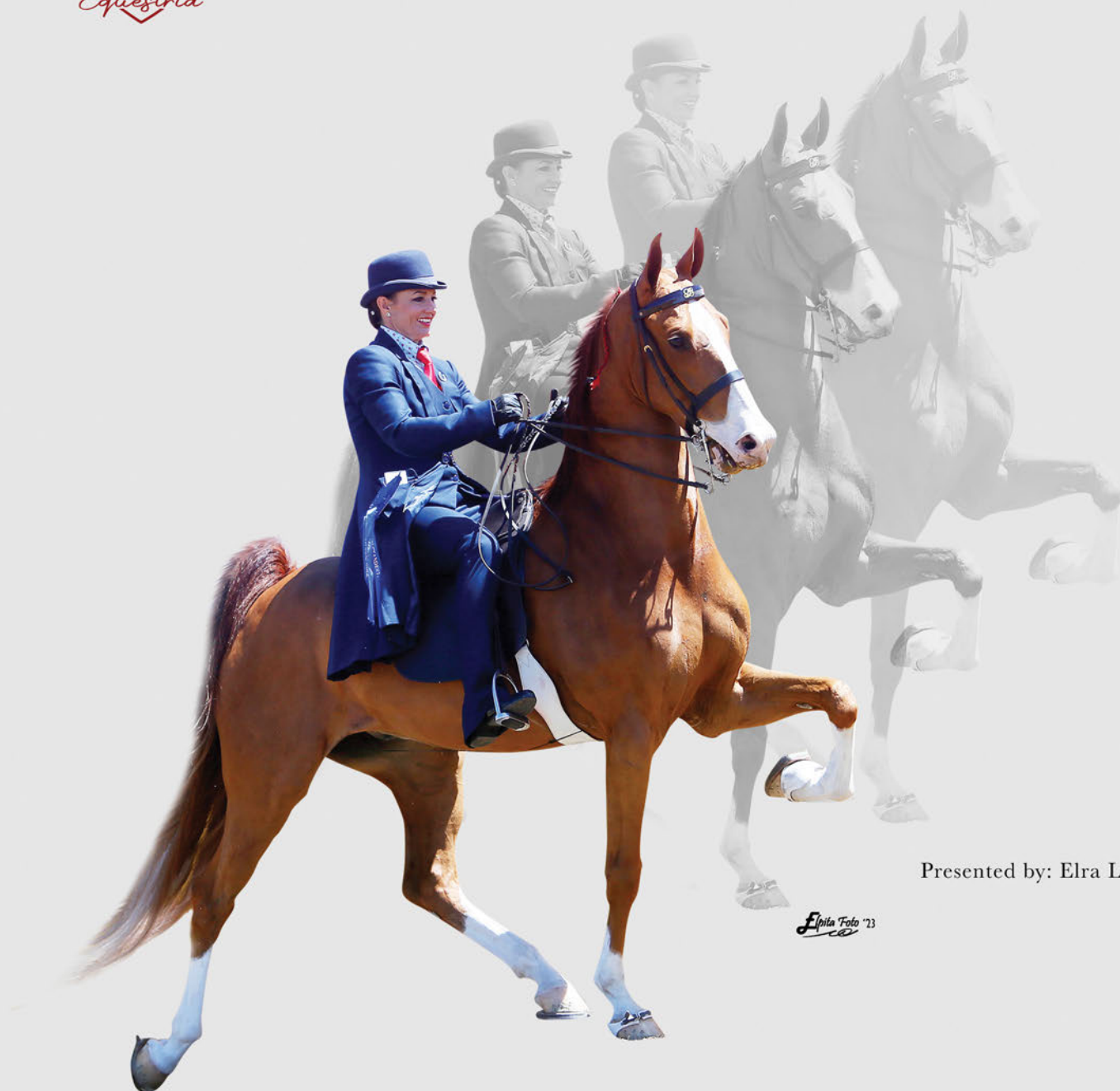
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THE IMPORTANCE OF HOOF BALANCE

by Johnny Murdoch / February 2024

“Hoof balance is a difficult term to define. Generally, it means similar length of hoof wall inside and outside (medial and lateral) and “normal length of toe and heel”. In practice, however, it can be hard to determine what is normal and abnormal for a particular horse.

While hoof imbalances can be caused by poor trimming, they are also caused by abnormal skeletal conformation. For an adult horse that naturally grows an imbalanced hoof, there is no way to completely straighten the hoof by trimming. Deviations of the lower limb when viewed from the front cause the hoof to either grow toward the inside (pigeon toe) or outside (toe out). When viewed from the side, imbalances include club foot (excessive heel and steep hoof wall angle), and long toe/low heel.

Lameness can either result in, or be the cause of hoof imbalances. Lameness results from major deviations in the hoof because the angles place excessive strain on the hoof itself (bruising and laminar tearing), and strain on tendons, joints and ligaments in the limb. This can lead to overload and more serious injury or arthritis.

Chronic lameness can also cause hoof distortion. When a limb is either under-loaded or overloaded the hoof reflects that. If a hoof is overloaded on one side, the hoof grows less on that side. Sheared heels and hoof cracks can also result. “

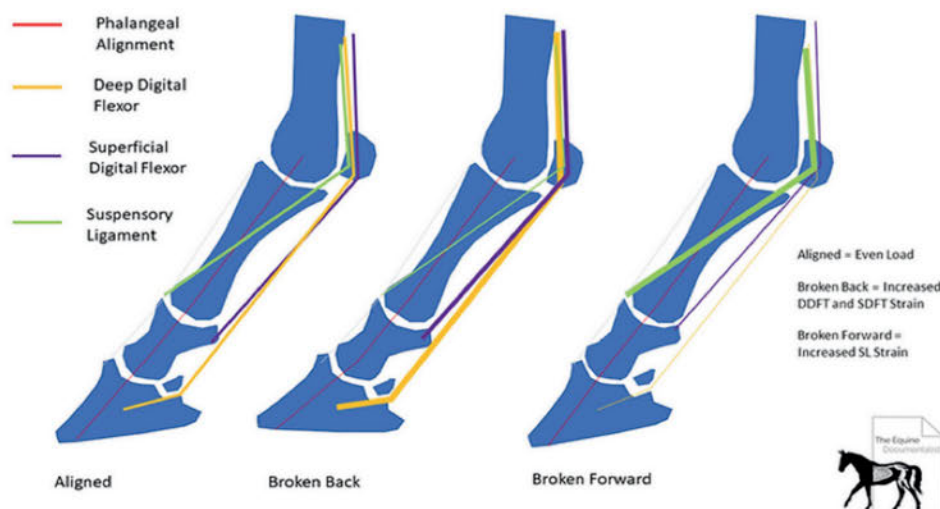
(www.clydevetgroup.co.uk/post/hoof-balance)



PROPERLY BALANCED HOOVES

The image below illustrates the effect of incorrect trimming on the Hoof Pastern Axis (HPA), this being the alignment of the Long Pastern Bone, Short Pastern Bone and the Coffin or Pedal Bone, also known as the phalanges.

- On the left is ideal alignment, with equally distributed loading of the Suspensory Ligament and the 2 Flexor Tendons. It stands to reason that no single structure is overworked and injury is at low risk. Hoof landing is, ideally, slightly heel first and breakover occurs without overloading the Deep Flexor Tendon.
- The middle illustration happens when too much heel is taken to lower the hoof angle. The result is a "Broken Back" HPA. In this case, the Flexor Tendons (especially the Deep Flexor) are overloaded, putting excessive pressure on the Navicular Bone, especially during the breakover phase. Once the Navicular Bone starts to deteriorate, the damage is irreversible. This alignment also tends to cause toe first landing, resulting in a jarring effect on the joints between the phalanges. Low and high ringbone are the likely end result in the front limb. This imbalance often causes problems higher up in the hind limb, and even problems in the pelvic and spinal areas.
- The last illustration shows what is known as a "Broken Forward" HPA. Too much heel due to bad trimming, Conformation (Club/Boxy Feet) or unnecessary wedging. Here the Suspensory bears more load than it can realistically handle, since the raised hoof angle removes pressure, especially from the Deep Flexor Tendon. This predisposes the horse to Suspensory sprains or tears, which could very well be career ending. These horses also land hard, heel first, where the result is shunted up heels and very often contracted heels. Quarter cracks are also more likely to appear.



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Is it silly to believe that our equine athletes will give us their best efforts if we do our best to keep them as comfortable as possible? Forcing them to accept incorrect and uncomfortable positions may pay short term dividends, but we will pay the price in the longer term.

DORSOPLANTAR IMBALANCES

Assessed by viewing the hind limb from the side.



On the left above is probably the most common imbalance I come across in the Saddlebred industry, induced as a result of the belief that lowering the angle will “force” the horse to use its hocks better, or “step in deeper underneath itself”! It may have this effect to a degree, but at what cost?

“While the implications for poor hoof balance in the front limbs are somewhat isolated for the main to the distal limb, in the hind pathology is referred to higher structures. Dyson et al. (2007) eluded to poor hind hoof balance being a predisposing factor in suspensory lesions, Mansmann et al. (2010) linked “long toe, low heel” conformation with gluteal pain, Pezzanite et al. (2019) concluded that horses with hind limb lameness localised to the distal tarsal and proximal metatarsal regions were likely to present with negative plantar angles and most recently Clements et al. (2019) correlated negative plantar angles with stifle pathology amongst others, with all of these studies highlighting the benefits of farriery intervention.” (www.theequinedocumentalist.com)

Technical language which is summarized in laymen’s terms as, “You’re causing unimaginable damage to your horse by insisting the farrier lowers the hoof angle”.

Front End!

This is also often seen on the front feet (dorsopalmer imbalance), where the belief is that it will cause the horse to develop a longer stride, although the racehorse industry has proven that hoof angle has minimal effect on stride length.

MEDIOLATERAL IMBALANCES

Assessed by viewing the limb from behind or front.



Left above is an example of mediolateral imbalance, either genetical or man-made (over trimming the lateral/outside branch). On the right is the result of the correction, being balanced trimming and, if required, shoeing with a lateral extension.

This illustration supports the assertion earlier that imbalance in the hind hoof is likely to affect the higher anatomy of the hind limb. Front end!

Below are just 2 examples of cases of Sheared Heels I have come across over the years, where improper trimming has caused lasting damage to the hoof structure.



This remodelling of the hoof could be as a result of bad conformation, but is exacerbated by bad trimming in an effort to correct the conformational fault. With proper management and trimming, it should never get to this point. Once it gets to be as bad as these examples, it is very difficult, if not impossible to correct. Prevention is definitely better than cure!

Trimming for balance should be self-explanatory but can be tricky to achieve for the inexperienced farrier, and in some cases, even true for experienced farriers.

The trim is where the job of shoeing the horse starts, and is the most important element when addressing balance and soundness! This is why I chose this topic for this first article. I hope it gets the reader thinking and in the habit of casting a more critical eye over the standards applied to our horses.





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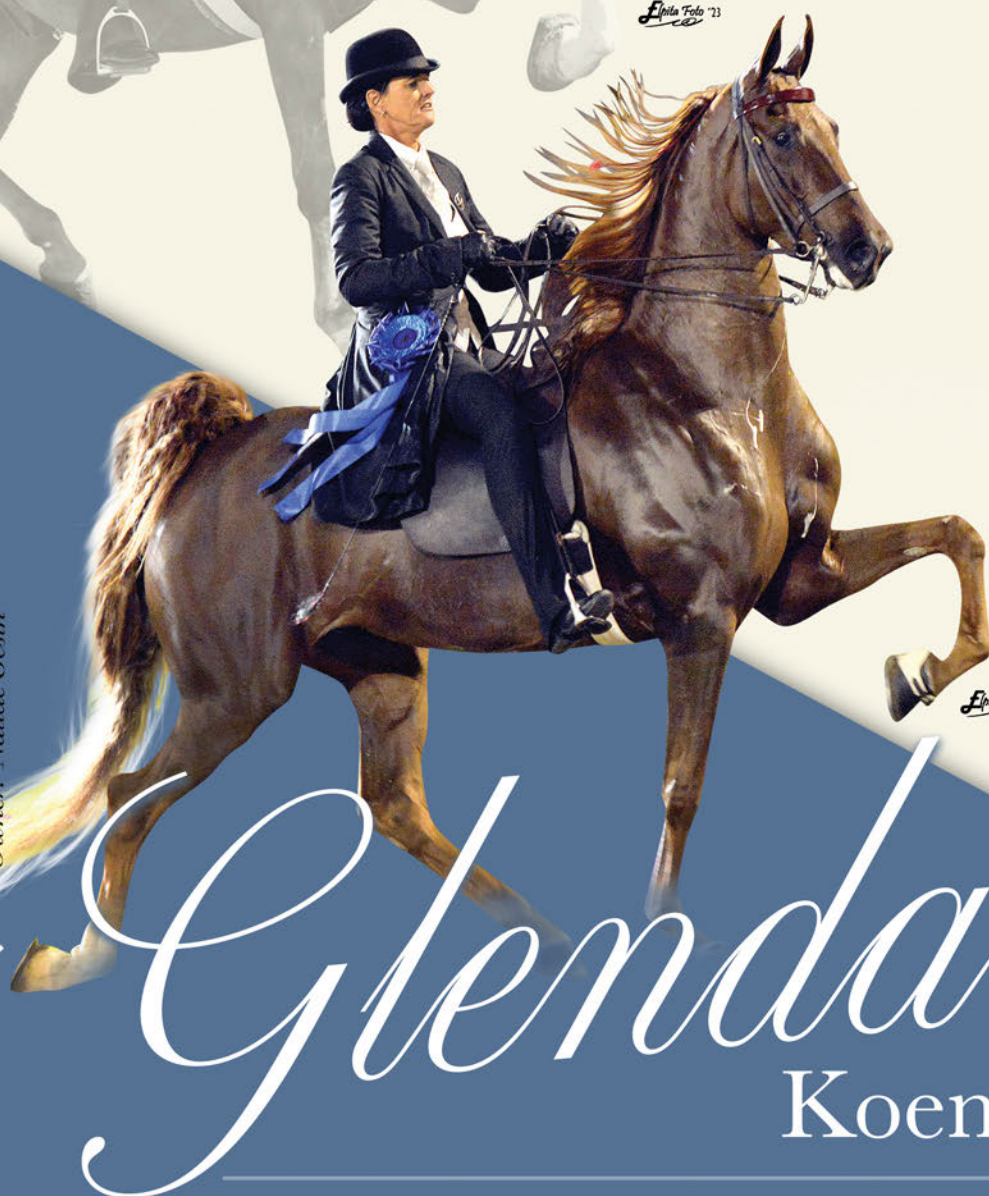
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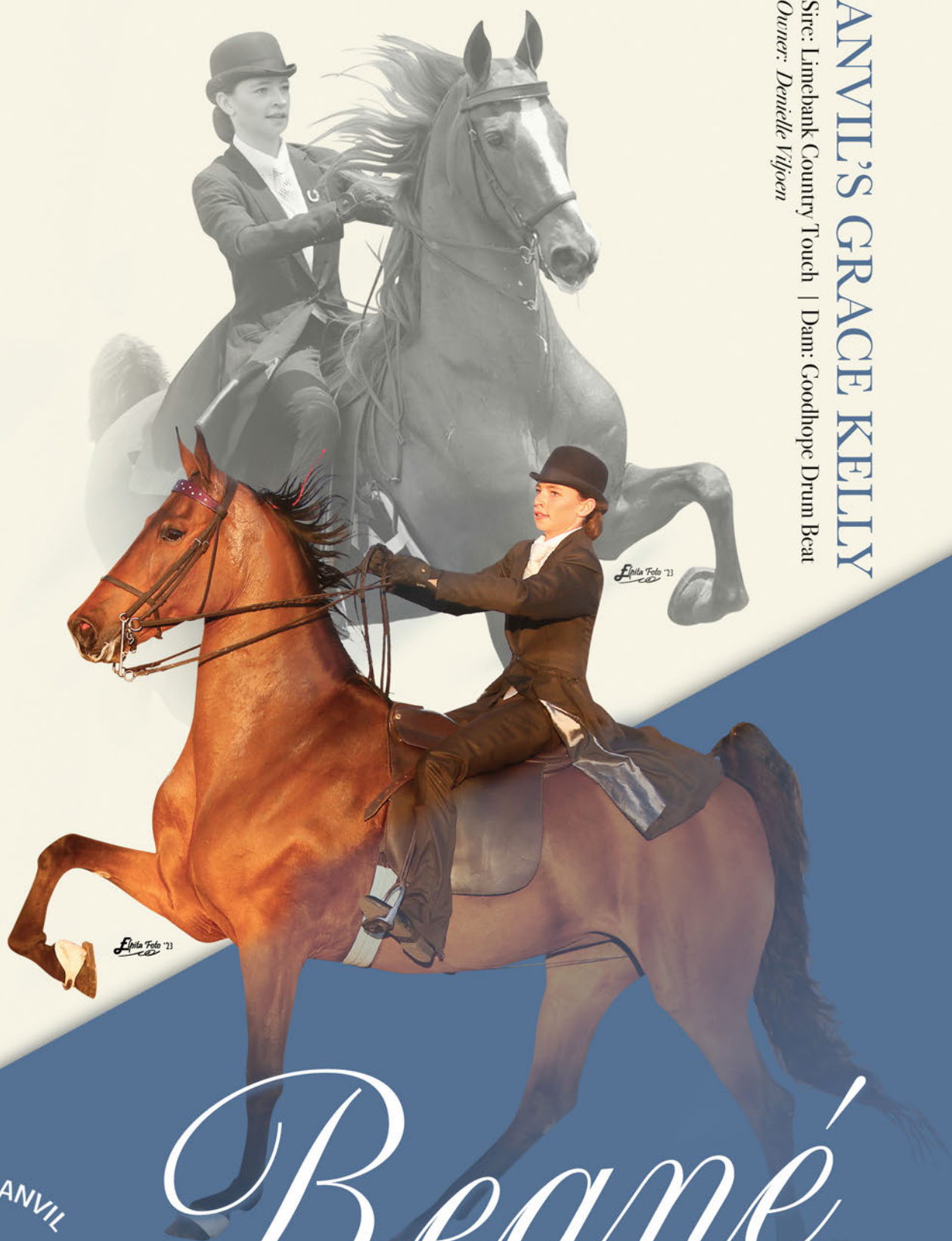
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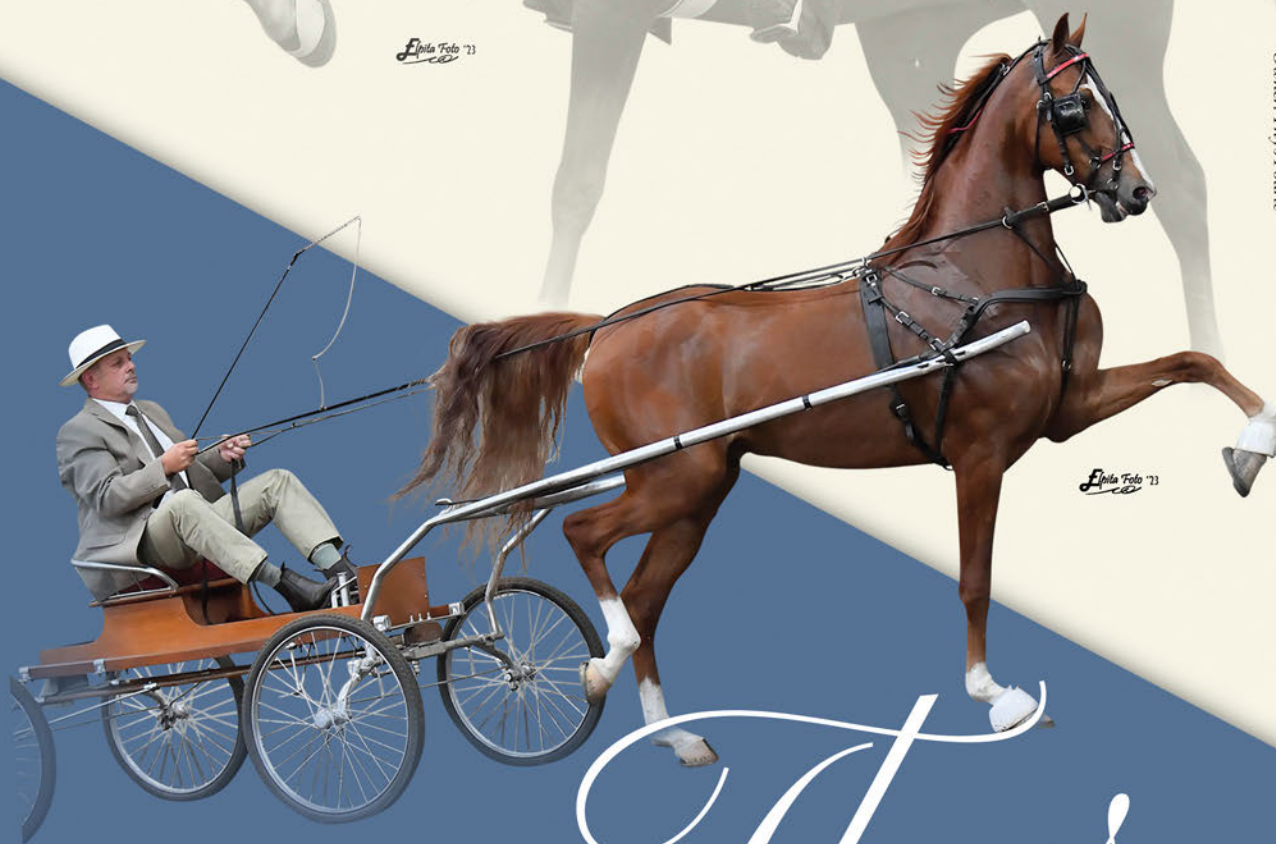
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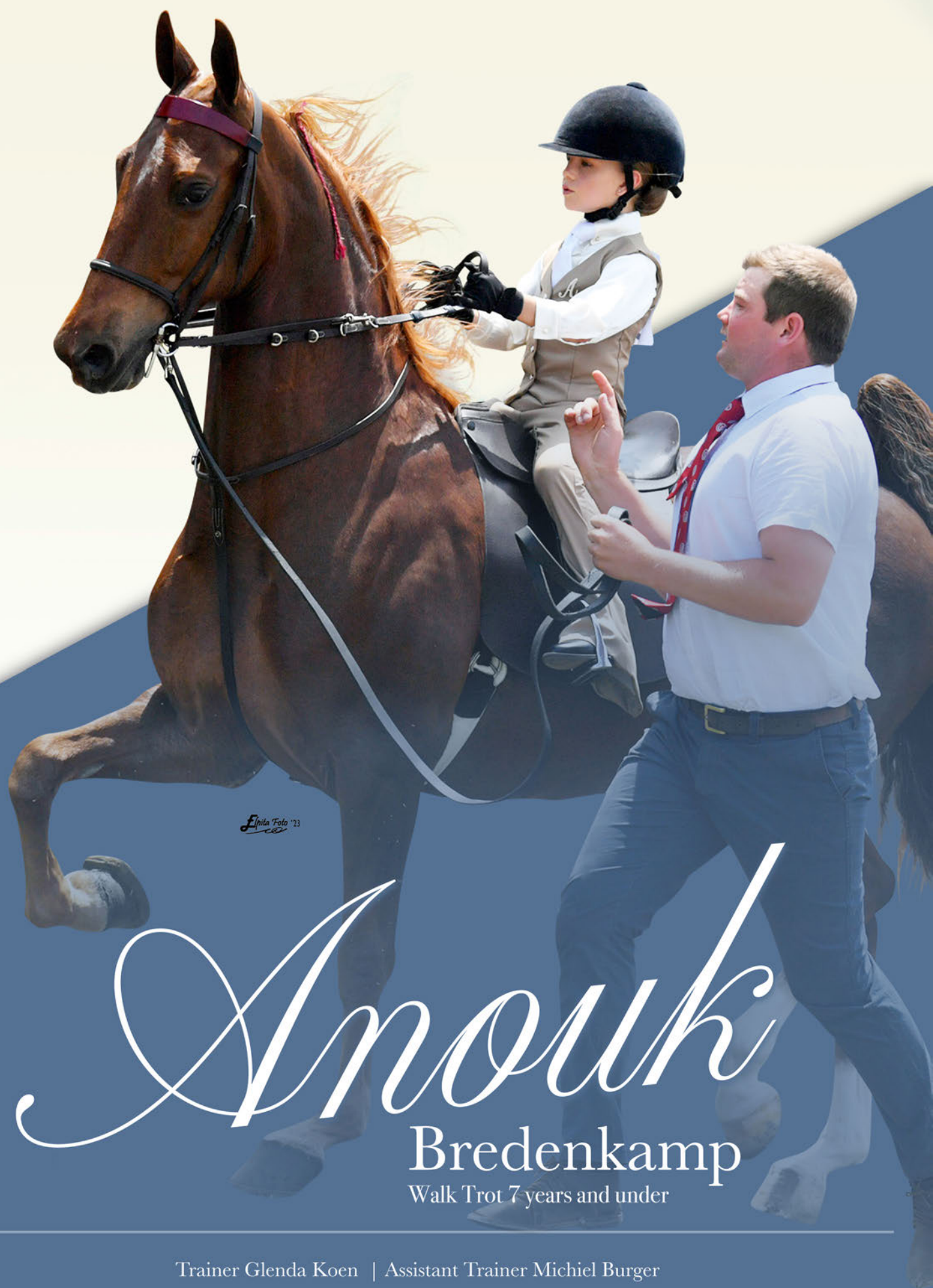


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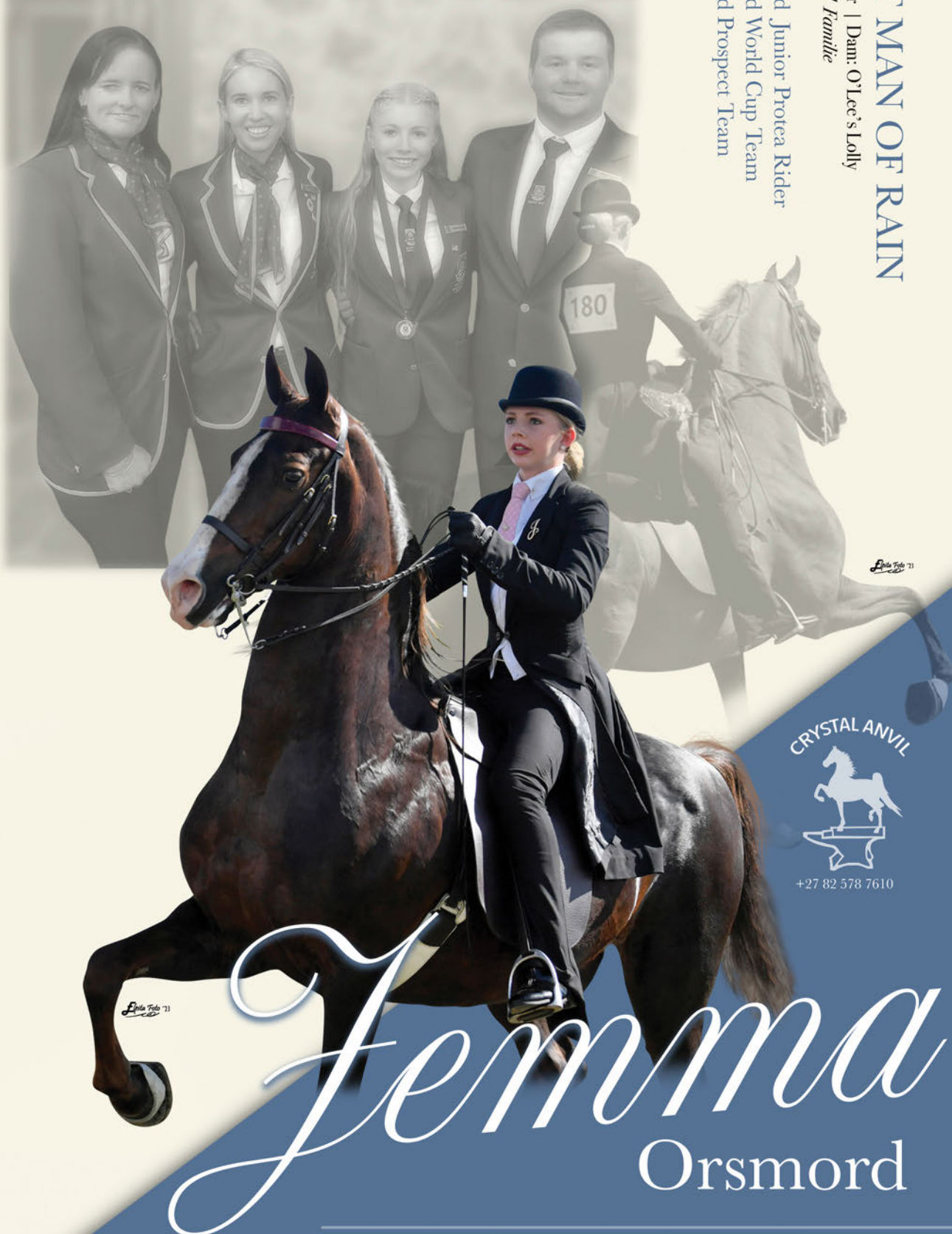
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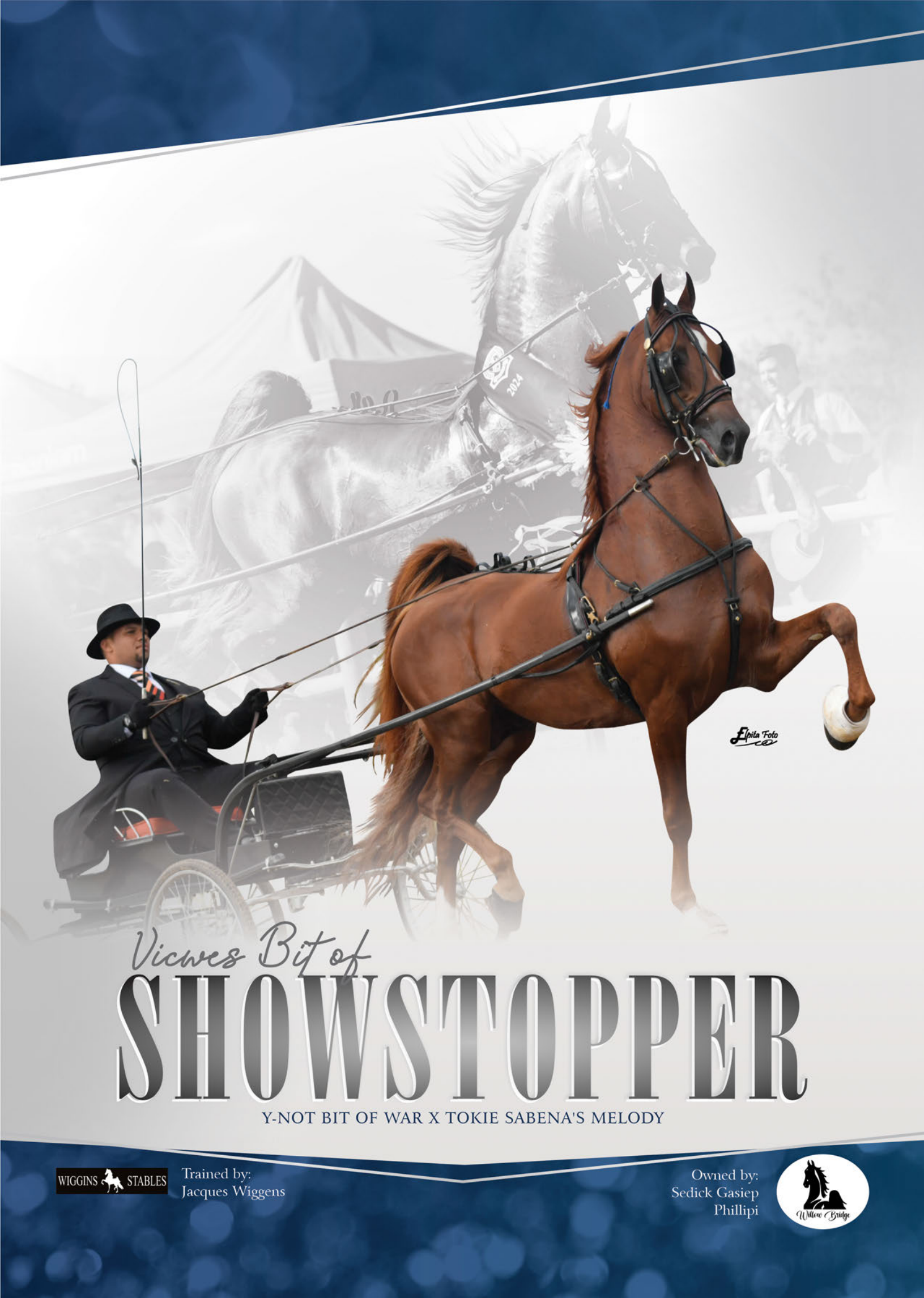


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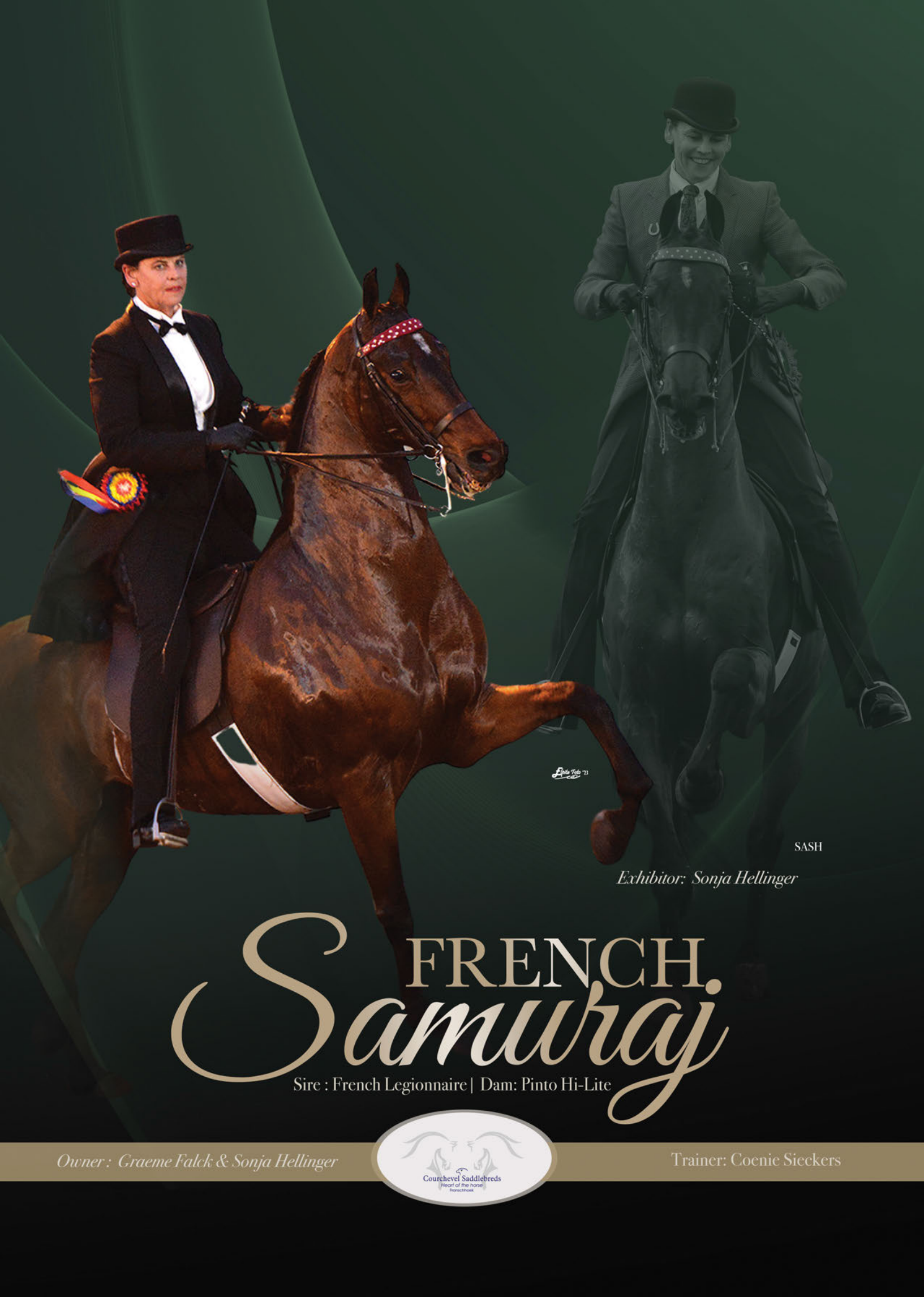
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The Interplay of Nature and Nurture:

A Complex Interaction

by Bettine van Vuuren, Professor of Zoology | February 2024



Domestication can broadly be defined as the process by which wild organisms, whether plants or animals, undergo genetic, behavioural, and/or physiological changes as a result of selective breeding by humans. This process typically involves the intentional manipulation of traits desirable to humans over successive generations, leading to the adaptation of the organism to life in association with humans. Domestication often results in traits such as docility, increased productivity, and changes in morphology or behaviour that distinguish domesticated organisms from their wild ancestors.

The oldest domesticated plant species is believed to be emmer wheat (*Triticum dicoccum*), which was domesticated around 10,000 years ago in the Fertile Crescent region of the Middle East. Emmer wheat was one of the first cereal crops cultivated by early human societies, marking the beginning of agriculture and the transition from a hunter-gatherer lifestyle to settled farming communities.

As for the oldest domesticated animal species, it's widely accepted to be the dog (*Canis lupus familiaris*). Dogs were domesticated from wolves approximately 15,000 years ago, possibly even earlier, through a process of mutual adaptation and cohabitation with humans. Dogs played crucial roles in early human societies, serving as hunting companions, guards, and eventually evolving into the diverse array of breeds we see today.

The domestication of horses is a pivotal moment in human history, profoundly impacting civilization's development and shaping human evolution in various ways. The domestication of horses likely occurred around 4000-3500 BCE on the Eurasian steppes, particularly in regions such as the Ukrainian steppes and the Central Asian grasslands. Initially, wild horses, such as the now-extinct Tarpan, were selectively bred for traits that made them more suitable for human use, such as docility and strength.

Domesticated horses revolutionized transportation, enabling faster and more efficient travel over long distances. This innovation facilitated trade, communication, and the spread of ideas, contributing to the interconnectedness of human societies. The emergence of horse-drawn chariots in ancient civilizations like Mesopotamia and Egypt further accelerated societal advancement. Horses further revolutionized agriculture by replacing slower and less efficient methods of plowing and transportation. The introduction of horse-drawn plows and carts increased agricultural productivity, enabling farmers to cultivate larger areas of land and produce surplus food. This surplus supported population growth and the emergence of complex societies.

Horses hold significant cultural and symbolic importance in many societies. They feature prominently in mythology, religion, art, and literature across various cultures. For example, in Greek mythology, the horse is associated with gods like Poseidon and is depicted in epic tales such as the *Odyssey*. In Native American cultures, horses were revered as sacred animals and played integral roles in rituals and ceremonies. Moreover, the domestication of horses contributed to the development of social hierarchies and economic systems. Ownership of horses became a symbol of wealth and power, allowing elites to exert control over land and resources. Additionally, the establishment of trade networks centered around horse breeding and trading hubs facilitated economic growth and cultural exchange.

A longstanding debate in the domestication and breeding of species centres around the relative influence of nature versus nurture. This brief explores the intricate interplay between genetic predispositions (nature) and environmental factors (nurture) in the context of animal breeding.



Nature: Genetic Foundations of Animal Breeding

At the core of animal breeding lies the genetic makeup of individuals. Genes encode traits that are passed down from one generation to the next, shaping various characteristics such as size, colour, temperament, and disease resistance. Selective breeding strategies focus on manipulating these genetic factors to achieve desired outcomes. Through techniques like artificial selection, breeders identify and propagate individuals with advantageous genetic traits, leading to the gradual improvement of specific traits within a population.

Genetic diversity plays a crucial role in animal breeding, as it provides the raw material for selection. However, excessive inbreeding can diminish diversity and lead to detrimental consequences, such as increased susceptibility to diseases and decreased fertility. Thus, maintaining genetic variation is essential for the long-term health and adaptability of breeding populations.

Nurture: Environmental Influences on Animal Development

While genetics lay the foundation for traits, environmental factors profoundly shape the expression of these traits. The environment encompasses various elements, including diet, housing conditions, social interactions, and management practices. Each of these factors can influence an animal's growth, behaviour, and overall performance.

Nutrition, for instance, plays a pivotal role in animal development. Adequate nutrition is essential for optimal growth, reproduction, and health. Imbalances or deficiencies in diet can result in stunted growth, decreased fertility, and increased susceptibility to diseases. Moreover, environmental stressors, such as extreme temperatures or overcrowding, can negatively impact animal welfare and productivity.

The interaction between nature and nurture

The relationship between genetics and the environment is not linear but rather dynamic and reciprocal. Genetic predispositions can influence how animals respond to their surroundings, while environmental factors can modify the expression of genes through epigenetic mechanisms. Epigenetic processes, such as DNA methylation and histone modification, can alter gene activity without changing the underlying DNA sequence, thereby mediating the interaction between nature and nurture.

Moreover, the success of selective breeding programs relies on the careful manipulation of both genetic and environmental factors. Breeders must consider not only the genetic potential of individuals but also the management practices that optimize this potential. For instance, selecting animals with superior growth traits is futile if they are not provided with adequate nutrition and housing conditions to express their genetic potential fully.

In conclusion, the debate over nature versus nurture in animal breeding oversimplifies the complex interplay between genetic predispositions and environmental influences. Both factors are integral to the success of breeding programs, with genetics providing the blueprint and the environment shaping its realization. Acknowledging and understanding this dynamic interaction is crucial for the sustainable improvement of animal populations while ensuring their welfare and productivity. By integrating genetic knowledge with effective management practices, breeders can harness the full potential of nature and nurture to achieve their breeding goals.



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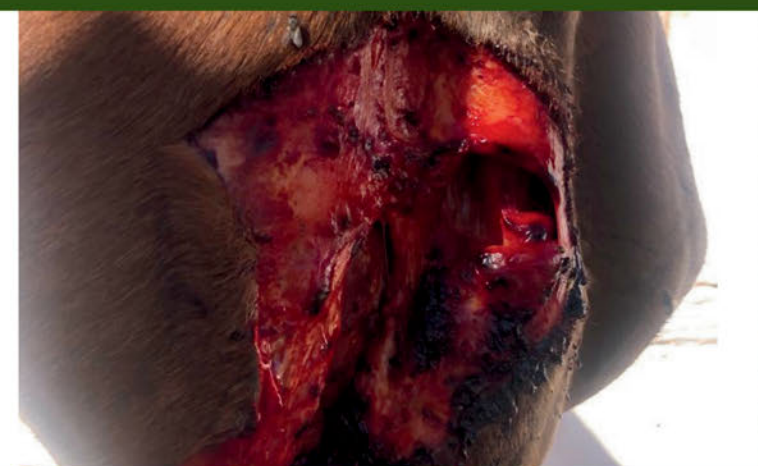
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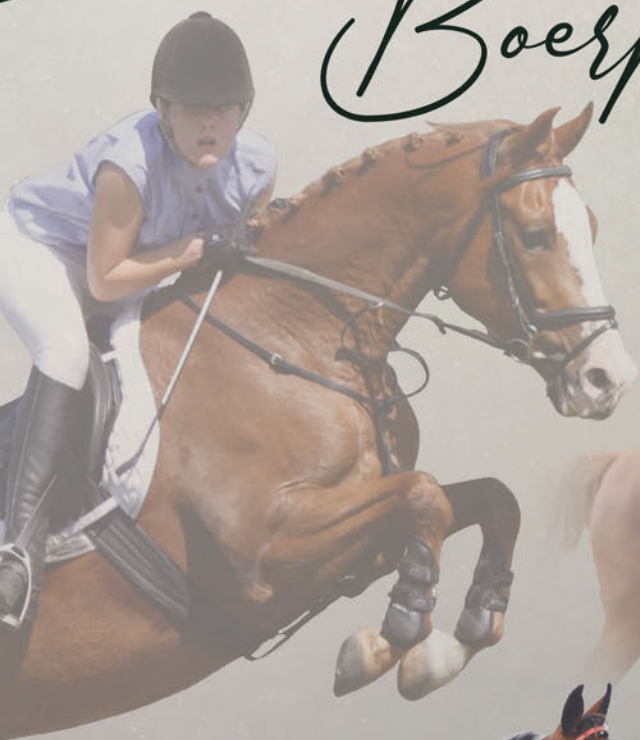
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to be known"

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PHOTOGRAPHY

Owned by:
Danielle Grobler



DOXA DEO GLORIA

Proud supporter:
Lené Grobler
Bloemfontein

DREAM ACRES EQUESTRIAN CENTRE PROUDLY PRESENTS

Elmi Ferreira

TRUJO'S BULLETS ASSIGNMENT

BRT LIMITED ASSIGNMENT X
SANIAN SPARKLING BULLET

"The heart of a lion does
not bow down to doubt; it rises
above and conquers
all challenges."



Elmi Foto '23

Ronxé Ferreira

NEWLIN HEAVEN'S GENIUS

UNDULATA'S MADE IN HEAVEN X
GIELET LINDA'S MINCA

"It is the horse's gift to
connect us with heaven and
our own footprints"



Elmi Foto '23



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Ferreira Family

DOXA DEO GLORIA

Proud parents:
PC & Marisca Ferreira
Hanover

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Fever was purchased on 02.04.2009 and under the capable guidance of the Westhuizen Family from Straussburg took to the showgrounds with flying colors.

He was then moved 18.10.2012 and coaching began under Martin Pienaar and Dream Acres Equestrian Center in Bloemfontein, where both sisters went on to excel in Equation - in Champion of Champions and Protea colors, with the best trainer ever and one groom Andries Seekoei (mostly).

Fever retired on 07.02.2023 and is now enjoying life on the farm at Straussburg with his Hoft Family, who enjoys and pampers him every day since his homecoming.

Between 2009 and 2023, Fever and his girls competed at regional shows, from lead rein classes to 18yrs and under, SA Champion of Champions and Protea Trials where they made it look easy.

EF
Fever Pitch
BORN 22.12.2005 | JUHANTA ANTI-GRAVITY X JUHANTHA WARRIOR'S LINDA

EF ONE HORSE, TWO HOFT SISTERS



NARIKE
Hoft



With his stately appearance, he brings to 3-Gaited Childs riding horse 3rd placement and many blue equestrian rosettes for his riders, including two x Champion of Champions and two x Reserve Champion of Champions and another 3 placements. He is the Equestrian Champion from 14yrs and under to 18yrs and under for both his riders at many shows and SA's. He also gives the two sisters both the title as best Northern Cape 3-Gaited Equestrian Rider and captains of the Northern Cape teams - 5 x Jnr Protea team colors and 2 x Snr Protea team colors and 2 x Protea captains. He gave wings to their dreams and was the reason for performance in invitational competitions and World Cup in the USA and RSA.

Thank you to EVERYONE who crossed his path and helped shape our children and invested in all 3 of them.

He was and still is one hell of a horse with two talented, passionate sisters, enjoying his character and poise in the victory round!



Owned by:
Hoft Family

DOXA DEO GLORIA

Proud parents:
Rocco & Elmarie Hoft
Uppington

DREAM ACRES EQUESTRIAN CENTRE PROUDLY PRESENTS

CAVALLI LAGERFELD

APPELSDAM WEE PEE'S LOVER X BRIDGEWATERS RAVISHING NITE

"Work hard! Dream Big, never give up!"



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HUNTT COLOUR ME STARDUST

CHICK-A-BOOM CAT CRACKER X
CLOVERLEAF MAGIC OF THE NITE

"Find a way, not an excuse"

KIARA

Wolmarans

KALOU HERE COMES THE DYNAMITE

STUDCOR TURBULENCE X VISSERSHOF SHE'S ON FIRE

"Never say Never"



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VENTANA GIFTS SKYWALKER

TRUJO GIFT OF CLASS X CLOVERLEAF NITE WALK

"Never underestimate Gift's Skywalker.
Greatness takes time to be revealed"



Owned by:
Wolmarans Family



DOXA DEO GLORIA

Proud parents:
Barry & Julie Wolmarans
Bloemfontein

DREAM ACRES EQUESTRIAN CENTRE PROUDLY PRESENTS

the
Pienaar Family

Marli Pienaar

TRUJO AL
PETITE

R.A.M AL PASO X TRUJO PETITE HEART



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Elita Foto '23

Miné Pienaar

PRIMGRADIA
ELEGANCE
LIGHTNING

OOSDEEL OKALASH ELEGANCE X
LEGATO YOKO'S TROJANA

"All our dreams can come true, if we have the courage to pursue them"

Lienke
Pienaar



Lipita Foto '23

CHICK -A- BOOM RATATOUILLE

CHICK-A-BOOM CAT CRACKER X CHICK-A-BOOM CLASSICAL WAR DREAM



FotoJan

Attie
In
Pienaar

"The journey of a thousand miles
begins with one step"

Owned by:
Pienaar Family



DOXA DEO GLORIA

Proud parents:
GB & Marli Pienaar
Slangfontein | Philippolis

DREAM ACRES EQUESTRIAN CENTRE PROUDLY PRESENTS

Adriaan Pienaar

CCV FINAL SS
CONQUEROR

CCV SS WASABI X CCV THIS I PROMISE YOU

"Hope lies in dreams, in imagination,
and in the courage of those who
dare to make dreams into reality"



Elita Foto '23



Elita Foto '23

Luan Pienaar
CHICK-A-BOOM
RATATOUILLE

CHICK-A-BOOM CAT CRACKER X
CHICK-A-BOOM CLASSICAL WAR DREAM

"You can, you should and if you're
brave enough to start, you will"



Final Conqueror owned by:
Pienaar Family
Ratatouille owned by:
GB & Marli Pienaar

DOXA DEO GLORIA

Proud parents:
Stephan & Anzé Pienaar
Bloemfontein

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R. Overheu

Christien Strydom Nell
WILMAR KING COBRA

Y-NOT IMAGE WILD COCKTAIL X VOGELVLEI SULTAN'S VEILED MISTRESS



Owned by:
Strydom Family

DOXA DEO GLORIA

Proud supporters:
Hoener & Dalien Strydom
Louis & Jan-Louis Nell

ABOUT A KING

Our journey started together in 2014 just after Cobra had won the 2014 SA 5-Gaited Grand Championship, unfortunately Cobra's previous owner Marius Day passed away just a little after that and Cobra became available for purchase. Never in a million years would I have even considered riding left alone owning King Cobra. At that time I was riding at Buckridge stables with Elizka Jordaan. Dirk Claasens was stabling some horses with her at the time. They put me on him to see if we would be a match, and WOW! When I got in the saddle and walked a few paces it literally felt as if I have ridden this horse my entire life, it felt as if we were made for one another. It was like I just knew him, I instantly trusted Cobra and we have been like that ever since that very day!

He was and still till today at the age of 19 years has the biggest heart and is always ever willing! Never have I ever had a dull ride with him. Dirk was at that time still assisting Elizka with working Cobra and guiding us, we went on to compete at our very first show at The Parys Christmas Festival in 2014 and what a show that was! He was so much Horse to experience, I have never ridden a horse that has the ability to give me so much goose bumps as he has. He was very eager and very willing during that show and if you know me, you know how much I love speed, so we were a match made to keep up with! We were crowned the Parys Reserve Amateur 5-Gaited Champs. We went on to become the 2015 SA Grand Champion Amateur winners at Bloem show, as well as the 2015 Parys Christmas Festival Amateur Champs.

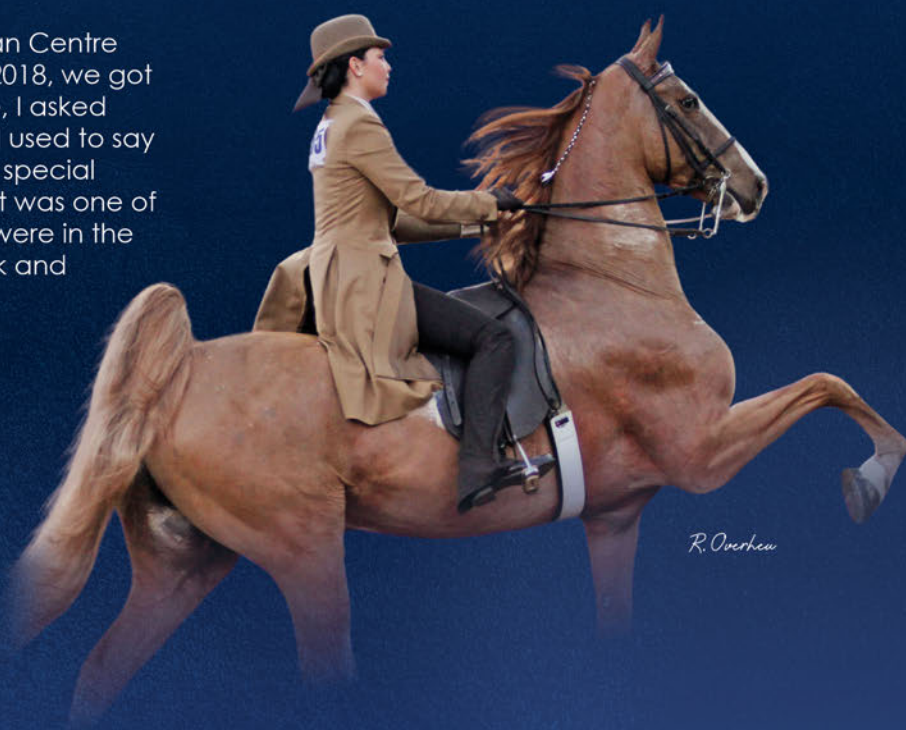
Unfortunately, our journey at Buckridge came to an end in 2017, where we tried but struggled to find the harmony between, myself, Elizka and Cobra, the combination was just not working too great for us and I had decided that I had to take a risk and move Cobra to another trainer for better suit. With me being based in Bloemfontein and not wanting to move him too far away our options were limited and I was not sure what to do, (There was a lot of trainers very eagerly willing to take Cobra in), we took him home that December to go and take a bit of a break. In that time Martin sent me a message out of the blue saying that he would really like the opportunity to work with me and Cobra and see if we will be a good fit! It was like a prayer had been answered and we took the leap of faith! Never regretted one second of it!

Cobra was quite a difficult horse on the ground, he was not always very trusting and he is so big and intimidating and believe me, he knows it, however he was never mean. So on our way home I was driving with Martin, preparing him on all the issues he might encounter with Cobra. We stopped there and Martin just walked over to him, Cobra came towards him and behold! Love at first sight! Cobra has never been so trusting with anyone! I knew then no matter what happens, our paths were destined to cross and this was the right fit!

Myself, Martin and Cobra's journey from that day has been so dear and special to me. The way the three of us just connected and clicked is very rare. We talk about this often, how Cobra has never given us one day's worth of grief or any trouble, just always stepping up (Don't be fooled, he does still try and push his luck to see where the boundaries are sometimes for his own giggle more than anything).

Our first show under Dream Acres Equestrian Centre was at the SA National Championships in 2018, we got up for our Class and when we hit the shute, I asked Martin to "ride along with me" Something I used to say to the late Madre Brand (It was something special between us that Martin also understood), It was one of the best classes of my life with Cobra, we were in the top 4 SA Amateur Class that year. The work and dedication Martin puts in to Cobra and making sure he is set up perfectly for me never goes unnoticed and it pays off every time. We were crowned the Amateur 5-gaited Champs that 2018 at the Parys Christmas Festival.

From there the rest is pretty much history and speaks for itself, in the 10 years that I have had the privilege of owning and showing Cobra there has not been one day that I did not enjoy it, he has always been my Mr. Reliable and I trust him fully!



We always said the day that Cobra shows us he is done, we will listen and obey, that however does not seem to be in his plan anytime soon, so we had decided that at the golden age of 19 years, we are making that decision for him, we feel he has nothing left to prove and that he now deserves a restful and happy retirement from showing!

With Cobra retiring it is like an end to a very fortunate and successful era of showing! He is my heart horse and I am so blessed to have had him be part of my journey!

Cobra, I salute you for always being so willing and eager, always stepping up and showing up, never giving me any grief (maybe just a little) and always making me feel safe and giving me such thrills! I will miss the two of us racking up storm down a straight for many years to come! You have made me proud and made so many dreams possible! I now in return wish you rest and green pastures for many more years to come!

Thank you Martin, Papie and the Dream Acres team for taking such good care of Cobs for so many years, for loving him and allowing him to just BE! I know he will be missed by all of you! Thank you to everyone who has played a role in the shaping of this magnificent horse!

To my Mom & Dad (my biggest supporters) thank you for allowing me the absolute privilege of owning and showing Cobra for so many years, thank you for providing him a place to retire and taking care of him, I appreciate all you do for us!

All my love,
Christien

Some of King Cobra's Highlights over the last 10 years:

SA Championships

- 2014 SA Grand Champion 5-Gaited Horse (Dirk Claasens)
- 2015 SA Grand Champion 5-Gaited Amateur (Christien Strydom)
- 2016 SA Grand Champion 5-Gaited Horse top 5 (Christien Strydom)
- 2018 SA Grand Champion 5-Gaited Amateur top 4 (Christien Strydom)
- 2019 SA Grand Champion 5-Gaited Amateur Reserve (Christien Strydom)
- 2023 SA Grand Champion Ladies 5-Gaited Horse Top 3 (Christien Strydom)

Parys Christmas Festival

- 2014 Grand Champion Amateur 5-Gaited Reserve (Christien Strydom)
- 2015 Grand Champion Amateur 5-Gaited (Christien Strydom)
- 2016 Grand Champion 5-Gaited Top 3 (Christien Strydom)
- 2018 Grand Champion Amateur 5-Gaited (Christien Strydom)
- 2019 Grand Champion Amateur 5-Gaited Reserve (Christien Strydom)
- 2020 Grand Champion Amateur 5-Gaited (Christien Strydom)
- 2022 Champion Ladies Fine Harness Top 4 (Dalien Strydom)

Other Regional Shows

- 2014 Grand Champion 5-Gaited Horse Petrusburg (Christien Strydom)
- 2015 Grand Champion 5-Gaited Amateur Petrusburg (Christien Strydom)
- 2016 Grand Champion 5-Gaited Horse Petrusburg (Christien Strydom)
- 2022 Grand Champion 5-Gaited Horse Be-Human (Christien Strydom)



UKUQALTA

IDEE'S WHIPLASH X GIELET MISS FAIRY QUEEN



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