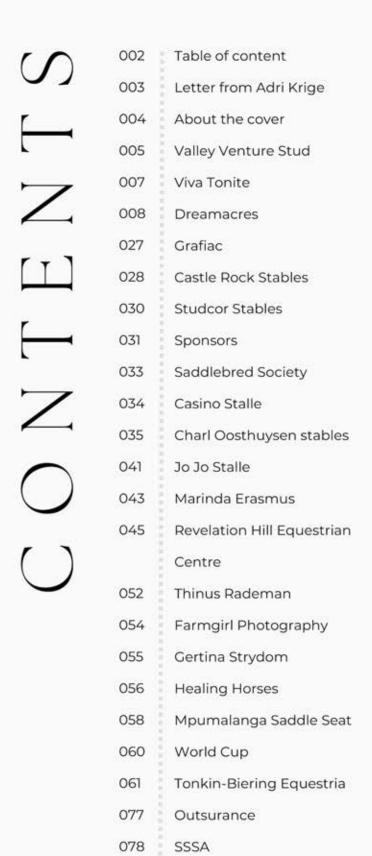
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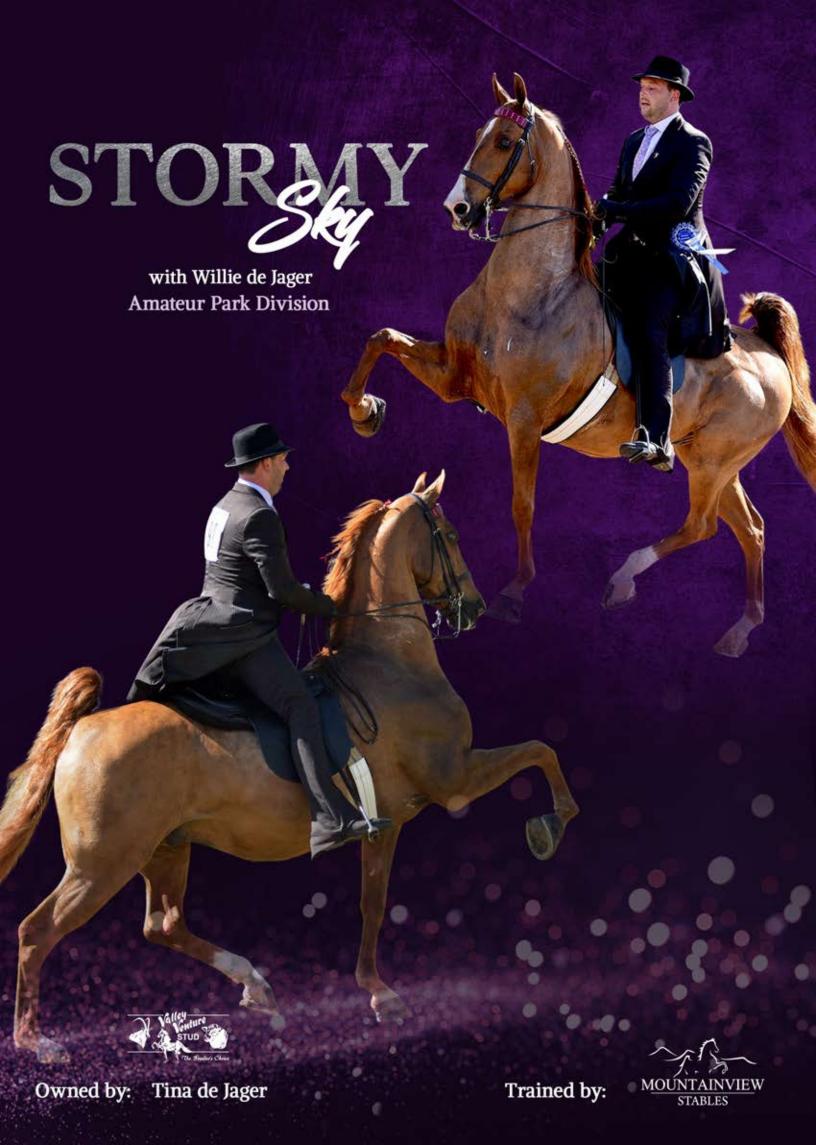


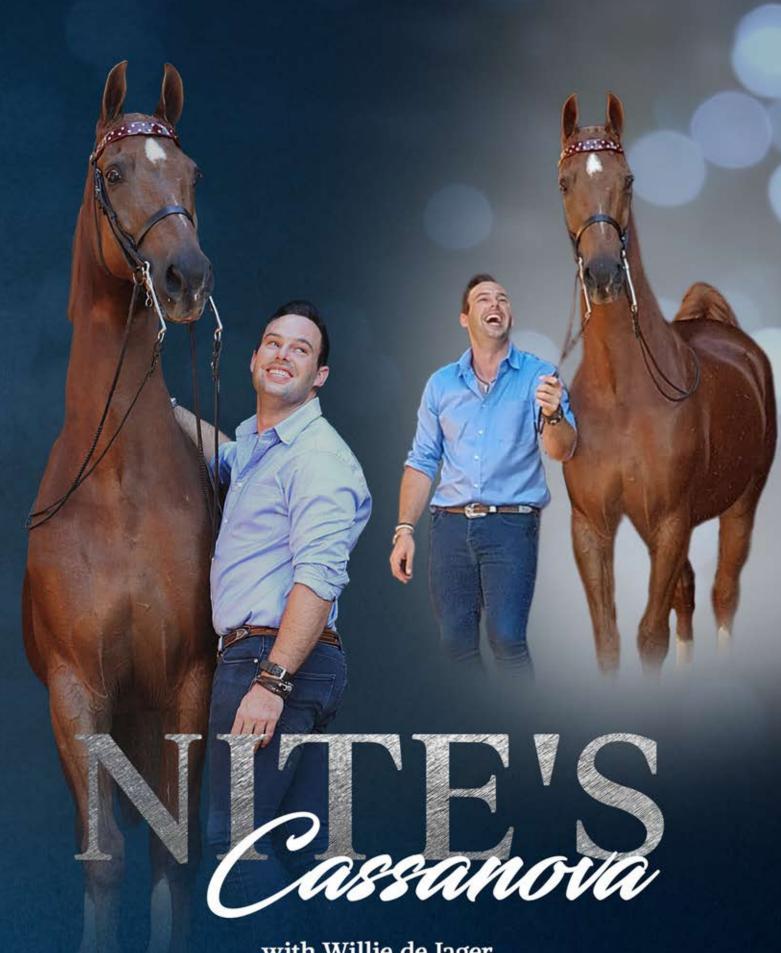


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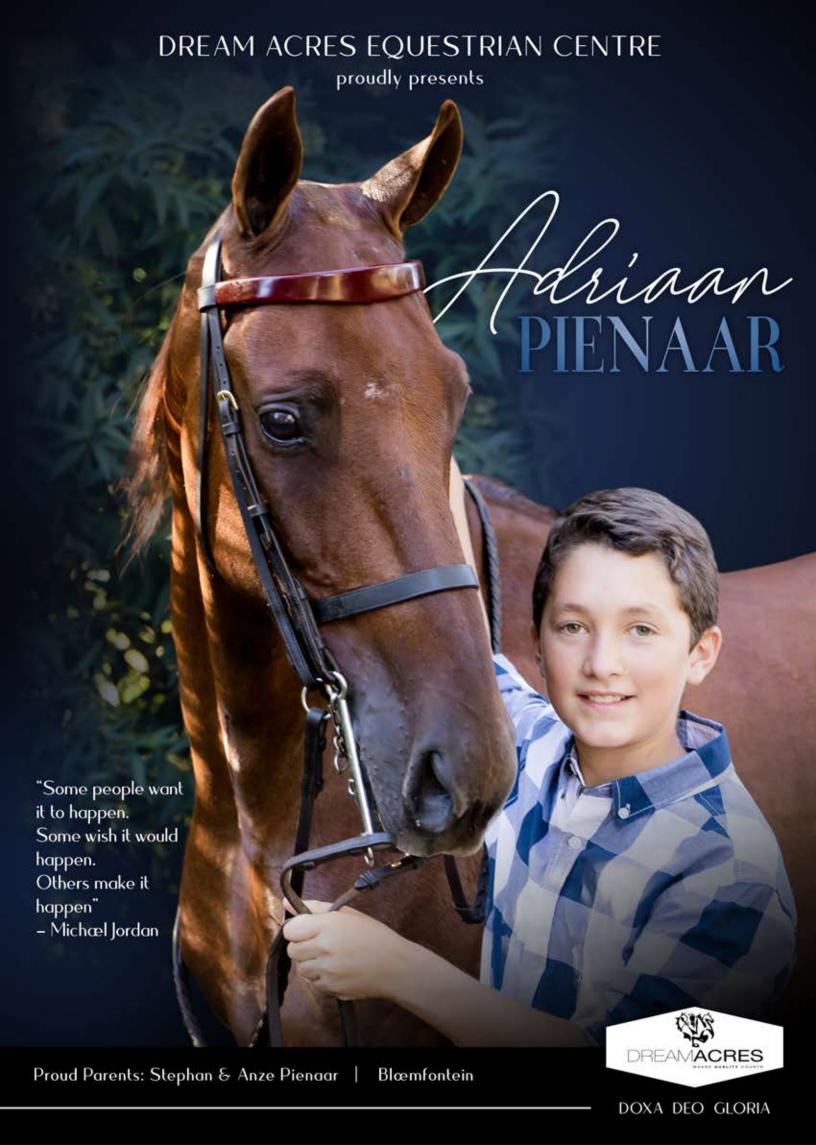
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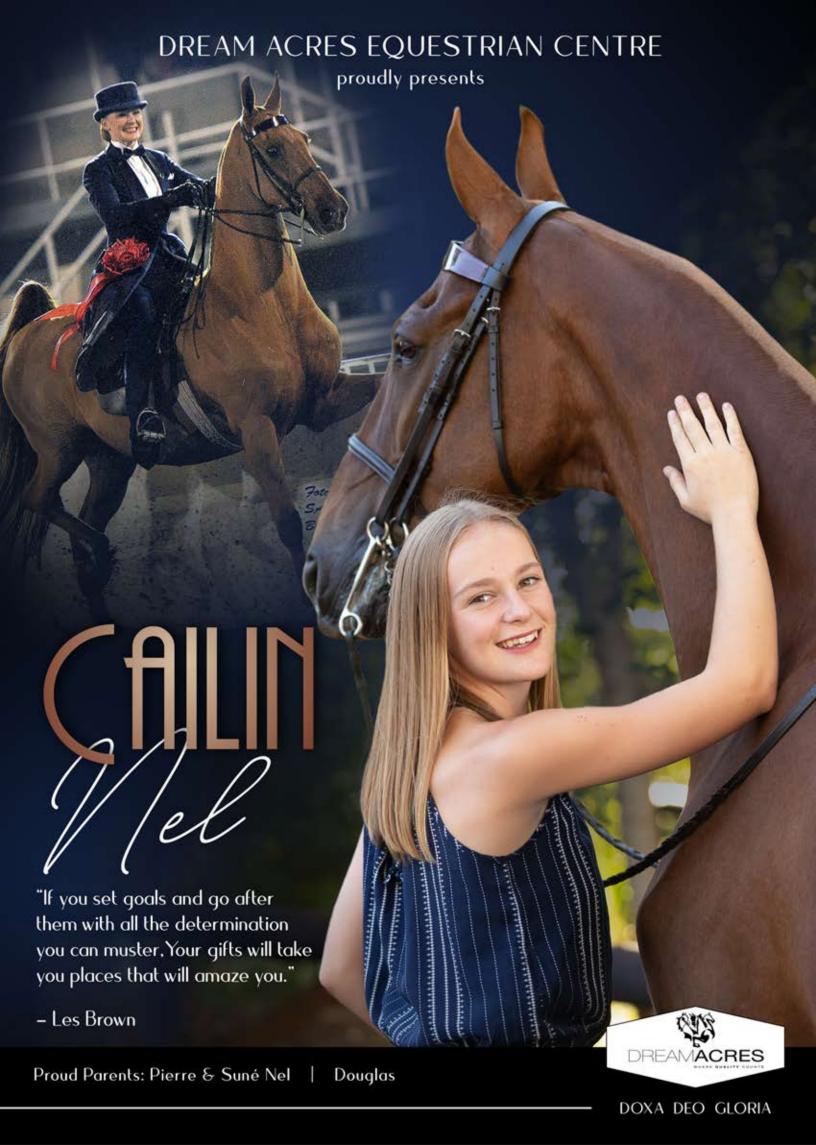


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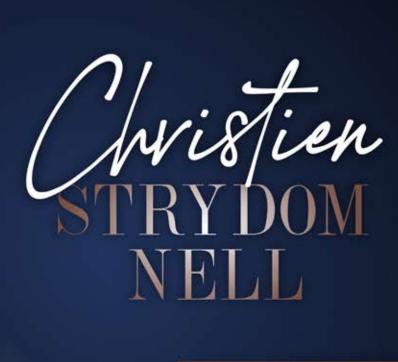
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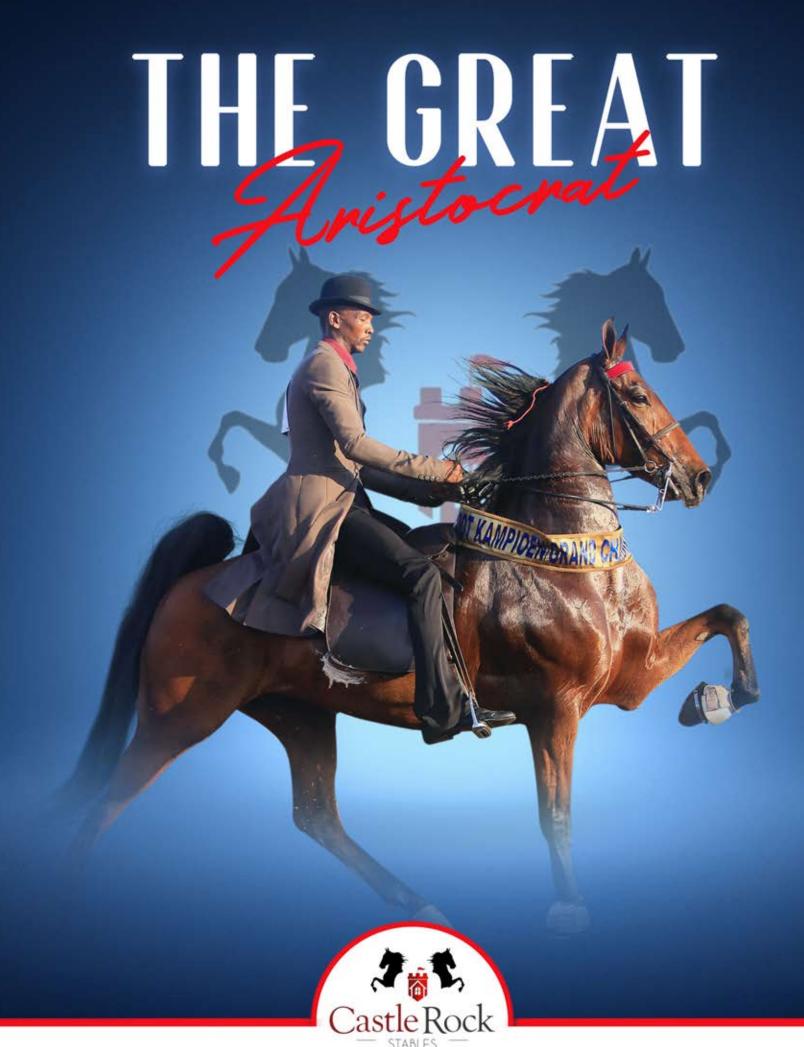


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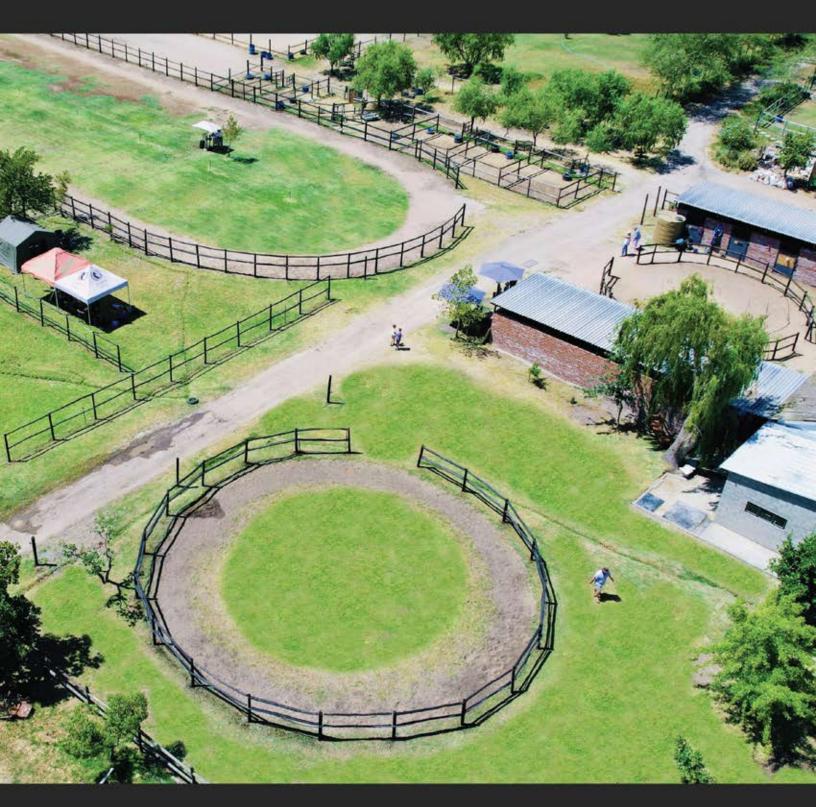


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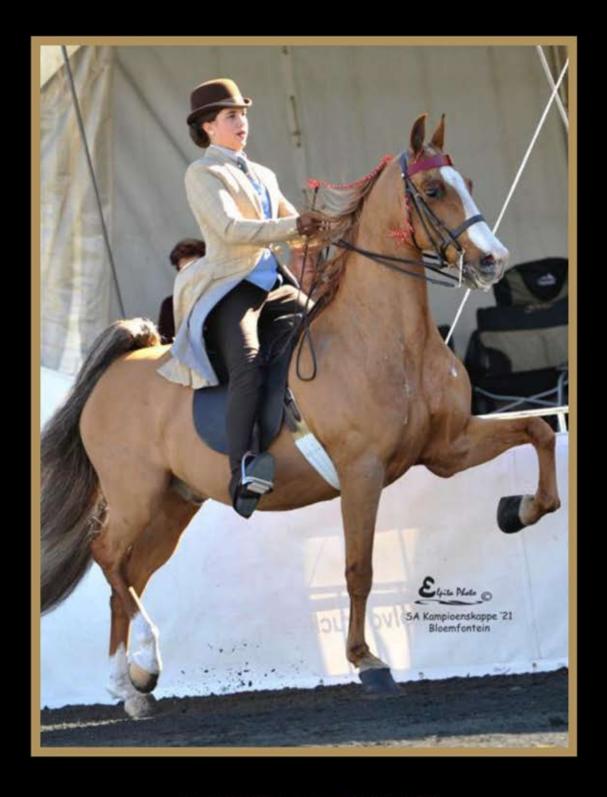






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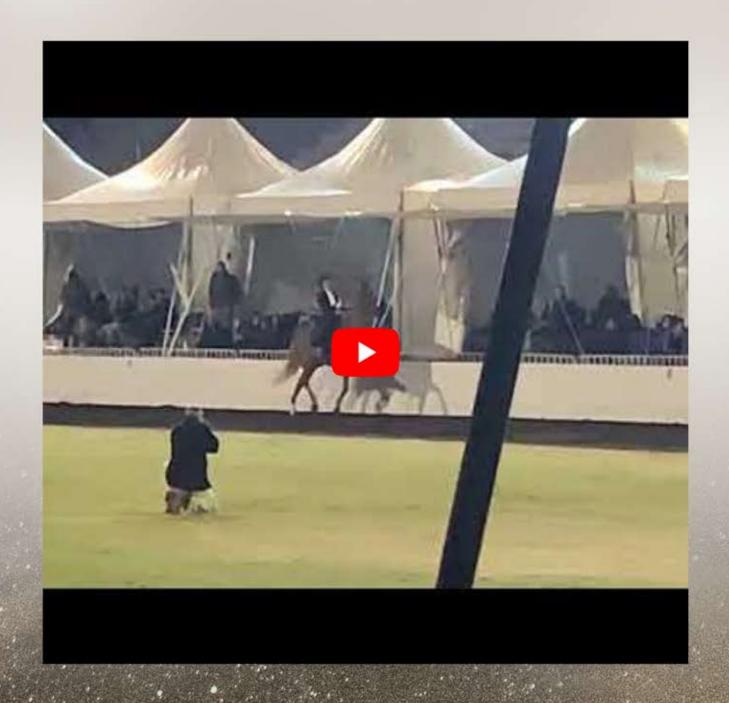


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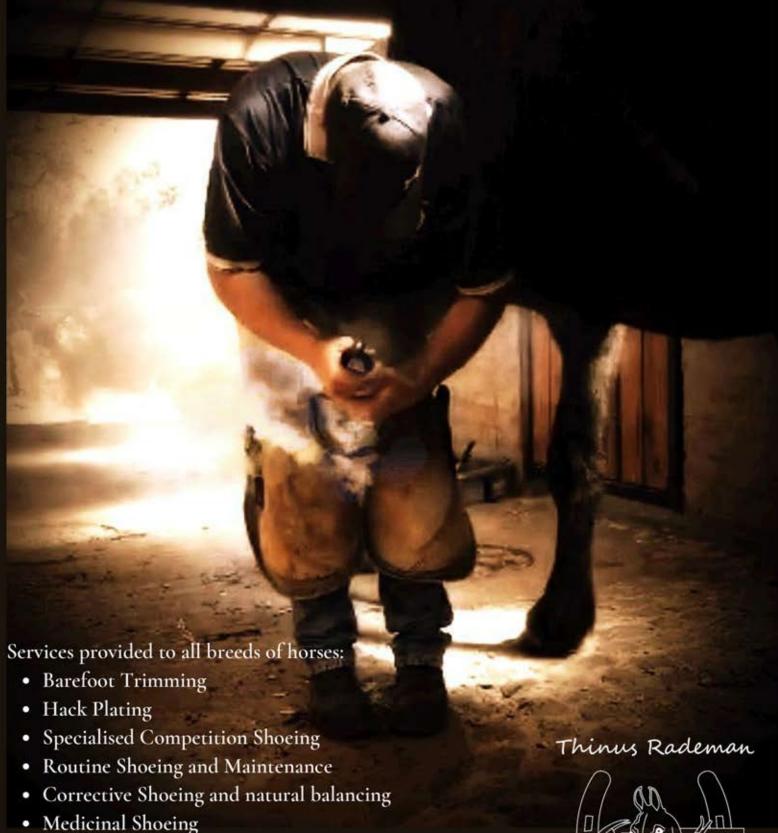
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#### HEALING HORSES

If you have spent any time with horses, you would have likely experienced some of the magic that they hold... As the saying goes: "There is something about the outside of a horse that's good for the inside of a man" (Winston Churchill). Equally as powerful, is the impact of a horse on the physical aspect of a person, even more so when considering the physical development of children.

When considering the physical development of children, we often think of the fundamentals- running, jumping, hopping on one leg, throwing, and catching a ball- skills that we see (and that children need) in order to participate in their most important occupation-PLAY!

When it comes to horses (and horse riding) there are numerous underlying skills that are being developed and stimulated:

#### THE SENSORY SYSTEM

We know the sensory system as touch, taste, sight, hearing, and smell. In addition to these (and more significantly impacted by horse riding) are the vestibular system and the proprioceptive system. The vestibular system is located in the inner ear. It provides us with information regarding our body position and sense of balance. Moving on a horse also encourages equilibrium reactions, which is important for postural control. While riding, this system is constantly stimulated and can be challenged in various ways, depending on the speed of riding, and the direction (or change of direction) taken while riding. For a child, this is an important skill to master as we expect children to sit upright at their desks in the classroom, or sit at the table and eat a meal. The proprioceptive system is equally as important. This system senses movement and where your body is in space. It allows you to move your hand to touch your nose, even when your eyes are closed. Children who experience proprioceptive difficulties may struggle to bring a fork to their mouth to eat or often miss when reaching for an item. Due to the rhythmical and repetitive nature of the movement of a horse, information regarding the position of the rider's body is repeatedly sent to the rider, which reinforces the 'where am I' input that proprioception provides. The vestibular and proprioceptive systems work hand in hand.



#### GROSS MOTOR SKILLS

Riding stimulates numerous gross motor skills in children. For children with physical difficulties, riding impacts underlying functions such as muscle tone, muscle strength, coordination and balance. In order to remain seated on a moving horse, it requires a significant amount of balance. By stimulating and improving balance, riding equips a child to more successfully participate in tasks such as putting on pants while standing, reaching to the shelf to get a book, or even just walking while carrying a plate to the table. It could also support a child to perform the 'simple' task of walking-lifting one foot and placing it in front of the other can be very challenging for children who experience difficulties related to muscle tone and muscle strength.

Horse riding also develops and strengthens bilateral integration. This involves using one side of the body in coordination with the other side of the body. For example, pulling on the right reign while keeping the left reign still. We can translate this to a school task such as cutting- the one hand has to hold the paper still while the other hand manipulates the scissors, Midline crossing is another skill that we frequently address during therapy sessions is - the ability to cross the midline of your body while performing a task. We often see children who struggle to cross the midline when sitting at the table, writing, and cutting, and being on a horse gives us a great opportunity to address this, due to the horse providing a 'fixed' position for the child's lower half of their body. Reaching across the midline to take the whip or tighten the girth, or even using one hand to point to where you plan on executing your pattern work can stimulate crossing the midline.

#### FINE MOTOR SKILLS

Horse riding is a fantastic stimulator for various fine motor skills. Picking up the reigns, shortening, and lengthening reigns, and manipulating the reigns of a double bridle are valuable tasks in terms of stimulating fine motor skills and in-hand manipulation. These are essential skills for writing. Furthermore, riding offers significant proprioceptive input in the hands and fingers, which also supports tasks such as fastening buttons, zips, and laces.



When considering the overall development of children, horse riding offers a valuable, well-rounded opportunity to stimulate and develop a variety of skills. As a therapist who uses horses in therapy with children with physical difficulties (called Hippotherapy), the benefits are even greater. Other times, these children are excluded from traditional sporting activities such as rugby or netball. Having the opportunity to sit on a horse (even without any riding skills being taught) gives them the opportunity to simulate walking (which a wheelchair user might have never previously experienced), being able to see the world from a different viewpoint (as opposed to always looking 'up' at people around them), and the feeling of being able to 'control' this large animal with sometimes just their voice. The empowerment experienced and success by these children during Hippotherapy is truly magical!

During Hippotherapy, horses are used as a therapy 'tool' to support the therapist in working towards specific therapeutic goals. It is a treatment modality that can be used by qualified Physiotherapists, Occupational Therapists, and Speech Therapists. Horses used in therapy programs are selected based on a variety of factors, of which a calm and kind temperament is highly valued. We require horses to be safe during sessions, even when we get excited, throw balls, blow bubbles, or even when working with large, noisy toys and equipment.

Being able to work with horses and share their caring nature with clients is truly a humbling experience! I am extremely grateful to have the opportunity to combine my love for horses and my passion for helping people. The positive impact that horses have had on the physical and emotional wellbeing of clients has been wonderful to witness!



#### About the author:

Wilene Wiggill is an Occupational Therapist (M. Occ Therapy– UFS), practicing in Gqeberha (Port Elizabeth). She has been using horses in her therapy program since 2017 and has been riding Saddlehorses since 1999.

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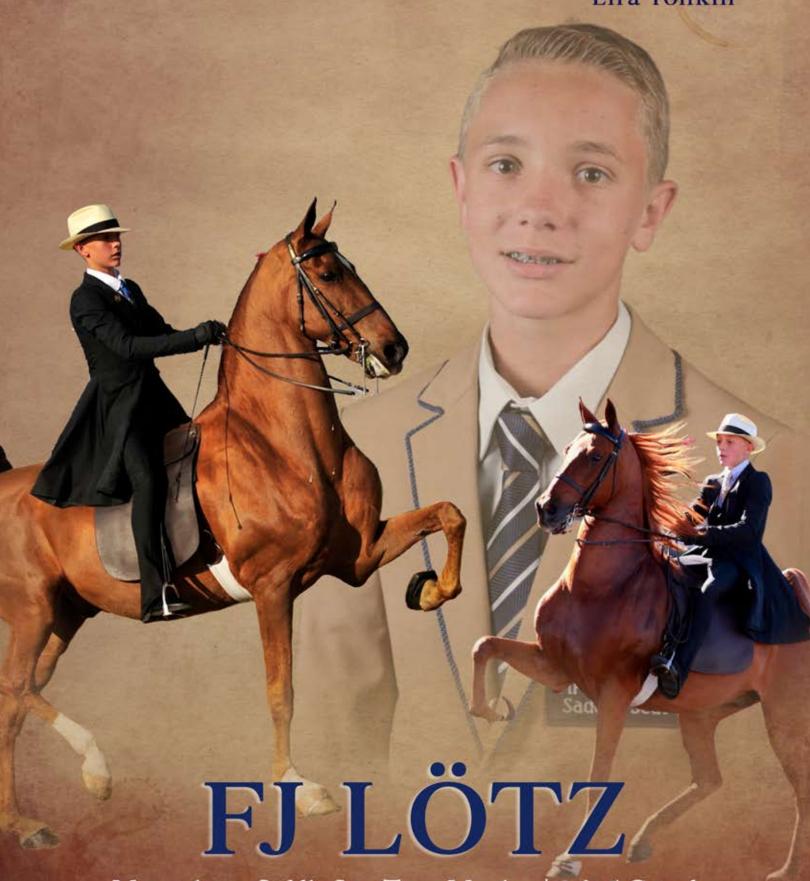


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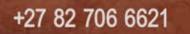


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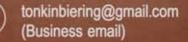


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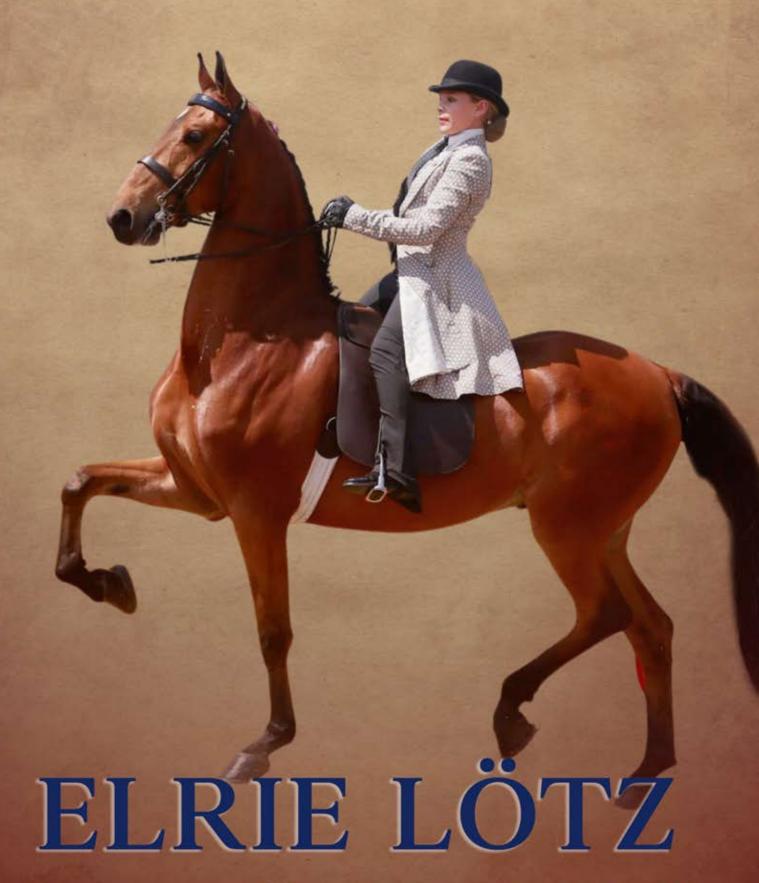






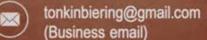


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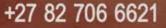




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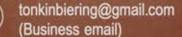
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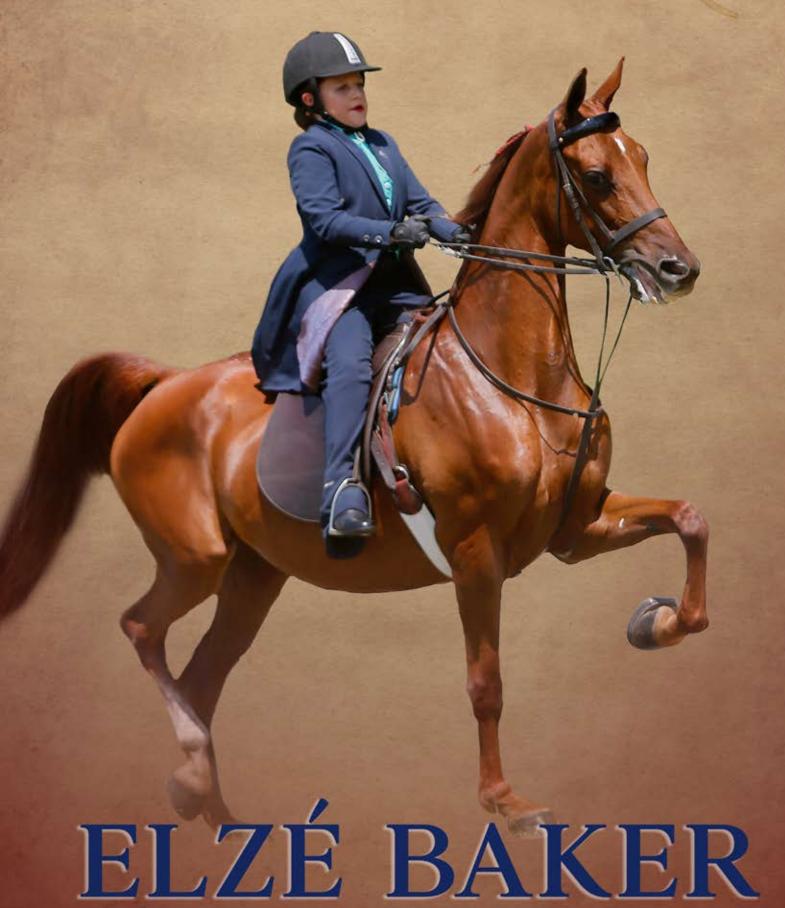


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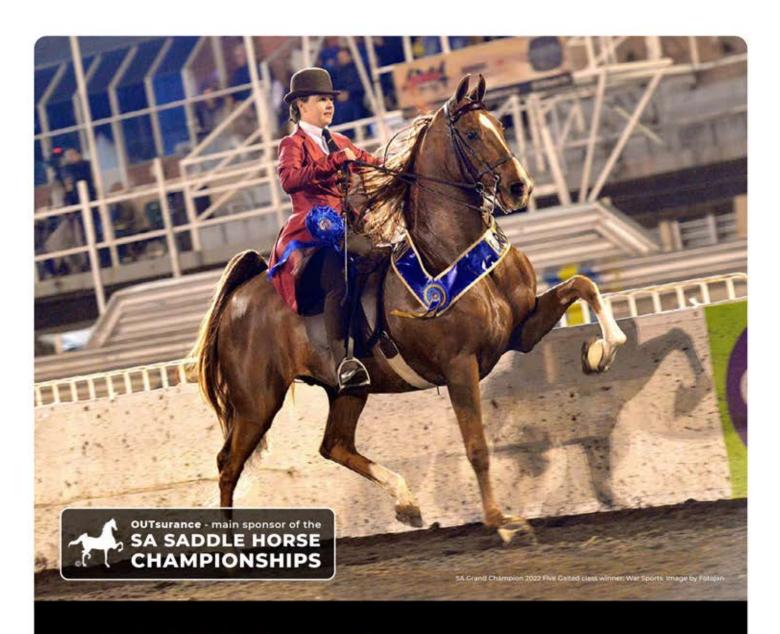


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We are Excited to announce that Saddle Seat South Africa will be hosting the 2024 World Cup competition currently under the guidance of the International Saddle Seat Equestrian Association. Teams from the United States, Cana-

da, Namibia, Zambia and South Africa are provisionally scheduled to be the main participants. We are excited to possibly have a team from Botswana compete in 2024.

Both Zambia & Botswana will debut

in their first World Cup competition next year. The World Cup consists of two divisions in Saddle Seat Equitation, the 3 Gaited and 5 Gaited. Riders competing in this prestigious event are given two twenty minute training sessions prior to the start of the competition. Thereafter riders compete under gruelling circumstances over two days. Each rider is expected to execute a rail work and an advanced test pattern twice on lottery style drawn horses. The top four riders scores over the two days are combined to determine

the new World Champion team in each division.

### African Cup 2023:

Saddle Seat South Africa further prides itself in hosting the first Africa Cup competi-

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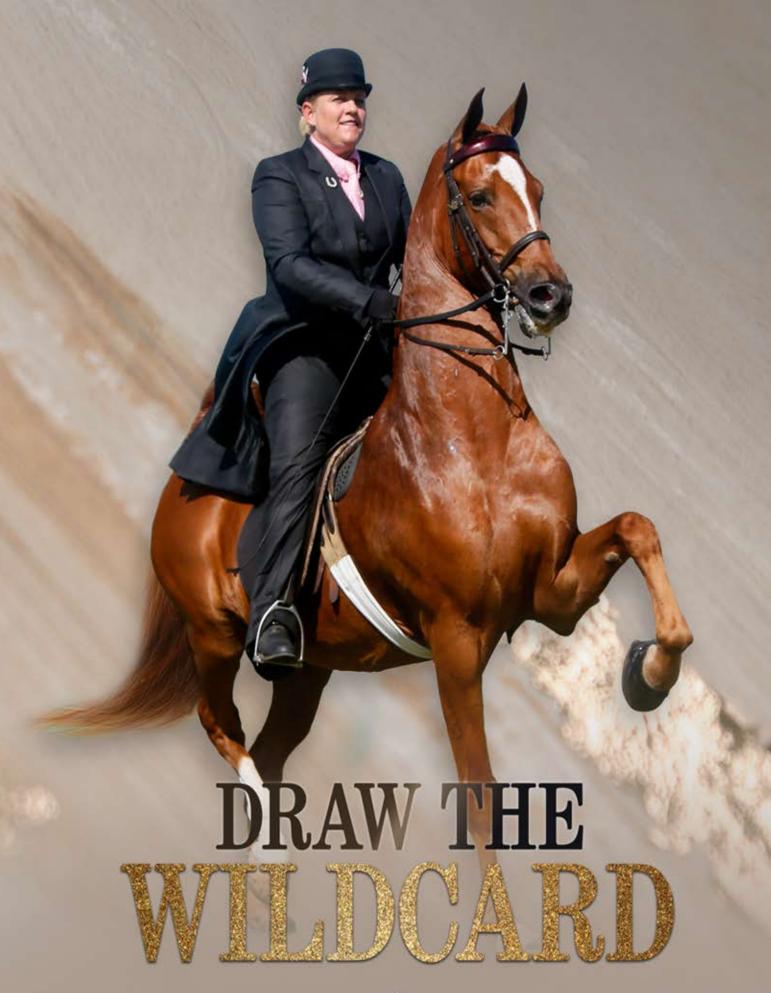
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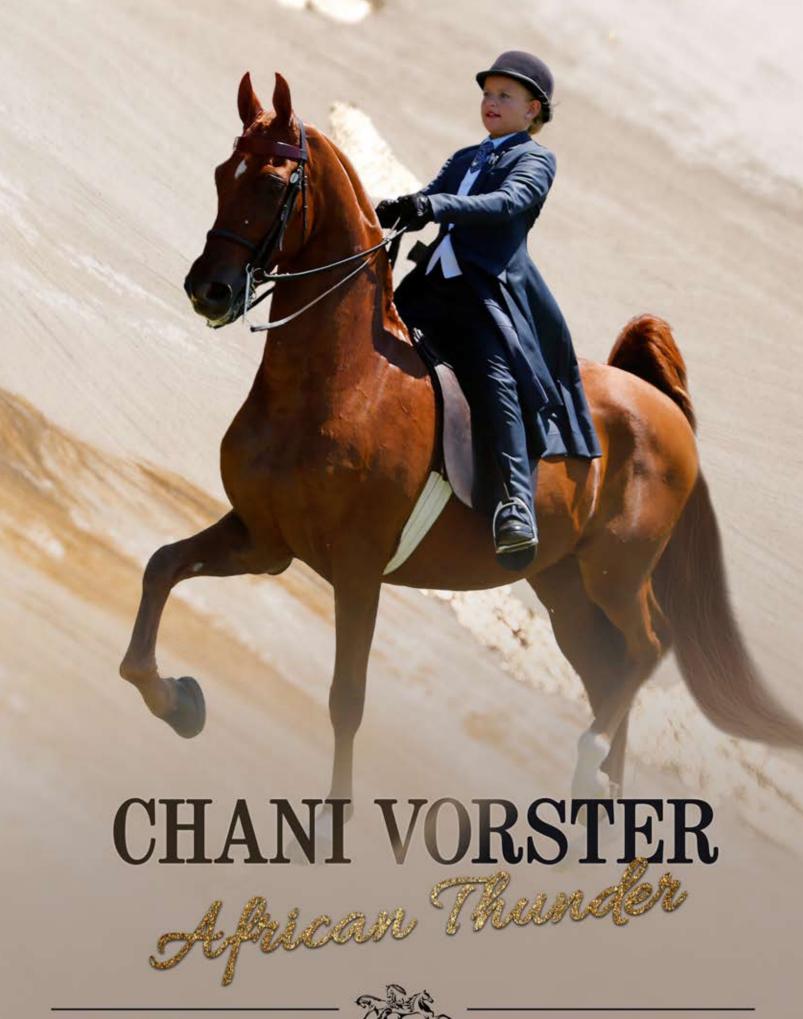
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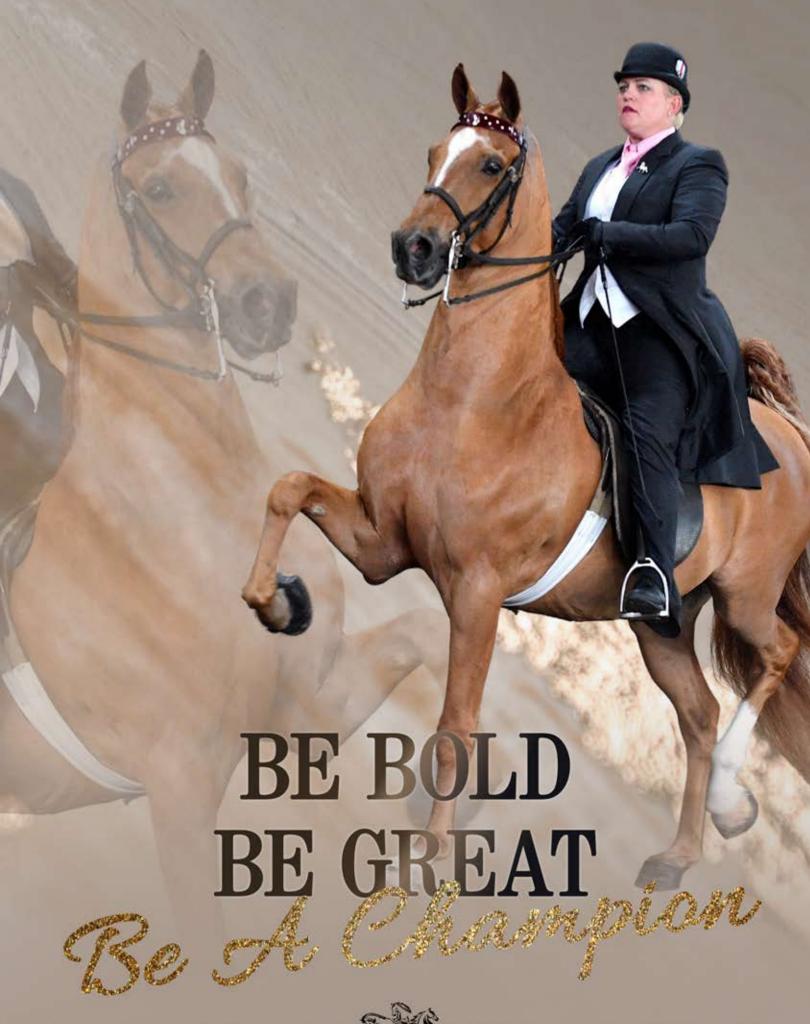
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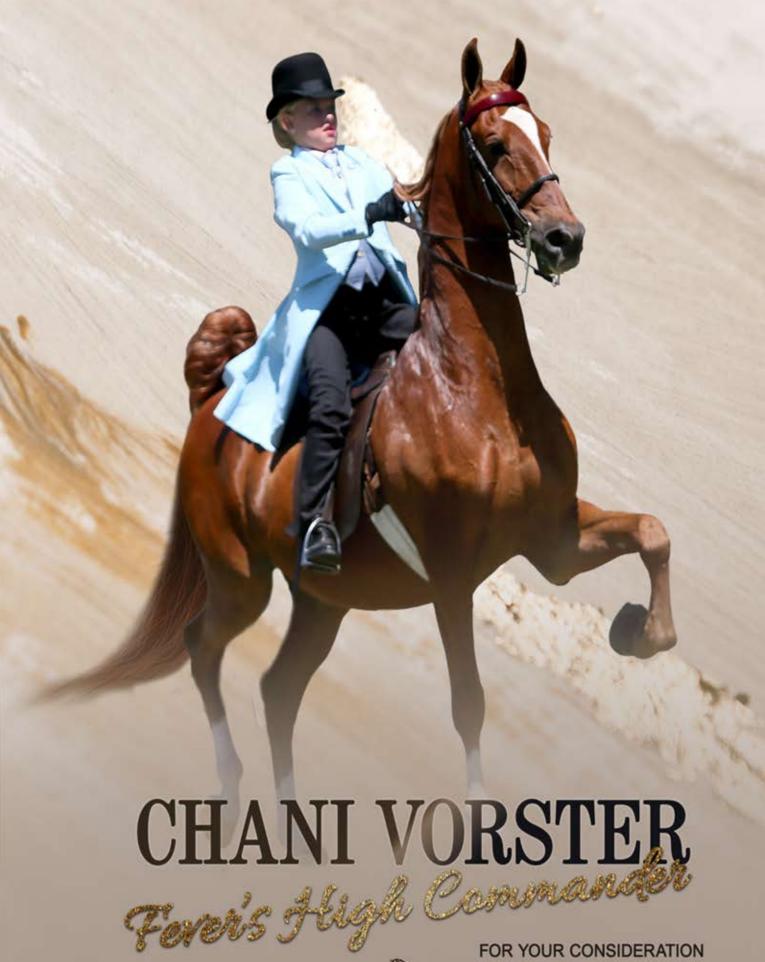






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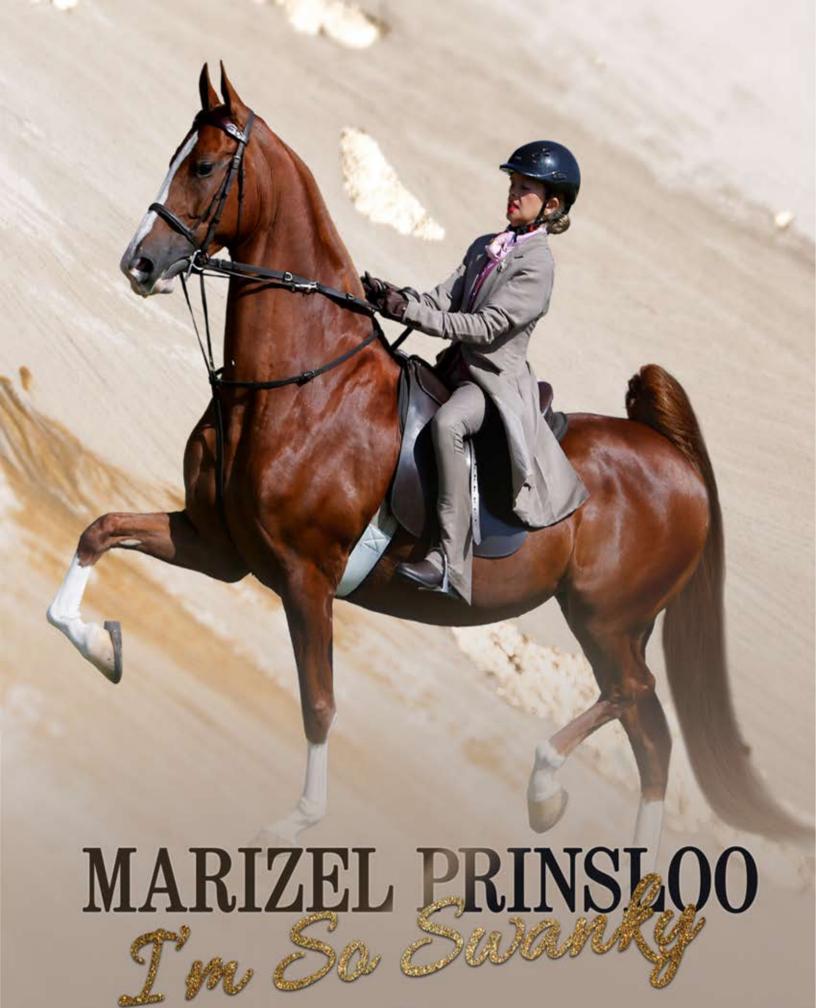
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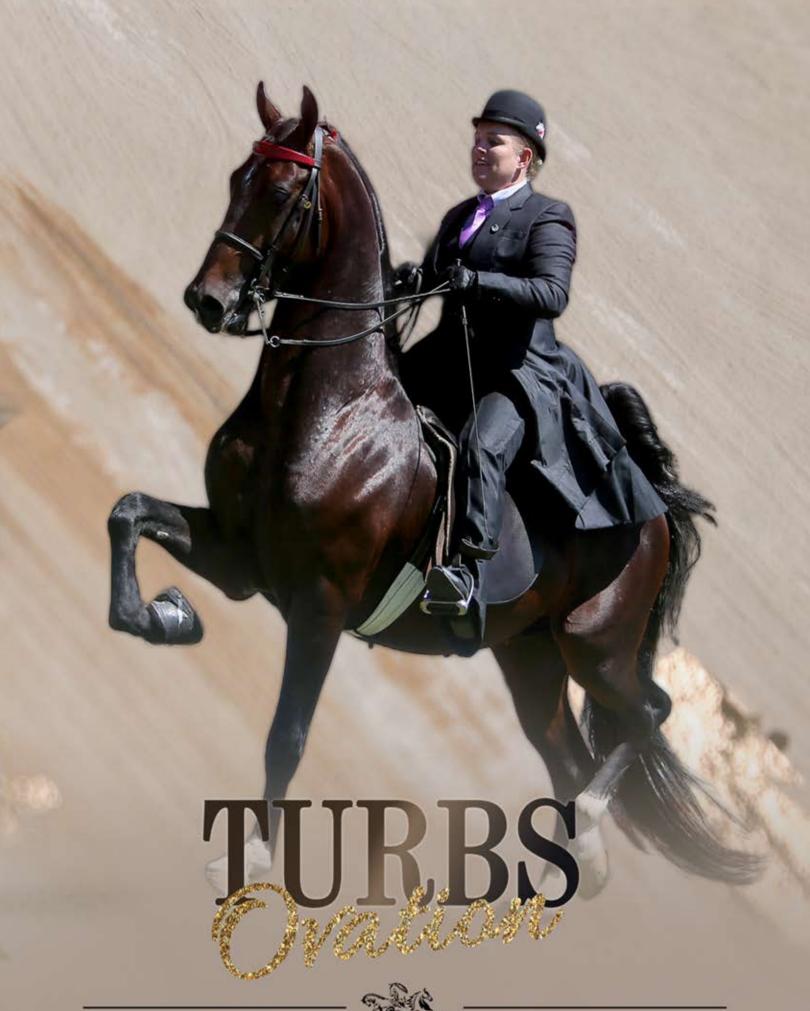




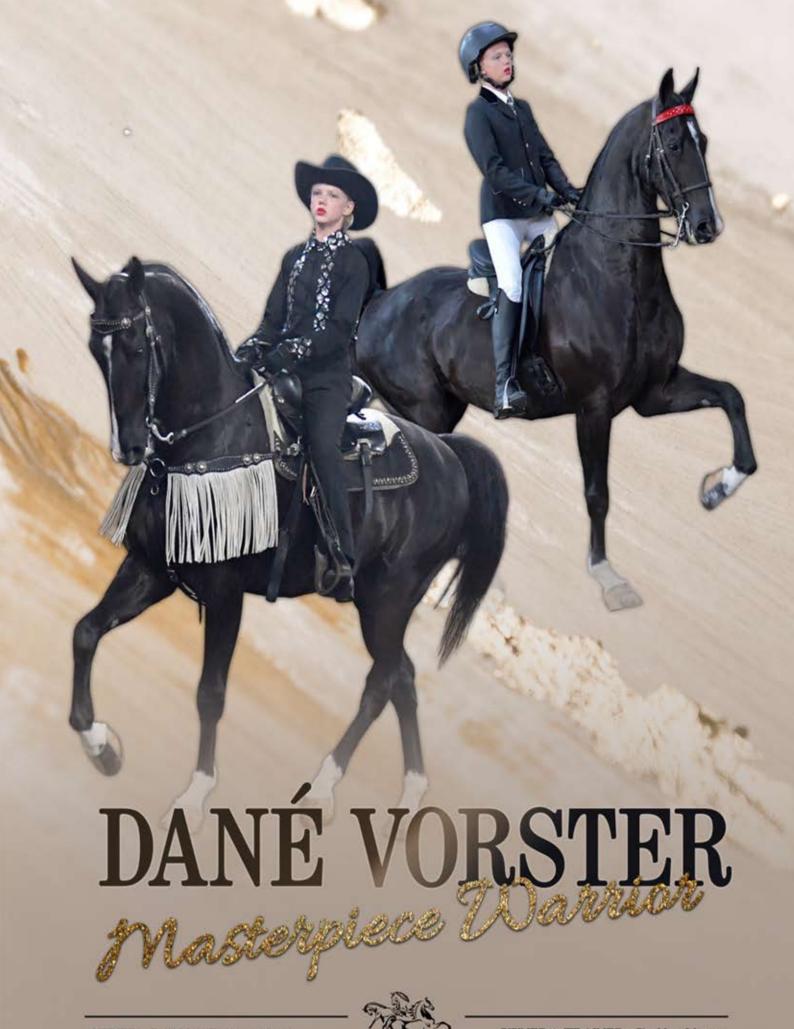


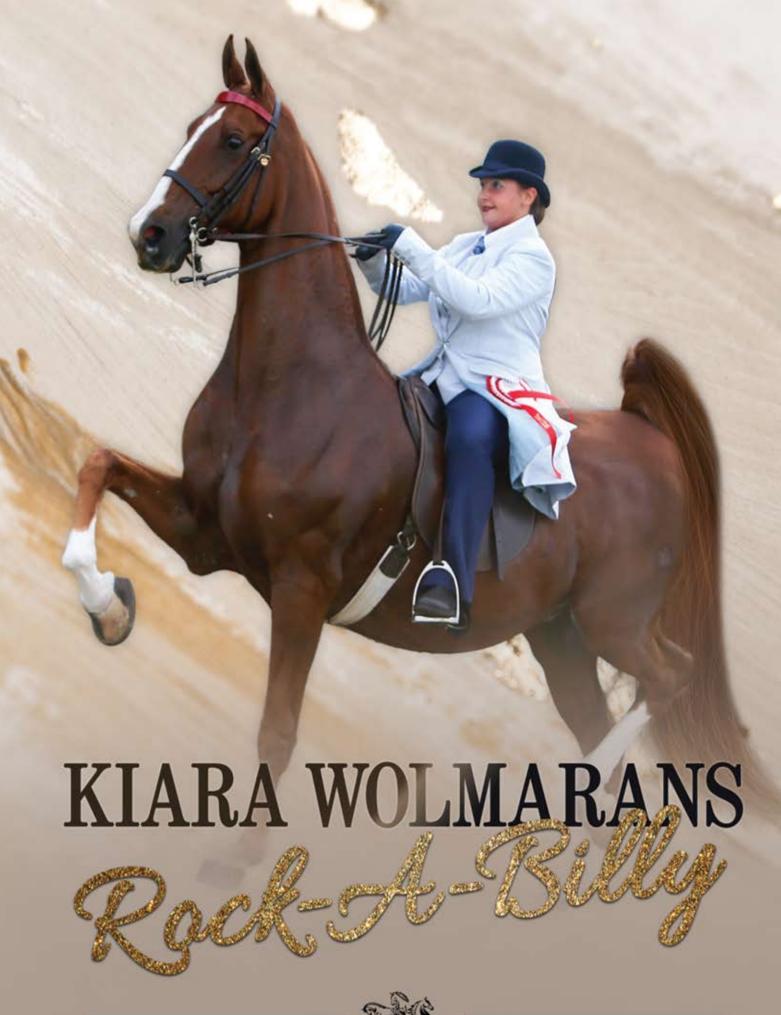
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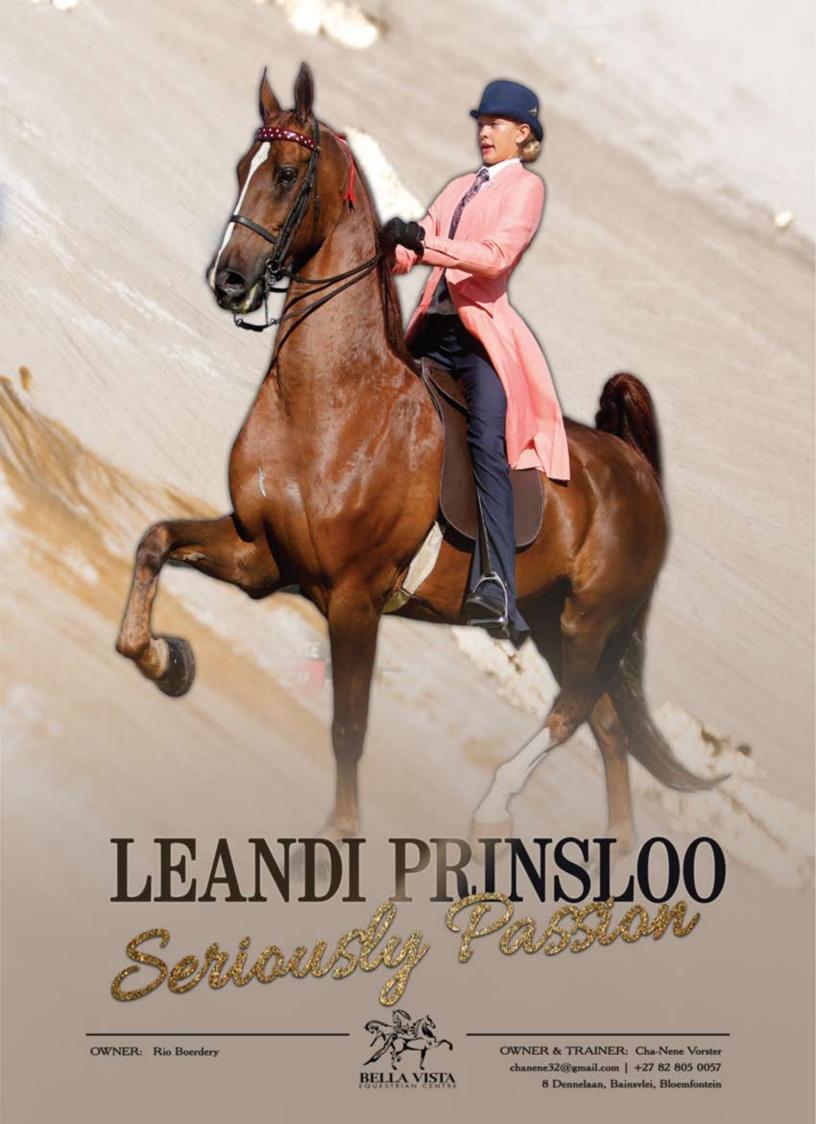




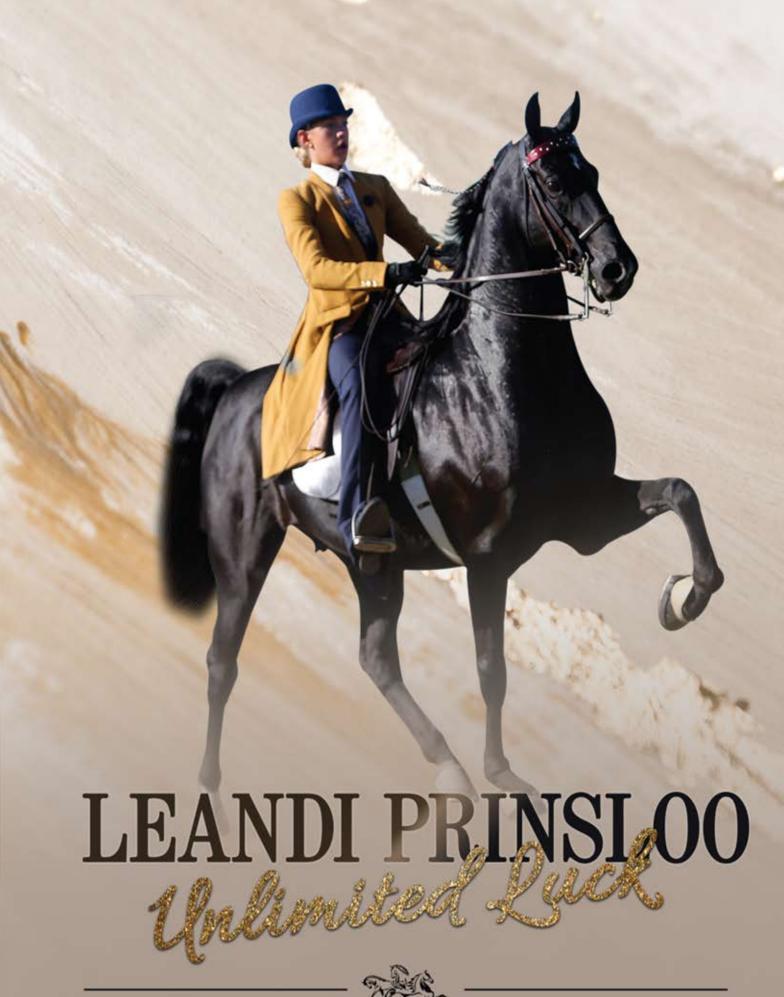






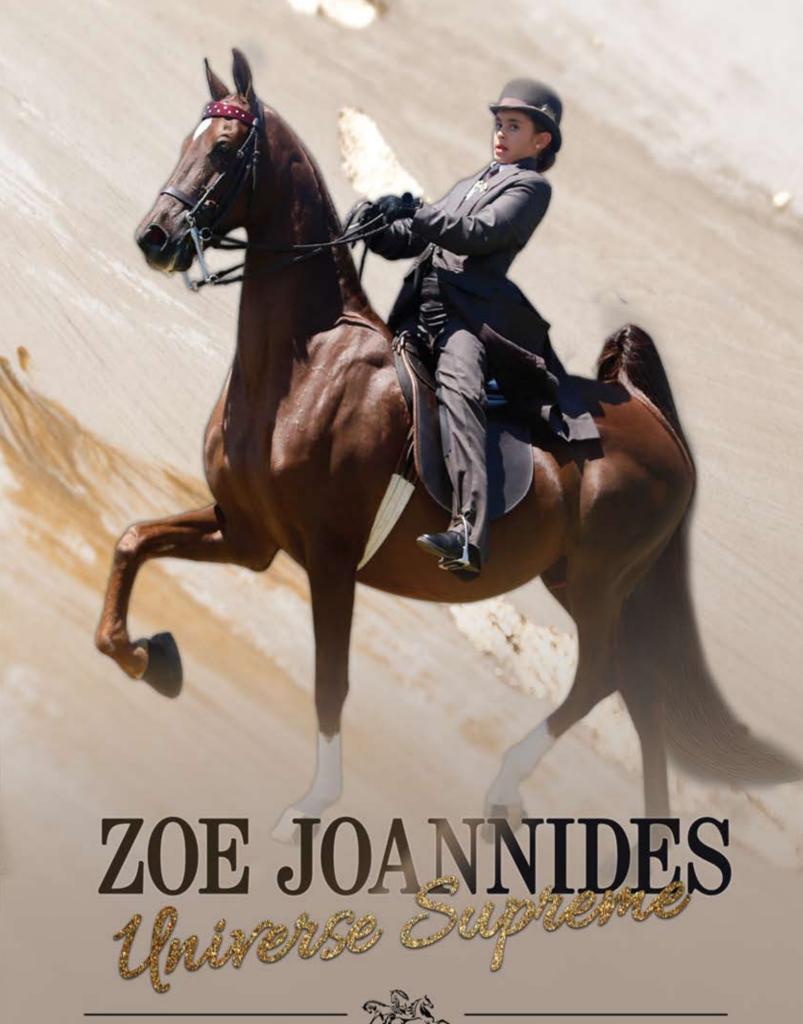






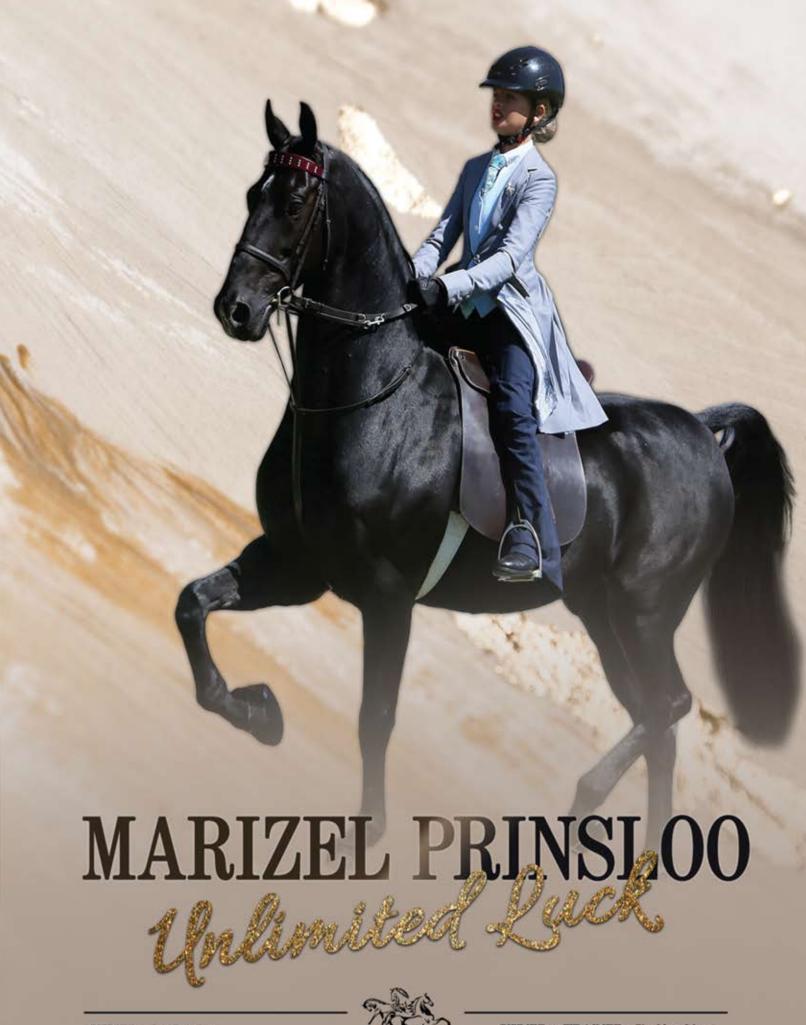
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