

### **President's Message**

### By Joan Olson

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Fellow Curly Members,

Have any of you been following the Curly Horse pages on Facebook lately? Social media is where it's at! People can vent and complain about all their problems and get upset when someone else has different views on the subject. People are afraid to step up and voice any opinions anymore because they are afraid that they will get ostracized from social platforms involving the Curly Horse Registries.

Mostly the posts say that the Curly Horse is a Coat-type not a Breed-type. Breed registries were created by people who wanted to keep certain breed standards within a group of horses who had certain characteristics and wished to record those horses that were keeping to those standards. It would include physical characteristics, body type, color, and coat type. When the gene pool got large enough, they could close their recorded registry book. Then only those horses from that book would be allowed to go into that Record Book. This is where the "Purebred" term comes from, which truthfully means "registered".

Any other breed can be called a "Purebred" also because it has been created through "Registries". If two horses from a registry breed book have a foal, that foal could be considered a "Purebred" in that registry's closed book. Arabs, they say are the only purebred breed, but they are registry dependent too. The ABC Registry is no different from other breed registries that call their horses purebreds. Most if not all breeds have been created through registries.

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We, as the ABC Board, consider our closed book as a "Purebred" Curly Horse Record. We do not consider a Horse that is Curly, but has unknown parentage, to be less of a "Curly". Just that they would not categorize as a "Purebred" within our Registry closed book. Curly Horses are much more than just a curly coat. The old lines of Curlies are known for their distinctive differences in temperament, friendliness, training adaptability, and allaround great personalities.

Our Registry's purpose is to keep these records for the future use of Curly Breeders who wish to research the "Old" Damele lines, or any others, to determine their breeding course. Please do not be intimidated by posts on Facebook which slur the good name of the American Bashkir Curly Registry.

Your ABCR President,

Joan Olson







### A quick note

### By Angie Gaines

I was searching for a Morgan line in our Curly horse family not long ago and found it interesting that so many wonderful Curly horses go back to a handsome Morgan Stallion named Ruby Red King, AMHR 26101 born 07-28-1973. Morgans are a wonderful horse breed with fabulous athleticism and personalities, so it was smart to pair them with our awesome Curly Mustangs. Benny Damele chose Ruby Red King to be the perfect sire and he produced! ABCR (American Bashkir Curly Registry has almost 100 of his direct progenies.

After visiting Eureka, NV and the Dry Creek Ranch where Benny Damele and his family breed Curlies that are part of the foundation for our ABCR registry; I feel certain he chose the name Ruby in honor of the "hill" known as Ruby Hill Mine. Now closed this mine was located "northward from Nye County to the Tuscaroara Mountains, to north of the Humboldt River." Note, to this flatland Texas girl that was a pretty big "hill". I feel certain our Curly Mustangs walked this area as we adopted two beautiful mares, Golden Red and her daughter Blossom from the BLM gather of Rocky Hills, Lander County, NV.



Source: Curly Horse Pedigree Database, http://curlyhorses.info/testingpedigree.asp?u=153



### Christmas Greetings from Canada



It's Christmas Parade time here. Elana and her Curly Cedric Ap Jubilee were in a night parade in Elora, Ontario. Cedric was a trooper, with all of the lights, bagpipes, barking dogs and noise, he showed his Curly personality and didn't miss a beat.

They participated in another Christmas Parade the next day complete with steam engine, marching bands and backfiring antique cars. At the end of the parade, Elana took Cedric through a crowd of hundreds of people, many who took the opportunity to touch and pet Cedric. He was a complete gentleman. Elana did an amazing job as well. The parades gave her the perfect opportunity to shine up and show off her very unusual antique white parade saddle.

Wishing everyone a Merry Christmas, Happy Holidays and Wonderful New Year,

### Sonja, Greg, Emily and Elana Oakes

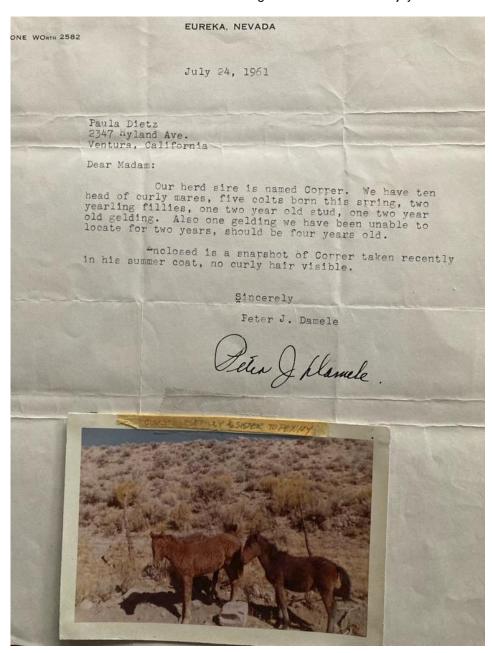






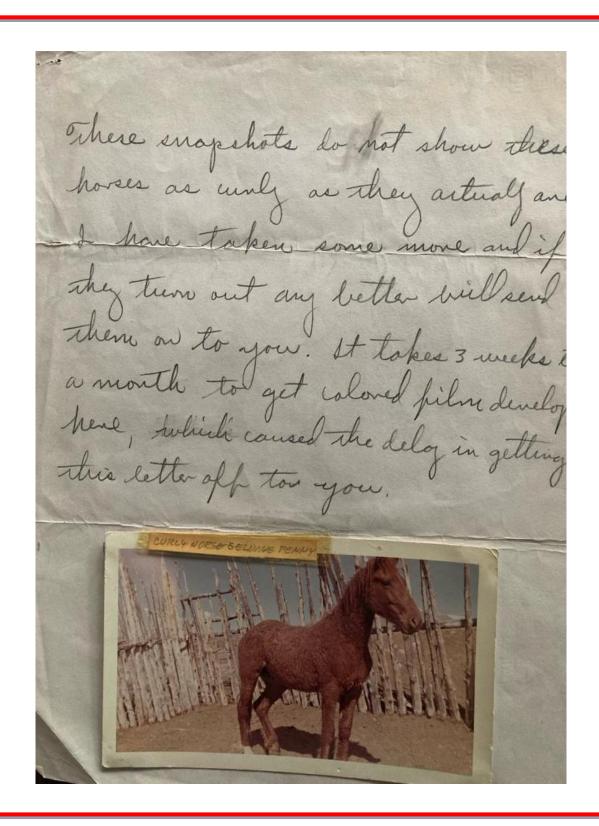
### **Paula Diez letters**

This is one of a few letters and pictures the registry received from Paula Dietz. She was researching horses for herself back in the 1960's and came across the curlies. She has donated the collection to the registry. We will publish some letters related to her in the and the following issues of the CCs. Enjoy!











### **NEWS CORNER**

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4338 WINSOME ONYX Congratulations Nina Salonen!



4339 WINSOME FULL MOON Congratulations Nina Salonen!











### Today's FAQ

### WHAT IS ... THE CURLY COAT BOOK?

At the 2016 Convention there was discussion about what we could do about keeping track of rescue Curly horses. The Registry started by offering DNA testing to try and identify parentage and/or relatives of these horses. If the DNA showed there was Curly heritage, but no identifiable parents, the Registry would present the owner with a Certificate of Acknowledgement of that information. But we couldn't register these horses.

The Board discussed this several times since that Convention and decided to put a vote to the membership about creating a new book so that these horses could be registered. This book would be for any Curly coated horse with no verifiable registered Curly parents. These horses and any curly coated offspring would not move out of this book.

After discussion, a motion was made to create a Curly Coated Book, it was seconded, and the motion passed. The current registration process will apply for this book.





### **Miscellaneous**

### PLACE AN AD IN THE CURLY CUES!

Do you want to sell or buy a Curly Horse, or promote your Curly Horse Farm? Place an ad in the Curly Cues! Contact <a href="mailto:caren.schumann@yahoo">caren.schumann@yahoo</a> .com for details!

### A SNIPPET OF THE PAST (CC 10-1989)

Does this picture look familiar to you? Enjoy!



BTM - FULL VIEW - PEACOCK'S BANNER #470, owned at time by Holly Chase, Lewisburg KY; now owned by Robbin Roncoroni, Califon NJ; 3yr-old sorrel stallion.

### **DID YOU KNOW?**

The ABCR Breed Standard describes an American Bashkir Curly as being on average 14 to 16 hands and weighing 800 to 1250 lbs. The head is of medium size with a well-defined jaw and throat latch. The eyes are wide set with eyelashes that curl up. Ears are short to medium in length with curls inside. The neck is of medium length and deep at the base where it joins the shoulder. The back is noticeably short and deep through the girth. The legs are heavy boned with short cannon bones as compared to the forearm.

### PULLING HAIR CORRECTLY FOR THE DNA TEST

When sending the DNA form to UC Davis for your Curly friend's ancestral DNA test it is important to pull hair correctly. ABCR Vice President, Angie Gaines, shares a short video of how to do this making sure you pull the hair bulbs which are located on the end of the hair. This is where the DNA is found. We hope you find this video helpful (click on the link on the picture)!



I HAVE HEARD THAT CURLIES DON'T NEED ANY OF THE "NORMAL" CARE OF A HORSE LIKE SHOES, DE-WORMING, GRAIN, VACCINATIONS, ETC. IS THAT TRUE?

Curlies are horses. When we keep horses in a domestic environment we need to do things for them that wild horses may not require. Curlies, like any other, do best when their vaccinations, farrier work, and de-worming is kept up to date for their home area.

Many Curly Horses are not shoed because they tend to have naturally round and hard feet; however, depending on where they live and what they do, you may find them with shoes.

Most Curly Horses do get some grain or another feed supplement, again depending on where they live. Each region brings its own vitamin and mineral requirements that the horse cannot get from their hay ration. It is best to speak with a local veterinarian to find what is best for your area; however, many Curlies are "easy keepers" and do not need as much grain as a different breed of horse. Again, check with your veterinarian!



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