



# CURLY CUES

## President's Message

*By Joan Olson*

Summer 2024

Hello Fellow Curly Members,

How is everyone's foaling season going? We had a little crisis with our one and only pregnant mare. "Cassidy", a curly Missouri Foxtrotter who is 16 years old and had 3 previous foals for us with no complications, retained her placenta. This can be a serious issue causing uterine infections, laminitis and sepsis which will lead to death for the mare.

A mare that has previously retained is 3 times more likely to do so again, which had never happened to this mare before. Cassidy did not have a difficult birth and the placenta was hanging out a little, but she could not expel it completely.

This is still considered retained so a veterinarian must be called immediately to detach the placenta completely. Their first step will be to administer a hormone called oxytocin which causes contractions of the uterine wall which in turn will cause the placenta to come loose. The Veterinarian will then flush the mare's uterus to wash out bacteria and debris. Sometimes it is necessary to repeat this process, our Cassidy was flushed 3 times in the 2 following days. She was also prescribed antibiotics for the week. Fortunately, she and the foal are doing fine. We have a beautiful Palomino Filly named, Pride's Veronicka, "Roni" since she was born on my husband, "Ron's birthday. Highly gaited with a long blaze and 2 white socks in front. Pictures coming soon to the hdequine.com website foal page.

So please when it is your mare's time to foal brush up on your knowledge of the placenta and what it should look like when it is expelled correctly. If your mare's placenta has not been expelled within 3 hours of the birth of the foal, you could be looking at a huge vet bill coming. Be prepared!

Joan Olson

ABC President

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## A Fond Farewell

**By Melinda Martino**

I bought my first curly horse in 1991 from Sandy Hendrickson. My purchase was on the condition that Sunshine Schaienne be bred to Spartacus. So in 1992 she had this cute little sorrel colt. He soon began the molting process of all youngsters and was totally grey before his second birthday. In February 1996, I bought a bred Standing Rock mare in a herd dispersal sale. She arrived very pregnant and delivered in April. Blue Thunder Woman was a great mom. She was the mare you left with the foals at weaning time. She would nurse anyone that stepped up. She was special. When we built this place in 1997, Sparky had never been in a trailer. But she was a pro. The trailer backed up to the gate, the door was opened and she walked right in. I was stunned when he followed her into the trailer. They had their own paddock and run-in and lived peaceful, horsey lives. The pair gave me 9 beautiful healthy foals. I gelded Sparky in his later years just so he could stay with her. They were inseparable until Thunder passed away in March. She was 35. I moved them into the barn where I could monitor them more closely in 2021. They shed out thinner than I liked. That's when I realized that Sparky was dropping more hay and grass than he was swallowing. I changed them to Senior feed and soaked alfalfa cubes twice a day and they rallied. They were both arthritic but healthy until the end. After Thunder died, I moved another aged curly gelding in with Sparky. He was happy for the companionship, but he was different. Sad somehow...He always greeted me with a low rumbling nicker when I entered the barn and he would stick his face against the gate for a pat. On May 18th, there was no nicker or his face at the gate. When he heard me, he tried to get up. It was hard to watch. The vet came within an hour. I stayed with him until he was gone. He was 32. I miss that nicker every day.

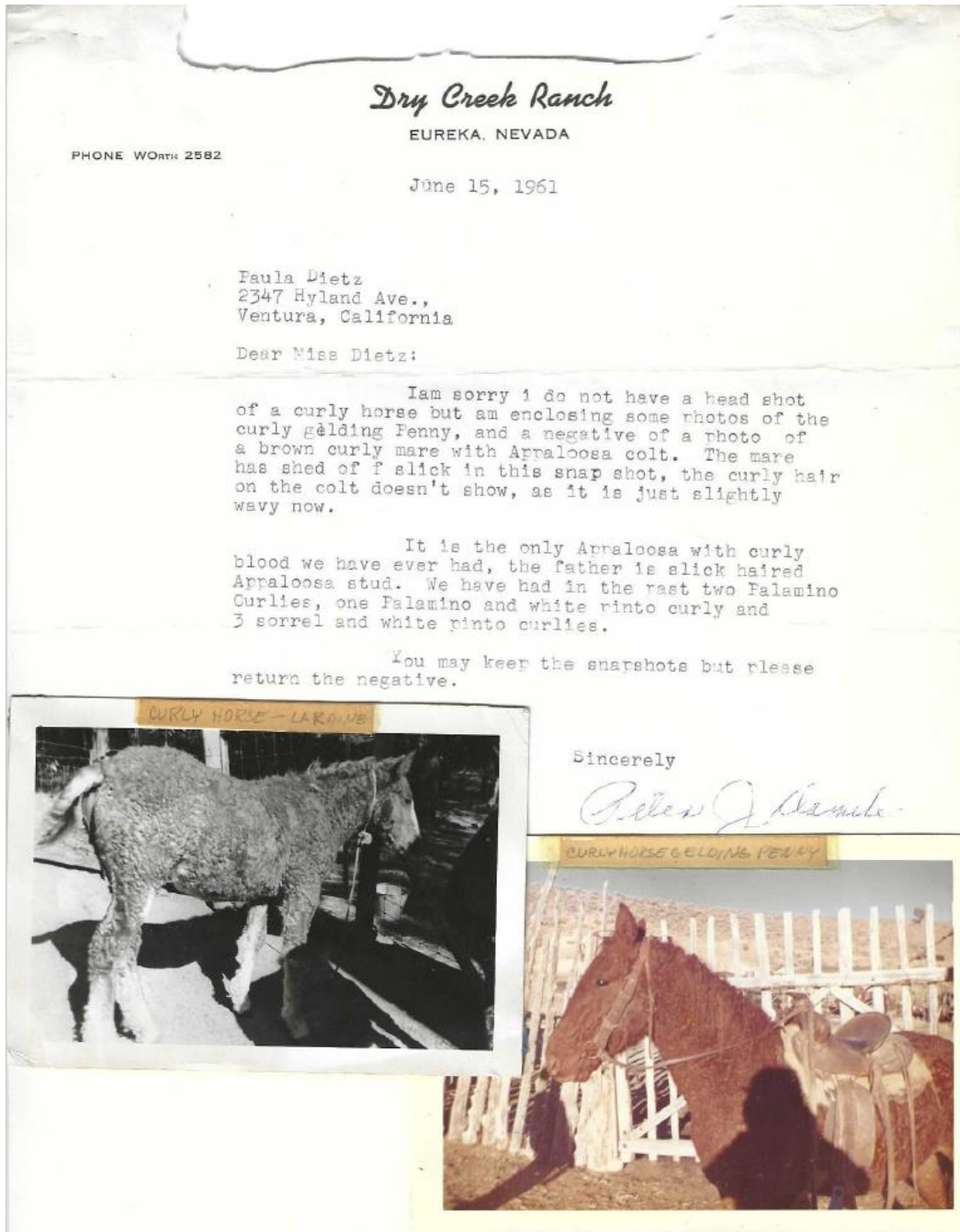




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## Paula Dietz letters

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!



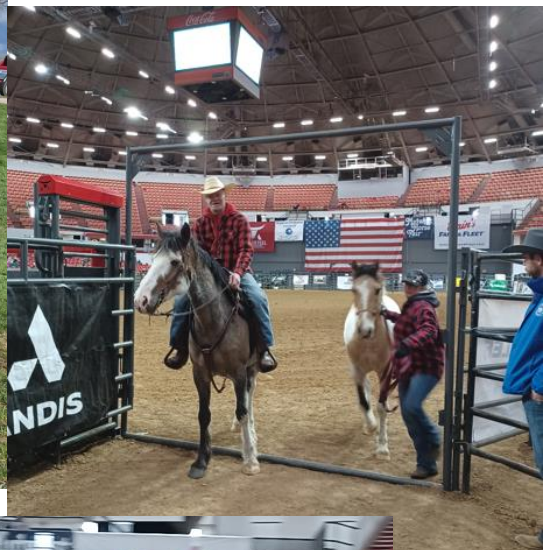


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## Midwest Horse Fair

*By Amy Wall*

There was an outbreak of EHV in Wisconsin a month before the fair. Lots of owners decided to pull out and not bring their horses. Kristal Blomberg and her husband Jim own Brambles now. Kristal showed him in hand. Jim is riding Mira Mira on the Wall, my pregnant mare. 5 other curlyies pulled out of our group. It was bitterly cold and windy that weekend. Huge crowds always show up. I dropped the ball on taking pictures though.





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## ABCR Convention 2024

The ABCR board decided to have a conference call this year instead of an in-person convention. We hope that makes it easier for members to join, instead of traveling thousands of miles, which takes time and money. Every member is welcome to join this call, bring up their issues and concerns, or just have a pleasant talk with the board and other ABCR members!

**September 28<sup>th</sup>, 2024**

11:00 am PDT

12:00 pm MT

1:00 pm CT

2:00 pm ET

8:00 pm MESZ

Hope you join us!





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## NEWS CORNER

**++ NEWS FROM THE CURLY REGISTRY ++**

**+ FULL CURLY REGISTRY +**

4350 HIDDEN CAVE INFINITY  
Congratulations Marion Huurman!



4351 BRAMBLE THE WIGS GOTTA GO  
Congratulations Amy Wall!



**+ FULL STRAIGHT REGISTRY +**

S817 SILVERHEEL'S LITTLE HONEY  
Congratulations Amy Wall!



S818 HIDDEN CAVE JUNIPER  
Congratulations Marion Huurman!





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### + OUTCROSS REGISTRY +

O103 HIDDEN CAVE DELILAH  
Congratulations Marion Huurman!



O104 HCC CINNAMON SPICE  
Congratulations Sarah Lewan!



### + CHHAPS Challenge: 100 Hours in 100 Days +

Some of ABCR's board members have entered showing, sharing and competing with our Curly horses, so join our ABCR Team "Curly Galore" in the "CHHAPS Challenge: 100 Hours in 100 Days"! Find out more about this program at <https://chhaps.ca/>. It is open to any equine owners to participate.

When and where?

June 1 thru September 10, 2024, virtual/online

Activities included

- Mounted Activities: general schooling, trail riding, lessons, showing, and riding in clinics or demos.
- Driving: in-harness work (single or multiple)
- Lunging, long-lining, ground-driving.
- Ranch or farm work: logging, skidding, plowing, harrowing, working cows.
- Ground work, liberty work, trick training.
- In-hand work, (i.e., hand walking, versatility/obstacles training).
- Equine Assisted Learning or therapeutic riding activities you and your horse provide.
- Grooming, bathing, braiding mane, tacking/un-tacking.
- Providing general healthcare, (i.e., cold-hosing a leg, soaking a hoof, or changing bandages is all part of being a good steward).
- Trailering your horse to shows, clinics or other public events, (measured in travel time). Public events provide a great opportunity for people to meet an endangered breed! Getting them there safely is part of being a good steward who is focused on your horse's well-being and care.

Join, visit and see our progress

<https://racerooster.com/events/2024/87778/100-hours-in-100-days/participants>.



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## Today's FAQ

### WHAT CAN YOU TELL ME ABOUT THE CURLY HORSE DISPOSITION?

One of the most cherished qualities of the Curly Horse is their calmness and extremely gentle disposition. We do feel that this is one of their finest features. Many have been taken off the open range, even full grown animals, and in a day or two, they are gentler than horses that have been handled for years. Nothing seems to ruffle them. They do not tend to resort too flight when frightened, which has been claimed the horse's greatest means of survival. Most of them soon respond to kindness and affection because of their inherent gentle nature. They will tend to freeze in a tight spot so seldom get themselves hurt, even if caught in dangerous situations. They will delight in human companionship and love to be talked to.







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