



ICAA

Summer 2017 ~ NEWSLETTER

The ICAA is the only **stand alone registry** dedicated to building and preserving the purebred Appaloosa defined by eight generations of Appaloosa x Appaloosa only. To that end, ICAA welcomes most Appaloosas with Appaloosa parents and characteristics, with a preference for contrasting coat color patterns.

ICAA boasts a healthy and diverse gene pool with categories for Appaloosas with non Appaloosa grandparents, great grandparents, etc. to contribute to the eight generation purebred Appaloosa. Intermediate categories allow breeders and buyers to identify Appaloosas that best suit these goals within their own programs.

ICAA offers opportunities for their registered Appaloosas and Youths to earn points in local breed and open shows, trail and distance programs, as well as national and international competitions, and offers awards for production achievement,.

Take pride in the ICAA. There is no other registry out there like it. Please visit us and show your support by liking our Facebook Page - International Colored Appaloosa Association!

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**Stars Wildfire SL
ICAA F4-2715
submitted by Linda Hokanson**

I purchased Pratt Double Secret in the spring of 2010. She travelled all the way from Red Hills Ranch in southern Oregon to west central Alberta, a very long journey! I had been forewarned by her previous owner that she was very difficult to catch, so it came as no surprise when this proved to be true. I felt so bad for her when she finally got here. When I opened the trailer door to bring her out to her new home, she was huddled as far to the front of the trailer as possible looking so lost and terrified. I had decided to keep her in the round pen for the first while which would allow me to work with her a bit. She made it very clear that people were NOT her favorite and would run to the opposite side of the pen when anyone approached. So, my first objective was to get her to trust us and be caught. We soon found that she was unfamiliar with grain, no clue about those yummy horse cookies and really did not like to be touched. There has to be some incentive to want to associate with humans, so we went to work getting her to like the goodies. It took some time but soon she had the taste for the cookies well established. Step by step we finally got her to take them from our hands. We still did not try to



Stars Wildfire

touch her yet. I then began to work with her in the round pen, teaching her to face me etc. After a few sessions she was ok with me approaching her and resigned herself to be caught, which I refused to do. She was puzzled at first and didn't understand why I hadn't grabbed her halter when she submitted but in only on more session, she offered herself completely and happily, then I took hold of her halter and lead her a few steps before releasing her again. Progress was very rapid after that, she got to love being touched & groomed and we could catch her anywhere. Once this was all done, it was into breeding season. I loved this mare's conformation and her mind. I decided to breed her to my ICAA registered black leopard stallion, Stars Fim Koppur for a four generation foundation bred foal.

On May 11, 2011 she delivered a gorgeous black leopard colt in the middle of a huge windstorm that had sparked a mega wildfire that destroyed half of a community (Slave Lake) north of us hence his name, Stars Wildfire SL. I was

worried that Oreo would be aggressive and uncomfortable foaling in our facility since she was used to foaling out in a large pasture. Worry was needless, she was more than happy to have me “assist” which involved standing and watching LOL. She delivered close to midnight, healthy foal and all normal. He was a beauty and I felt a special attachment, felt he was very special. I loved his look and his personality. Really wanted to keep him. But, as a yearling he was sold as a prospective herd sire and I swallowed my feelings. His new owner nicely kept me posted on his development and he did sire some very nice foals for her. But, in 2015 she decided that the breeding game was not for her and sold all her broodmares. She then contacted me in the spring of 2016 to offer me first choice on Wildfire. I had lost his sire in March to colic so was open for another stallion. He came back to us in June of 2016. In the meantime several things had changed and we had decided to no longer breed as well. We made the decision to keep him anyways and had him gelded. We can always use a good riding horse! Wildfire & I attended his first clinic in July with a superb clinician, Josh Nichol of A Horseman's Pursuit, to ensure we got off to a very solid start in training (the previous owners had done little to no training). He is an extremely intelligent horse, learns very fast & has that wonderful “what's next?” attitude. Plus, he is very beautiful to look at and possesses fantastic natural carriage. Everyone fell in love with him which is not often the case with our Appaloosas, he is a tremendous ambassador for the breed.



Josh Nichol & Wildfire July 2016

“This horse is the result of years of commitment, hard work and breeding knowledge”Josh



Wildfire with Greg Czech



He went to a trainer in the fall (I am getting to the age where I am no longer comfortable with first rides, very hard after starting my own horses for the past 56 years!) and won over another fan! Winter has been frustrating as I am anxious to carry on with his training but the weather is not cooperating at all! But spring is just around the corner and I am really looking forward to putting some miles on this beautiful boy! We are booked into two clinics with excellent teachers and have several group rides planned. I am looking forward to many years of enjoying this ICAA gelding!

2017 ICAA Annual Membership Meeting Scheduled!

The 2017 Annual Membership meeting will be held this year at the **Kentucky Horse Park in Lexington, KY on September 23rd**. We are very excited to meet there again, as this is a phenomenal place to visit if you love horses. It's the only place of its kind in the world. If you don't know much about it, you can go to their website at <https://kyhorsepark.com> where you will find a wealth of information. The airport is a short 14.5 miles from the park and there are many motels and hotels nearby. There is also a campground at the park if you prefer to camp!

Set the date! Plan to be there for several days as there is far too much to do in one day. Meeting location will be announced at a later time on the website (What's New page) and is tentatively scheduled to start at 10:00 am.

Welcome New Members

Claudia Glunk, Switzerland
David Lacey, Australia

New Registration



BBA FourMileSpecial F2-2721
Grullo Fewspot Leopard Mare
Owned by Cornelia Riedel

Be looking for the July issue of *Horse Illustrated* in which the Appaloosa will be featured. Look for our ICAA ad in this edition as shown below:

We would like to thank the following for sponsoring this ad:

Nancy Whittley of Journey Farms in Mt Orab, OH and
One Smart Ace #2636

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Dan Russell, Rancho Sin Dinero Ranch, 682-225-7076, home of  
DREA Thunderheadrain F4-2668

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Cheryl Miller, Horizon Hills Ranch, Corry, PA, home of
Brandon's Sun Bear F3-2263, HHR Ima Razzlin Bear F2-2538
and Zippospots Galore (ICAA pending)

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Conny Riedel, standing Ima Rockin Secret F2-2711, [horsememories@hotmail.com](mailto:horsememories@hotmail.com)  
817-583-4904

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Jillian Billbrey

"We are the Billbrey's John, Jill, Kyra, Adeline, Darcy Mae, and Cora with Justa Faze Horsemanship located at Isinglass Estates Equestrian Center in La Cygne KS. We would like to dedicate our donation to Janice and Stanley Dobson who lit the fire in our hearts for this amazing breed."

913-594-8240 and email address justafazeranch@gmail.com

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Jan & Stan Dobson of Foggy Valley Farms, home of FVF Iron Sabre F7-2656, the first documented 7 generation Appaloosa in the world, and other fine stallions

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Robyn Lay, lover and long time supporter of the BREED as defined by pedigree

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Deborah Ann New

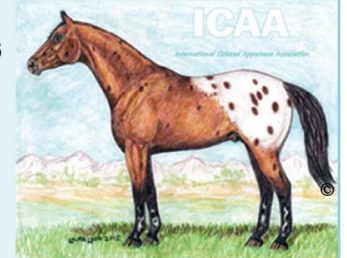
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Sharon January

International Colored Appaloosa Association

The registry that is developing, protecting, and promoting the Purebred Appaloosa horse.

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ICAA is looking for District Representatives for most Districts!

- **Must be a current ICAA Member and keep current each year**
- **Must have their horse(s) registered with ICAA and register all resulting foals before they are sold**
- **Must live in the District you will be a District Representative of**
- **Must believe in ICAA's mission to breed the Appaloosa to Purebred status**

DUTIES

- **Promote ICAA whenever possible**
- **Stay in contact with the members in their District**
- **Contact new Members and make them feel welcome**
- **Promote ICAA programs and become involved whenever possible**

ICAA needs motivated individuals in these positions, however it is on a volunteer basis, so it must be considered a love for the breed and determination to move ICAA forward.

The following Districts are available. While some of these have District Representatives already, most are also holding other positions and need to turn over the reins to new District leaders.

- **District I (ME, NH, VT, MA, CT, RI, NJ, PA, NY)**
- **District III (NC, SC, GA, FL)**
- **District VI (AZ, NM, CO, WY)**
- **District VII (CA, OR, WA)**
- **District IX (ND, SD, NE, MN, IA)**
- **District X (WI, IL, MI, IN, OH)**
- **District XI (AK, HI, all non-US except Canada)**
- **District XII (Canada)**
 - **CA District 2: British Columbia**
 - **CA District 3: Manitoba**
 - **CA District 4: Ontario**
 - **CA District 5: Quebec**
 - **CA District 6: Saskatchewan**
 - **CA District 7: All Other Canadian Provinces (combined)**

Please contact ICAA with a letter/resume/bio stating who you are, why you would be a good candidate for this position, and what you could do for your District and ICAA as a whole. May be emailed to icaa@icaainc.com or mailed to 4610 New Mexico 206, Milnesand, NM 88125



Conny Riedel
and
Ima Rockin Secret
F2-2711

Meet our new ICAA District Representative for District V (TX, OK, KS, MO), Conny Riedel.

Conny moved from Germany in 2003 and now lives in Springtown, TX, working in a large equine clinic as an ICU technician. She is also the owner of the gorgeous stallion Ima Rockin Secret F2-2711 and a few other beautiful Appaloosas.

You can contact Conny at:

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Welcome Conny, we are proud to have you as a representative of ICAA!

Registration Photos: The Importance Of and Tips for Good Ones by Sharon January

Few people stop to consider how important good pictures can be down the road for identification purposes. Whether it is for a potential buyer to be reassured that the horse is the one being considered or bought, to get lost paperwork re-issued, or to recover a stolen horse, "bad pictures" and "bad descriptions" can thwart the needs.

On Appaloosa registration papers the descriptions are taken from the pictures, not from the owner's drawings and descriptions on the application (which more often than not are woefully inaccurate or not done at all). The owner's drawings are merely a tool; the pictures are the proof.

The pictures are copied onto the back of the certificate. Appaloosa papers do not have the horse diagrams on the back with every little hump, dip and curve of the leg and face markings (or scars or brands) drawn in like some other registries do. So to "prove" that *this* set of papers goes with *this* horse, a person can only go by what the description says and by looking at the pictures on the back. The clearer the pictures, the better the proof.

The Appaloosa is the only breed of horse that can change so dramatically over time (gray horses change considerably, too, but gray is a color, not a breed). The only things that don't change on an Appaloosa are the face and leg markings. Appaloosa spots don't change very often, though occasionally they, too, may "migrate". If you have a loud colored leopard or a great blanket with big definitive spots, you will probably never have a problem with changes. But over time, especially after a lot of roaning has occurred, it can look like a *completely* different horse.

Papers get lost. To get duplicate papers, new pictures have to be submitted to prove that this is the same horse as was originally registered. What happens next? The old pictures are taken out and compared to the new pictures. Often, because of the changes through roaning, the *only* thing to prove they are the same horse is to be able to see that the humps, dips and curves of the leg markings are the same on both sets of pictures (or to prove there never were any markings). Due to the roaning that can take place on an Appaloosa's face, many times even the face markings can be very hard, if not impossible, to determine and match up.

Never worry about sending too many pictures. Sometimes that extra shot of a heel marking can be the determining factor



*BCA Chats Yamahawk F6-2699
Owned by Charles Potts, Blue Creek Appaloosas.
Mr Potts always sends good pictures of his horses
and that is very much appreciated! Notice how all
four legs can be seen clearly for a good description.
This baby is also very clean.*

someone needs someday to prove that this is indeed the same horse as was originally registered. Yes, it's hard to get a horse to stand still sometimes, especially a baby. But take the required shots for the pictures on the certificate and then keep that camera clicking to get good, *clear* shots of feet and legs, especially if there is some "hard to see" little partial coronet or inside heel or tell-tale scar (if only one leg shows in a picture then please label as to which foot it is). Although these extra photographs won't appear on the certificate, they will be on file *and* the description on the certificate will be accurate.

Important Pointers

- It's hard to see the markings on a dirty horse so please clean them up, at least brushing the mud off (especially those legs!).
- Pictures of light colored horses need to be taken out of the bright sun, or the glare is too bright to see anything. Sometimes even a good blanket on a light palomino can't be seen if it's taken in the bright sun. An overcast day outdoors is the best.
- Palomino and chestnut foals are sometimes especially hard, even in person, to determine if they have leg markings due to the extremely light colored foal hair on their legs. If you find later that a foal has leg markings that couldn't be seen when it was originally registered then send in more pictures later and have the certificate corrected.

- I've found it best to wait until a foal is about four months old to take registration pictures. By then, they've shed their foal hair so their color is more accurate, as well as the leg markings show up well on lighter colors such as chestnuts and palominos.
- Do not cut off any body parts! The horse needs to take up most of the picture frame to be seen easily. But we crop them so it's okay if there is some space surrounding them. Cutting off body parts may cut off those important markings that are so important to see.
- Take side shots directly from the side to avoid distortion of the head or butt.
- Be sure to try to get all four legs showing in the side shots so as to be able to see the inside markings as well.

Don't think you're being harassed about providing good pictures. There are reasons why you need to get good, clear shots of the whole horse, tips of the ears to toes, nose to tail, with the insides and outsides of all four legs showing, front and rear, cleaned up and out of the grass. Besides, that certificate will go with the horse for the rest of its life. It's nice to have good pictures you can be proud of to go with the horse.

With digital cameras in wide use nowadays, it makes it easy to go out and take a few hundred pictures. You can almost always find a few out of that many that are really good ones. You can go to the ICAA website and lay your cursor over the Registration page's navigation tab and you will see there are two other pages, one of which is "Photo Do's & Don'ts". It's worth a look!

Just a reminder that the Newsletter is exclusively online now unless hard copies are requested. Not only are we trying to keep our Member rates low, but we do not have a commercial printer/copy machine that will hold up to sending out Newsletters to every Member every quarter. We have also discovered that many people actually prefer to view all of their magazines and other publications online anyway.

Since the inception of ICAA, only one fee has went up and only by \$5 (incoming horses from other registries). As you are aware, everything has went up considerably cost wise since the early '90's; postage, copy paper, equipment...! Toner cartridges alone cost around \$200 to replace. That takes a lot of Memberships and Registrations! It has become cost prohibitive to send the Newsletter to every Member and keep our fees where they are. We are fairly confident our Members would rather continue to enjoy our low fees!

Please email us at icaa@icaainc.com if you would like to be put on the hard copy mailing list.



Hobos Heart (ICAA Pending)
2017 Bay Dun Colt
Owned by Anna Larson

REMINDER: ICAA Stallion and mare owners. Any stallions turning in a stallion report for 2017 and any mares on this report will have to have 5-Panel test results and DNA Typing on file with ICAA. DNA Typing MUST be on file with Animal Genetics (AGI). Starting January 1, 2018 ALL horses being registered must have 5-Panel negative results on file with ICAA AND have DNA Typing on file with AGI to be eligible for registration.

Remember, once a sire and dam have both tested negative, none of their foals will need tested, so this is an initial expense that will rarely have to be done again. DNA Typing will be necessary on foals but not the more expensive 5-Panel test. **MEMBERS, USE THE ICAA/AGI PARTNERSHIP FORM AVAILABLE ON THE WEBSITE FOR DISCOUNTS ON GENETIC TESTING PACKAGES AND DNA TYPING.** If AGI offers deals such as getting a free Color or Pattern Package, you can still use the ICAA/AGI partnership form, attach their coupon and attach their form for the color or pattern package deal. **OUR FORM SHOULD BE USED FOR THE REQUIRED TESTS AS THE DNA TYPING IS INCLUDED IN THIS PACKAGE.** Form is available on the ICAA website.

Part of ICAA's goal is to have a clean registry for all known genetic defects and for its integrity by doing parentage verification. Stallion and mare owner's should prepare by getting untested breeding stock tested now and throughout this year so if they have a lot of horses they can do this gradually rather than get hit with it all at one time when they're trying to register foals next year.

ICAA Programs

Nominate your ICAA horses and Youth for the **Open Show Point Program** and earn points for year-end awards!

Enroll your trail horses in the **Saddle Logging Program** with rewards for hours enjoying your partner in the saddle or driving! Solid Breeding Stock horses may be enrolled.

Production Achievement Awards are given to mares that produce five (5) colored ICAA registered foals and to stallions that produce fifteen (15) colored ICAA registered foals. Open to Breeding Stock mares and stallions.

The ICAA Distance Program - Earn year-end awards for challenging miles with your equine partner in Endurance and/or Competitive Trail Riding competition! Solid Breeding Stock horses may be enrolled.

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Find information on these programs on the ICAA website, along with all of the necessary forms and rules! These programs can be paid for online and the forms scanned and emailed to ICAA!

**REMINDER:** Starting January 1, 2017, **ALL** incoming horses from other registries will be required to have 5-Panel N/N test results **AND have DNA Typing on file with AGI!** If a horse has already been DNA Typed with the ApHC, those results **MUST** be on file with AGI, or the horse must be typed again through AGI. There is a discount for current ICAA Members to do DNA Typing (\$35) through AGI and may be easier to do it again than trying to get the results from the ApHC (\$10) and sent to AGI for them to enter in their database (\$10). There are also discounted packages with AGI for current ICAA Members for 5-Panel with DNA Typing included, 5-Panel with DNA Typing and SCID included, and Color and Pattern Packages. Use the form available on the ICAA website Forms Page for these discounts. You do not need your membership number to send in the test samples so proceed to submitting these to AGI (instructions are on the form). You will need to be a current member to receive the results but do not need for your membership to be completed prior to sending samples to AGI. At ICAA we believe that when you pay for testing, these are YOUR tests and if you are a current member we send you the results as soon as we receive them from AGI. You pay AGI directly with the form and sample.

**ICAA makes zero dollars off of these tests.  
Our partnership and discounted packages with AGI are 100% a member benefit.**

**As** an ICAA member you'll get reduced registration fees, reduced transfer fees, reduced testing fees, and other **fees at reduced rates**. You can file your ICAA **Stallion Reports for free** if filed by Dec 31st of the breeding year. You can enroll your Appaloosa or Youth in the **Open Show Point Program, The ICAA Distance Program**, and/or enroll in the **Trial Logging Program**, and you can receive **Production Achievement Awards** for your mares producing 5 (five) colored ICAA registered foals or for your stallions producing 15 (fifteen) colored ICAA registered foals. You can **advertise** your ICAA registered stallions **for free** in the **Stallion Showcase**, as well as **advertise** your ICAA registered horses for sale in the **Sale File**, also **for free**.

**You do not need to own an Appaloosa to be a member and support ICAA.**

***Memberships can now be paid for and submitted online!***

***Registrations and other work can also be paid for and submitted online  
if paperwork is quality scanned and emailed!***

**As always, thank you for supporting the best breed and remaining true to the Appaloosa!**

***All letters to the editor, materials submitted for publication, and advertisements should be sent to  
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