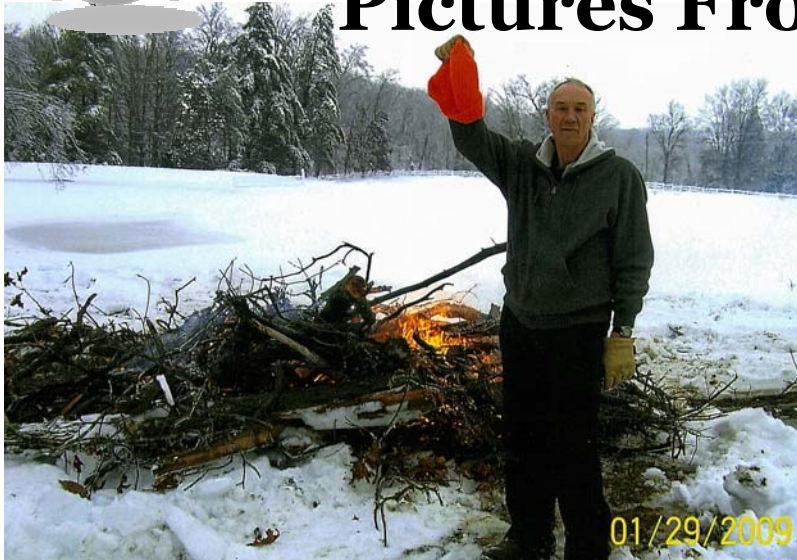




COOL

Pictures From Indiana



Don (above) and Karen (right) Marr, Sooner members from Scottsburg, Indiana, sent these pictures from late winter and early spring.

Karen wrote on the back of the above picture, "You might be a Redneck if you have a big fire and roast marshmallows and go sledding down the dam when it's 20° and lots of snow."



Karen, sporting a new sweatshirt alongside a new friend (above), said that they had a ball, and that she would have had more pictures, but her camera froze up.

The scene on the left is a March snowfall in their backyard.



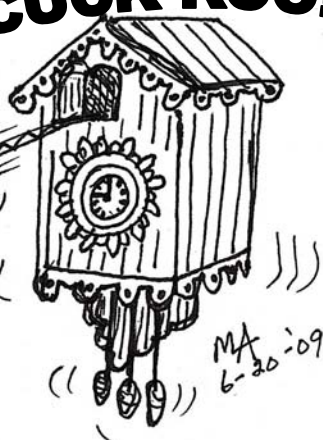
We had a nice visit with Don and Karen when they were here in Oklahoma to drop off "Gracie" at Editor Gerry's place, Diamond Run Farm. As always, there wasn't enough time to show them everything. Don and Karen ride along with Marian Alton and Jerry Crouch in Jerry's truck, heading north on Hwy 69 on their way back to Claremore, Oklahoma. (above, right) Hopefully, they will stop by again when they get the chance!



"CUCK-KOO! CUCK-KOO!! CUCK-KOO!!!"



"YAKITY YAK!
YAK!
YAK!"



"YAKITY,
YAKITY,
YAKI!"



The ages old saying, "A little bird told me!" has really applied to your editor and his assistant causing many laughs during phone conversations.

Editor Gerry has a cuckoo clock with an unbelievable smart bird who seems over-active when Sooner News is discussed via phone. Yep! This bird announces loud and clear exactly what it thinks of this pair!



An Itsy Bitsy Spider

When your editor set up the top half of this page, he printed out a sample just to see how it would look in print. Something he does as a routine. If the page weren't funny enough already, imagine how surprised he was when the print out included a smashed spider that had apparently taken up residence inside the printer since its last use.



Streaks on some printed pages occur when a toner cartridge has started to wear out, or if the waste toner reservoir on the cartridge is full. However, this is the first time your editor can remember a printed page having a streak on it due to a squished spider!

Look Out, Here Comes 2010!

Marian Alton is looking forward to some "Stelen" babies next spring. She reports that editor Gerry's ApHC mare, "Chelsea" is vet checked in foal to Bugs J Man. "Chelsea", daughter of World Champion ApHC Pleasure Horse, Hot Chocolate Chip, is out of "Ashley," dam of Gerry's 2009 colored filly by Ziprageous AQHA. Gerry's older mare, Easy Clipper, appears to be open, however.

New member, Rolland Guild's ApHC granddaughter of AQHA Dash For Cash is vet checked in foal to Bugs J Man. She's a great granddaughter of Easy Jet and Go Man Go. Her Appaloosa dam traces to Norells Little Red through J And B's Spotted Fawn.

The Colley family's Wapiti/Joker B bred mare appears to be in foal to Bugs J Man. (see last issue)



The Alton/Crouch black ApHC mare, Zevis Patti Dance is vet checked in foal to “Stelen.” Before a severe hind leg injury in 2007, she was setting in 3rd place in the nation for four year old race mares. Her Appaloosa sire, Zevis Scooter Bug has been a leading race sire.

Marian’s favorite Appaloosa mare, loud colored with star, 3 socks, snowcap, slate blue roan, Hands Macha Reyna, appears in foal also. She’s Hands Up, Navajo Britches, Cricket Bars Appaloosa lines with AQHA lines of Mr Duplicate, Johnny Bull, etc., and five generations back is the black mare Marian’s parents gave her when she was eleven!

Other Sooner members’ mares in foal to “Stelen” are the Bates’ AQHA “Angel” and the Holdens’ ApHC “Sugar” who are mentioned in the Alton ad in last issue. The Bates have also sent us something for this issue, which is included on a following page.

The Alton/Crouch ApHC colored mare, Lightning Kat, kept her owners anxious a couple of weeks due to the finding of twins on one side! Vet checks have brought the news of only one baby remaining. “Mama Kat,” 1/2 sister to ApHC Bugs J Man, is out of an AQHA daughter of Pacific Bailey who is out of a Bar Money daughter. “Kat” is in foal to AQHA Mai Kai owned by Sooner member, Joleta Ingersoll-Spurlock.

Birthday Boy! Lookin’ Good At 25!



As told by Marian Alton

Sooner members, Perry and Irene Whipple of Neosho, MO will be surprised to see these recent photos of “Rooster” sent to Marian by owners, the Scheub family of Ohio. Marian, breeder of “Rooster,” owned his dam by Hands Up, and her dam, an imported black TB mare. “Rooster’s” sire was ApHC Champion runner, Mighty Chick Deck—more Hands Up breeding.

At one point, “Rooster” was owned by Sooner members, Jim and Miriam Lovell; then later was again back home on Alton Farm and was Jerry Crouch’s trail mount.

Before that, Perry and Irene Whipple, had raised a fine colored “Rooster” daughter and still have her and her colored 2008 son by the Whipple’s Rangerbred stallion ApHC Alias Kings Double.

Scheubs have owned Rooster nine years, and he’s been loved and spoiled from the day he arrived in Ohio and found his own new stall, etc. At Christmas he wore his own beautiful wreath ‘neck tie’ to match the one over his stall door. Though race bred, he never wanted to run and made a safe, laid back mount for the three Scheub daughters.

However, the Rooster story can’t be told without mentioning a most shocking trail ride incident that happened many years ago at Mohawk Park in Tulsa during a Sooner Club Play Day. My favorite person to ‘torture’ about ApHC Hands Up, Jim Chronister, was riding “Rooster” and when the groups got ahead of Jim, Rooster decided it was time to catch up and argued with Jim as to how fast they’d catch up—and bucked Jim off!

While it wasn’t funny at the time, a couple of days later when Jim was only sore, but no bones broken, was back in stride, his comment was, “Aw, that’s all those ol’ Hands Up horses are good for is to buck!”

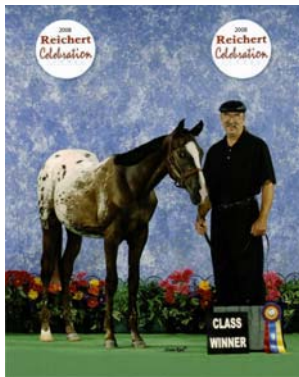


“Hello”
to
Perry & Irene Whipple

Note: I had that loaded comment coming, but maybe just maybe — “Rooster” thought he’d help ‘torture’ Chronister ... Good ol’ Rooster! Thanks to Deb Scheub for sending photos and most of all, for loving and keeping a special 4-legged family member from Oklahoma. MA



Your Editor And “Cheney”



Your editor got a big surprise when his win picture, taken at last year’s Appaloosa Reichert Celebration, turned up in one of the Reichert ads for this year. The ad appeared on page 53 of the June issue of the Appaloosa Journal.

The Bates Of Big Cabin Breed Their Quarter Mare To “Stelen”

Kim and Robert Bates, who recently joined Sooner ApHC, bred their 8 year old Quarter Horse mare, Skip With Angels (“Angel”) to Jerry Crouch and Marian Alton’s stallion, Bugs J Man.

Kim says, “We are REALLY looking forward to this baby coming, and I hope so much for a black baby with a blanket on his butt. She should foal in mid March of 2010.”



“Our breeding experience with Jerry, Marian and Joleta was as good as it gets. Everything went as smooth as you could want, and “Angel” settled the first time out.”

Get Well Wishes

Sooner member, Larry Colley, of Terlton, Oklahoma, ran into some bad luck recently. Larry is currently recovering from a broken wrist. Larry is right handed, and since it was his left wrist, it didn’t stop him from taking on a new painting job.

Sooner Goes International?

In this issue, we bring you news from around the world, literally. We started sharing articles and photos with the Sundance 500 International organization, and for this issue, they sent us an article from Spain. We thought it interesting enough to give it its own page a little later on in this issue.

Review Upcoming Show Information

We ran information on upcoming shows in the last issue, and have repeated them again in this issue, for the benefit of those members, who are like your editor, and have a tendency to misplace things, and for those who may have just joined Sooner ApHC.

We’ve included showbills for the Appaloosa Reichert Celebration, August 7, 8, 9, and for the Oklahoma State Fair, September 25, & 26. The Oklahoma State Fair in Oklahoma City is where the inaugural running of our Sooner Super Stallion Stakes classes will be held!

