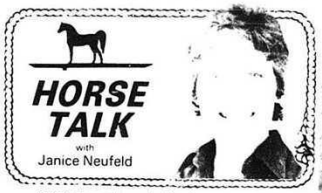

HORSE TALK

with Janice Neufeld

Some horses are known for their beauty, some for their athletic ability or speed, but one horse in Vernon has a personality which sets him apart. All the pride and possessiveness of a jealous lover emanates from this big bay gelding whenever other horses or people are associated with his owner-rider, local pony club instructor Sandy Calvely.

Tio Pepe, a nine-year-old, has belonged to Sandy for five years since she purchased him from the Holmes-Smiths in Oliver. In that time he has proven to be a handful to ride and train and has kept close tabs on Sandy's other mounts and her human associates.

BLACK MOOD

He ran off a mare that Sandy purchased a few years ago and still treats her roughly when Sandy is near. He is guilty of having bashed the face of one of Sandy's boyfriends and follows close at her heels whenever she is handling other horses. He must be ridden "as each day or will spend the next week in a bad mood sulking and being obstinate. Once when he and Sandy were visiting a friend's farm, he rudely chased the friend's horse out of its own paddock and later jumped the fence himself and pouted in the hills for several hours.

In spite of the quirks in his disposition, Tio has been assessed as having Olympic potential by Olympic riders and a former coach of Three Day Events. His stadium jumping has developed beautifully, he loves cross-country competition (except for jumps involving ditches), and has talent in dressage although at the moment is disdainful of this discipline. He and Sandy have done quite well in provincial level events although he has not performed up to his capacity. However, since he continues to improve with work and Sandy enjoys the challenge that training him presents, she feels that it is worthwhile and the best is yet to come.

Tio, who is by a running quarterhorse (Wayward Wind) out of a predominantly quarterhorse mare (Amanda Champagne), has taught Sandy quite a few things too. Her own riding must be at top level if she is to make progress on this rather difficult horse. She has learned as well how to cope with his complex disposition. The two are a team to be watched in future competition.

TO TAKE EXAM

Sandy will take her 'B' level pony club exam this coming weekend in Langley, riding Tio. She uses him some in her lessons as pony club instructor for the BX area. Besides the club activities, she gives some private riding lessons and is also employed in a local restaurant. Next year Sandy plans to begin a year's training at Southern Alberta Institute of Technology to become a veterinary assistant. This will be followed by a year at Olds Agricultural College and four months practical work in Saskatchewan.

Hopefully, she will be able to combine her career in animal medicine with her equestrian activities so that she and Tio will have many more years together. Tio is doing all he can to keep the partnership exclusive!

ARMSTRONG'S Dal Swanberg won the high point overall award in last weekend's competitive trail ride, at Crown N Ranch. Swanberg, who rode Rommel, had 91.5 per cent. He also won the overall title at a recent ride near Penticton.

Ladder format used at annual trail ride

By B. J. WHITE

Crown N Ranch, northeast of Vernon, held its fifth annual competitive trail ride last weekend.

This year a ladder format was employed with entrants able to choose whether they wanted to ride 32, 64, or 96 kilometres.

The event was co-ordinated by Janice Neufeld, of the Crown N Ranch, and members of her family.

Drs. Dale Severin and Kim Hunter acted as judges. The crew included Wally Goertz, Merle Olson, Alma Marshall, Joan Cunningham, Gordon Sidney, Wendy Johnston, Elaine Demeria, Wayne Arthur, Ken Craig, Donnan Hannon, Jim Wells, George and Mary Soderburg, and Arnie Valgardson.

Dal Swanberg, of Armstrong, won the 96-kilometre heavyweight division and high point overall award. The previous week, Swanberg took top honors at a trail ride in Penticton.

The results were:

32 km. Lightweight Division: 1st, Una Haller, Falkland, riding Glenemma Joe, ¾ Arabian with 86 per cent. (Also winner of High Point for 20 milers.)

32 km. Heavyweight Division: 1st, Jan White, Vernon, riding Red, Arab with 84 per cent; 2nd, Ross Schmidt, Ishmael, Arab with 65 per cent.

64 km. Junior Division: 1st, David Pitcher, Armstrong, Gay Sun, Anglo Arab with 83 per cent; 2nd, Shawn Pitcher, Armstrong, Stormy, Welsh Arab with 80.5 per cent; 3rd, Dominic White, Vernon, Coco Bar King, Quarter horse with 76.5 per cent.

64 km. Lightweight Division: 1st and High Point, Gay Wells, Vernon, riding George, ½ TB with 89.5 per cent; 2nd, Shelley Southgate of Williams Lake, riding Tango, Arab, with 84.75 per cent.

64 km. Heavyweight Division: 1st, Craig Baker, Kelowna, riding Snowfire Abounad, Appy x Arab with 88 per cent; 2nd, Frank Siebeck, Kelowna, riding Rusty, Arab with 82.5 per cent.

96 km. Junior Division: 1st, Grace-Ann Webb, Lumby, riding Ngwee, Arab with 91 per cent; 2nd, Heidi Neufeld, Vernon, riding Rozeena, Arab, with 87.5 per cent; 3rd, Dawn Demeria, Armstrong, riding Gin Fizz, half Arab with 76.75 per cent.

96 km. Lightweight Division: 1st, Sylvia Webb, Lumby, riding Mac, Arab with 87.25 per cent; 2nd, Shirley MacLean, Grand Forks, riding Hardy, Appaloosa with 86 per cent; 3rd, Monika Lauterbacker, Kelowna, riding Ruedo Ann, Arab with 73 per cent; 4th, Lillian Schmidt, Kelowna, riding Sonja Fae, Morgan with 39.25 per cent.

96 km. Heavyweight Division: 1st and High Point, Dal Swanberg, Armstrong, Rommel, Arab, 91.5 per cent; 2nd, Bill Pitcher, Armstrong, riding Nam's Rocky, ½ Arab with 89.5 per cent; 3rd, June Pitcher, Armstrong, riding Crown Banner, Arab with 89 per cent; 4th, Uwe Lauterbacker, Kelowna, riding Lady Maria, ½ Arab with 80.75 per cent; 5th, Barry Webb, Lumby, riding Rishlee, Arab stallion with 76.5 per cent.

Best Conditioned Horse: Crown N Ranch Cooler, Rommel, Dal Swanberg.

Hard Luck Award: Ron Gregory (Absorbine) from Crown N Ranch.

Sportsmanship: Una Haller, Brush and Showshine from Golden Horseshoe, Armstrong.

Medical Award: Prescription from Dr. Severin, Jan White.

Good Neighbour Award: Barry Webb, Brush from the Vernon Fruit Union.

Gay Wells also received a bucket from the Korral and Una Haller reins from Cliff's Saddlery.

SPORTS BRIEFS

VSSS hosts first tourney

Vernon Panthers and Royals hosted the first Okanagan High School Volleyball League tournaments of the season, Tuesday, at VSSS. In boys' play, Panthers defeated Penticton and Rutland, but lost to KLO. In girls' action, Royals recorded victories over Kelowna, Rutland, and Penticton. Panthers travel to UBC this weekend for a tournament. Royals are idle until Monday when they host Kamloops in an exhibition match.

LUMBY CURLING

Lumby Curling Club will hold its final registration Sunday, from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. The dues are: Monday Men $68, Tuesday Mixed $68, Wednesday Men $68, Thursday Women $64, Friday Mixed $64, Monday and Wednesday Senior $50, and Daytime Women $34. A clinic is scheduled Sunday, from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. Cost is $19, including lunch. Jack Hockey will be the instructor.

FAMILY HOUR

A family hour in the Dogwood Gymnasium is being sponsored Fridays by the Greater Vernon Parks and Recreation Department. The sessions will run from 11 a.m. to 12 noon, starting Oct. 9. One parent must accompany at least two children and one of the youngsters must be under three years old. Cost for the 10 sessions is $25 per family. For further information phone 545-6035.

PIGSKIN PETE

The third annual Pigskin Pete Contest is scheduled Oct. 17, from 12 noon to 2 p.m., at Vernon Senior Secondary School. The contest will consist of punting, passing, and kicking. There are three categories for boys and girls: in grades 5 and 6, grades 7 and 8, and grades 9 and 10. There will be trophies for the overall winner in each class. For further information phone 545-6035.

IMLACH SATISFACTORY

TORONTO (CP) — George Punch Imlach, general manager of Toronto Maple Leafs of the National Hockey League, was in satisfactory condition after a four-hour coronary bypass operation Tuesday at Toronto General Hospital. Imlach was resting in the intensive care unit of the hospital after surgery, which was performed by Dr. R.J. Baird.

DROP AFFILIATION

DENVER (AP) — Montreal Expos of the National League, suspecting Denver will become a major-league baseball city, are planning to drop their affiliation with the minor-league Denver Bears, a Bears official confirmed Tuesday. If the move goes as expected, and the Expos relocate their Triple A franchise in Wichita, Kan., Denver would lose all the players and the manager, Felipe Alou, who helped win the 1981 American Association championship.

DEFENDS TITLE

NEW YORK (AP) — Larry Holmes will defend his World Boxing Council heavyweight title against Renaldo Snipes on Nov. 6 at Pittsburgh, a spokesman for promoter Don King said Tuesday. A news conference will be held in Pittsburgh on Thursday to announce the fight at the Civic Arena.

CANADA WINS

SALTA, Argentina (CP) — Mark Schieffler of Calgary kicked two penalty goals and converted one try Tuesday to lead Canada's national rugby team to a 16-10 victory over a combined select team from northern Argentina.

LOOK BACK FIVE YEARS

OCTOBER, 1976

Kevin White of Vernon Vikings drew a five-game suspension and Gary Criss of Vernon and Bruce Jacobsen of Bellingham Blazers drew two-game suspensions each for their participation in a fight during the Vikings vs. Blazers game in Bellingham.

PIN POINTS

SEPTEMBER 17
THURSDAY MATINEE

Women – High Single: Bridget Masters 229. High Triple: Rudy Baillie 614. High Average: Rudy Baillie 211.

Team High Single: Jet Set – 825. High Triple: Keglers – 2368.

TEAM STANDINGS

Keglers	20
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SEPTEMBER 17
THURSDAY 7-9

Women – High Single: Willie Wendell 246. High Triple: Willie Wendell 700. High Average: Heather Erickson 219.

Men – High Single: Art Block 366. High Triple: Chuck Kreutsauer 986. High Average: Laurence Rogers 249.

Team High Single: South Paws – 1063. High Triple: South Paws – 3008.

Jan Club: Art Block 366, Willie Wendell 246.

2nd high: Willie Wendell 246.

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Lakers continue player shuffling

Vernon Lakers' Coach Gord MacBeth did a lot of player shuffling Tuesday in preparation for a B.C. Junior Hockey League game this weekend . . . and he isn't finished yet.

Lakers released eight players, traded one, and brought in two others for tryouts.

Goalies Daryl Moog, Kent Loehr, Norm Schwing, and Kim Burris along with forwards Ian Kidd, Nick Kapicki, Mel Reimer, and Rick Harries were cut. Schwing, Reimer, and Kapicki are expected to join the Vernon juvenile team.

Vernon also sent forward Brian Sweeney to Revelstoke Rockets, for future considerations.

MacBeth said, "We'll probably release two or three more players before the weekend. We've got to get our roster down to a workable size."

NEW GOALIES

Both newcomers are goaltenders. Wayne Eutushevski was assigned to Lakers by their tier one affiliate, Kamloops Oilers. The 18-year-old netminder spent the 1980-81 season with St. Albert Raiders, of the Alberta Junior League.

The other puck-stopper, Al Hyrnuik, was cut this week by Penticton Knights. Kyrnuik, also 18, was between the pipes when Knights whipped Lakers 7-1 in the league opener.

Vernon has two other goalies on its roster, Shawn Oswald and Taylor Sebastian.

COACH IMPRESSED

MacBeth said, "I'm glad we've got a couple experienced goalies to look at. I know Kamloops was quite high on Eutushevski and I was impressed with Hyrnuik when he played against us."

Lakers are in Revelstoke, Saturday, to play the Rockets. Next home game is Monday when Penticton is in town.

Meanwhile, the BCJHL has handed down fines and suspensions as the result of a bench-clearing brawl last week involving Kelowna Buckaroos and the Knights.

Penticton was fined $200 and Ken Karpuk was suspended for two games. Two other Knights, Randy Maxwell and Ian Wood, will sit out one game.

Bucks were fined $100 and will lose forward Pat Cullen for one game.

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Selects win protested game

Super Shoe Selects won a soccer game Tuesday night without stepping on a field.

Vernon City Soccer League executive ruled in favor of a protest by Selects which claimed King Cam Towing Camels used an ineligible player in a game last week. Camels won the game 7-4.

The victory leaves Selects in first-place in the league's fall challenge cup series. Super Shoe has four points, two more than National Hotel Oldtimers, Tri-Lake Extra Milers, and Dynakicks. Camels are now winless in two outings.

The executive also suspended Super Shoe forward Jim Sparrow for two games. Sparrow was ejected from a recent game with Oldtimers.

The series resumes tonight, at MacDonald Park, when National Hotel meets Dynakicks and Tri-Lake tackles Camels. Both games get under way at 5:30 p.m.

Series winner will be presented with the Peter Stewart Trophy.

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