

# BOX HANGING THREE RANCH

Spring & Summer 2019 Newsletter

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## BREEDING: PART 2, A SPECIAL TIME (WONKISH)\*

\*(Wonkish denotes information some may find excessive)

Whether you have one mare to breed, or twenty broodmares, breeding and foaling are times demanding concentration and dedication. Over the years we have learned a few truths either by reading, by help from our veterinarians, or by experience.

Breeding a mare to a stallion requires “teasing” her over a stout fence so that the handler, can observe her attitude. Squealing, laying her ears back, and kicking out doesn’t take professional experience to know she is saying NO, emphatically no. Conversely, leaning toward the stallion, dribbling urine, “winking” the vulva is a “maybe” and probably a sure “YES”.

The female ova (egg) is released toward the end of the mare’s cycle. So it is probably wasteful to breed her on the first day. However some mares are in heat a very short time, so it helps to know if yours is one of those mares. But with most mares it is best to breed closer to their later time of ovulation. The ova lives only about eight hours. Sperm live approximately forty-eight hours. If you breed early in your mares’ cycles eleven months later you may find most of your foal crop is fillies. This is because the female sperm have outlived the speedy male sperm, lived to reach the ova when it emerges toward the last day or two of the mare’s cycle. The male sperm were swift and raced to their goal. The female sperm were slower, more deliberate and waited around to take their chances when the speedy male sperm have dropped out.



We hobble the mare with a special breeding hobble to prevent her kicking the mounted stallion. This is an important safeguard no matter how sure you are of her willingness to accept the stallion. We wrap the mare’s tail before breeding to prevent tail hairs interfering at breeding time. We wash the mare’s exposed area with dilute disinfectant.

When all is ready we bring in the stallion, leading him slowly (if possible) to the mare, and encouraging him to nicker and talk to her in a flirtatious manner. An experienced stallion will do all this naturally and bring the mare to readiness. Young stallions are eager and confused about what they are doing, so it is best to have a strong handler and experienced helpers. If possible breed the novice stallion first to a tolerant older mare. Youngsters soon learn breeding manners and do well in the future.

Fourteen days after the last breeding pregnancy may be observable by ultra-sound imaging. We own an ultra-sound machine, and Martin Kurasz is a pro at using it. We also check at thirty and forty-five days, at which time we say the mare is safely in foal. A tiny blinking light in the picture shows the heartbeat.

Now we wait out the long winter hoping our mare(s) is holding her pregnancy. Some abort. If a mare is pregnant with twins spontaneous abortion is usual. The national average of mares bred to number of mares foaling successfully is close to 50%, our average is better. More like 80%.

This spring of 2019 we expect eleven foals, starting around May 1<sup>st</sup>. During the thirty days prior to their due date each mare receives a vaccine injection to protect against sleeping sickness, tetanus and flu. This provides immunity for the unborn foal as well. Other injections for mare and foal complete the protection post partum.

We look forward to these intense, demanding weeks of foaling at the ranch. People in town greet us with, “How many foals now? And how many to go?” We enjoy visitors coming to see the foals.

New birth is the essence of spring time!

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## TELEPHONE HOURS: 6AM-5PM

We have an answering machine on 24 hours a day. Please leave a post office address if you would like to see our sales list, photos, and brochure packet.

The best times to reach us in person are any time after 6:00 a.m. but before 8:00 a.m. (when we are outside with the horses) or during the noon lunch hour. During the winter, someone is inside most of the day after 9:00 a.m. In the summer, we are outside for longer intervals. If you have received our brochure packet and have questions, we will gladly return your call. The office closes at 5:00 p.m. and we ask that you leave a message.

The best way to get a quick response is to e-mail us at [mtwalker@wyoming.com](mailto:mtwalker@wyoming.com). We check e-mail throughout the day. We can e-mail jpeg photos, the sales price list, and descriptions of individual horses.

## DVD VIDEOS

“A Visit to the Box Hanging Three Ranch” can be ordered on DVD. In the footage, there are glimpses of our ranch, the stallions, trails, river crossings, mountain scenery, mares and foals in pasture, yearling groundwork, and much more.

After the 16-minute master tape, we add our video sales list, footage that changes as horses are born, trained, and depart.

For the DVD, we will initially charge postage only, and there is no need to return the disc. If we find that only serious potential buyers request DVD discs, we will continue the practice.

Short DVD. If you'd like to see one or two particular horses in more detail than is available on the “Visit to the Box Hanging Three Ranch” video, contact the ranch and order a short DVD.



*Sylvia Crouter*

## VISITING HOURS

Please call ahead! Ranch hours are 8:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. MONDAY THROUGH FRIDAY. On Saturdays and Sundays, trainers are not available to demonstrate young horses under saddle. So plan to visit Dubois soon.

## BUYING OUR HORSES

It has just evolved over the years that many of our owners like to choose a yearling from our sales list and then leave it here for boarding and training. Usually, the customer puts something down (1/3 or less) on the horse, then pays the board, vet, and farrier expenses, as well as the training fees. It is a kind of pay-as-you-go plan that suits people's pocketbooks and provides a cash flow for us. WE APPRECIATE QUARTERLY PAYMENTS ON THE PURCHASE PRICE. The pedigree is transferred when the purchase price is completely paid.

We urge customers to insure their horses. This makes all of us caregivers and owners feel more comfortable because occasionally accidents happen ... very rarely, we are happy to say. WE EMPHASIZE that we cannot be legally responsible for the loss of horses under our care. We take meticulous care of your new mount, and that is all we can humanly do.

## RATES

Training (per month; four month minimum)	\$550.00
Yearling Training	275.00
Board for other Horses (per month)	100.00
Grain (per month)	30.00
Trimming	30.00
Shoeing	90.00
Transfer Fee	140.00

# OUR TRAINERS & CREW



**MARTIN KURASZ** has been with us for 32 years. Before this, he trained several horses from the trotting breeds, including a mustang captured off the Wind River Indian Reservation. Martin's education to the Walking Horse's four-beat running walk came

initially through "on-the-job training" and what might be called "seat of the pants" learning: that is experiencing the feel of the gait and intuiting how to achieve a perfected running walk or rocking chair canter. Martin attended one of the late Diane Gueck's week long clinics in Sherwood, Oregon, for more intense learning about this breed, but he has also taken advantage of Quarter Horse clinics, saying, "You can always pick up something new or useful from someone else." A young horse "finished" by Martin is as easy riding as a colt can be.



**ERIC THOMPSON** was raised in New Mexico and growing up, was always around horses. As a high school student, he worked part-time for a guest ranch. When he entered the University of Wyoming as a geology major, he worked for an

outfit that took in problem horses to be rehabilitated and screened for talent. Eric is married to a native Dubois gal, Johanna Wells, also a geology major, and is part of a family that hosts the University of Miami geology summer programs. We know you will be glad to meet him when you visit the ranch.



**BC HART** joined us in 2006. BC, or Billy, was raised on a ranch and does all of the things we need help with on the Box Hanging Three. He was a heavy-equipment operator with the Leseberg family construction company.

He was a hunting guide and worked in the woods as a self employed logger. He is married to Sally and between them, they have 16 grandchildren and 2 great grandchildren. We are delighted to have BC as part of our team!



**ROBERT HOSKINS** came to the ranch in June 2014. A US Army veteran who served in both paratroops and Special Forces, Robert has lived in Dubois since 1999. He previously worked as a wilderness guide and horse wrangler/packer, so he's experienced with horses. Since 2014, he has worked with the foals, assisted BC Hart in the fields, irrigated, and helped with maintenance and many other tasks. We first knew Robert when he house-sat for us when we traveled on vacation. He is a 1976 graduate of the University of North Carolina, and has a grown daughter. We are glad he joined our team and lives nearby.



**ELIZABETH DOLBARE**

Our gardener, grounds keeper, and house keeper supreme. Liz keeps us clean and tidy inside and out.



**DR. CAROLYN COPELAND & DEBBIE LEINEN**

of East Fork Veterinary Services take good care of our horses. Dr. Copeland is available for emergencies, pre-purchase exams, and all routine veterinary work.



**DR. TIMOTHY GRAHAM**

During Dr. Copeland's vacation, we are privileged to have Dr. Tim caring for her practice. As we looked for a locum tenens (substitute medical person), we were referred to Tim by the state veterinarian and longtime friend Dr. Jim Logan. Locum tenens is Dr. Tim's full time occupation. He is licensed in several states besides his home state of Wyoming. He has many years' experience in both small and large animal medicine. While in Dubois, he serves the whole community as well as this ranch. Thank you, Dr. Tim!

## POLICIES

A transfer fee on each horse sold includes transfer and health certificate. This surcharge will be added to the quoted purchase price.

Terms of purchase: Personal checks are welcome as down payments. WHEN THE HORSE LEAVES OUR RANCH, FINAL PAYMENTS MUST BE CASHIER'S CHECK OR CASH.

We are not responsible for our horses after their purchase and departure from the ranch. We welcome a veterinary inspection of our horses before purchase at the buyer's expense.

## NEED HORSE TRANSPORTATION?

Our many years' horse hauler has retired. For one year Bob Waldrup, who purchased Bill Saylor's vehicles and business, provided good service for our horse owners. But an offer "too good to pass up" resulted in a change of ownership to Reed Scott (940-473-9569) who is based in Washington, DC. Also highly recommended is Katy Hendrickson (250-736-7102). Ms. Hendrickson is located in Washington State. We have not used either of these two businesses, but pass on their contact information for you to consider.

## RECEIVE YOUR NEWSLETTER VIA EMAIL

If you'd like to receive the Box Hanging Three newsletter in a PDF via e-mail, please send your name and email address to:

mtwalker@wyoming.com.

A PDF newsletter is easy to share with family and friends. Your newsletter will be sent to you at the same time as it is sent off to the printer for preparation of the snail mail copies.

## HAS YOUR ADDRESS CHANGED?

If you have moved recently or are planning to move in the near future and would like to continue to receive the Box Hanging Three newsletter, please let us know your new address. You can send your information by email (mtwalker@wyoming.com), or by snail mail (PO Box 708, Dubois, WY 82513). if you would like to be removed from our mailing list, please let us know.

## 2014 FOAL CROP



### PROUD MS. FREDERICA

#21400172

*Foaled June 4, 2014*

By proud Classic out of Miss Pearl's Challenge.

Black filly, both hind fetlocks. Her running walk is Terrific. Rica is quiet and friendly with people. She is an athletic young mare. Good overstride. Spirited but sensible. She is out on the trail. Average size.



### A PHARAOH WITH FLASH

#21400173

*Foaled May 27, 2014*

By Senior Pusher (flash) out of Proud Queen Cleopatra

Black Roanie gelding, four stockings, bald face, mixed tail and mane. He has a sturdy build. Very friendly, with a super gait. For a sensitive, confident rider.



Photo:

Chris Reynolds

## 2015 FOAL CROP



### FLASHY LONE RANGER

#21500546

*Foaled May 5, 2015*

By Senior Pusher out of Classic Diva

Black roan gelding. Both hind and near fore stockings, spot on off side of belly, lower lip, mixed tail. Ranger is a friendly young gelding with a blaze that looks like the “masked man of the west.” Easy to work with, to lead, and to handle all feet. Ranger is calm under saddle, and enjoys the trails and seeing new sights. He has a tremendous overstride and an excellent loose-moving running walk.

(Reserved for client)



### A FLASH OF WISDOM

#21500229

*Foaled May 7, 2015*

By Senior Pusher (Flash) out of Challenge’s Lady Sophia

Whiz is super friendly, loves attention, and is easy to train. Her dam is a Pride’s Genius mare. Whiz has an excellent running walk, and is doing well on the trail. She is relaxed and ready to go. Average size.



Foal Whisperer Photo By: Missy Sprouse

## 2016 FOAL CROP



### ZORRO’S PHD

#21600119

*Foaled May 31,  
2016*

By Challenge’s Zorro out of Genius & More

Solid black gelding. Doc is a very friendly colt of average size. He is also handsome, energetic, and curious about new things. His dam, a Pride’s Genius mare, has given us super foals. Shows natural gait. Average size.



### FLASHY DESERT FLOWER

#21600121

*Foaled May 5, 2016*

By Senior Pusher out of Proud Queen Cleopatra

Roan-ish black filly. Both hind stockings, blaze, lower lip. Flower is vivacious and very pretty. She is friendly, likes people and is curious about new things and visitors. Gaity. Easy to work with and easy to be around.

## 2017 FOAL CROP



### FLASH'S FRANCOPHILE

#21700161

*Foaled April 30, 2017*

By Senor Pusher out of Classic French Twist

Black gelding, near hind fetlock, star. "Frankie" has a great disposition, is very people friendly, curious and easy to work with. He will have nice size, a solid build. He is well behaved, elegant, and his gaits look promising. Confident horse with a big overstride. He is very willing and wants to please his trainer. A nice one.



### CLASSIC TWINKLE TOES

#21700116

*Foaled June 10, 2017*

By Proud Classic out of Zorro's Plenty Bella

Smoky Black mare, out of a mare of the William's King line. Twinkle Toes has three stockings, one sock and other fancy chrome. Pretty head with blaze and lower lip, neat diminutive conformation, lots of personality and likes people. She is the first one to leave the bunch to greet you. We expect her to grow to 15 hands or less. Very gaited and sensitive too.



### ZORRO'S REMEMBRANCE

#21700160

*Foaled May 13, 2017*

By Challenge's Zorro out of Remembrance gold

Big, beautiful bay stud colt with lots of presence and a powerful overstride. Extra gentle. We call him "Junior". He has a quiet disposition, is friendly and easy going. Gaits look good.



### CLASSIC SUGAR FROSTING

#21700163

*Foaled May 16, 2017*

By Proud Classic out of Wiseguy's Sweet Deal

"Frostie" is a bay mare with near hind fetlock, off hind and near coronets and blaze. Average size mare. Very people friendly, outgoing with a confident personality. She has a soft eye. Very Gaited. Bright and willing, learns quickly.



**OLDIE'S  
HAWAIIAN  
JAYNE**

#21700315  
*Foaled May 5, 2017*

By Golden Oldie out of Marauder's Madam Pele  
"Jaynie" is a bay mare, no markings. Calm disposition. Excellent conformation, well muscled with a shapely head. A nice confident, quiet young mare. Intelligent, alert and observant,. She will have some size.



**WILLIAM'S  
MS. SHADOW**

#21700159  
*Foaled May 23, 2017*

By King William's Heir out of Wind Shadow's Ruby  
Solid deep chestnut mare with gorgeous conformation, sturdy build. Fine head. Excellent disposition and likes people. Average size. Shadow is the lead filly of her group. A little successful line breeding here!



**FLASH  
PUSHES  
ONWARD**

#21700162  
*Foaled May 1, 2017*

By Senor Pusher out of Challenge's Sophia  
Black gelding. Near hind and near fore socks, strip. A friendly colt, Onward is also bold and inquisitive. Sturdy build with average size. Likes to be handled and is easy to work with. Gaity. Onward likes to go but is easy to handle.



**WILLIAM'S  
MIMI**

#21700314  
*Foaled May 7, 2017*

By King William's Heir out of Classic Diva  
Black Mare, off hind fetlock, near hind coronet. A beautiful elegant filly out of a beautiful mare! Super sweet disposition. Very good attitude also and eager to please. Loves to be petted. Mini has a really nice natural running walk. Average size.



Photo: Chris Reynolds

## 2018 FOAL CROP

These weanlings have grown, but they are just too “hairy” to photograph. Their winter coats will soon slick off and reveal their shiny new bodies. This is one of the most promising foal crops we have ever seen!



### PROUD PETER PAN

#21800432

*Foaled May 13, 2018*

By Proud Classic out of Miss Pearl's Challenge

Gorgeous bay stud colt with a star. Peter Pan has nice head, is of medium size, yet well built. He is quiet and friendly, but has a proud bearing. Well behaved and gentlemanly.



### FLASH'S MTN. MARAUDER

#21800436

*Foaled May 21, 2018*

By Senor Pusher our of Tip Top Marauder

Bay stud colt with two front pasterns, two hind socks, snip. Marauder is confident and friendly. He is athletic, and should have a nice running walk and canter.



### WILLIAM'S ANTONY

#21800435

*Foaled May 11, 2018*

By King William's Heir out of Proud Queen Cleopatra

Solid black stud colt. “Tony” has a stout, stocky build. He is quiet and thoughtful yet independent. A beautiful, friendly colt. He has an outgoing disposition like his sire, William.



### CLASSIC BLACK VELVET

#21800433

*Foaled May 29, 2018*

By Proud Classic out of More Glory for Challenge

Black filly with a crescent shaped star. Velvet is easy going and likes people. She should mature to a good size with a nice sturdy build.



### CLASSIC SWEETWATER

#21800434

*Foaled June 3, 2018*

By Proud Classic out of Zorro's Allana

Black filly, star, strip and snip; near hind pastern. This is an elegant filly, sweet and outgoing. Looks to be pretty gaited, too. Calm and friendly. Should have some size. She is “alpha filly” in her age group!



### GOLDEN OLDIE'S GO GO GIRL

#21800430

*Foaled June 16, 2018*

By Golden Oldie out of Challenge's Sweet Mayday

Black filly. Off hind pastern, star and snip. Go Go is elegant and has a “soft” eye. She is outgoing, friendly, with a calm disposition. Average size. There is a fineness to Go Go.



## CLASSIC ARCHANGEL

#21800431

*Foaled May 3, 2018*

By Proud Classic out of Golden Oldie's Angel Gold.

Black stud colt, with near hind coronet. "Archie" has a good sloping shoulder and a nicely set neck. Shapely head with "fox" ears. He is friendly and affectionate. Archie is a self-assured and athletic colt.



## WILLIAM'S GUINEVERE

#21800437

*Foaled May 11, 2018*

By King William's Heir out of Challenge's Wilhelmina

Solid black filly. Guinevere is out of one of our best mares. She has a beautiful, refined head. This 2018 filly is described by the trainers as "kind, quiet, very intelligent and curious." We have high expectations for her.

## EMAIL BAG



We had a mild winter until February and then below zero nights, snow and wind hit. But nothing like Janet and Ken Clark describe in Sand Point, Idaho. They and **Zorro's Wind Spirit** hunkered down waiting for spring. Spirit, left, anticipates his breakfast as he contemplates the snow drifts. Rita Simons in Jackson Hole sent a similar photo, right, of **Golden Oldie's Buckaroo**. Our friends west of the Continental Divide get most of the snow headed our way, while we in the mountains' snow shadow are spared the full brunt of the blizzards.



Several horses have sold since our last newsletter. Maureen (Mo) Morrow, who helps run the horse program at Ring Lake Ranch near Dubois, has bought **Classic Black and Beautiful** for her personal horse. She is also traveling to Pennsylvania in April to view and perhaps purchase for Ring Lake Ranch two really nice older horses that come from the Box Hanging Three. They were the special companions of their late owner whose husband now sadly has decided to part with them.

Sue PaDelford, also of Sand Point, Idaho sent greetings and news, equine and human, sadly the death of Bob, her husband of 30 happy years. Equine news was upbeat. "Think of you often, especially when scratching **Zorro's Twinkle Toes** and **The Professor and More** this winter while marveling at what special horses they are... Working partners-either in the lead or as a pack animal they respect the job/role that they're currently tasked with...probably most importantly as safe and dependable and consistent to be next to in close quarters in any situation... I would trust my life with them, and they have likely saved our lives a time or two."



Bob PaDelford watched over at lunch time.

Soon leaving this ranch is **Oldie's Midnight Surprise** (Sir). He was chosen by Quentin James of Rawlins, Wyoming. Charlotte James owns **Golden Caramel Sundae**, a **Golden Oldie** mare. Husband, Quentin, was impressed and is looking forward to taking Sir down to Rawlins.

**Golden Oldie's Gabriel** departs for Detroit Lakes, Minnesota in July. His new owner Carol Kostka and husband, Greg, will stay at the Longhorn Ranch RV outside Dubois with their two older horses, take in the celebrations on the Fourth, and ride our local mountains and the Tetons west of us before loading up Gabriel and heading east.

Horse owners who like to ride new country take note. Check out places in Dubois that cater to horses and their owners. The Absorakas and Wind River Mountains have beautiful trails just waiting for you!

# OUR BREEDING STALLIONS

## MIDNIGHT SUN BLOODLINES IN THE WEST

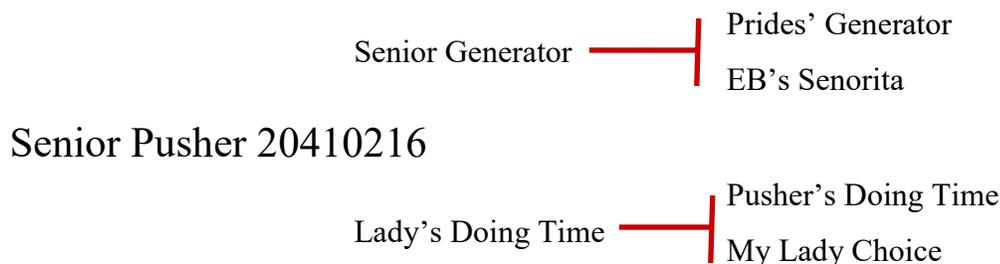
### PROUD CLASSIC

Foaled in 2000, Proud Classic is black with a star. He was Sired by Classic Generator, he by Prides Generator. Proud Classic's dam is Angel's coin by Pride's Gold Coin. The world Grand Champions in the stallion's pedigree are Midnight Sun, Ebony Masterpiece, Sun's Delight D., and Triple Threat. His colts are strongly gaited with beautiful heads and all around good conformation. Proud Classic stands 15.2 hands.



### SENIOR PUSHER

Foaled in 2004. sired by Senior Generator out of Lady's Doing Time, she of the Pusher line. We call him "Flash" due to his flashy coloring. He is a black roan sabino of average size and is extra gentle and likes people. Sr. Flash has a loose way of going, with a long over reach. A great addition to our gene pool.



# OUR BREEDING STALLIONS

## MIDNIGHT SUN BLOODLINES IN THE WEST

### KING WILLIAM'S HEIR

Foaled May 20, 2013. Sired by Golden Oldie out of William's Angel Fire. William takes his place beside our older breeding stallions. He is chestnut with a near hind coronet. William is extra gentle and easy to work with.



Golden Oldie ———— | Pride's Genius  
Chance's Honey Girl

King William's heir 21300473

William's Angel Fire ———— | William's King  
Gold Duke's Lulu

### GOLDEN OLDIE

Foaled in 1995. standing 16 hands, this palomino stallion has sired buckskins, palominos, and grullas as well as the darker coats. Shown flat-shod in Ohio and also at the National Celebration in Shelbyville, Tennessee, Golden Oldie is also prized as a great trail horse. His sire is Pride's Genius, his Dam, Chance's Honey Girl, whose pedigree goes back to the Last Chance and Hunter's Allen F-10. This breeding horse connects the Box Hanging Three bloodlines once more to Midnight Sun, and reaches back to our first stallion's palomino coloring and gene pool.



Pride's Genius ———— | Pride of Midnight HF  
Delight's Joanna

Golden Oldie 953594

Chance's Honey Girl ———— | Chance's Knight  
My Golden Sweetheart

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## OLD SAINT REMEMBERED (ST)

TWH 21000168- Buckskin For Sale

*Foaled May 1, 2010*

ST is a 16-hand beautiful buckskin gelding. He is a calm, good-natured, friendly horse who thrives on attention. "But ST is too talented a horse to be retired with our older Walkers, so we're looking for someone who will give him a job!" Writes Beth McFadden. Martin Kurasz trained him initially, and worked with him through July of the

summer of 2012. ST is well-mannered with farrier and vet, and trailer-loads easily and willingly. He's been on mountain camping trips, as well as rides on ranches in the Great Falls area over various terrains, crossing rivers and streams easily. He is kind and easy going with other horses.

ST's owners will be glad to discuss their horse with interested parties who will give ST a good home. They have enjoyed this good horse and regret parting with him.

Contact Beth and Haines Mc Fadden  
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