



2017 SPRING ICHO GAZETTE

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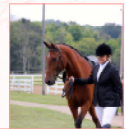
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The air is perfumed with hay cuttings, and foals arriving daily, 2017 promises to be ripe with Curly activities! Inside, another allergy success with Curly Ambassador, Sarah Thaut, shown above with WK Twizzler, ICHO# 1897-D, her Curly companion.

Also, please see details for the 2017 ICHO AGM!! Hosted by Shelly White and Curly Standard Place, the exciting venue will include the Great Train Robbery. Ride the train that is held up by the notorious bandits, The Garnet Valley Gang, followed by a delicious BBQ. Reserve train tickets early, as they go fast and have limited seating. Complete information at www.ichocurlyhorses.com

Sincerely, Joanie Henning,
ICHO Pres., and Angel Leggs



2017 AGM information inside! British Columbia, Canada



GAZETTE AD DEADLINE

We now have a new Gazette ad deadline schedule for submitting ads as follows:

WINTER: Dec 15

SPRING: Mar 15

SUMMER: June 15

FALL: Sept 15

Ads that are received after the deadline will be run in the next following issue. Payments must also be made before the deadline. All ads and payment must be sent to the office. Thanks!

ARTICLES- We are always looking for interesting articles for the Gazette. The article could be about training, health tips, an interesting story about a Curly or anything of interest horse related. Please send all articles to the office before the deadlines. Awaken the writer within you!

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ICHO now offers DNA testing for:

<i>Ancestral only TX A&M</i>	\$25.00
<i>Parentage Only U of KY</i>	\$30.00
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<i>Genetic DNA Panel Testing</i>	\$99.00

Visit the website for more info or contact the office.



GAZETTE SCHEDULE

-  **WINTER February**
-  **SPRING May**
-  **SUMMER August**
-  **FALL November**

Submit Ads & Payment to: office@curlyhorses.org

Ad & Payment Deadlines:
[Winter Dec 15](#) [Spring Mar 15](#) [Summer Jun 15](#) [Fall Sep 15](#)

To obtain a mailed copy of the Gazette, there is now a \$30.00 yearly fee (increase due to printing and postage costs). You can always view the Gazette online for free on our webpage– <http://ichocurlyhorses.org> in the Members Only section and print a copy for yourself.

Gazette Ad Specials!

Stallion Station Ad– only \$10.00 per issue, \$40.00 for the year, color ad.

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Full Page Color \$40.00, 1/2 Pg Color \$20.00, 1/4 Pg Color \$10.00, Classified \$10.00

Submitting ads: *Pay for ads online on our webpage– <http://ichocurlyhorses.org>

All ads must be copy ready in word doc format or jpg, png. Since we have reduced our prices we need the ads in ready to print format. For photos png is preferred since it has the best resolution. We can no longer accept pdf format because it does not insert clearly for the Gazette editing process.

All Ads must be sent to the office with payment. Ads also appear on the ICHO webpage.

Thanks! office@curlyhorses.org

Gazette editor– Joan Henning

Announcing the 2017 ICHO AGM !

Big Top Equestrian

Hosted by *Curly Standard Place*



Shelly White and William LeRoy

Summerland, BC, Canada

September 23-25, 2017

Saturday-Sunday-Monday

Experience the old West as the notorious Garnet Valley Gang performs the **Great Train Robbery** - reserve your train ticket asap, limited seating for this exciting event and BBQ!

Ride the Kettle Valley Train
delicious BBQ!
DEMONSTRATIONS!
TRAIL RIDES AVAILABLE!
AGM on Saturday



Plan your attendance at

<http://www.ichocurlyhorses.com/index.html>

Attendance fee \$35

Train Ticket reservations at Kettlevalleyrail.org, reserve early!

Alberta 21

By Janeen Radtke



“Kansas 5”

When you hear the words “*Alberta 21*,” what does that mean to you? To Curly Horse Rescue, Inc., it means “in the beginning.”

A lot of us know how Curly Horse Rescue (CHR) got started, but many still do not know as they haven't been in Curlies as long as CHR has been around. So I asked Michelle Schaalman Gould, page 5, top left) to tell me the story:

How did Curly Horse Rescue come into Existence?

Curly Horse Rescue's beginnings were fast and furious! “It came to the attention of Linda Stermer, in 2002, that there were *21* Curlies in *Alberta*, Canada that needed help, so Linda brought it to the attention of the Curly lists and people wanted to help!”

Linda offered to bring the *Alberta 21* herd, which included one stallion, mares and foals, to her Michigan home. Can you imagine one person willing to take on such a daunting task? I might be able to take in two, but 21?! Thank goodness, the Curly community rallied to help her financially with it.

“The *Alberta 21* herd were all underweight and in dire need of hoof care. It was a big undertaking for one person to take on, so a group of us got together to help garner donations of feed, blankets, dewormers, lice treatment, etc. We also garnered financial donations for veterinary care and hay, which were paid directly to the vet and hay supplier. We had a photo contest, folks donated items that were auctioned on Ebay, and we sold calendars and wreaths.”



“The photo contest was used as way to use photographs of the Curlies for artwork, which then became the artwork on the website and the cook-books. The horses were treated, had groundwork done and were rehomed, if I remember correctly.”

“It was at that point we realized there was a need for a rescue specifically for Curlies, so we started putting together an organization and eliciting donations to continue the rescue effort, aa well as money needed to apply for a 501(c)3 status. It took us a good 6-plus months to finish the paperwork and Curly Horse Rescue became a registered 501(c)3 organization in July of 2003.” Left, Michelle Ives.

The 2002 CHRA membership : Lisa Boudreau (Chair of the Promotions Committee), Wendy Hale Cacka, (Membership database), Joan Collins, Elaine Elmer (VP), Tina Estridge (secretary), Ron Gale, Annette Gutzman, Tammy Hajdo, Adria Halstead-Johnson (CHRA Secretary), Jo Ann Huston, Michelle Ives(Chair of the Rescue Committee), Marni Malet, Dalena McMillan, Shannon Murphy, Sandra Phipps, Bunny Reveglia(Treasurer, Chair of the Fund Raising Committee), Lauri Schlafke, Colleen Segarra, Wendy Snell (President), Terri Szlovicsak, Bernnae Thomure, Donna Vickery (official ICHO web lackey), Shelly White (Rescue Forms), Lisa Whitten, Dian M. Williams, Elly Zeehuisen-Katz.



“Argo”



“Dash and Violet”

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ICHO Feature Farm—Sarah Thaut

Horses, they were in our blood. One of our ancestors rode with Teddy Roosevelt and the Rough Riders, and another with the Pony Express. Sarah's great grandfather, Frank Alva Dickey, rode in a Wild West Circus, her great aunt barrel raced and square danced on horseback. Her grandparents both rode horse back on the farm growing up. The tradition took a pause with her mom.. Although she always wanted horses, her parents weren't in the position to afford them. So she never asked. When her mom got married and moved to 50 acres in Idaho, the dream was revived until she became allergic at age 36. It all started out with a food reaction but during testing, horses scored a very high reaction also. Then along came Sarah two years later and a love of horses in a little girl's eyes. It was in her blood after all.

Horse lessons, Benadryl, smiles and sleep became common denominators. Her grandma said that if there was any way we could own horses, she would buy one because she saw the love in Sarah's eyes and her natural ability. So after searching on Craigslist for the perfect one, I came

across an ad for a hypoallergenic horse. I could not believe it. I then became obsessed with learning all I could about these amazing horses. I inquired on a lot of curlies and went on many road trips as close as two hours and as far as seven. The one that we kept going back to was nine hours away. We decided to make the trip although the breeder was nervous about an untrained curly for a six year old girl. She was one of many that were skeptical of my choice.



Left, Sarah with Twiz and friends with a new Curly rider!

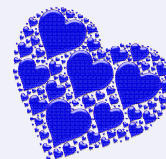
We went and met this curly. She was patchy, fresh from the pasture but could not have been prettier in our eyes. She followed Sarah perfectly, but pushed me around; then she invaded my space and slimed me across the mouth with her nose. Little did she know that she answered my prayers right then....I had absolutely no reaction. It was then I knew that I could live my dreams with my daughter. Wendy had a long talk with Sarah and decided that they were a good match. Sarah's dad who was not keen on getting horses, asked Sarah if this was the one, and she told her daddy yes. Two months later, WK Twizzler joined our family. I can honestly say, it was the best decision we ever made.

I knew nothing about horses but read everything I could. I asked so many questions, and drove my friends crazy. I hired a trainer that was fresh out of school and in my horse history, that was the second best decision I ever made. Sarah Lampert put thirty days on Twiz and two weeks later, my six year old Sarah rode this five year old mare in an omoksee and brought home 7 ribbons. If it wouldn't have been for bad saddle fit and a naïve owner, it would have been the fairy tale ending. Instead, we had our hiccups but Twiz has been very forgiving even after 16 saddles until we got it right.

Curly Ambassador, Sarah Thaut, and WK Twizzler, ICHO 1897 D, below and right. Below, Sarah, performing on the poles in a speed event and right, representing the American Curly horse as Ambassador.



See the 2017 ICHO Calendar, with Sarah and Twiz on the cover! Information for ordering calendars on page 12.



Seven years later we now have two other curlies besides Twiz. Sarah barrel races, trail rides and has a lot of good times with her friends. Due to a high profile rescue we did locally, everyone saw Sarah's way with the curlies. That was Karma and Sarah taught her how to connect emotionally with a human and then worked with two other rescues after that. People started watching her and her horses and how much she got her curlies out there for people to see. Soon she was asked to be the first ever International Curly Horse Ambassador. Having that title, she can participate in royalty functions such as grand entries at local events, rodeos, parades and royalty signings and coronations. Team Twiz has also participated in Rascal Rodeo, a hands on rodeo designed specifically with handicapped kids in mind. Twiz was the star of the show. We hope she is the first of many ambassadors to represent the American curlies.

We can honestly say, the curlies have changed our lives and we couldn't be more appreciative. Since Karma, we have also started a nationwide Curly horse Rescue called CHAT or Curly Horse Action Team. Forty one horses have been saved either at kill pens, auctions or privately since we started. Team Twiz is being featured soon in Young Rider magazine. Although we have three horses, Sarah finds the time to work with all of them. Twiz will be our primary ambassador horse, Janey (our 23 yr old) is an amazing trail horse and Mojo aka CNC's Poetic Motion Xpress will be her gaming horse. Someday we hope to add a curly mini for other ambassador duties. We are so thankful for the curlies and for what the curly world has done for us.



Sarah Thaut and Twiz.



Your Hosts....

Shelly White and [Warren LeRoy](#), 25210 Wildhorse Road Summerland, BC Canada V0H 1Z3 sm.white@shaw.ca

Where- Curly Standard Place at Big Top Equestrian 25210 Wildhorse Road Summerland, BC V0H 1Z3 Canada.

Dates- Saturday, September 23rd, Sunday September 24th, Monday, September 25th, 2017

Activities- Ground work demonstration by Shelly White

Wildhorse Mountain Guest Ranch offers trail rides

<http://www.wildhorsemountainranch.com/engact.html>

Sunday join us on the Kettle Valley Train for the Great Train Robbery: Ride the train, experience the old west with a robbery by the notorious Garnet Valley Gang and join them for a BBQ afterwards.

Nearest Airport- Kelowna International Airport, Kelowna, BC
Penticton Airport, Penticton, BC

Nearest Hotels- Wildhorse Mountain Guest Ranch is also a B&B

<http://www.wildhorsemountainranch.com/engmain.html> 250 494-0506

Summerland Waterfront Resort 250 494-8180

Summerland Motel 250 494-4444

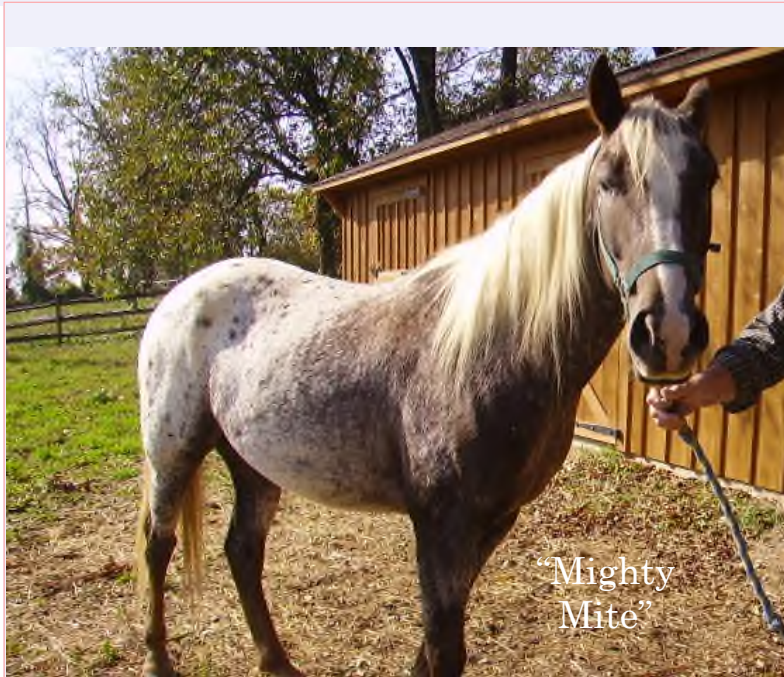
Rosedale Motel 250 494-6431

Meals- Friday, casual meal, pay your own way at local restaurant, Santorinis.

Saturday AGM and Banquet catered at our farm, paid by the ICHO.

Sunday Great Train Robbery and BBQ, must be booked ASAP! www.kettlevalleyrail.org

GTR Fares Adults: \$57.00 Seniors (65+): \$57.00 Youth: \$27.00 Children (3-12): \$27.00 2 & Under: Free (on lap)



Since the beginning Curly Horse Rescue has helped numerous Curlies, 33 that the author can count just in the last seven years alone! But to think it started because of a rescue of 21!





“Xena”



The Curlies surrounding this page are just a few that have been helped over the years. Thanks to all of you, CHR still works today to help the Curlies! www.curlyrescue.com



“Bailey”



International Curly



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*The calendar makes a great gift for
Curly horse lovers!*