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NEWS AND HIGHLIGHTS FROM R.O. LERVICK ARABIANS
HOME OF CYTOSK+++ AND OUT OF CYTE

Foal To Finalé:

Watching our young horses grow into National Champions

Every January or early February I look forward to to a phone call from the farm. Tague Johnson, our breeding manager, will call and we will review the new foal that is resting in the straw of one of the foaling stalls. Colt or filly? How big? How is it marked? How is it put together? How pretty? Halter? Performance? Or BOTH! How does it compare to its brothers or sisters? How is the mare doing? This is the beginning of another foaling season at R. O. Lervick Arabians and the beginning of a new adventure for the many foals that Linda and I will have the pleasure of watching grow and mature in our riding and showing programs. Some foals will go into the care of new owners who will train and show them, as we watch proudly from the sidelines.

Each Spring we have 15 to 20 foals. In 2007 we are expecting 29 foals. "Why the big jump?", you may ask. Dennis Wigren, farm manager and trainer, Tague and I sat down this year and decided to breed back a few more mares and to increase our embryo transfer program. Matoska, a Zodiac Matador daughter, is expecting (1) Cytosk+++ foal and (2) Baske Afire foals. HolliBerry, a Huckleberry Bey daughter, is expecting (2)



Roger and Linda with "Cymply Spot" and the gang receiving the 2005 Reserve National Champion Half Arabian Hunter Pleasure Futurity.

Cytosk+++ foals and and (1) Noble Express foal. Dennis has already sold one of the Matoska x Baske Afire embryos. Six embryos and a very successful breeding season brings us to 29 upcoming foals. Linda and I will be answering the phone a lot in 2007.

It is always exciting to stop by the farm on the way to work to see the new foals. Linda and I will often call Tague and have him keep in the mares and foals until we get there to see them turned out. As they joyfully run, buck and roll we evaluate them, start to think of names that suit their personality and ability, and try to make plans for their future. Some of the foals will be yearling halter horses while others will get turned out until they grow up. Some will sell at an early age and some will sell once they have a show record. Others will even become part of the breeding program when they come of age. So many possibilities for each one! Whatever they end up doing, wherever they go, we look forward to news about them.

Over the years we have watched many foals mature into athletes. Many of these athletes become National Champions. Some of these National Champions have produced more National



Roger & Linda have the privilege to present the US National Championship Bonanza Horse to "ROL Gold Medal", a horse they bred, sold and then watched come up through the showing ranks...and finally to the Winner's Circle.