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Unfortunate Circumstance



The American Quarter Horse Association reported recently that, according to its findings through genetic testing, 5.4 percent of a 200-horse study group tested positive as carriers of the GBED (glycogen branching enzyme deficiency) gene. Western pleasure horses had the unhappy distinction of being the group in which the gene was most prevalent, at 13.2 percent, followed by cutting (6.8 percent), working cow horse (4.7 percent) and halter (2.6 percent).

(Above) A normal foal, such as this one, gets up and nurses immediately after birth. Foals affected with GBED often are not strong enough to stand on their own. —Photo by Stephanie Duquette

Because animals often require immediate energy, glycogen is stored in branched or tree-like configurations in the liver and muscles. As the glycogen breaks down, individual glucose molecules flow from the multiple branch points and can then immediately be utilized for energy in the muscles or carried away from the liver by the blood to other organs for energy. Each branch is like a PEZ dispenser, as one glucose molecule is taken, another one is immediately pushed into place. It takes lots of branches to sustain an animal's metabolism.

An enzyme is a substance that causes a very specific biological reaction in the body. If starting a truck were a bodily function, the enzyme is the hand that inserts the key into the ignition and turns. It is the GBE (glycogen branching enzyme) that causes an animal's glycogen to branch out in several directions. Without that enzyme, the glycogen maintains a straight chain formation as is seen in plants.

An animal suffering from GBED has no chance for survival because there are not enough glucose branches to feed the body's basic energy demands. Foals with GBED have one thing in common: they all die. Some are aborted. Some are delivered stillborn. Some live hours and a few live months. —KT

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■ NRHA European Futurity

Chic Dream Whizard, owned by Larisa Rizzi, and Canadian Morey Fisk, won the Futurity Open Championship with a 223.

■ NRCHA Stakes

Jon Roeser, Lemoore, Calif., rode Heart Of A Remedy to win the NRCHA Stakes Open Championship. Roeser's brother, Dan, Marsing, Idaho, won the Intermediate Open riding Roosters Rozalena.

■ The Competitive Edge

There is a time and a place for analyzing old performances. After all, this is how we avoid making the same mistakes over and over again.

■ The News Desk

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See the Action

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Out 'N' About

Movin In

People from as far as Montana, Colorado, Utah and Canada, drove through all kinds of weather, including blizzards, on their way to attend the seventh annual Cactus Reining Classic, held at the WestWorld Equestrian Center in Scottsdale, Ariz.

— Photos by John O'Hara



HERE WE GO AGAIN Samantha Griffin, Ardmore, Okla., unloads her horse trailer with the help of Duane Latimer. **TIME OUT** (Right) Ted and Britta Jacobs, Santa Rose, Calif., hauling their gear to the barn.

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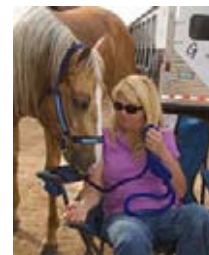
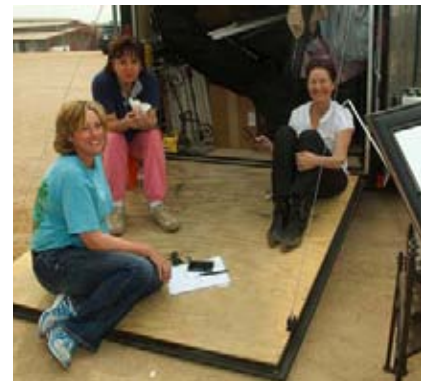
BOMBS AWAY! Bill Norwood, Murrieta, Calif., drops a hay bale to the ground as he unloads his trailer.



MY BOOTS ARE MADE FOR RIDING Kim Obenhaus, Scottsdale, Ariz., pictured unloading some of her "stuff."

A LITTLE DOWNTIME BEFORE THE WORK BEGINS

(Right) Vendors waiting to move in: Teresa Marra, Tmarra Design, Mesa, Ariz.; Sue Huston, Cowgirl-Upscale, Seattle, Wash.; and Anita LePage, Cowgirls Don't Cry, Tustin, Ariz.



CAN I HELP? (Left) Pat Yancey, Lone, Calif., and Stacey Hamilton, Clovis, Calif., pictured outside the show barn.

HAVE SOME (Right) Vicki Dias, Kingsburg, Calif., offers Pat Yancey's horse, Starbright Tag, a treat.

THE JOYS OF HORSE OWNERSHIP

(Right) Lance Griffin, Ardmore, Okla., is pictured completing some of the "moving in" tasks that must be done.



Staying Power

There comes a time in every sire's life when the successful offspring he's produced go on to become leading parents themselves. It's a bit-sweet moment. It ensures the continuation of his bloodline and proves the value of his prodigy, but it also marks a transition from leading sire to leading grandsire.

Every once in a while though, a powerful sire like Peptoboonsmal (Peppy San Badger x Royal Blue Boon x Boon Bar) stays strong as his offspring carry on the legacy. These daddies remain at the forefront, even as times change.

The 1992 stallion, owned by Jackson Land and Cattle, Jackson Hole, Wyo., and bred by Larry Hall Cutting Horses, Weatherford, Texas, hit the cutting industry wide open in 1995 at the National Cutting Horse Association Futurity where he marked a 225 for the win. He amassed \$80,487 in the show pen during his derby year, at which time, he retired to stud.

His popularity as a sire boomed. According to **Equi-Stat**, between 1995 and 2008, he sired 679 performers. Some of his most successful performing offspring are 1998 mare Little Pepto Gal (Freckles O Lena x Doc O'Lena) and 2001 stallion One Time Pepto (One Time Soon x Smart Little Lena).

Both with **Equi-Stat** records exceeding \$300,000, Peptoboonsmal's top

Peptoboonsmal's Top Performers

Horse	Earnings
Little Pepto Gal	\$526,229
Copaspepto	\$465,472
One Time Pepto	\$331,097
Peptos Stylish Miss	\$305,712
Boon Too Suen	\$261,641
Freckles Lena Boon	\$259,818
Sweet Lil Pepto	\$237,783
Miss Stylish Pepto	\$226,138
Boonsmal Doctress	\$216,193
Swingin Star Pepto	\$210,581

Total Performers 679
Total Offspring Earnings \$18,795,916

performers became top sires and dams over time. As a dam, Little Pepto Gal has foaled eight performers that have earned nearly \$276,000. One Time Pepto has produced 125 performers that have garnered more than \$2.1 million.

Another son of the great Peptoboonsmal, Hes A Peptospoonful (Miss Smarty Rey x Smart Little Lena) spent less time in the cutting pen than some of his siblings, earning \$72,951 toward his record, but the late 1998 stallion produced 207 money-earners with a combined **Equi-Stat** record of more than \$3.6 million.

It has been difficult for Peptoboonsmal to keep up with his thriving and prepotent offspring, but at the Arbuckle



Peptoboonsmal has sired hundreds of successful get, but he refuses to move into the grandsire column just yet.

—Photo by John Brasseaux

Mountain Futurity in Ardmore, Okla., Once In A Blu Boon (Autumn Boon x Dual Pep) brought his daddy back into the spotlight. The 2008 stallion, owned by Charlotte Farms Inc., Rosston, Texas, and bred by the late Bill Freeman, marked a 223 and took the Championship title.

A few weeks later at the Pacific Coast Cutting Horse Association/Core Balance Derby Classic/Challenge in Paso Robles, Calif., Peptoboonsmal demanded attention again when his 2006 daughter Peptos Opus Cat (Opus Cat x High Brow Cat), owned by David and Lisa Anderson, Alberta, Canada, and bred by Wagonhound Land and Livestock, Douglas, Wyo., grabbed the Classic/Challenge Open title with a 228.

With these new additions to Peptoboonsmal's black-type, it looks like Boonsmal's still in style. —**KP**

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researches money earned within equine performance events and then enters this information into its database for use in producing statistical reports. These performance events include cutting, reining, reined cow horse as well as barrel racing, pleasure horse and ranch versatility. Equi-Stat's statistical information helps performance horse events present a more accurate picture of their particular event to entrants, breeders, owners and potential sponsors. For more information about Equi-Stat and what it might do for you, visit equistat.com.

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If you're an amateur photographer, you may want to enter the **2012 Foal Photo Contest**, to be judged by the **QHN** editorial staff. The winner of the contest will receive a one-page, four-color ad in an issue of **QHN** (to be used in 2012).

Submit:

- 1 color photo –jpg format
- Size – 300 DPI (at least 1 megabyte or 5x7 inches in size)
- Include the foal's name, pedigree (sire and dam), owner's name (including hometown) and the name of the photographer.
- Submission deadline: May 1, 2012.

Email digital images to newfoals@cowboypublishing.com or mail hard copy photos to: Cowboy Publishing Group, Attention: Jatona Sucamele, 2112 Montgomery Street Fort Worth, TX 76107.

FYI...

Heat Stress

Most of us know how to take care of ourselves in extreme heat, but do we know how to care for our horses? Even though most horses can function and take considerably more heat than most of us, the methods of measuring and monitoring the extreme heat for human safety are an equally important tool for monitoring the safety of our horses.

Here are some preventive measures you can use to protect your horse in extreme heat and also some emergency actions to use in case of a heat-related emergency.

Water. A major concern during extreme heat is water supply. A horse is no different than a human. In fact, having large amounts of clean, fresh water may be even more important for his body and intestinal tract's regularity than it is to our own.

Salt. A second concern is salt balance. Everyone knows we need salt in our diet, but perhaps not everyone realizes how important salt is to a horse. Salt blocks are a common source of salt for horses and cattle. But did you know there is a difference between the tongues of horses and tongues of cattle? A horse's tongue is softer and not quite as rough as a cow's tongue. Because of this difference, it may be more difficult for a horse to lick enough salt off a block to get the amount he needs. This is particularly true of horses who don't like to rub their tongues against the hard salt blocks. Loose, trace-mineralized salt may be given free choice.

Electrolytes. Another option in regard to salt balance is to supplement your horse with electrolyte powders or electrolyte mixes or pastes. Some pastes and mixes have a strawberry or orange flavor and are simple to use.

Select the flavor that your horse prefers and sprinkle it on his feed, usually twice a day.

Some owners prefer to give electrolyte solutions after a horse has performed, particularly if he has gone through a really strenuous performance and lost a lot of fluids.

Rations. Cutting down the amount of grain you feed during periods of unusual stress is another recommendation. The majority of horses hauled frequently (frequently is the key word here) do very well even when there is no change in their diet. You can restrict the amount of grain or remove the grain completely from a horse, all at once, but do not take it away for a day and then throw it back in front of him all of a sudden. It is recommended that you cut feed back to half-rations a couple of days after you get home before slowly starting to increase the grain until you reach a full ration.

Ventilation. The heat index provided for humans, taking into account both temperature and humidity, is just as important to your horse as it is to you. Horses can get used to heat and humidity. Even so, if you have spent any time in an enclosed trailer or stall, you realize the effect heat and humidity have on temperature and air quality in those areas.

Vents and windows can be opened in a horse trailer to increase air-flow. If a stall does not have adequate ventilation, you may need to hang a fan or maybe two – one in front of the stall and one at the top of the stall. It is also beneficial to get your horse out of the stall occasionally and into a cool breeze.

Work. Some horses can be worked in the hot sun for several hours and never have a problem. Whereas, a horse who may be less

conditioned to the heat or more sensitive to the heat – not necessarily in less condition, just more sensitive to the heat, or not in as good condition as other horses – only 30 to 45 minutes of hard riding, especially in deep sand or soft ground, can get the horse into trouble rapidly. The key to avoiding problems is to know your horse as an individual and be aware of his physical condition and capabilities.

Cooling Out. Walking your horse for about 8 to 10 minutes before you hose him after a hard workout is recommended. It usually takes approximately 20 to 30 minutes for a horse to get back to normal. During the cooling-out period, it is OK to give small amounts of water, but putting a horse back into a stall with full feed is not recommended. Each horse is different; you need to adapt what you do to fit your particular horse and his needs.

Heat Stress. The signs of heat stress usually come in a group or all at once. The horse's respiratory rate will usually increase until the respiratory rate is higher than the heart rate. One of the first signs a horse is heat-stressed is that the horse is so hot that he begins panting. A horse will also stop sweating or will not sweat as much as usual. The mucous membranes on the inside of the mouth will be dry and somewhat pasty. A horse may show signs of colic or intestinal cramping, and may even show some signs of tying up or muscle cramping along with it. If horses show these symptoms, they are showing signs of heat stress and need prompt veterinary care. Without veterinary care, some horses will go into shock and may not recover.

If your horse is heat-stressed, try to get the horse to drink an electrolyte solution or straight water – give small amounts slowly over a period of time. Hosing off a heat-stressed individual is also recommended to help the cooling down process. —*Sonnie Olin with Joe Noble, DVM*

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Digital Update

Pink Cherub

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Carmen Church, McMinnville, Ore., the daughter of Shawn and Stefanie Church, strikes a pose for show photographer John O'Hara as she helps unload her parents' horse trailer after arriving at the Cactus Reining Classic in Scottsdale, Ariz.

—Photo by John O'Hara



We had a heck of a field of horses. Anybody can win, any day. Anybody can.

— Russell Dilday, who finished as the Reserve Champion riding Pepinic Chex at the \$10,000-added Bridle Sweepstakes, held in conjunction with the 2012 National Stock Horse Association Classic in Red Bluff, Calif.



Dr. Tim Bartlett

Bartlett and Bluegrass

The Bluegrass Reining Stakes was held March 15-18 at Gordyville USA, Gifford, Ill. It was a first-class event where reiners remembered a first-class reiner in need.

Dr. Tim Bartlett, D.V.M., Vincennes, Ind., is in the National Reining Horse Association Hall of Fame, is a past NRHA president and a successful non-pro competitor. After the 2011 NRHA Futurity, he suffered a heart attack and stroke. He was hospitalized for months but is now recuperating at home. He is making progress, but he has not been able to work.

The Ohio Valley Reining Horse Association and the Gordyville staff organized a silent auction to support Tim and his wife, Kim. It was a huge success. Gordyville's Jody Quiram said, "People sent or brought items from all over. The generosity was just overwhelming. We made \$16,000! Kim and Tim were very touched." —PF

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Retro Perspective

Star Power

2012 Year in which the late Hollywood Dun It was inducted into the AQHA Hall of Fame.

\$7 Million Once his offspring earn another \$50,000 or so dollars, foals by Hollywood Dun It will have recorded this much in show winnings.

\$178,156 Amount posted by Hollywoodstinstown, the highest-earning offspring of Hollywood Dun It.

\$10,844,242 Total earnings of Hollywood Dun It's grandget, of which Wimpys Little Buddy (Wimpys Little Step x All Thats Dun x Hollywood Dun It) is the most successful with \$242,272 in reining winnings.

Hollywood Dun It —Photo by Cheryl Cody

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