Pa. Horse World Expo Debuts At Farm Show Complex

HARRISBURG (Dauphin Co.) — The Pennsylvania Horse World Expo debuted at the Farm Show Complex in Harrisburg from Friday, Feb. 28 through Sunday, March 2.

Horse World Expo was a huge public trade show for all things equine. Visitors came to see and meet horses of all breeds and types, learn everything from the basics of choosing your first horse to sophisticated training tips from international experts, refine their skills, and buy anything from a horse-themed lamp to a huge horse trailer.

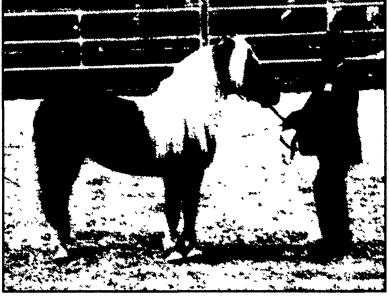
While this year marked the debut of the Horse World Expo in Pennsylvania, the event itself has a long history. Horse World Expo started in Maryland seven years ago, and two years ago expanded to central New Jersey. The producers of the event had been working to bring the Expo to Pennsylvania for four years.

"Tens of thousands of people come to our Expos every year,' said Denise Parsons, president of



This picture features the opening ceremony of the event, which is conducted at several venues throughout the year. Harrisburg's event was conducted Feb. 28 through March 2.

Equestrian Promotions, Inc., the company that produces the Expo. "We've wanted to produce an event in Pennsylvania for some time, and the Farm Show Complex with its renovations is truly ideal. It's designed for equestrian



Twenty-five different breeds of horses were at the expo including this Haflinger horse.

John Lyons, known for his gentle, natural horse training, conducted several seminars during the Pennsylvania World Horse Expo.

events, and we were able to present not just our seminars and breed demonstrations, but the outstanding Theatre Equus — A Musical Equine Review performances for two evenings.

Theatre Equus — A Musical Equine Review is like a Broadway theatrical event, only the actors were all horses. Featuring totally different horses and riders from the daytime seminars and presentations, Theatre Equus A Musical Equine Review brought performers from

methods to different seminars every day. Trainers in every discipline presented lectures and demonstrations, and the Pennsylvania Equine Council revealed the economic impact of equestrian activities in the state.

across the U.S. ranging from An-

dalusian horses to trick riders together into a two-hour show.

Expo offered something for everyone from the casual visitor to

the industry professional. One of

the attractions of the Expo was

the vast array of vendors, clini-

cians, horses, breeders, and in-

dustry professionals all gathered

in one place. Especially for peo-

ple just starting to get interested

in horses, the Expo offered a rare

chance to compare things side by

side and learn from international

The speakers and seminars

were one of the hallmarks of the

Horse World Expos. John Lyons,

perhaps America's formost au-

thority on gentle, natural horse

training, brought his renowned

experts.

In addition the Horse World



British Rare Breeds On Parade Exhibit Coming To Ky.

LEXINGTON, Ky. — The American Livestock Breeds Conservancy (ALBC) has been invited by the Kentucky Horse Park to put on a three-day live exhibition of British rare equine breeds in conjunction with the Park's International Museum of the Horse to complement their new international exhibit "All the Queen's Horses", which will explore the rich equestrian heritage of Britain.

Twelve breeds will be represented. Horses included are: Cleveland Bay, Clydesdale, Hackney Horse, Irish Draught, Shire, and the Suffolk Punch.

Ponies included are: Dales, Dartmoor, Eriskay (information-al only), Exmoor, Fell, and the Highland.

These breeds will be on exhibit in the Kentucky Horse Park's historic "Big Barn" built in 1897, one of the largest wooden barns in North America.

This rare collection of equines will also be highlighted in the Park's Breeds Barn Arena and the Hall of Champions in parades and demonstrations beginning with an instructional British Rare Breed show open competition on Friday, June 20.

The show will be judged by two well-known British judges and authors, Clive Richardson and Sue Millard.

ALBC will preside over a 3-day schedule of lectures and clinics designed to promote rare British breeds with an emphasis on education and conservation.

Visitors will have the chance to browse the exhibit's information tables and booths, talk with breeders, and see an unprecedented display of endangered British horses and ponies while exploring the possibility of participating in their conservation.

For more information, photos, or article opportunities related to this event, please contact Victoria Tollman, Volunteer Equinc Coordinator, Fellpony@access-4-free.com, PO Box 24, Cottage Grove, OR 97424 USA, (541) 998-3234.

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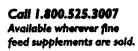
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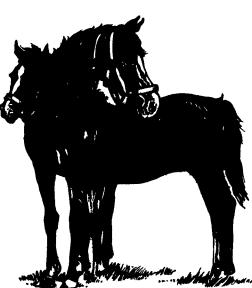
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