



*Where Success Begins*

## Happy New Year!

We are excited to bring in 2010 with great expectations. We feel we have one of the strongest stallion line ups in the country and strive to exceed your expectations with our reproductive services, facilities and customer service. Have a wonderful and blessed New Year!

## Deals, Deals and More Deals!

With our tough economy, many mare owners are shopping for considerations and price reductions. In order to assist the mare owner with their breeding endeavors we have included the first shipment of cooled semen with each paid stud fee and we have no mare management fees for mares that come to the farm for breeding. ALL stallions are offering a \$250 discount for returning customers as well as a \$250 discount for additional mares booked to the same stallion! We have listed below any additional concessions or deals offered from the stallions that stand at our facility. Some are time sensitive and some stallions have limited books, so act fast!

### **Absolute Asset**

First to Book (book by 1/31/10)	\$1125
Congress or World Champion or Producer	\$625

### **Absolute Investment**

First to Book (book by 1/31/10)	\$2250
Congress or World Champion or Producer	\$1250

### **Certain Potential**

Congress or World Champion or Producer	\$2500
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### **Hot Diggity Joe**

Free breeding to Congress or World Champions or Producer (\$600 chute fee payable)	
Congress or World Show Finalist	\$1000
Congress or World Show Finalist Producer	\$1000

### **Huntin For Chocolate**

Congress or World Champion or Producer	\$1000
Superior Earner or Producer	\$1750

### **Invest N Vital Signs**

Congress or World Champion or Producer	\$1250
Resv. Congress or World Champion or Producer	\$1250
Reichert Champion or Producer	\$1250
Paint Mares	\$1750

### **Iron Age**

Free breeding to Congress or World Champions or Producer (\$600 chute fee payable)	
Paint Mares	\$1000
Superior Earner or Producer	\$750

### **No Doubt Im Lazy**

Free breeding to Congress or World Champions or Producer (\$600 chute fee payable)	
Congress or World Show Finalist	\$875
Congress or World Show Finalist Producer	\$875
Superior Earner or Producer	\$1250

### **Only In the Moonlite**

Congress or World Champion or Producer \$1250

**These Irons Are Hot**

Congress or World Champion or Producer \$1000

Superior Earner or Producer \$1500

Paint Mares (enrolled in APHA Breeders Trust) \$1350

**VS Code Red**

Congress or World Champion or Producer \$1250

Resv. Congress or World Champion or Producer \$1250

Reichert Champion or Producer \$1250

Paint Mares (enrolled in APHA Breeders Trust) \$1750

\*NOTE: All discounts apply to AQHA classes only and limited to Western Pleasure, Hunter Under Saddle and Lunge Line.  
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**Seaside Farm, LP is pleased to announce the purchase of These Irons Are Hot**



These Irons Are Hot (“Dexter”) is a Congress Champion in the prestigious 3-year-old Hunter Under Saddle Open Futurity. He has earned 123 performance points earning him the 2004 High Point Open HUS stallions as well as the NSBA High Point 3 Year Old HUS horse. He was 3 rd in the AQHA Select Amateur HUS in 2006 with De De Shaw.

His first two foal crops are showing and the results are incredible. Champions in nearly every major futurity: Tom Powers, The Southern Belle, Virginia, NSBA Breeders Cup plus the prestigious 3 year old Open Hunter Under Saddle Futurity. He also had a Congress Champion in the very competitive Junior Hunter Under Saddle class with These Irons R Dancin and Trish Yamber. He also had a Reserve Champion in the Congress 2 year old HUS Masters class with The Ultimate Gift and Nancy Sue Ryan. There were also several other top 10 finishes in the 2009 Quarter Horse Congress. However, we feel the best is yet to come for this young stallion.

Seaside Farm, LP owns the junior stallion, Iron Age, which is expecting his first foal crop in 2010. The opportunity to purchase such a strong established senior stallion complemented their young program perfectly. Larry, Carol and Adria Smith are excited to have two exceptional HUS stallions to not only cross their broodmare band on but to market as well. It was too great of an opportunity to pass up!

These Irons Are Hot (HYPP N/N) will continue to stand in 2010 at Gumz Farms in Morganfield, Kentucky and his stud fee will remain unchanged at \$2,000.00 which includes the first shipment of domestic cooled semen.

**Nutrition of the Broodmare – Laying the Foundation for Sound Growth**

*Courtesy of Kentucky Equine Research*



***Developmental orthopedic disease can rob a young horse of its future as a sound athlete.***

***Each year the consequences of diseases such as osteochondritis dissecans and physitis render hundreds, maybe thousands, of young horses structurally inadequate for the work they were bred to do. Researchers have found that appropriate nutrition of the gestating mare lays the foundation for proper bone development in the foal, thus sidestepping developmental problems and possible unsoundness.***

The nutritional requirements of a broodmare can be divided into three

stages based on stage of production. The first stage begins at conception and lasts through approximately the first seven months of gestation. Barren mares and pregnant mares without sucklings by their sides fit into this category. The second stage encompasses the last trimester of pregnancy, which is from around seven months of pregnancy through foaling. The final stage is lactation, a period that lasts four to six months after foaling. The most common mistakes made in feeding broodmares are overfeeding during early pregnancy and underfeeding during lactation.

**Early pregnancy.** Proper feeding during pregnancy requires an understanding of how the fetus develops during gestation. Contrary to popular belief, the fetus does not grow at a constant rate throughout the entire 11 months of pregnancy. The fetus is small during the first five months of pregnancy. Even at seven months of pregnancy, the fetus is only about 20% of its weight at birth. Because this equals less than 2% of the mare's weight, the fetus's nutrient requirements are minuscule compared with the mare's own maintenance requirements. Therefore, the mare can be fed essentially the same as if she were not pregnant. Mare owners often increase feed intake after the mare is pronounced in foal, reasoning that she is now "eating for two." Increased feeding is unnecessary and may lead to obesity and foaling difficulties, especially if the mare has access to high-quality pasture during early pregnancy. Because of the high-quality forage available, many mares in Kentucky do well on forage and a low-intake ration balancer.<sup>1</sup>

**Late pregnancy.** The fetus begins to develop rapidly after seven months of pregnancy, and its nutrient requirements become significantly greater than the mare's maintenance requirements; therefore, adjustments should be made to the mare's diet. Digestible energy (caloric) requirements only increase about 15% over early pregnancy. Protein and mineral requirements increase to a greater extent. This is because the fetal tissue being synthesized during this time is quite high in protein, calcium, and phosphorus. Trace mineral supplementation is also critical during this period because the fetus stores iron, zinc, copper, and manganese in its liver for use after it is born. The fetus has developed this nutritional strategy of storing trace minerals during pregnancy because mare's milk is quite low in these elements.

New Zealand researchers studied the effect of copper supplementation on the incidence of developmental orthopedic disease in Thoroughbred foals. Pregnant mares were divided into either copper-supplemented or control groups. Copper supplementation of mares was associated with a significant reduction in the occurrence of Physitis (inflammation of the bone growth plates) of foals at 150 days of age. A significantly lower incidence of articular cartilage lesions occurred in foals from supplemented mares. However, copper supplementation of the foals had no significant effect on the severity of developmental orthopedic disease.

Because broodmares in late pregnancy have increased nutrient requirements, often in excess of their increased caloric requirements, appropriate feeds for late pregnant mares have higher concentrations of protein, minerals, and vitamins. When fed at recommended amounts (typically a minimum of six pounds per day) in combination with 1-2% of the mare's body weight in good-quality forage, traditional broodmare formulas successfully provide for the nutrient needs of the mare and developing fetus.

Mares in late pregnancy are often overfed energy in an attempt to supply adequate protein and minerals to the developing foal. Excessive body condition (obesity) in pregnant mares can predispose foals to growth and metabolic problems. If the pregnant mare becomes fat during late gestation (or maintains her weight easily on less than the recommended amount of a broodmare formula), she should be switched to a feed that is more concentrated in protein and minerals so that less can be fed per day.<sup>1</sup> This will restrict her energy intake while ensuring that she receives adequate quantities of other key nutrients.

Managing broodmares so they are maintained in a moderate body condition and ensuring they receive the appropriate amount and ratios of key nutrients during pregnancy are simple steps that can reduce the risk of developmental orthopedic disease in the foal. When combined with proper nutrition and management of the young horse, the chances of producing a healthy, sound athlete are greatly improved.



<sup>1</sup>[Ration balancer pellets](#) are an appropriate low-intake feed for broodmares. Click on the link for more information.



**Foaling has begun at Gumz Farms.** We have had two fillies so far with many yet to come. We still have space available in our state of the art foaling center. Reservation forms are available on line at [www.gumzfarms.com](http://www.gumzfarms.com). Come Join Us!

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