

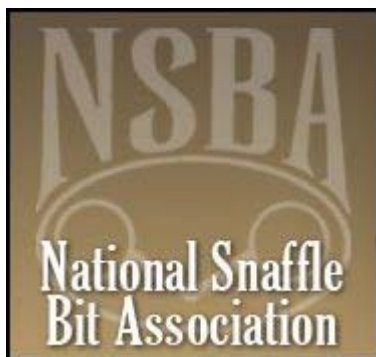


**Welcome to Gumz Farms - A Scenic Impulse.** Congratulations to Darol and Karen Rodrock on the purchase of A Scenic Impulse. This young impressive stallion was the winner of the **REICHERT CELEBRATION CHAMPION** of the \$90,000 Equine Chronicle Color Classic 2004. He is already a world champion sire & Sire of the 2009 REICHERT CELEBRATION Equine Chronicle Color Classic champion. We are excited to have him at Gumz Farms and are looking forward to some great promotional programs with Lloyd and the Rodrock Ride to Riches Program.



**Congratulations VS Code Red** on winning the 2 year old Non Pro Western Pleasure NSBA High Point award. Kristen Glover Galyean and VS Code Red (Waylon) had an amazing Congress in 2009 and this great award shows it! VS Code Red was booked full this year and we are taking bookings for 2011. He will be returning home soon to start his exciting career in Western Riding. Watch for Him!

## Congratulations on these other 2009 NSBA High Point Winners



sired by some of the stallions standing at Gumz Farms.

**These Irons R Dancing** - winner of the 3 Year Old Open HUS and the Junior HUS - sired by These Irons Are Hot

**Certain Kinda Look** - winner of the 3 Year Old Non Pro HUS - sired by Certain Potential

**A Certain Vino** - winner of the Maturity Non Pro Western Pleasure and Youth Western Pleasure - sired by Certain Potential

**Mostly Chocolate** - winner of the 50+ Over Trail - sired by Huntin For

Chocolate



**Sad Good Byes to Pine Interest** as he leaves Gumz Farms. Pine Interest, Multiple Congress Champion sire, moves to Indiana. He has been acquired by Lisa Pryor which will stand him at her Central Indiana farm. Best of Luck and we will miss you Forrest!

## Coming in 2010

Watch for No Doubt Im Lazy and VS Code Red to return to the major shows this fall! This was a great first season for both stallions but they are returning to the show pen to continue on their impressive show career. We are sure great things will come their way!



**International News** - We have semen available for European Breeders on the following stallions: Certain Potential, Iron Age, Only In the Moonlite, Huntin For Chocolate, Absolute Asset, VS Code Red, Invest N Vital Signs, Absolute Investment, Hot Diggity Joe, and No Doubt Im Lazy. We will be adding A Scenic Impulse to this list later this fall. Several of these stallions are enrolled in the lucrative DQHA futurity. Check our website for more information.



The breeding season "Down Under" will be starting soon. We have the following stallions in storage in Australia or shipping in August: VS Code Red, No Doubt Im Lazy, Absolute Investment, Iron Age, Certain Potential, Hot Diggity Joe, and Huntin For Chocolate. This semen is available through International Horse Breeders. Visit their website at [www.ihb.com.au](http://www.ihb.com.au).



**Congratulations...** to Alan Head of New Zealand on the purchase of Shesa Little Radical and her 2010 filly by Huntin For Chocolate. Also congratulations to Kathy Venema of Wisconsin on her purchase of Goodnite Moon - a beautiful buckskin filly sired by Only In The Moonlite. We are excited to watch for their progress!

**Babies, babies and more babies-** Our foaling season is finally over and we had the privilege to see some amazing foals. We have a very strong group of weanlings available at our farm. These foals are sired by many of the stallions standing at our farm and are all KyBIP enrolled.



## **GLUCOSE INTOLERANCE AND DEVELOPMENTAL ORTHOPEDIC DISEASE IN FOALS-A CONNECTION?**

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Large foals that are growing rapidly are considered to be at increased risk of developmental orthopedic disease (DOD). A multifactorial problem, DOD includes problems such as osteochondritis dissecans (OCD), epiphysitis, flexural and angular limb deformities and perhaps wobbler syndrome (McIlwraith et al. 1991; Jeffcott, 1991; Jeffcott, 1996). Of these, OCD is probably the biggest problem in the equine industry in terms of lost revenue (Jeffcott, 1996). Genetics, nutrition and exercise all play a role in the incidence of DOD in horses. Recently a connection between high insulin concentrations, especially after feeding a meal of concentrates, and OCD has been reported (Ralston, 1996; Ralston et al., 1998). In this paper I will explore both the old and new theories regarding the causes of DOD and

OCD in foals and provide recommendations, based on the most recent information, for feeding young horses.

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