

Tack Room Talk



Old West Ranches Plan Horse Sales

Two historic ranches synonymous with the Old West – Haythorn Land & Cattle, 17 miles north of Ogallala, Neb., and Wagonhound Land & Livestock in Douglas, Wyo. – will be offering major horse sales later this year.

Haythorn Land & Cattle Co., which dates to 1884, is conducting its last public auction to be held at the ranch Aug. 30-31. And Sept. 7, Wagonhound Land & Livestock will hold a production sale featuring approximately 100 head of broke ranch geldings, broodmares, 2-year-olds, yearlings and weanling Quarter Horses. A preview will be held Sept. 6.

At Haythorn Land & Cattle, winner of the inaugural American Quarter Horse Association's (AQHA) Best Remuda Award in 1992, drought

conditions have contributed to the decision to sell 185 Quarter Horses, ranch officials said.

The first session of the sale will be held Aug. 30, following the ninth annual Waldo Haythorn Futurity. The grandson of Haythorn Ranch founder Harry Haythornthwaite, Waldo Haythorn was inducted into the AQHA Hall of Fame in 2002. The futurity will feature Haythorn-bred 3-year-olds competing for their share of \$10,000 in prize money in conformation, reining, cow work and roping classes.

On Aug. 31, a preview of 50 finished ranch geldings will be held, and the remaining horses will be auctioned. The Aug. 30-31 sale will feature 40 to 45 broodmares, 2-year-olds, yearlings and weanlings eligible for the AQHA Ranching Heritage Challenge. In addition, 10 to 15 of the ranch's best stallions will also be offered at the sale.

A list of horses in the auction can be found at www.haythorn.com. For more information on the Aug. 30-31 Haythorn Figure Four Finale and to request a sale catalog, contact Loriann Lindner at 605-881-2827 or the ranch office at 308-355-4000.

Wagonhound's remuda comes from championship stock including its own National Cutting Horse Association (NCHA) Futurity and Derby Champion Little Tenina and 2006 NCHA World Champion WR This Cats Smart.

"After several years of building our remuda with some of the top bloodlines in the equine industry and campaigning our homebreds, we are ready to offer some of the top horses from our remuda in our first production sale," said Wagonhound Land & Livestock owner Art Nicholas.

Haythorn Land & Cattle has not forgotten its 19th-century roots in Nebraska. —Photo courtesy

of Haythorn Land & Cattle

Wagonhound Land & Livestock will sell 100 head of Quarter Horses and 100 head of Red Angus heifers in September in its first production sale. —Photo courtesy of Wagonhound Land

& Livestock



Drought has contributed to the decision at Haythorn Land and Cattle to sell 185 of its Quarter Horses in late August. —Photo courtesy of

Haythorn Land & Cattle

In addition to the 100 head of Quarter Horses, approximately 100 head of bred Red Angus commercial heifers will be offered at auction Sept. 7. These 100 top females will be chosen from the 200,000-acre ranch's foundation 2,500-head herd.

All horse and cattle buyers at the sale will be eligible for a drawing to win one of three Tim Cox prints. As an added bonus, a custom Cary Schwarz saddle will be presented to the winner of a drawing among the top 10 buyers determined by total sales on all horses purchased.

The sale catalog will be available to view at www.wagonhound.com, and copies will also be available by mail. To request a catalog by mail, send name and mailing address to sale@wagonhound.com or fill out the online form at www.wagonhound.com. ★

