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Special points of interest:

- New Arrivals for 2002
- News from Lac La Croix First Nations
- Lac La Croix (Indian) Ponies in print and on air
- Research—past, present and future.
- Breed stats—are they necessary?
- Lots of baby pictures



Ishquane - colt
[ISH-kwa-NEIGH]
23 June 2002
Smokey x Westly



Kijikabato ("Strider")
Black colt—9 May 2002
Fortune's Chance x Sunigo

The Pony Express

It's finally arrived!!

Well folks! You probably thought it would never happen but here it is the FIRST Lac La Croix (Indian) Pony Newsletter. As we grow and develop, the content should get better and better, but for now—it sure is a learning experience.

In this first issue, I'd like to share with you all the new births for 2002 and photos of the babies. I feel this "new generation" (and every new generation to come) to be extremely important in the goal we are trying to achieve. So in keeping with the 'arrival' of your first newsletter, let's share all the other "arrivals".

Kicking the spring off to a great start was the arrival of Mattawa—a fine-looking stud colt born May 2nd out of Anoong and Little Man. Following Mattawa was Gii-Pi-Izhah (meaning—'to us by Surprise') [pronounced Gee Pish ooo awe—emphasis on PISH] who was very literally a surprise as no one knew the pony was pregnant. "Surprise", a filly, was

born May 5th out of Joniia Agawate (her first foal) and Waawaatesi (his first foal on the ground)—yet to be confirmed by DNA. May 9th saw the birth of Kijikabato (I run fast) or "Strider", as we call him, out of Fortune's Chance and Sunigo (also a first foal to both of them).

Meegwahn produced her first foal, a filly, on May 14th out of Ogima called Manitowiwin ("character of spirit). Two days later, on May 16th, Tugwaughi produced another beautiful filly, Seneca, out of Little Man.

After a break of a few weeks, Java gave birth to a chestnut filly, Keche Nodin (Great Wind) out of Ahneen on June 10th.

Two weeks later, on June 23rd, Smokey foaled a robust colt, Ishquane (I remain/survive) out of Westly (his first son on the ground).

Ironically, on July 1st, Gaia gave birth to another colt



Keche Nodin ("Great Wind")
Chestnut Filly— 10 June 2002
Java x Ahneen

in Minnesota out of Menomen.

As of this writing, that leaves only Miskwah Neemee-win, Neebin and Bebon who have not foaled yet.

All in all, a very good year. It is especially comforting seeing the younger animals starting to foal now.

Stud colt—1 July 2002
Gaia x Menomen
Sorry—no photo available

Breed Statistics

Ongoing, with the 'historical' research, is the information gathering of the animals we are currently working with. As part of the establishment of this breed, we are recording a lot of information that may be useful and/or required in the future.

Some of these

things are: the height of the canon bones to help determine adult height, foaling histories (particularly difficult deliveries, aborted fetuses, non-conception rates etc.), foal colours at various ages are being monitored. (accompanied by photo's were possible).

It would be very helpful if everybody involved took a moment or two (when appropriate) and recorded this type of information for the database. Are you the type that does not like record-keeping? - then just phone me or email me the information and I'll record it for you.