

Iowa's Reedannland a 'working' farm

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Top: Lady Phi

Bottom: Reedann's Whispering Leaves (CH Talk Of The Town x Baci by Our Magic Memory). Kelly Freeman, up.

Reedannland is a working farm where over 400 acres are dedicated to breeding, raising, training and sales of American Saddlebred horses and Hackney ponies.

Located in central Iowa, it is just minutes away from the Des Moines, Iowa International Airport.

The breeding facility is home to several well-pedigreed and good individual stallions headed by WC and WC-producer Phi Slama Jama. The battery of stallions that backs him include WC-producer Reedann's Top Gun and Number One Man. Haven's Hero is a recent addition to the stallion battery. He is the sire of the winning gaited horses Midnight Hero and Hero's Jumpin Jack Flash.

The Hackey pony stallion Truly Yours is fast becoming popular as a sire of extremely long-necked and high-headed Hackney ponies.

Most of the breeding is done with artificial insemination and transported semen. However, live cover is also available and used frequently.

The breeding staff includes stallion manager Dave Spieker, who has been with Reedannland over 20 years. Candy Henely, the very capable secretary, handles to phone, billing and breeding records.

The training barn is a separate facility and the personnel who do the training do not work with the breeding animals. There are 45 stalls and a 240' by 60' indoor arena, all heated and kept at 45 degrees during the winter. Part of the stalls are filled with customer horses and the rest are the horses being readied for show and sale that belong to Reedannland.

Three trainers work five and a half days a week with the horses in training. Rob Kritzler and Kelly Freeman train all the saddle animals while Jaime Medina, along with owner Dr. Alan Raun, start the colts and do the harness work.

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