

CH Sensational Princess 79707



Sensational Princess was bred by John Oman III of Oman Stables of Franklin, Tennessee and foaled late in the summer of 1960. She was a chestnut mare adorned with a large white star. Sired by the great Oman's Desdemona Denmark, her dam was The Supreme Sensation by The Supreme Ace and she was originally registered as Sensation's Princess. She sold for the first time in 1960 at the dispersal of Oman Stables' horses which was due to the untimely death of John Oman.

A few years later, Sally Jo Lockwood was visiting a friend in South Carolina when they decided to stop by a Saddlebred barn and watch some horses work. One of them was Sensation's Princess, not quite 4 years old at the time, but making an impression nonetheless. The next step was for Sally Jo's trainer, Lloyd Teater to see the mare. Sally Jo had the opportunity to ride the mare, Mr. Teater liked what he saw, and Sensation's Princess was purchased in the spring of 1964 by Pratense Farms. The mare made great progress and matured to nearly 16 hands. She had wonderful confirmation with a lovely head and neck, and she

bloomed when she hit the show ring. In September that year at the Kentucky State Fair, the pair won their first two World's Championship titles in the Five Gaited Amateur division, showing under the name Sally Jo gave her, Sensational Princess.

Also in 1964, Sally Jo became Mrs. Paul Briney, so the following spring Sensational Princess was sold to Burning Tree Farm, to be shown by young Randi Stuart. Now trained by Helen Crabtree, the new pair was sensational, and pretty much unstoppable. Over the next five show seasons, they won nine World's Champion classes in the Jr Exhibitor, Ladies and Amateur divisions. At that time, Sensational Princess held more amateur-shown World's Championships than any horse in history, eleven in all.

Her record of World Champion wins in six show seasons from 1964 to 1969:

- 1964 World's Champion Amateur Five-Gaited Mare and Amateur Champion
- 1965 World's Jr Exhibitor Five-Gaited Champion and Ladies' Five-Gaited Champion
- 1966 World's Champion Amateur Five-Gaited Mare and Amateur Champion
- 1967 World's Champion Amateur Five-Gaited Mare and Amateur Champion
- 1968 World's Champion Amateur Five-Gaited Mare and Amateur Champion
- 1969 World's Ladies' Five-Gaited Champion

Sensational Princess was sold for a final time in 1970, but unfortunately passed away at the height of her career. It was a tragic loss to the Saddlebred show world, and even sadder to think that this wonderful mare never produced any foals to carry on her legacy of beauty and precision. It is interesting to note that the 5th dam of Sensational Princess was another great five-gaited mare, WGC CH Edna May BHF.

