

the mare **Goldsworthy** F131; **Skeezix**, the sire of **Chief Crazy Horse** T957; and others. As mentioned above, most of his offspring didn't get registered, as the appaloosa Club didn't start until 1938.

Sundance F-500 (Daylight x Cheeco (or Chico) by Bay TB by Sands of Time x Mustang-type) Chestnut spots, a grandson of Starbuck Leopard; born May 1932.

Because of the Sundance 500 Breeders Assn., Sundance's history is well documented, so most of this is quoted from the Biography in the January 1997 Sundance Newsletter.

According to Phil Jenkins, Sundance was foaled high on a mountain on the north side of Horseshoe Park, about ten miles west of Estes Park, CO, the middle of May, 1932. His dam, Cheeco, was a true mustang type about 14.2 hh and 800 pounds, from a band of wild horses from the Four Corners area. She was black with even darker black spots. Jenkins felt that she was "still pure Conquistador-Spanish."

In 1931, Jenkins pastured his mares on the Doride Ranch east of Kersey, CO in the Sandhills along with some of Chas. Cummings' mares and his good leopard stallion **Daylight**. This cross produced Sundance.

Sundance matured to 15 hh, 1000 pounds, with speed and intelligence. And, the prepotency to pass all of his good traits on to his get, as well as the spots on a large percentage of his foals.

Excerpting from a 1972 letter from Phil Jenkins: "The mortgage on the ranch at Orchard was paid off by the sale of colts sired by Sundance, together with a lot of elbow



Peggy Davis on SUNDANCE F500 at Veterans Memorial Park, Grand Junction, Colorado, July 17, 1949 at 17 years old.

grease. We retained twenty head of Sundance mares, and then sold Sundance as a rehabilitation stallion to an agency of the government and John Whisanad of Orchard. Several years later, Sundance was sold to a horse rancher near Fort Morgan (Doc Edwards)."

Sundance is the base line of the "Sully" horses and the "Patchy Jr." line, in fact the Sundance blood is very evident in a great many quality Appaloosas today! Sundance sired many outstanding get but only 13 were registered with the ApHC.

A couple of notable sons of Sundance were **Black Leopard** F1569 (double-bred Sundance) and **Woodrow Shiek** F502, who sired **Bambi E** F2497, which became the "Sully" line, named for the county in South Dakota where the

Lee Warne Ranch was located. Possibly one of the strongest Sundance "heirs" was **Leopard Lady** F167, by Sundance. Some of her outstanding produce were: **Patchy**

Jr. F1380, a non-leopard who sired **Shavano** F1679 and **Patchy Yamini** F1907, who sired 101 registered foals spanning from 1961 through 1976; and **Bald Eagle** F1907. Another daughter of Sundance was **Appal-Dolly**, unregistered but later proven to be by Sundance, produced the prolific leopard stallion **Sonsecray** F3295.

The leopard-producing mare **P.V.F.'s Butterfly** F3486 was the mother of **Bambi E.**

F2497. She was a chestnut leopard whose sire was a "chestnut leopard of unknown ancestry," but it should be noted that in the tales about John Starbuck, he found some of his stolen mares bred to Leopard, it would seem logical that Butterfly's sire may have been a son of Starbuck's Leopard. As mentioned above, **Bambi E's** sire was **Woodrow Shiek** F502, by **Sundance**. This probable concentration of Starbuck Leopard could



BAMBI E F-2497

Sources: Sundance "500" Newsletters, including the 1991-92 Stallion Directory "The Story of Sundance" by Mary Manley and the "Biography of Sundance" by Phil Jenkins..