



2020 SUMMER ICHO GAZETTE

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Hello ICHO members and friends! In this quarterly ICHO Gazette, we have a delightful step back in time to Eureka, Nevada, on the Andy Pastorino Sr. ranch named The Hay Ranch. Andy's granddaughter, Marjie Pastorino, brings the turn of the century alive as she relates her grandfather's experience living on The Hay Ranch in the early 1900's. This is one of the earliest experiences we have heard of with a Eureka, Nevada curly! Marjie's grandfather, literally, had a hands-on experience raising one of the first sighted and then rescued curly foals in the area. She relates what she was told by her grandfather about "Curly's" discovery and hand-rearing, and the bittersweet release back into the desert.

The office has been busy as usual, despite Covid19 looming in our world, with registrations, meetings, a new method to organize pedigrees and serving you, our members. Please check out www.ichocurlyhorses.com to see what is new in Curly pony and miniature designations and categories. Now Curly ponies and minis can have their height qualifications recognized and a certificate to attach to their registration!

The ICHO electronic AGM will be held at 1pm Saturday Oct. 3, 2020 until Sunday Oct. 4, 2020 at midnight. Please pop-in to join us anytime or to add to the agenda.

Sincerely, Joan Henning, ICHO President and Mocha Baby Twist "Babydoll", ICHO #1222-D



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GAZETTE AD DEADLINE

We now have a new Gazette ad deadline schedule for submitting ads as follows:

WINTER: Dec 15

SPRING: Mar 15

SUMMER: June 15

FALL: Sept 15

Ads that are received after the deadline will be run in the next following issue. Payments must also be made before the deadline. All ads and payment must be sent to the office. Thanks!

ARTICLES- We are always looking for interesting articles for the Gazette. The article could be about training, health tips, an interesting story about a Curly or anything of interest horse related. Please send all articles to the office before the deadlines. Awaken the writer within you!

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ICHO now offers DNA testing for:

Ancestral only TX A&M	\$25.00
Parentage Only U of KY	\$30.00
CA- (Cerebellar Abiotrophy) VetGen	\$35.00
Genetic DNA Panel Testing	\$99.00

Visit the website for more info or contact the office.



GAZETTE SCHEDULE

- ❄️ **WINTER February**
- 🌱 **SPRING May**
- ☀️ **SUMMER August**
- 🍂 **FALL November**

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Ad & Payment Deadlines:

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Gazette Ad Specials!

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All color Ads at Black and White Prices! All Gaz Color Ad fees reduced!!

Full Page Color \$40.00, 1/2 Pg Color \$20.00, 1/4 Pg Color \$10.00, Classified \$10.00

Submitting ads: *Pay for ads online on our webpage– <http://ichocurlyhorses.org>

All ads must be copy ready in word doc format or jpg, png. Since we have reduced our prices we need the ads in ready to print format. For photos png is preferred since it has the best resolution. We can no longer accept pdf format because it does not insert clearly for the Gazette editing process.

All Ads must be sent to the office with payment. Ads also appear on the ICHO webpage.

Thanks! office@curlyhorses.org

Gazette editor– Joan Henning





New CURLY PONY Category for all ICHO/NACHR registered Curlies that qualify with a Height Requirement. Just fill out the application found here to apply. Type in the form, measure your pony and you can email the form to the office office@curlyhorses.org after printing and scanning or print to PDF or postal mail. The Fee is \$5.00. You will be sent a Card from the office denoting your Ponies Category. Ponies that qualify will be listed in our Curly Pony Category Listing found on this webpage. This a great way to showcase your Curly Ponies and give them the recognition they deserve in the Wonderful World of Curlies.



ICHO/NACHR CURLY PONY

Background- Breeders have bred a variety of Curlies to other pony breeds through the years. One of the earliest breeders were the McKays who bred Curly Jim line Curlies, they maybe gaited. Johnny Brooks also bred Walker's Prince T to ponies. Many Curly ponies carry Shetland or other pony breeds in their pedigrees. Ponies carry KRT25 or SP6 Curly coat genes depending on the Curly lines they were bred to. The Small size A Curlies are suitable for children and driving and the Large size B for both riding & driving even for adults. Curly ponies are hypoallergenic for many allergy sufferers.

CURLY

By Marjie Pastorino

Below is a story shared by Marjie Pastorino. Marjie's Curly feature is based on stories that her grandfather (born in 1894), and her father and mother told her about life on the ranch in the 1920's. Her grandfather said his curly mustang was the best horse he ever had! These stories are written by Marjie, who was born on the Hay Ranch out of Eureka, Nevada in 1940, from stories her grandfather told her and it is written in his memory. Marjie's grandfather was a good friend of Peter and Loraine Damele Sr. and they were actually Marjie's godparents. After selling the ranch, the family moved to Yerington, NV.

The Pastorino family that were living on the ranch...

**Andrew and Lena Pastorino, grandparents*

**Andrew Pastorino Jr., uncle*

**Henry and Irene Pastorino, Marjie's parents*

**Theodore Pastorino, uncle*

I grew up on a cattle ranch in northern Nevada in the early 20th Century, not far from the town of Eureka. It was a wonderful but hard-working life. On a cattle ranch, the work is sun up to sun down, with no grumbling or complaining. It was simply a fact of life.

The ranch was a family endeavor, consisting of my grandparents, my parents, and my dad's two younger brothers. We lived together in a large old ranch house, except for my uncles, who slept in the "bunkhouse" by the barn.



Above is Andy Pastorino, Marjie Pastorino's grandfather. Marjie says, "This picture is a copy of my grandfather sitting on a horse but not sure if it was the Curly mustang or not. This is Andy Pastorino, Sr."

This is definitely a Curly in my opinion! I especially like the expression on Henry's face, so full of youthful exuberance and determination, looking like a fun-loving lad! What handsome chaps he has on too, astride a well mannered Curly horse. -Joan Henning, President of ICHD and editor.

Mustangs were prevalent then and roamed wild and free on the sagebrush range. When more horses were needed to operate the ranch, the men would lasso a couple of mustangs and bring them back to the ranch to saddle break them. As a young girl, that was fun to watch. It took some doing and a world of patience.

There had been some talk among the ranchers about seeing mustangs with curly coats, manes and tails. But most people "pooh poohed" it, saying they were seeing things. That wasn't good enough for my grandfather and my dad. So they set out on a campout to see if they could find one. They returned after a few days and joined the others saying it was just a myth.

About a year passed (approximately 1910) and on one of their mustang roundups they came upon a dead mare with a newborn foal still alive. My dad picked him up, placed him across his saddle and brought him back to the ranch. When they had a closer look at the little fellow they were amazed to see that he a close cropped curly coat of chestnut color.

He was beautiful.



Marjie and her father, Henry Pastorino, on the Hay Ranch, Eureka, Nevada.

A canned formula was prepared in a bottle made just for ranch babies that had lost a mom or that needed special care. They placed him in the barn to keep warm and the Pastorino family all took turns feeding him every four hours.

He was named Curly because the hair inside of his ears, at the fetlocks, mane, tail and coat were a curly chestnut color. According to my dad, the mother had been a normal coated mustang. So, that meant that somewhere on the range was a curly coated stud. It had to be. Ranch kids learn all about these things at an early age.

It wasn't long before word got around and ranchers and folks from town came out to see Curly. They all wanted to touch him and feel the curly hair. He seemed to enjoy the attention and wasn't afraid of anyone.

On the next trip into Eureka for supplies, the vet was visited to talk with him about Curly. He planned a trip to the ranch to examine him and check his health. In the meantime he said that he would see what he could find in his books and in the town library about a curly coated breed of horse. The Pastorino family was excited to see what he would discover.

Several weeks later, the vet came out to pay Curly a visit. He examined him thoroughly and found him to be in perfect health head to tail.

He said he had found some interesting information about the "curly horse" to share.

According to everything he could find, "the curly horse was documented in Asian artwork as early as 161 AD. Charles Darwin documented curly horses in South America in his travels in the early 19th century. And the Sioux Indians regarded curly horses as sacred mounts for chiefs and medicine men. Native American artwork shows a curly horse carrying a chief in the Battle of Little Bighorn." But there is much controversy about how the curly got to this continent from Asia or to South America. That may never be known.

The vet also mentioned that very little was known about the curly horses at that time.

Well, our family knew that somehow they got here. Perhaps from the Conquistadors.

Curly grew into a magnificent one year old colt .

My grandfather had decided not to geld him but to keep him as a stud to breed. But it was getting harder and harder to keep him contained. He wanted to be out on the ranch with the other horses. Finally they decided to let him out to join the ranch horses.

This turned out to be a mistake that they long regretted. Curly soon took off with a band of mustangs and was gone to be free and roam the range. My grandfather said that in the next few years they would see many curly coated mustangs roaming about the desert.

Curly returned to the ranch a few times. But he was gone to be free and wild on the open range.

On the right are adorable baby pictures of Marjie Pastorino, on the Hay Ranch, playing with calves.



The Hay Ranch

By Marjie Pastorino

The Hay Ranch, located 12 miles out of Eureka, Nevada, was owned by my grandparents, Lena and Andy Pastorino. They ranched for many years, along with their sons: Andy Jr., Henry "Bus", and Ted.

Originally, the ranch was one of the largest in the region. Since the days when it cared for the stage and freighting livestock, it had been a stopping-place for stockmen. In the past, this ranch had 2500 acres of fenced bottom lands on which 1000 tons of hay were cut annually to feed the 300-400 mules of the lines that operated between the varied mining camps of Nevada.

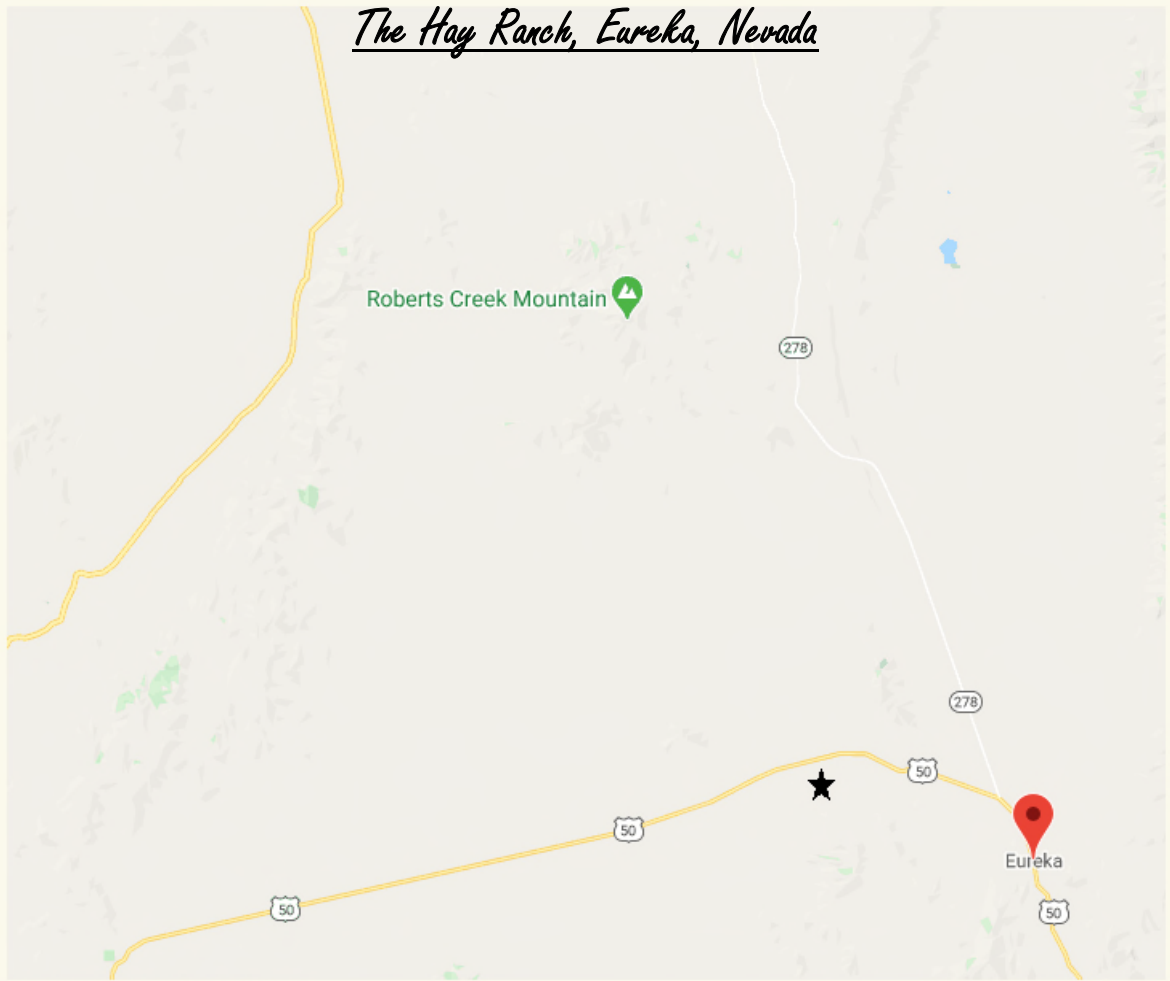
West of the ranch the highway runs for 23 miles without a turn. On both sides are mountain ranges, those to the south running across the western division of the Toiyabe National Forest, and Lone Mountain is the nearest peak.

The Pastorino family ranched Hereford cattle and raised hay to feed them. They sold the ranch in the mid 1940's and my grandfather and my dad regretted it to their dying day. Sad but true.....

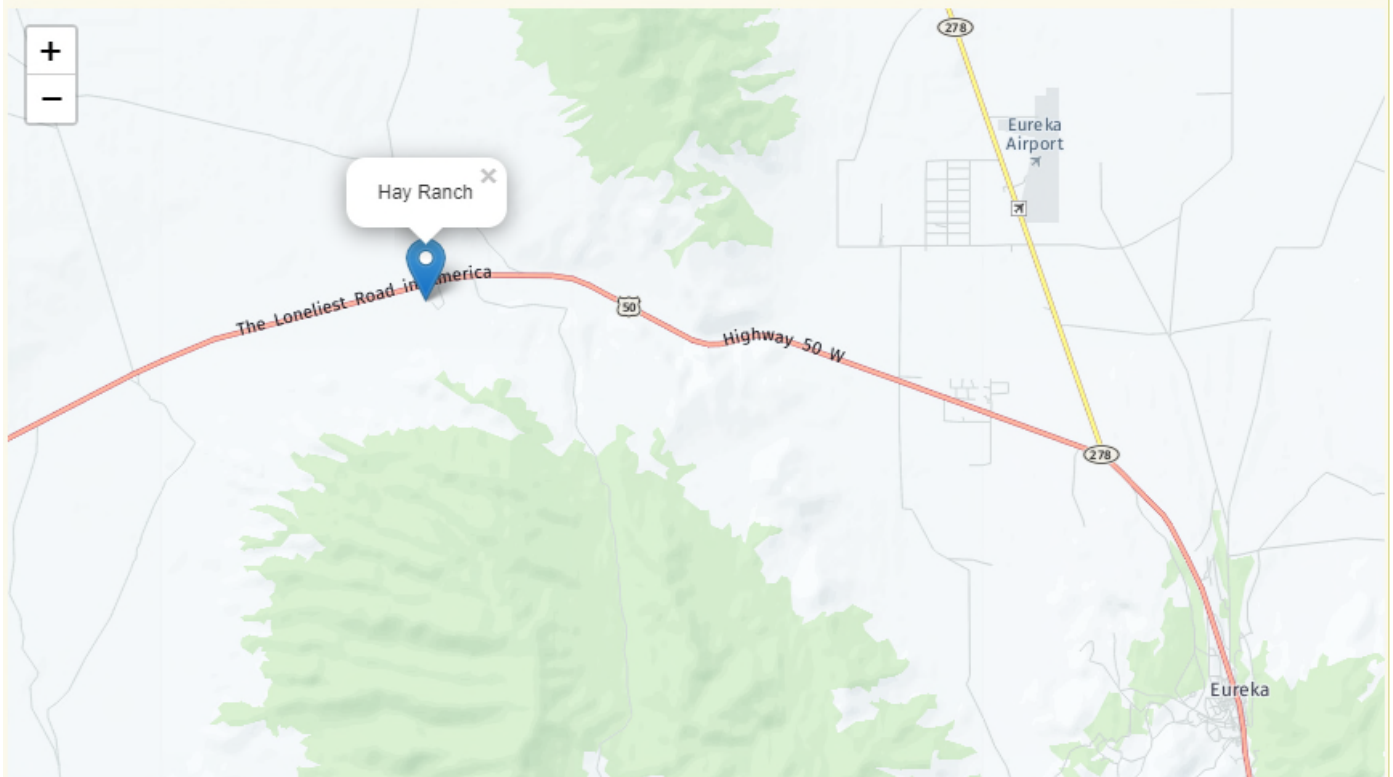


*This picture of the young men on the hay wagon are
Henry "Bus" Pastorino and Andy Pastorino, Jr.*

The Hay Ranch, Eureka, Nevada



Hay Ranch - Location Map



Obituary for Andy "Pop" Pastorino, Sr.

Service held for 'Pop'

A memorial service was held Friday, Dec. 21 at Ross, Burke and Knobel chapel for Andy Pastorino, Sr.

He was born Feb. 29, 1894 in Pastorino canyon. He was known as "Pop" by all his family and friends.

As a boy he walked four to five miles to school, in winter through ice and snow. He was herding sheep at the age of nine; he was a pioneer cowboy and rancher.

In 1920 he took over his dad's mail route on horseback, delivering mail through snow and ice three to five feet deep to Newark, Tonkin and Diamond valley.

At one time he nearly lost his own life trying to deliver mail and save the livestock of his friends. He was snowbound in an abandoned mail station for three days without food or water. If it were not for one of the animals he so loved he would have perished. The horse returned home with a note tied to his neck in time to save him.

He met Lena Palma and they were married in November, 1914.

Pastorino worked on Bull creek and Fish creek ranches. Later he bought the Hay ranch just west of Eureka, raising three fine sons—Andy, Jr., Henry and Ted. The Pastorinos celebrated their 70th wedding anniversary in November.

The ranch was his pride and joy and he operated the mail route as well and he often reminisced of those days.

At 69 years of age he retired, devoting his time to his wife Lena and his "kids" as he so called his sons and their families. He was devoted to his family and they meant everything to him.

"Pop" was a legend in Reno. He took long walks with his dog CoCo, his constant companion. He was known by everyone who frequented the Dick Taylor park on Highland avenue. Even after becoming ill, his main concern was for his family and his beloved dog—his last concern, himself.

The reverend monsignor Edward J. Thompson of Our Lady of Wisdom in Reno officiated at the memorial service.

He is survived by his widow, Lena of Reno; sons Andy, Jr. of Fallon and Henry and Ted of Reno; two sisters, Lena Bartine of Calif. and Emma Tognetti of Gardnerville; a brother, Ulmont Pastorino of Calif.; three granddaughters; six great grandchildren; and several nieces, nephews, great nieces and great nephews.

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Begins on Saturday, October 3, 2020

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Midnight

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Divisions-
D- Dominant
S- Smooth Coat

CURLY MINIATURE CATEGORY

A- 34" and under Small Curly Miniature
B- over 34" up to 38" Large Curly Miniature

Temporary- under 5 yrs of age
Permanent- 5yrs and older



CURLY MINIATURE HISTORY

The very first breeder to breed Curlies to Miniature Horses was Ellen Bancroft, ICHO Founding Board Member. We were all so excited to see some small Curlies born and we were not disappointed. She has kept her quality breeding program going for many years. Many Curly Miniatures carry her original breeding lines. Through the years Curly Miniatures have become very popular as more breeders have bred more Curly miniatures. They can now be found in US and other countries. Their size has been bred down through the years to actual Miniature height sizes. If you want small hypoallergenic adorable Curlies, the Curly Mini is for you. Great companion and driving Curlies.

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