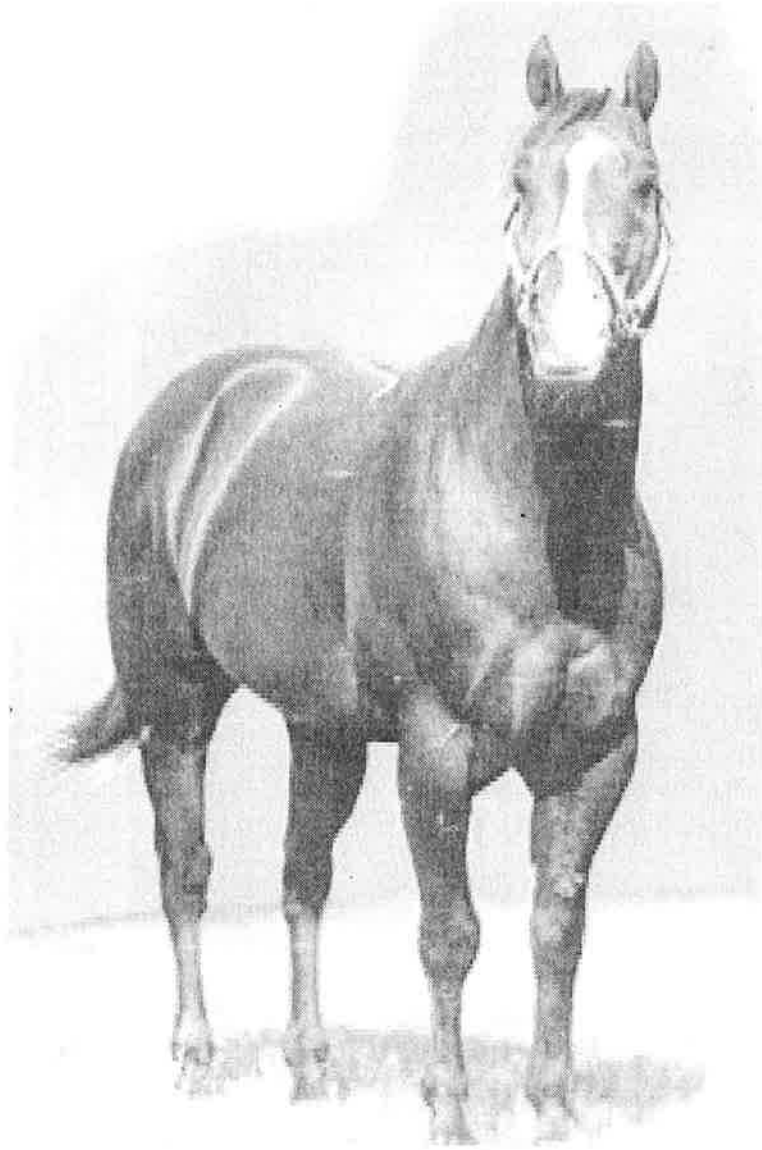


Dell Mingo Q118

1965 - 1985



Dell Mingo arrived in Australia in 1968 with Eddie & Sue Wilson who settled at Bendemeer, NSW and established the New Frontier Stud which became the home of Dell Mingo for the rest of his life.

Dell Mingo soon became the most travelled Quarter Horse Stallion in the country as Eddie Wilson devoted himself to showing as many Australians as possible the remarkable attributes of the Quarter Horse. Dell Mingo was hauled all over the eastern states and into South Australia.

One of these early trips nearly saw the untimely end of this great horse. Eddie and Sue with their two sons, Stacey and Merritt, set off for a show at Moe in Victoria and en route, stopped for a spell. Eddie feeling the need of a rest asked the boys to take Dell Mingo and Ann's Hollywood for a drink at a nearby water hole. Unbeknown to them, the waterhole had very steep banks which were camouflaged by a water weed growing on the surface. Dell Mingo being rather thirsty, proceeded too far into the hole and slipped completely out of sight, becoming entangled in the weed. Stacey sounded the alarm and Eddie dived into the waterhole and luckily landed almost on top of Mingo's head which enable him to lift Mingo's nostrils out of the water.

Sue quickly saddled Ann's Hollywood, threw a rope to Eddie who slipped the rope around Mingo's head and before long Mingo was being pulled from the hole by Sue and Ann's Hollywood.

The following day undaunted by his traumatic experience and bearing a few marks due to his treatment the day before, Dell Mingo placed third in the stallion halter class and placed in the cutting.

Reared by young Jimmie Randals of New Mexico, USA, Mingo always had a soft spot for children. Even the youngest child could be lifted onto his back and he would stand for hours if need be, as long as the child wanted to remain on him. Often at shows Eddie would miss Mingo, only to find Stacey giving the local children free rides. This remarkable temperament came through in his progeny.

Keith and Judy Button, living at Bendemeer, went to see what this new breed Quarter Horse stallion which had come to their district was all about. They were impressed and Keith quickly responded by selecting two of his best station mares and returned to New Frontier to deal with Eddie for services for the two mares. The resulting two foals, according to Keith, completely converted him to the Quarter Horse breed. It is believed many more AQHA members have been converted to the Quarter Horse by this stallion.

When Eddie & Sue decided to return to the USA in 1975, Keith and Judy purchased the New Frontier Stud together with Dell Mingo and stable mate Ann's Hollywood.

Dell Mingo held the certificate of Quarter Horse Champion No 4 issued in 1973. In those days hundreds upon hundreds of miles had to be travelled to attend a few shows which then existed.

Mingo's other achievements included AQHA Leading Sire of Performance Horses in 1977, 78, 79, 80, 81. Resister of Merit - Halter, Performance; NCHA Certificate of Merit and NCHA Certificate of Ability.

Dell Mingo's pedigree:

