

Possum Hollow Cherokee



8hh 5yo Chestnut Skewbald Stallion

Sire: Shanusti Laird

Dam: Domino Downs Honey an Cream

Breeder: Mrs Pauline Barns

I made a decision to 'downsize' the Shetland ponies of Lodge Park in every sense of the word in 2008. I was fortunate enough to purchase Cherokee in June, 2008. As a show pony, he needs no introduction to small Shetland and miniature pony exhibitors, with a wonderful record of success at Royal and Stud Shows since he was a foal.

He is delightful little chap who settled in with my lot immediately. He has run with 2 of my own mares, in addition to standing at public stud. Cherokee is a true gent with his 'wives', and is very patient with the maidens. He does not let his rather diminutive stature stop him from serving the larger mare, and has developed a cunning method of running the mares up to a sloping part of his paddock to serve them.

In the show ring during the 2008/09 season, Chez has continued his winning ways – being Champion or reserve at all bar one show he has attended – this has been in Pinto, Miniature and of course Shetland rings. Major highlights of the season were him being Champion Stallion or Colt u. 8.2hh at the 2008 All Shetland Show, Champion Stallion u, 8.2hh at the 2009 Stud Show, Champion Miniature Pony stallion and Reserve Champion Pinto Stallion or Colt at the 2009 Royal Summer Show.

Cherokee is a lovely gentle stallion at home, and can be easily handled by my three children. He happily travels with mares in the float, and will stay tied up at a show all day providing he has a full net of hay!

I hope to have Cherokee shown in harness for the 2009/10 season – he has been broken to harness for a while and very much enjoys his jaunts around the hills of Buninyong pulling a vehicle.

We eagerly await his first crop of homebred foals – knowing that if they are half the pony that their father is, then they will be fine ponies indeed.

Kate Jewell, Lodge Park Stud