

## 2015 MEDAL OF EXCELLENCE AWARD

### IMA RADICAL DREAM Q-45888

<b>Sire:</b>	<b>TALL DARK N RADICAL</b>	<b>Q-41653</b>
<b>Dam:</b>	<b>PEPPYS TRIPPLE TREAT</b>	<b>Q-21012</b>
<b>Breeder:</b>	<b>L.D. &amp; K.A. NEILSEN</b>	<b>CLIFTON. QLD</b>
<b>Owner:</b>	<b>L.D. &amp; K.A. NEILSEN</b>	<b>CLIFTON. QLD</b>
<b>Profile:</b>	<b>2000 - 2014</b>	<b>BAY</b>

The Australian Quarter Horse Association honours IMA RADICAL DREAM with a Medal of Excellence.

It was at the 1999 AQHA Nationals and Kerry Neilsen was on the lookout for the next sire to breed to her very special mare, PEPPYS TRIPPLE TREAT Q-21012 (a successful show horse in her own right). TALL DARK N RADICAL Q-41653 was being imported to Australia by Harry and Lyn van Dyk. By December, PEPPYS TRIPPLE TREAT was carrying a TALL DARK N RADICAL foal and Kerry was excited. In November, 2000 Kerry and her husband welcomed a beautiful bay filly, two white socks, dot and snip – a dream come true. They named her IMA RADICAL DREAM. Eight weeks later they lost her mother, PEPPYS TRIPPLE TREAT.



IMA RADICAL DREAM “Dream” started her Halter career early, gaining her ROM in only a few shows, quickly followed by her Superior. Kerry couldn’t wait to ride her, so like she had done with PEPPYS TRIPPLE TREAT, Kerry just saddled her up, with no “breaking in” period and had her friend, Travis, ride her down the road. Kerry started reining her then, and knew she had it all.

Kerry made the decision (based on the thought that she was too old), to send “Dream” to a trainer to prepare her for her first shows under saddle. Doug Farmer started training “Dream” and it was decided that she would only start out at Pleasure, as she was such a natural. In her first show at Gatton, she gained a second in the two year old Pleasure. The next day, she took out Champion Mare and then went on to win the two year old Western Pleasure. She didn’t make it to the AQHA Nationals in her two year old year due to a virus. The next big show was the Queensland State Show where she won the two year old Western Pleasure with Dionne White in the saddle.

POINTS					
Event	Type	Life	Life	Year	Year
		Total A & B	Total A	Total A & B	Total A
Amateur Champion Quarter Horse	Amateur	36.0	36.0	0.0	0.0
Amateur Halter	Amateur	25.0	25.0	0.0	0.0
Amateur Hunt Seat Equitation	Amateur	10.5	10.5	0.0	0.0
Amateur Hunter Under Saddle	Amateur	54.5	54.5	0.0	0.0
Amateur Reining	Amateur	1.0	1.0	0.0	0.0
Amateur Showmanship	Amateur	51.0	51.0	0.0	0.0
Amateur Trail	Amateur	116.5	116.5	0.0	0.0
Amateur Western Horsemanship	Amateur	58.5	58.5	0.0	0.0
Amateur Western Pleasure	Amateur	134.5	134.5	0.0	0.0
Champion Halter Mare	Horse	53.0	53.0	0.0	0.0
General Performance	Horse	7.5	0.0	0.0	0.0
Halter	Horse	84.0	83.0	0.0	0.0
Hunter Under Saddle	Horse	54.5	54.5	0.0	0.0
Reserve Halter Mare	Horse	29.0	29.0	0.0	0.0
Trail	Horse	127.0	126.0	0.0	0.0
Unknown	Horse	1.5	1.5	0.0	0.0
Western Pleasure	Horse	148.5	147.5	0.0	0.0
Youth Barrel Race	Youth	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
Youth Hunt Seat Equitation	Youth	12.0	12.0	0.0	0.0
Youth Hunter Under Saddle	Youth	21.0	19.0	0.0	0.0
Youth Reining	Youth	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
Youth Showmanship at Halter	Youth	17.5	17.5	0.0	0.0
Youth Trail	Youth	18.0	16.0	0.0	0.0
Youth Western Horsemanship	Youth	20.0	18.0	0.0	0.0
Youth Western Pleasure	Youth	47.5	44.5	0.0	0.0
<b>Total</b>		<b>1128.5</b>	<b>1109.0</b>	<b>0.0</b>	<b>0.0</b>

Kerry started showing Dream in Trail classes and branched into other events, show by show.

“Dream” finished her first junior year with Runner-up All Round Quarter Horse of Australia and of Queensland, High Point Western Pleasure Horse of the Year, High Point Amateur of Queensland, High Point Amateur Trail and third overall in Amateur Western Pleasure. Kerry was very pleased as she had ridden all the events herself. Kerry also won her first buckle that year in Junior Western Pleasure.

Both Kerry and Lynette Hall shared “Dream” at the 2006 AQHA Nationals. “Dream” placed in nearly every event she went in with Lynette riding her in the winning team for the Youth Challenge. Kerry gained a third in Junior Western Pleasure, fourth in Amateur Pleasure, and won the Amateur Junior Trail.



*Photo: 2004 Kerry Neilson and Ima Radical Dream*

"Dream" went on to have a really good year even though they missed quite a few shows due to a family accident. It wasn't until the Youth World Selection Camp held in Tamworth, a week before the Annual Awards Night, that Kerry became aware of the achievements of IMA RADICAL DREAM. She has won the High Point All Round QH of Australia and Queensland, High Point Western Pleasure Horse of Australia and Amateur Pleasure Horse of Australia as well as the High Point Trail Horse of Australia. She was also runner-up in numerous categories INCLUDING Amateur Trail, Performance Horse Category 1, Mare of Filly at Halter and Amateur Mare or Filly at Halter.

In riding IMA RADICAL DREAM to so much success, Kerry was also rewarded with High Point Amateur of Australia and also Queensland.



*Photo: Kerry Neilson and Ima Radical Dream*

Kerry feels that IMA RADICAL DREAM has done her mother, PEPPYS TRIPPLE TREAT, really proud and given them more than they could ever have hoped for.

Awards have included ROM and Superior Horse, Bronze Century, Amateur Versatility, Championships in Youth, Pleasure, Halter, Trail, HUS classes.

<b>A W A R D S</b>		
<b>Date</b>	<b>Event</b>	<b>Award</b>
00/00/0	Youth Hunter Under Saddle	Register of Merit
00/00/0	Youth Western Horsemanship	Register of Merit
00/00/0	Youth Western Pleasure	Register of Merit
13/01/2002	Halter	Register of Merit
31/08/2003	Performance	Register of Merit
24/01/2004	Western Pleasure	Register of Merit
28/02/2004	Halter	Superior Horse
28/03/2004	Amateur Trail	Register of Merit
28/03/2004	Amateur Western Pleasure	Register of Merit
08/05/2004	Trail	Register of Merit
14/06/2004	Western Pleasure	Superior Horse
15/06/2004	Amateur Trail	Superior Horse
25/07/2004	Amateur Western Horsemanship	Register of Merit
25/07/2004	Halter	Bronze Century
25/07/2004	Performance	Amateur Owner Champion
07/08/2004	Amateur Western Pleasure	Superior Horse
29/08/2004	Hunter Under Saddle	Register of Merit
26/09/2004	Amateur Hunter Under Saddle	Register of Merit
28/11/2004	Amateur Showmanship	Register of Merit
28/11/2004	Performance	Amateur Versatility
29/01/2005	Amateur Halter	Register of Merit
26/02/2005	Trail	Superior Horse
26/03/2005	Performance	Champion Youth Horse
26/03/2005	Performance	Youth Champion
23/04/2005	Performance	Quarter Horse Champion
23/04/2005	Western Pleasure	Bronze Century
11/06/2005	Trail	Bronze Century
03/07/2005	Amateur Hunter Under Saddle	Superior Horse
30/07/2005	Amateur Western Horsemanship	Superior Horse
25/02/2006	Amateur Halter	Superior Horse
01/04/2006	Youth Western Horsemanship	Register of Merit
27/08/2006	Amateur Showmanship	Superior Horse
22/11/2010	Amateur Trail	Amateur Bronze Award
22/11/2010	Amateur Western Pleasure	Amateur Bronze Award

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