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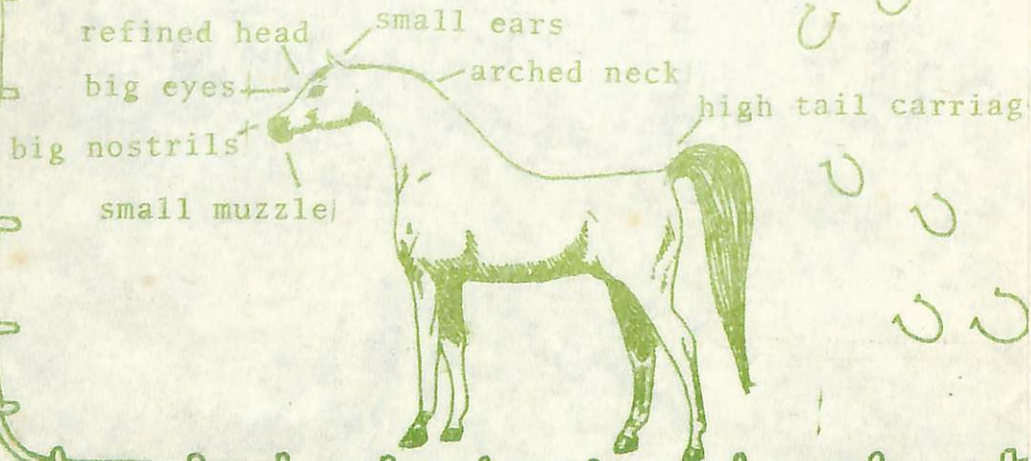
Arab horses are the oldest type of horses known to man. They were known many years before the birth of Christ.

Most of our Australian bred horses and ponies are of the arab breed.

The thoroughbred, or race horse, was developed from the arab breed, as it was a very fast horse.

Arab horses are different to other horses in many ways. They are very graceful, with refined heads and small muzzles. They have brilliant eyes and a proud, arched neck. They are usually grey, chestnut or bay in color. Some rare colors are brown and black. Arabs are very smart horses. They have wide nostrils, which means they can carry heavy weights for a long distance. They are also thought of as an elegant riding horse.

AN ARAB HORSE.



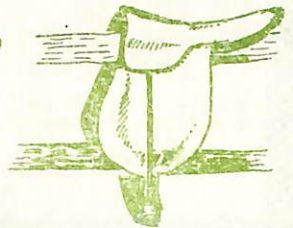
TRAINING AND KEEPING HORSES.

The golden rule to remember is that the horse always comes first. It needs a grassy paddock with good fencing and plenty of water.

The horse should be brushed (or groomed) at least once a week, and the feet cleaned out with a hoof pick.

Their feet should be well shod, with the shoes fitting correctly, and be trimmed by the farrier every eight weeks. The horse's saddlery must be kept in good order.

Joining a pony club is a good idea, if you want to learn how to ride your horse properly.



JUDGING AND SHOWING HORSES.

At a show, the horse is judged on many points- how fit and healthy it is.

- how well he is groomed.

- how he moves and how willing he is to work when you are asked to "work out"

- that he has all the features of an arab horse

- that the rider and the horse are on their best behaviour, and are well groomed and clean.



By Judy Carmichael

(with a little help from her horse, Dusty)

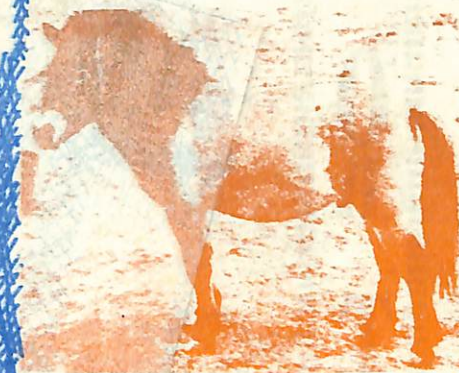
HORSE SENSE

Horses come in many shapes and sizes. Here are some of the breeds you may know, and a picture to show you the parts of a horse. Do you know of any wild animals that belong to the horse family? What is a BRUMBY? Try and find the answers to these questions.

POINTS OF A HORSE.



ARAB.



PRZEWALSKI'S HORSE.
Why is this horse important?

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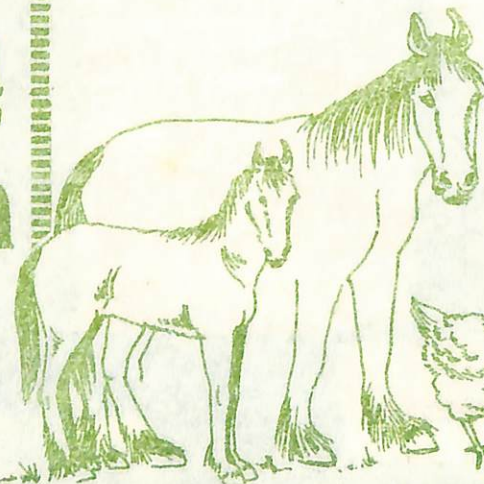
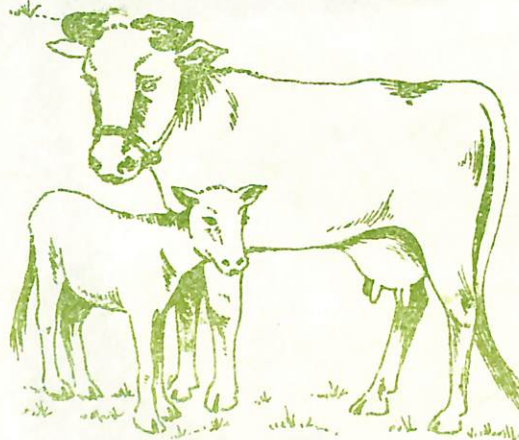
SHETLAND PONY.
A very small type
of horse.



SHIRE. The biggest
of the draught horses.

M. ROBERTS

by W. Prohasky



Can you name these animals and their babies?

CATS 'N'

There are many different breeds of dogs in the world. Do you own a dog? What type of dog is he? Most dogs that are kept as pets aren't PURE-BRED. Instead they are a mix of lots of different sorts of dogs. PURE BRED dogs are often judged at shows. One type of dog which is judged is the Pulli. Pullis are from Hungary. They have a black coat made up of ringlets which hang right to the ground when the dog is fully grown. They are very good guard dogs. Their hair can hang right over their eyes, and they look like they cannot see, but they have very good, keen sight.



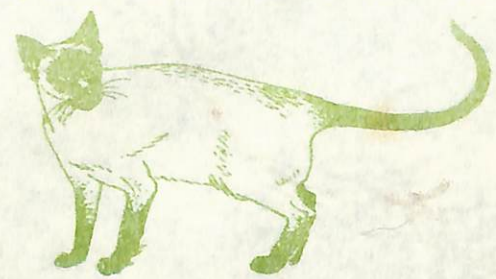
WHAT IS OUR NATIVE DOG CALLED?



WHAT DOES PURE BRED MEAN?

DO YOU KNOW AN AUSTRALIAN BREED OF DOGS?

A breed of cat often seen at these shows is the SIAMESE. These cats have bright blue eyes and their fur is cream and brown. Only their feet, tail and face are colored brown. They come from Siam (do you know what we call this country now?) and came to England around 1884. They have long thin bodies and legs, small feet and straight tails. Their fur is short and shiny, and their voice is very loud.



WHY SHOULD WE BE CAREFUL NOT TO LET OUR CATS RUN WILD?
WHAT HARM CAN THEY CAUSE OUR BUSH ANIMALS? *

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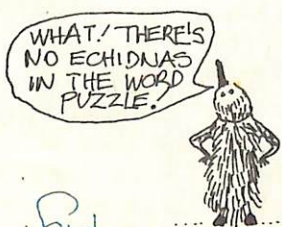
by M. Roberts.

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Hidden in the letters on the left are the names of some animals you may see at the Royal Melbourne Show. Can you find them?
The answers are down the bottom.

ROBE, REGISTERED AS A PERIODICAL, CATEGORY B.



Pig
chick
cow
bull
sheep
horse
kitten
calf
dog
cat
Pony

Answers:

