

GLENORMISTON AMELIA

As I sit writing this in sweltering heat, I can't help wondering how Amelia with her glorious summer coat is faring in freezing snowy Colorado. I am sure she has already learned to break the ice with her hoof and to dig under the snow for grass. I am told she is coping extremely well with the cold!

Glenormiston Amelia is a grey three year old filly by Domo Cavallo Praize and out of Glenormiston Clementine (Abbeyleix Finbar-Oxenholm Dulcinea). She was named after Amelia Hawthorne who rode Clementine with great success for nearly 3 years.

It was originally planned for Amelia to stay here at Glenormiston but when the chance came for her to go to join Glenormiston Flurry Knox (Abbeyleix Finbar-Oxenholm Tiffany) and Glenormiston Roscrea (Oxenholm Gideon-Millfield Seaspray) in the USA, it seemed too good to miss. She was broken in and then covered with our new stallion Castle Baron (alias Henry) . Once in foal, she was inspected at the time of the AGM in Brisbane and put in the International section of the stud book.

A flight had been planned for some time on 26th November to Los Angeles departing from Melbourne so Amelia left Glenormiston on Monday 20th by road to head south. She arrived safely on Wednesday 22nd and had a few days to rest before the long flight. The plane took off on time in the evening of Sunday 26th and was in LA the same day (thanks to the International date line). There is only a two day quarantine from Australia - just to ensure the horses have recovered from the flight and to run a blood test for Equine Infectious Anaemia. This test had also been done a couple of weeks before flying. Amelia arrived in great shape not losing any weight and hardly even being tucked up.

Mary Prewitt collected Amelia herself from LA as it is a worry travelling horses on transport in the USA before they are vaccinated for the number of nasty diseases that are present in that country. She travelled like a dream for the 1½ day trip across to Colorado where she settled in immediately. It is always such a great delight to sell a pony to a buyer who is thrilled with a purchase and Mary was one of those buyers. As she has ponies by Praize, Gideon and Finbar (as well as by Aran Milano) and will have one by Henry she is calling her Wildwych stud Glenormiston Up Above!!!! We look forward to hearing about Amelia's foal in 2001.