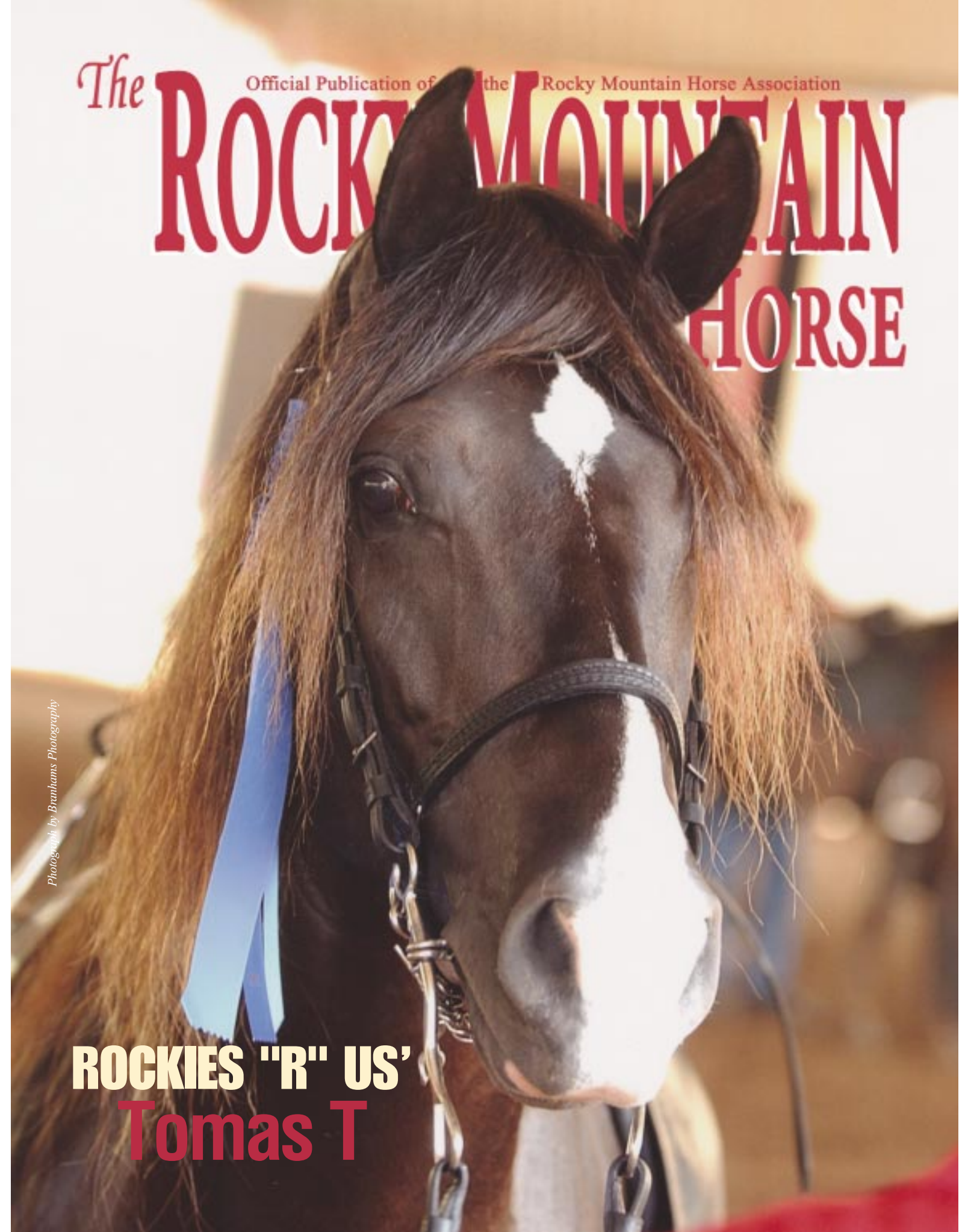


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# ROCKY MOUNTAIN HORSE

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**Tomas T**





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**R**ockies "R" Us was officially established in 2001, but I have been riding Rockies since I was very young boy. My grandfather owned horses and taught me to ride before I was in elementary school. We owned a gelding named Blazer, who was out of a Tobe mare. Blazer was so easy to ride. I can remember making a string halter, climbing up on a couple of bales of hay to get on him and riding all day.

As a young adult, horses weren't a part of my life. After I got hurt on the job and was out recuperating, my interest in horses was rekindled. Initially I bought a few horses and before I knew it I had 20, then 30, and finally the herd grew to 60. I realized that was far too many to care for and I would have to sell some of them. Within a few months the herd was down to a manageable size. Since that time I have tried to keep between 15 and 25 horses. I currently have horses of all ages, colors and sizes. My main emphasis is on trained geldings, which are in high demand.

I met Andrea in July of 2002 at a horse show. I was showing my chocolate stallion and she was a spectator. Though she had never shown horses, she enjoyed watching and had a definite interest in the breed. In August, I was able to talk her into riding my horses at a couple of shows and before long she was hooked. Although we had limited success at the 2002

International Show winning one first place and a couple of second place ribbons, we began the next show season with renewed interest.

Thanks to Morgan and Doris Riggs of Cynthiana, Kentucky, this July we were fortunate enough to have the opportunity to purchase the beautiful stallion, Tomas T. He is a 5year -old stallion with all of the classic attributes of a Rocky Mountain Horse; gentle temperament, good confirmation and an exceptionally smooth ambling gait. In addition to these traits, Tomas T carries himself with great pride and presence. This year we have been very fortunate to have a great deal of success on the show circuits.

Tomas T will be available for the 2004-breeding season in Kentucky and Pennsylvania. We also always have horses under-saddle available for show or trail, as well as a good selection of weanlings and yearlings.



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