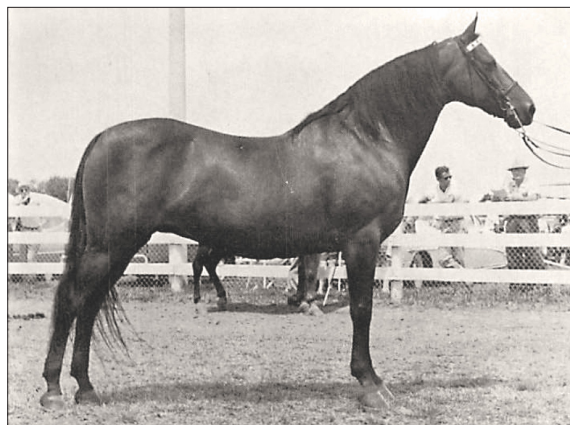


Miller's Adel 09177

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LEFT TO RIGHT: Miller's Adel and with Sue Annis up (photo © Warren Patriquin); her influential son Waseeka's In Command and Johnny Lydon.

Miller's Adel 09177 (Upwey Ben Don x Gertie G) • Solid bay, 15.1 hands • **Foaled:** July 7, 1950, Morrisville, Vermont • **Bred by:** Erwin Dwight Miller • **Owned by:** Waseeka Farm; Margaret L. Vanderweel; Patricia Brooks • **Died:** November 30, 1975, Hallelujah Hill, East Lyme, Connecticut • 58 crosses to Sherman Morgan 5; 20 crosses to Billy Root 9; 15 crosses to Ethan Allen 40; 15 crosses to Hale's Green Mountain Morgan 42 • 75 percent Old Government; 25 percent Old Vermont breeding • **Eight Generation Coefficient of Inbreeding:** 4.06608581542969% • **Registered Morgan progeny:** Five colts, one filly

Miller's Adel "was a good-sized but refined mare with an exceptionally long neck, and a very pretty head and eye. [She] proved to be an elegant show horse." (Lisa Nyburg, "Waseeka's In Command," *The Morgan Horse*, May 1998, p. 20).

Miller's Adel enjoyed two successful careers, one as a show horse, and later on as a broodmare. In August 1956 Elizabeth Power, her daughter Sue Annis, and trainer John Lydon made a trip to northern Vermont to view Miller's Adel. By the time they arrived "it was dark, and they had to use their car lights to watch Bob [Baker] work the mare. They liked what they saw as Adel trotted out of the dark and through the narrow beam of the car lights. They called [Erwin] Miller ... and made the deal." (Ben Qua, "Waseeka: Anything But Ordinary," *The Morgan Horse*, July 1997, p. 19). While she was owned by Waseeka Farm, Miller's Adel was shown by both Sue Annis and trainer John Lydon. She won both Mares and Geldings in Harness and Harness Pairs (with Windcrest Sen-

timental Lady, her half-sister by Upwey Ben Don), and second in Mares Over 15 Hands at the 1957 National Show, as well as first in Saddle Pairs (again with Windcrest Sentimental Lady) at the 1957 Mid-Atlantic Show. At the 1958 National Show she took first in Ladies Saddle, Saddle Pairs, and second in Harness Pairs (again with Windcrest Sentimental Lady—they were virtually unbeatable together), and was named Reserve Grand Champion Saddle Horse. Her great claim to fame as a broodmare is as the dam of Waseeka's In Command. A January/February 2021 research article in *The Morgan Horse* documents that more than 90 percent of recent Morgan world champions are intensely linebred to In Command. Thus, Miller's Adel appears in the pedigrees of this remarkable gene pool.

Her descendants are sport horses, show horses, and family horses in Australia, Austria, Belgium, Canada, France, Germany, Great Britain, Hungary, Ireland, Sweden, Switzerland, The Netherlands, and the United States. ■

MILLER'S ADEL PROGENY REPORT

NAME	FOALED	GENDER	COLOR	SIRE	PROGENY
Miller's Ben-Del 11561	1954	Stallion	Bay	Miller's Pride 10028	10
Waseeka's Donar 13613	1961	Gelding	Brown	Wind-Crest Donfield 10618	None
Waseeka's Dondel 13797	1962	Gelding	Bay	Wind-Crest Donfield 10618	None
Waseeka's In Command 16031	1965	Stallion	Bay	Waseeka's Nocturne 11181	165
Vanderland Commander 18873	1968	Gelding	Chestnut	Corinth Robert Frost 13467	None
Vanderland Julianna 019613	1970	Mare	Chestnut	Corinth Robert Frost 13467	Five