

GALATEA

1997 – May 3, 2003

Galatea arrived at Centaur as a four-year old, exactly two years ago. She was bred and raised by Walter Kahrer of Greenbelt Riding School. Her name used to be "Twice The Moment" or Sweet Pea. We re-named her Galatea (a "G" name because of her sire Gromiko), called her Téa, except for Mike who called her Chick. He reminded her of a biker chick, independent, didn't overly care for people, didn't need them. She could take care of herself and didn't take any guff from any of the other horses. She led the pack with cool determination.

Last year Téa/Chick gave us a wonderful foal – Reuben. He arrived without any problems, one day off his due date. Galatea was a wonderful Mom. Her attitude reminded Mike of an Angus cow's, fiercely protective of her off-spring – she would die before she let any harm come to him. And she raised an equally strongly-independent son.

She was due to have her second foal. There were complications in the delivery, and both Téa and her filly died. The filly was dark dark bay with no markings, and had her sire's (Fire) head. She would have been a beauty.

By Shirley