ELLERSTON RUSKI

Grey, star, two white hinds ASHS: R-254300

Foaled: 10/11/2014 Z 41/4 15.2 HH

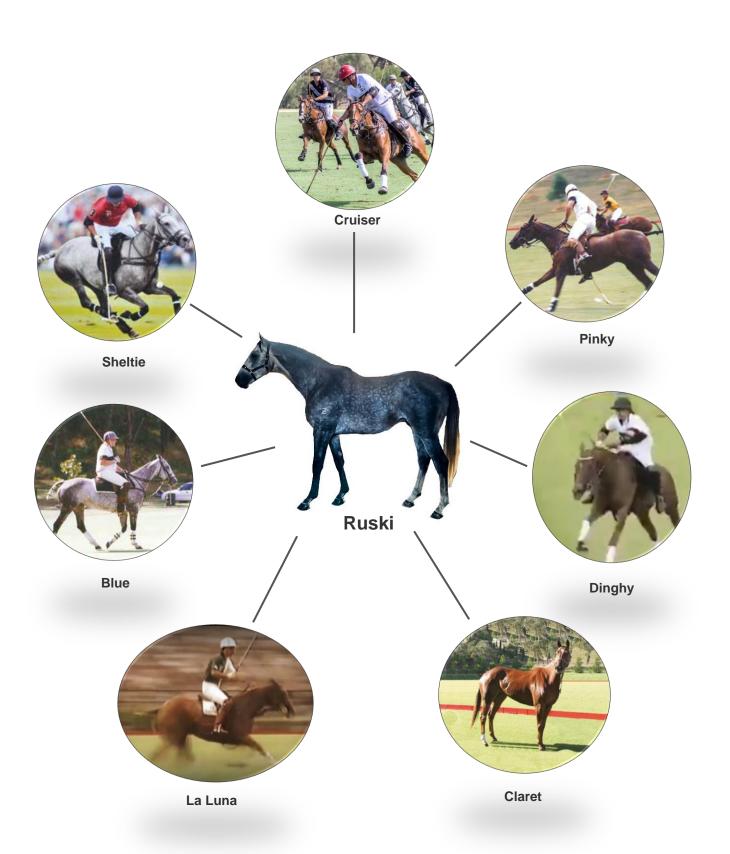
PINKY FAMILY Stallion

Ruski is from the renowned Norman Pentaquad sire line and from the family of Hall of Fame mare Pinky. His dam is the great Solar mare Cruiser and he is by top Ellerston sire Cavalier, Sheltie's full brother. His dam, grandam and great grandam were all played by top 10 goal players.

His pedigree includes the famous mares La Luna, Pinky, Dinghy, Cruiser, Sheltie and Blue with close relations Claret, Skiff, Spinnaker, Yacht and Clarity. He combines the two legendary mares La Luna, regarded as the greatest playing and producing mare in Argentina and similarly for Pinky in Australia. Ruski started well in young horse chukkas in 2016 with his first foals were born in 2018 and are showing great promise.

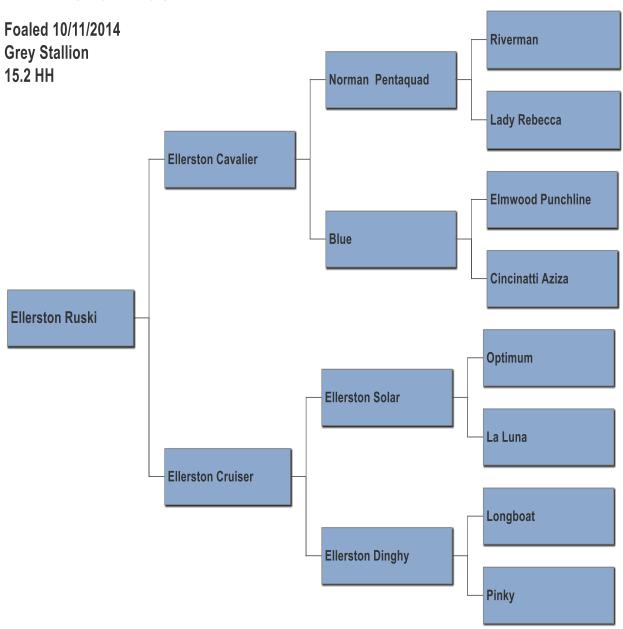


The seven great mares in Ruski's Pedigree:



- <u>Cruiser</u> his dam rated as one of the best Ellerston mares, doing everything so easily at pace. In 2018 won BPP on debut in UK and then the Argentine Open played by world's number one player Adolfo Cambiaso.
- <u>Sheltie</u> his sire Cavalier's full sister played by 10 goaler Facundo Pieres for 16 years winning awards in both the English and US high goal.
- <u>Pinky</u> played by the top players and a Hall of Fame mare and his third dam.
- <u>Dinghy</u> his granddam rated by Facundo Pieres as one of the best, dominating in Australia, England and Argentina for 12 years. Renowned for her extreme pace and incredible stop.
- <u>Claret</u> extraordinary mare won Argentine Triple Crown and BPP in English Gold Cup final.
- <u>Blue</u> his sire's dam became famous when played by 10 goaler Horacio Heguy and later by Kerry Packer.
- <u>La Luna</u> legendary Argentine mare and dam of Solar.

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Dam 1: Ellerston Cruiser



Cruiser 2018

Cruiser by Ellerston Solar is known for her pace, handle, brain and mouth, doing everything at top pace with such ease. Rated by Jim and Glen Gilmore as the best mare at Ellerston in 2015-16. She won Champion at Scone in 2015 and was runner up in 2016. She has won a lot of higher goal games played by Australian captain Glen Gilmore and Mat Grimes. In 2018 she made a stunning debut in the UK winning BPP in her first tournament played by Adolfo Cambiasoin before going onto to be in his winning Argentine Open team. Her full brother Skiff is a top horse playing in the UK high goal and won the same BPP as Cruiser the following year.

Cruiser was used in the Ellerston ET programme before playing overseas in 2018.



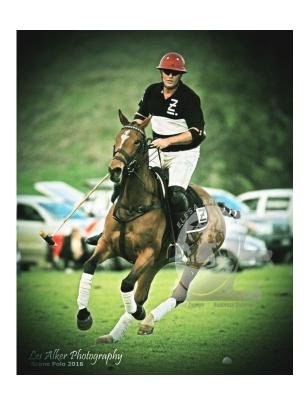
















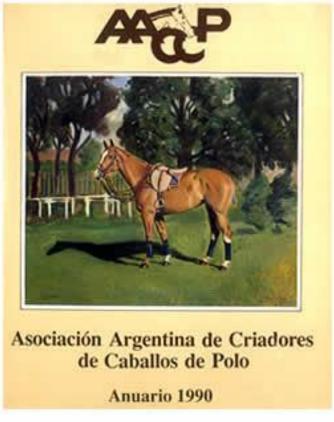
Cruiser is by Solar who was from the legendary polo mare La Luna. Luna started playing in the Argentine Open as a four year old and later the high goal in England played by 10 goaler Gonzalo Pieres, playing for Ellerston. She played her last Open in 1995 aged 18 years. She was a great temperament mare that was equally at home in either high goal or low goal polo, ridden by adults or children. She has had a major impact as a broodmare with hundreds of her descendants playing in the Open. Her full brothers El Sol and Gaucho were prolific sires of top polo horses in Argentina as was her sire Top Secret.

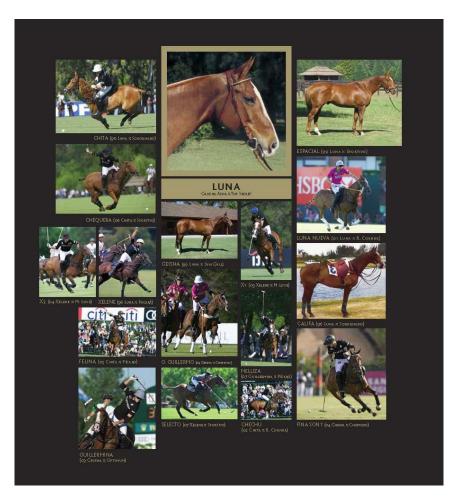


La Luna and Gonzalo Pieres playing the Argentine Open

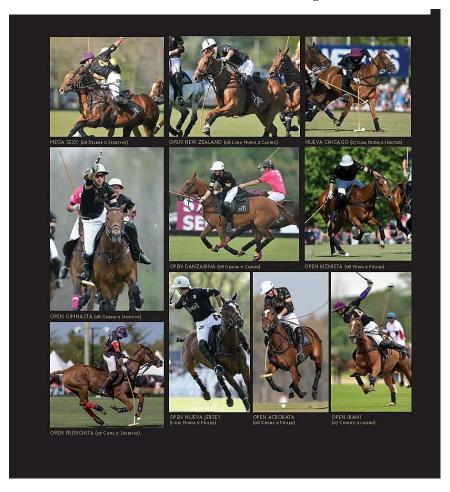


The Legend-La Luna





La Luna feature in 2016 Ellerstina catalogue



La Luna feature in 2016 Ellerstina catalogue page 2



Ellerston Solar taken when at Bloomfield

Ellerston Solar is by leading polo sire Optimum by Southern Halo an influential sire in both polo and on the track. He won major prizes at Palermo including on debut as a two year old. He has sired a lot of top Open horses and prize winners including; Open **Guillermina** BPP 2012 Argentine Open played by Nico Pieres; Open Pandora BPP 2009 Gold Cup and played Triple Crown 2010-14 by Facundo Pieres; Ellerstina La Nona, Triple Crown 2003, 04, 09,10 & 11, with G. Pieres and Pablo MacDonough, BPP France Open 2005, BPP Queen Cup 2007, BPP Coronation Cup 2008; **Dolfina Nina Bonita** played the Open 2003-08; Ellerstina Medalla played the Open 2005-09, Triple Crown 2010-11; Open Levenda was Grand

Champion 2000 Palermo Rural Exhibit, Triple Crown 2008-11; **Open Tarantula** BPP 2011 Hurlingham Open; **Ellerstina Hummingbird, Picaflor, Chalina, Mensajera and Open Moon, Farandula, Milito, Divertida, Chimentero, etc.** Sires including **Dolfina Millonario** sire champions **Dolfina Lufthanza** and **El Boeing**, etc.

Dam 2: Dinghy

Dinghy by Longboat has been rated by Facundo Pieres as one of the best he has ridden playing her in two chukkas of the 2009 British Gold Cup final. Renowned for her extreme pace and incredible shut down. This mighty mare dominated polo in Australia, England and Argentina for over 12 years.

She is a half-sister of internationally renowned mare **Clare**t by Monty who won the Argentine Triple Crown in 2009 and 2010 played by Facundo Pieres.

Dinghy produced:

- -Open Dinamita Arg by Ellerstina Chismosa
- -Open Dinamarquez Arg
- **-Spinnaker** x Norman Pentaquad played by Facundo Pieres in the UK in 2008, 2009, 2010 & 2011. Played the British Gold Cup finals 2009 and 2010. Then Facundo Pieres played her in the Triple Crown in US in 2012, 2013, 2014, and 2015.
- **-Yacht** 2000 chestnut gelding x Norman Pentaquad, played for years in the UK high goal by English Captain

James Biem & in the Westchester Test Match 2013.



Dinghy highly rated by 10 goaler Facundo Pieres

- -Catamaran by Siesta and her daughter Catalonia dam of Catsy
- -Cruiser x Solar 2007, rated the top mare at Ellerston in 2015-16, BPP Scone 2015, played Argentine Open and her full brother BPP winner **Skiff.**

Her sire **Longboat** (Pirogue x Welsh Pageant) ran in 18 races for 9 wins and 3 seconds. He was "European Stayer of the Year" in 1986.



Longboat- European Stayer of the Year 1986

Dam 3: Pinky

Pinky was rated by Jim Gilmore as the best playing mare at Ellerston and then going onto be the best broodmare. She is recognised in the Australian Polo Hall of Fame. She was foaled in 1983, bred in New Zealand by Tony Devich and purchased by Ellerston in 1988. Pinky was regarded worldwide as one of the great polo playing mares, playing under the world's best when they played the Ellerston high goal. She was a favourite of Stuart Gilmore and Alfonso Pieres would choose her when he came to play. Pinky competed in all the high goal polo in the 1990 s and won many awards. Her playing career ended prematurely with a broken leg, however she retired to stud where her influence has been felt globally. As the backbone of the Ellerston ET breeding program, she has thrown countless champions including the brilliant **Dinghy** by Longboat, the unbelievable mare **Claret** by Monty, the sire **Hermitage** by Revenue, as well as **Motor, Cabernet, Shiraz** by Norman Pentaquad, **Burgundy** by Monty, **Champagne** by Monty, **Sherry, Chianti, Sauvignon, Vinery, Vintage, Valencia, Merlot, and Sangria** all of whom have played high goal polo in UK and Argentina. Pinky was put down in 2012 at the age of 30.



Pinky playing at Ellerston



Pinky taken outside the Ellerston stables



Claret at Ellerston

Claret is Dinghy's half-sister by Monty an extraordinary Australian and International polo Mare. Facundo Pieres played her in the Argentine Triple Crown in 2005. He then played her for three seasons in England where she was his best mare winning the Gold Cup in 2009 playing two chukkas in all matches. She was Best Mare in Argentine Triple Crown 2009 and won the Triple Crown in 2010.

She produced; the top mares Clarity by Meterman, Clarita (Arg), Clarinet (Arg), Open Catena (Arg), Open Chardonnay (Arg), Open Trapiche (Arg), etc the stallions Clarin, Clarion (Arg), Clark (Arg), Clariet (Spain), Clarry (Aus), Classify (Arg,) Clarify (Arg), Open Cabernet (Arg), Fino Merlot (Arg), etc

Sire: Ellerston Cavalier

Ellerston Ruski is by **Ellerston Cavalier** by legendary sire **Norman Pentaquad** from **Blue.** Cavalier is a full brother to outstanding international mare **Ellerston Sheltie**. Played by Facundo Pieres for sixteen years she was rated one of the best mares in the England over six years before winning awards playing in the US, playing the US Triple Crown. Ellerston claim she is one of the greatest horses they have bred. **Ellerston Keltie** another full sister played well overseas.



Sheltie played by 10 goaler Facundo Pieres



Cavalier taken at Ellerston



Sheltie with 10 goaler Facundo Pieres

Norman Pentaquad by Riverman sired the 1995 Melbourne Cup winner Doriemus, Cavalier and just so many top international ponies including Sheltie, Cube, Spinnaker, Yacht, Canada, Twiggy, Vinery, Chianti, Noumea, Wrinkle, Twilight, Jackie, Tory, Lizzie, Power, Puzzle, etc. His sire Riverman won two Group 1 races, was Champion Stallion siring two Prix de l'Arc de Triomphe winners Detroit and Gold River. He was described as having strong hindquarters and short canon bones and bred on the famous Nearco/Princequillo cross.



Norman Pentaquad top international polo sire

Blue the dam of Cavalier become famous throughout the polo world when played by 10 gaoler Horacio Heguy. She was then played by Kerry Packer for many years. She has produced many top horses including Sheltie, Cavalier, Heeler, Corgi, Coyote, Irish and Husky.



Kerry Packer on Blue by renowned sire Punchline

Blue is by the well-known Neville Gilpin sire Elmwood Punchline so renowned in polocrosse. Her dam Aziza was by the Panzer horse Cairo, sire of Sinclair Hill's remarkable mare Terlings Jessica and Terlings Silvertop dam of Terlings Tremble and the sire Terlings Gold Finger. Cairo's full brother was the successful polo sire Berrico Matruh. Aziza is also dam of the sire Throwers Stud Wizard of Oz, the mare Witch of Oz and goes back to Rivoli and Dimray.

Ellerston Cavalier has proved a dominant sire with his stock playing at all levels and winning so many BPP awards with progeny like Lily, Lillian, Ante, Flor, Luca, Jezebel, Bindi, Senator, Cream, etc. At Ellerston in 2022 James Harper rated Lily by Cavalier one of the best he has ever played, a huge endorsement. Not far behind her is her full sister Lilian.



Lillian played by Mat Grimes



Luca collects another BPP for the Grimes



Jezebel played by Mat Grimes



Lily played by James Harper





Lillian and Jack Grimes

Ruski Gallery:





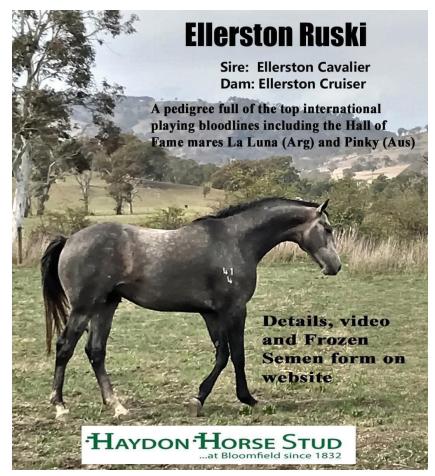


Ruski as a two year old 2016



Ruski at young horse chukkas







Ellerston Ruski detailed Pedigree:

		RIVERMAN Brown	NEVER BEND RIVER LADY	NASRULLAH LALUN PRINCE JOHN
SIRE: ELLERSTON CAVALIER Grey	NORMAN PENTAQUAD-TB Chestnut 1983	LADY REBECCA Bay	SIR IVOR	NILE VALLEY SIR GAYLORD ATTICA
			POCAHONTAS	ROMAN HOW
DAM: ELLERSTON CRUISER	BLUE Grey ELLERSTON SOLAR-Arg 14529 Bay	ELMWOOD PUNCH LINE ASH 21782 Brown	HONEY LINE	PARDAL HONEY RATION
			ELMWOOD CHAMPAGNE	ASH CARR TUPPY
		CINCINATTI AZIZA ASH 52587 Grey OPTIMUM-TB Brown	CAIRO ASH 1245 Brown	PANZER MENA
			NARRANGULLEN CLOUD	DIMRAY SIRE
			SOUTHERN HALO	RAINCOAT HALO NORTHERN SEA
			OPPOTUNISTA	LOGICAL OPERA
		LA LUNA-Arg 16005 Chestnut	TOP SECRET	GAMELON PAGODA
			GAUCHA ACHA	APRICOT CARREVI
Bay 2007	ELLERSTON DINGHY-TB Chestnut 1993	LONGBOAT-TB Bay	WELSH PAGEANT	TUDOR MELODY PICTURE LIGHT
			PIROGUE	RELIANCE CUTTER
		TOUCH OF PINK (PINKY)-TB Chestnut 1983	REFORMATION	REFORM EXPORT
			CORUNNA BAY	TURN THE TIDE LO VELLE