

## **CHARLESWOOD PERCHERONS WINS WORLD CHAMPIONSHIP**

**Charleswood Cody** was crowned World Champion Percheron Gelding at the 2022 World Percheron Congress held in Brandon, Manitoba. For the Andersons, it was one of their greatest accomplishments from a breeding program that spans 35 years. To make the victory even sweeter it happened in their home province of Manitoba where friends and family were able to celebrate the win with them.

Charleswood Percherons is made up of Kent, Marnie, Owen, and Tanner Anderson and is a familyoperated equine ranch located in Pilot Mound, Manitoba. The Andersons raise, show and train Percheron horses produced from their breeding group of approximately 75 mares and multiple stallions.

The road to being crowned World Champion Gelding at the World Percheron Congress started 14 years ago with the purchase of **Slate Acres Honsey**, from Slate Acres Stables, Baltic, Ohio. In 2008, while

enroute to the Keystone Foal Sale, Meadville, Pennsylvania, Kent purchased the weanling stallion during a visit to Holmes County, Ohio. Seven years later **Slate Acres Honsey** sired **Charleswood Cody** out of the Percheron mare, **Hargrove's Rosilyn**. **Cody** started his show career as a three-year-old with sights set on the World Percheron Congress, but Covid hit and there were no shows for two years. Finally, after a two-year delay, the World Percheron Congress took place in Brandon, Manitoba from July 18-23, 2022, and **Charleswood Cody** was crowned World Champion Percheron Gelding.

**Cody** certainly exhibited all the traits of a champion, the wow factor–standing 19.1 hands–along with the presence and class of a champion. Following the show, **Cody** was sold and will reside in his new home at Shining Star Percherons, Dianna Marquardt, Altoona, Iowa.

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**Congratulations Charleswood Percherons!**