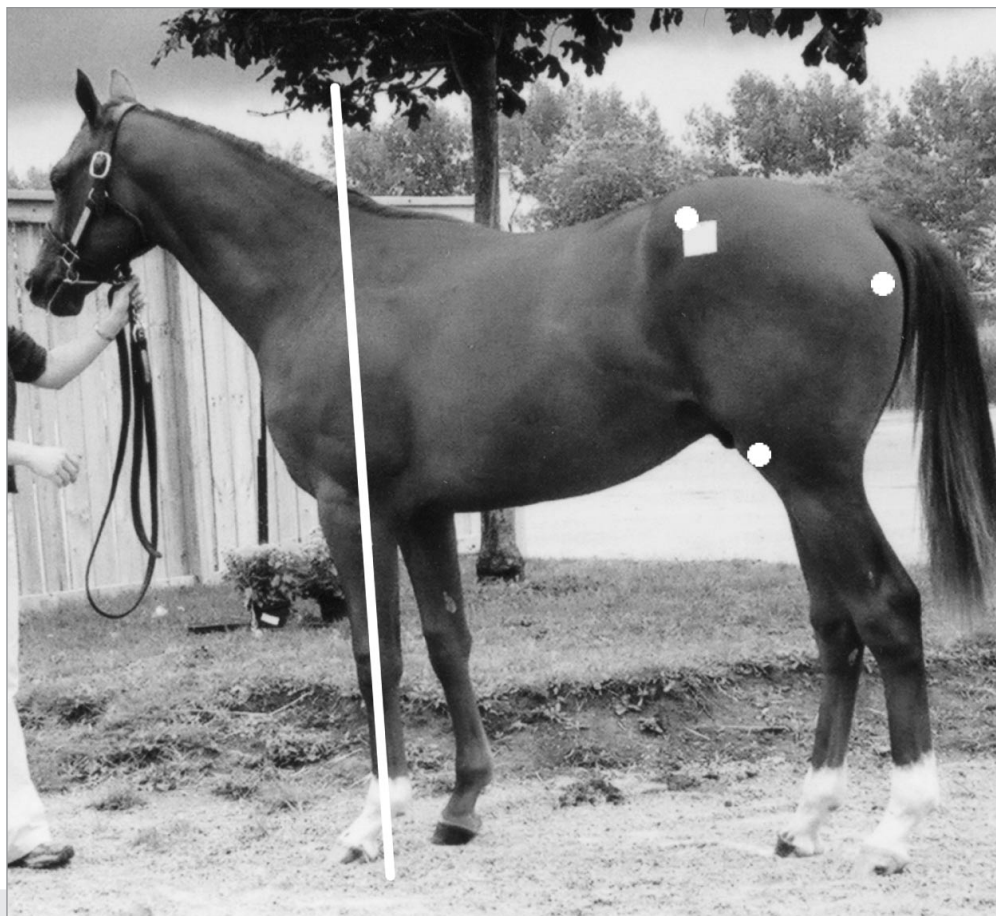


Examining Yearlings

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Examining Three Yearlings

Let's apply our eye for functional conformation to these three yearlings to see how their build matches their pedigrees and their race records.



CHESTNUT COLT (3 socks)

Catalogue Points

- Sire was a stakes-placed winner of \$225,000+, sire of one stakes winner and boasts average earnings per starter of approximately \$36,500.
- Paternal grandsire was a champion and sire of champions.
- Dam was a stakes winner at two, earning nearly \$60,000 from 13 starts. Her current produce record (since the catalogue) shows seven starters from seven foals of racing age and six winners with total earnings of \$280,000+.
- Broodmare sire was a stakes winner and a leading sire in Canada.

Functional Conformation

- LS slightly back from ideal. The Lumbosacral gap, a dip just in front of the high point of the croup is ideally situated for athleticism when bisected by a line drawn from hip to hip. His high point of croup is back of his hips.

- Miler stifle placement, which is slightly below the level of the sheath.
- High point of shoulder, long humerus
- Reasonably light in front of pillar of support, as seen when a line is drawn up from the knee through the middle of the forearm. There's a groove visible on the horse's leg to go by. The bottom of the pillar support emerges behind the hoof, adding stress to the suspensory apparatus.

Sale and Race Record

- Did not reach his reserve at the sale, the average for colts by his sire that year was \$7,500+.
- Earned \$18,000+ by the end of his three-year-old year.



BAY COLT

Catalogue Points

- Sire was a multiple champion, horse of the year and a leading sire in North America for several years.
- Dam was a stakes winner of well over \$160,000 from eight starts. She ran in the Breeders' Cup Juvenile Fillies, finishing well back. Her current production record (since the catalogue) shows five foals of racing age, two starters and one winner for total earnings of \$160,000+.
- Broodmare sire won the Triple Crown, sired twelve champions and is a leading broodmare sire.

Functional Conformation

- LS looks to be back of the ideal position. The high point of the croup is behind the hips.
- Classic distance stifle placement, which is further below the sheath than that of a miler.
- Heavy in front of pillar of support despite a high point of shoulder. The bottom of the pillar of support emerges behind the hoof, making him more susceptible to injury in the suspensory apparatus.

Sale and Race Record

- Sold for \$90,000 Cdn
- Unraced to the end of his three-year-old year.

CHESTNUT COLT (1 sock)

Catalogue Points

- Sire was a stakes winner of nearly \$350,000, sired approximately 150 black type winners and boasts average earning per starter of \$56,500+. His yearling sales average for 2004 was \$26,000+ for colts.
- Dam earned just under \$14,000 from seven starts. Her current produce record (since the catalogue) shows two starters from three foals of racing age, two winners, one stakes winner and one champion for total earnings of over \$1 million.
- Broodmare sire was a stakes winner of over \$290,000 and sired approximately 30 stakes winners as well as being the broodmare sire of three champions and boasting average earnings per starter of \$68,000+.

Functional Conformation

- LS appears to be very close to ideal
- Classic distance stifle placement (adjusted for left hind stepping forward as it would appear well below the level of the sheath if the left hind were stepped back in the standard conformation pose).
- Light in front of pillar of support with a high point of shoulder and bottom of line emerges at the back of the hoof, not behind it.

Sale and Race Record

- Sold for \$100,000 Cdn
- Earned nearly \$1,000,000 (over \$1 million in Canadian dollars), making him his sire's top earner. He was a champion two-year-old and counts the Queen's Plate among his stakes victories at three.

