- 1. Short biography of the horse: Thyra van Synaeda AA was purchased and imported by Scott and Tamera Julius in March 2022. Thyra was an 8 year old Kroon AA mare listed as one of the highest breeding value mares on the top mare listing with 111 breeding value. She was in foal to Teun 505 and had a stunning colt in June 2022 who was awarded 1<sup>st</sup> premium champion colt at the Custer, WI keuring in 2022. Scott and Tamera elected to not breed Thyra and put her in training doing ICSI instead and harvesting embryos to place into recipient mares instead of breeding her to carry a foal, while keeping her in training for the 2023 keuring to try to make model. Thyra had three foals prior to entering the 2023 keuring. She was awarded Model by the judges and was named Champion of the Day at the Custer, WI keuring in 2023. Thyra is out of Norbert 444 and her dam is a Beart 411.
- 2. Special accomplishments and contributions to the Friesian breed (competition results, breeding statistics, etc.): Thyra is now a third generation Model Mare and is out of mare line 2. Again, she is on the top mare listing with a breeding value of 111. Her lineage is truly royal going back 13 generations with her dam being Model Pref. Prest, AAA #4, and grand dam being Model Pref. Prest. #13. Great grand dam Ster Pref. There are a total of 6 Model mares and 8 preferrants in Thyra's direct 13 generation lineage dating back to 1885.
- 3. How is the horse and ambassador for the Friesian breed? Thyra is a stunning, tall, and noble mare exhibiting exceptional racial type. Thyra is a truly special mare that catches the attention of all, whether she is under saddle or pulling a carriage or simply being shown in-hand. Thyra has been toted the nickname "Royal Thyra" due to her outstanding pedigree and incredible, captivating presence. We have been incredibly lucky, successfully obtaining embryos from Thyra during the past year. We are excited to be excited to be expecting five foals in 2024 out of surrogate mares and by four different stallions (Alwert 514, Arent 515, Ubran 502, Omer 493). Thyra produced a total of 17 embryos over the last year and we are excited to implant more of these into surrogate mares.
- 4. Other noteworthy past accomplishments: Thyra is well on her way to making Preferent herself. Her first offspring, a Thorben 466 stallion, made Ster at the Hanford keuring in 2022. Her second foal, a beautiful Teun 505 colt, was awarded 1<sup>st</sup> Premium at the Custer, WI keuring in 2022. Thyra was awarded Provisional Kroon in 2017 as a three-year-old and scored 77 points in 2020 in her riding IBOP and was awarded Kroon. Thyra was awarded Model at Custer, WI in 2023. At the 2023 Mare Show East, Thyra was selected from among five Model mares to advance to the final round.