The Bold Master: He was big; He was bold; and he proved himself a master in the show ring during 1981.

He was bred to be a champion having been sired by Ebony Masterpiece out of Winston's Black Lady.

Bold Master was purchased by Ed Smith, owner of Rolling Meadows Stables, Pigeon Forge, Tenn. In 1979 from Dr. and Mrs. G.E. Leslie of Troy, Mo. and was brought home to Rolling Meadows Stables to begin his climb to victory. Trained by roger Lewis and Roy Gene Reed, he began his career as a two year old during 1979 show season. In 1980, some of his victories as a three year old contender were: Shelbyville, Georgia State; North Carolina State, and the three year old stallion class at the celebration. In the Three Year Old Championship Class, he met with a very determined and capable lady by the name of Sunset Silhouette and had to settle for reserve honors.

1981 saw a strong campaign begin for the four year old division championship. Roger Lewis and Bold Master entered the show ring seven times prior to the celebration taking home six blue ribbons and one reserve. At the celebration he easily rode into the winners circle in the four year old preliminary class. Then came the wait for the big night and the decision of which class to enter.

On Saturday night when the four year olds entered the ring minus Bold Master, most people knew that he had decided to go for the Big One, tension and excitement prevailed.

Bold Master entered the ring for the Grand Championship with stroking perfection and, if it was possible, he became better the longer he was worked. There was no doubt he belonged in the winner's circle as the 1981 World Grand Champion.

The Bold Master stands at stud at Rolling Meadow's Stables, Pigeon Forge, Tennessee. Only a four year old, he dared to test his ability against mature competitors – and became the 1981 World Grand Champion.

