

Chances Miniature Horse Rescue



Many Thanks To Our Adopters!



CMHR wants to personally thank each and every person that adopted horses from our rescue this year. We had over 30 horses at one point in time and with the help of all of you we are now down to just four.



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Each horse now has a second chance at a happy, loving home and long lived life. I will be placing photos throughout this newsletter of all the horses and their happy new owners. Hope you enjoy!

I will do this in the next few newsletters as there are so many.

Coggins

Every year each horse needs to see a vet and have a current coggins test. You cannot take your horse off your property (depending on your state law) without one and if you do and

get caught there is a very heavy fine involved. Please be a responsible horse owner and have each horse coggins tested each and every year!



The Warmth Of A Horse

When your day seems out of balance, and so many things go wrong.....

When people fight around you, and the clock drags on so long.....

When some folks act like children, and fill you with remorse.....

Go out into your pasture, and wrap your arms around your horse.

His gentle breath enfolds you as he watches with those eyes.....

He might not have a PhD, but he is oh so wise....

His head rests on your shoulder, you hug him good and tight...

He puts your world in balance, and makes it seem alright.

Your tears will soon stop flowing, the tension will be eased....

The nonsense has been lifted,

you are quiet and at peace.

So when you need some balance, from the stresses in your day.....

The therapy that you really need.....

Is out there eating HAY!!!



The warmth of a horse. Read all about it!



More Horses That Were Adopted in 2008

“All I pay my psychiatrist is the cost of feed and hay, and he will listen to me any day.”

~ Author Unknown



Floating Basics

With domestication come changes to the equine lifestyle. Horses with scheduled feedings eating softer grains and hays now experience a different type of wear on their teeth.

Horses teeth tend to develop sharp points. Left alone this can cause the horse cuts to

the cheeks and tongue and difficulty chewing.

Fortunately veterinarians have developed a technique to prevent this problem. Floating is the process of rasping or

filing a horses teeth to maintain balance and

free chewing motion.

Your horse will be sedated for this procedure and should have a dental exam annually.



STRANGLES

Strangles, also known as distemper, is a highly contagious disease among horses. It's characterized by inflammation of the nasal and pharyngeal mucous membranes, with swelling, inflam-

mation and abscessing in the lymph nodes. Fever is also common and is usually the first clinical sign. The disease's mortality rate is low. The Streptococcus equi bacteria that causes

strangles are hardy, but not as strong as we used to think. Unless conditions are optimal the bacteria do not survive that long in the environment, says D Craig Barnett DVM. He explains that the bacteria can survive in water buckets up to 30 days, but will live only a few days to a week on stall walls, fences, soil etc....

Do not vaccinate your horses for strangles for at least one year following an outbreak or it could wreak havoc on your horse.

Some horses are carriers and primary sources for recurring outbreaks. Info cited from HorseChannel.com



Foaling

With foaling time quickly approaching I thought it would be a great time to list a few items that you should have on hand.

As your mare gets closer to foaling you will want to be sure to have your cameras set up and have a halter monitor on her.

Your foaling kit should consist of:

- Towels
- Novalsan or Iodine
- Scissors
- Vets phone number
- Syringes
- Baby enema
- Banamine

- KY Jelly
- Sterile gloves
- String or yarn in case you need to tie and cut the cord (not recommended unless it doesn't break on it's own)
- Baby bottle in case foal won't nurse from mare
- Thermometer
- Good Luck to all!

“Horse sense is a thing a horse has which keeps it from betting on people.”
 ~ W. C. Fields~

Two More Horses That Were Adopted In 2008



We are just so thankful for all the wonderful people that adopted this year!

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This is the place where I always want to take a moment to thank each and every person who has donated to CMHR. Without the extreme generosity of our donators CMHR would not be able to help the horses in need. **THANK YOU!!**



No new members to announce.



Fosters Waiting To Be Adopted

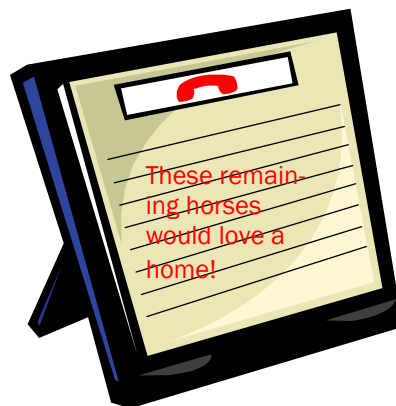
Hilda—16 years old—bay
pinto pony mare 40"

Dixie—13 years old—black
roan pinto mare—40" pony

Patty—12 years old—
40" tall—red dun
mare

Tina—4 years old—
40-42" pony mare—
black—started under
harness

Billy Bob—9 years
old—black roan
pinto—34" gelding



Miss Tennessee

This sweet little mare has just come into our care and she has come from a VERY neglectful situation. She stands approximately 28" and is black with a snip.

She is not ready for adoption at this time.