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The Committee of IMHR would like to welcome the following new members to our ever growing association. It is great to see our industry moving forward in leaps and bounds !

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Presidents Report

Just in case there is anyone out there who I haven't met, I thought I would include a photo. If you see me at a show or



out and about, please come up and say hi ! We will feature a photo of a different committee member each issue so you can get to know us all !

I will keep this brief as I have already made this issue very, very late. Our wonderful editor Trish got it to me on time but I have been having trouble finding time for final edits so big apology from me for that.

We have sourced a new printer for our magazine also so we hope you enjoy the new all colour format !

Also would like to apologise for the delays in processing registrations. Please be patient, registrations ARE being processed but there are just so many to get through and only so many hours in a day. The recent closure of the Stud Registration deal has seen literally thousands of registrations arrive here in the National Office and we are working our way through them. We try to prioritise the horses that have been sold, need to attend shows etc.. so you may find that they are processed out of order. If you have an urgent requirement for your papers, please contact us.

Our National Show is going to be HUGE. For those who sent their entries in early a big thank you .. For those still waiting to the last minute—please hurry up ! Haha For anyone attending please take care on the roads with your precious cargo. If you are going to be doing two shows this Easter please take extra care if you or your horses are tired. We will try to be as flexible as we can regarding measuring for those arriving outside of normal measuring times. You will have to let us know in advance if you will need consideration.

As you can see by the membership numbers, your Association is going from strength to strength. With sensible management and flexible attitudes, we will continue to improve our industry for all.

Yours in minis, Leanne Williams

Please Note!

Due to the high volume of emails being received by IMHR, we will no longer accept any IMHR paperwork including registrations or registration photos via email.

*They must be submitted via post or fax **ONLY**.*

You may store the photos on CD/DVD for your registrations but they must be posted. With the volumes of registrations being received at present, it is becoming too time-consuming to match emails to paperwork.

Also, we do not accept partially completed registrations. You must send your photos and all information with your registrations - we will no longer match them up for you. All incomplete registrations will be returned.

At this stage, there is no penalty fee for returned paperwork, however, this may change in the future. To avoid this, please ensure you check you have completed your paperwork correctly before sending to IMHR Inc.

We thank you for your cooperation as this will speed up the processing for all our members.

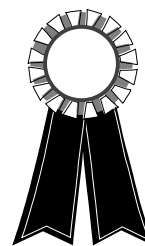
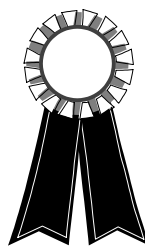
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The latest version of this booklet is now available as a separate document to the Performance Handbook.

It can be downloaded from the website. Please make sure you are familiar with the Show Rules. It is a good idea to have a copy with you when attending IMHR shows. You can also download the Performance Handbook.

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Important Notice, please read!

Members please make a note of some changes:

1. A new Work Order is now available online as well as in this magazine (page 23). Ensure you use this when sending in your paperwork for processing.
2. When making payments to the IMHR Inc. via paypal, direct deposit etc, please give your name as reference so it can be found on statements. This is extremely important as payments will not be recognised if they can't be found! EG. If you are paying for a 1/2 page black and white advert - mark payment as SMITH1/2BW or similar. Even just your name - we need to know who you are!
3. Also a change to policy: All horses must hold IMHR Inc. registration if being advertised in the MHQ magazine.



Spotlight on Products

This is a new section which will spotlight products related to the horse industry. The manufacturer or distributor of these products will donate their product via a voucher up to the value of \$50 which will be raffled through IMHR. In return for this voucher, the product will receive a 1/2 page review.

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Thrush

by: Nancy S. Loving, DVM

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Despite good hoof hygiene and exercise, horses sometimes get this unpleasant condition; rapid recognition and proactive management can prevent deeper damage.

You've seen it many a time--a horse gallops across a field and dirt clods fly every which way. With normal activity, your horse's hooves are subject to a natural cleansing process that scours the bottom of the hoof and removes debris collected there. Any reason for inactivity, such as lameness or constraints on exercise and turnout, can influence how successful the natural cleaning action is that comes with moving across dry ground. It doesn't require a fast run to accomplish this; even just regular movement at a walk and trot will be beneficial.

Bill Moyer, DVM, department head of Veterinary Large Animal Clinical Sciences at the College of Veterinary Medicine and Biomedical Sciences at Texas A&M University, has had a special interest in equine foot health for decades. He stresses, "Most cases of thrush occur in inactive horses that live in stalls. Unfortunately, this describes a huge percentage of horses in the United States, since over the past few decades horses have become 'apartment dwellers.' As a result they may be standing in any number of different conditions, yet the foot isn't flexing and so doesn't get the opportunity to self clean."

The nature of your horse's environment impacts the health of his hooves to some degree. Certain conditions and environments predispose the frog to bacterial or fungal infections; horses live in the presence of manure and soil where potentially destructive organisms proliferate, particularly if dirt and debris remain trapped in the crevices or grooves (sulci) of the frog. Pads also tend to trap moisture in the bottom of the foot and facilitate such bacterial or fungal growth. While poor hygiene can set the stage for development of thrush, even with the best of care infection can develop in the frog or sulci of the frog if conditions are excessively moist. Horses in the western United States don't tend to have nearly as many--or as severe--thrush infections as those living in damp parts of the United States. Moyer can't overstate the importance of activity enough, saying, "I have seen thrush in some of the best-cared-for and -managed places, but the common denominator is that it develops in horses that live 'in.' "

Moyer notes, "Susceptibility to develop thrush varies with the configuration of the foot. A foot with an upright heel and deep crevices is a foot that is a real setup for thrush." When the heels are high, the frog becomes recessed below the heels of the hoof wall, debris accumulates, and disease results. Horses with a chronic lameness condition that causes heels to contract and/or limitations on exercise are also primed to develop thrush, as are horses with improperly trimmed heels. Moyer has noticed that while some affected horses have deep crevices of the frog, in other cases there is no depth to the frog clefts at all. He says, "My impression is that the incidence may be higher in Draft breeds than in light horses, mainly due to the nature of their feet with a deeper cleft that is more likely to retain moisture, which becomes the media for bacterial growth."

What Does Thrush Look Like?

The consistency of a normal frog is much like that of a rubber eraser: firm, but pliable. Normally, the central sulcus is fairly shallow. In a horse that has limited exercise, and/or other hoof health issues, this central sulcus can deepen. If the crevice deepens, the tissues within have limited access to air and--especially if debris becomes lodged there--infection can develop, evident as a black and pasty discharge and often having an offensive odour.

A thrush infection usually is fairly superficial in its invasion of the tissues. Initially, it might be difficult to identify the presence of thrush, since in the early stages the horse is not lame and might show no other clinical signs. A more deep-seated infection can penetrate even further and, thus, move closer to sensitive tissue and potentially involve the digital cushion or other critical tissues. This can pose a real risk to the horse. In such cases, a horse can become lame and resent probing or squeezing of the tender heel and frog areas affected by thrush.

A severe form of thrush with substantial tissue damage might be confused with another condition called canker. Moyer describes canker as an explosive form of granulation tissue that tends to outgrow its blood supply, leading to

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a particularly noxious odour. The tissue that looks like spongy, rotten cauliflower is fragile and bleeds easily with finger pressure. Presently, no one knows what triggers canker.

Prevention

An ounce of prevention truly serves as a cure when it comes to hoof cleanliness and health, regular turnout or exercise is essential. Moyer states, "Thrush is a disease that could have a much-lessened incidence if people would allow horses to be horses and to be outside, moving. The horse is so dependent physiologically on motion to circulate blood through their limbs; confined living conditions set them up for problems like thrush."

As you pick out your horse's hooves daily, inspect carefully for abnormal changes. Moyer comments, "Owner and/or farrier recognition of a foot that may be susceptible to thrush can go a long way toward avoiding infection. The frogs should be trimmed in a way that while clefts may remain somewhat deep; the frog isn't allowed to grow to a point where it is overlapping. This keeps the clefts open for self-cleaning as the horse walks and frolics in turnout."

Moyer notes that in the vast majority of thrush cases, an owner isn't even aware that a problem exists and it is the farrier who is the first to recognize a problem.

Moyer has noted another possible reason for development of thrush, saying, "Some cases are potentially created by people through overly aggressive use of a hoof pick. I have seen cleaning that is rough enough to reach to fairly sensitive tissue, even to the point of bleeding." While daily use of a hoof pick is to be encouraged to keep the frog sulci open and clean, he urges common sense and judicious care when using a pick.

Another main strategy is to keep your horse's environment clean--daily mucking of the stalls and paddocks is important. All living areas should have good drainage, including pastures used for turnout. Try to limit your horse's access to areas that could become simmering soups of bacteria.

Treatment

The specific organisms that create such damage are not particularly easy to identify. As Moyer points out, "The problem with trying to culture these feet is that you end up culturing the barn." A main objective is recognition; once the problem is identified, steps can be taken to eradicate the infection and to prevent recurrence.

The horse with thrush should be housed in a clean, dry area. Having the foot trimmed is essential. Daily inspection and cleaning of the hooves is critical to successful resolution of the infection. Effective treatment for thrush relies on generous removal of affected and infected frog structures with a hoof knife and nippers, along with thorough cleansing of all crevices. Vigorous use of a wire brush helps to scrub away all necrotic material.

Most thrush organisms are extremely susceptible to antibacterial solutions such as tamed iodine and bleach. Moyer believes that a dilute solution of iodine works as well as anything for disinfection of thrush-affected tissues. He recommends cutting regular iodine, such as Lugol's, with water to a 2% solution. He says, "I like to administer it through a ketchup squeeze bottle that directs the iodine specifically into the frog crevices."

Moyer cautions against applying a philosophy of "if a little bit helps then a lot more is that much better." He remarks, "Many substances, including iodine, are caustic materials that can cause a chemically induced dermatitis if it drains onto skin above the hoof. What might have helped clear up the thrush problem with a couple of treatments might then turn into another problem due to a 'too much' or 'too often' approach."

In some cases, it might be beneficial to treat the horse with poultice bandages and/or to implement daily foot soaks with antiseptic solutions. Moyer stresses, "While iodine is one of the world's greatest disinfectants, it'll only work for a short period of time if the foot remains continually exposed to the same thing that put the infection there. If the foot is very involved, as, for example, if the frog is so degraded that it peels away, then foot bandages should be used to protect the foot from the environment until the infection clears up."

He has found diapers to be useful as part of a foot bandage since they "breathe." Moyer also suggests that hoof boots can protect the affected areas, but he has concerns that these don't breathe, while at the same time the foot

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continues to sweat, keeping the area damp--this is counterproductive to treatment.

Moyer also points out, "It is really worthwhile for the person managing a thrushy foot to wash their hands after treatment and/or to wear latex gloves. Take care to scrub under fingernails as well, as you don't have any idea what has contaminated your hands. This is a good precaution in all cases, and even more important if the handler has an open wound."

If a horse's foot develops a bad smell, the frog feels "funky," and/or if the horse exhibits lameness, you should call your vet. Moyer urges, "A veterinarian must be involved as soon as possible if there is any hint of complications. Even if the horse seems comfortable, there may be deeper tissue involvement that an owner may not be able to identify. Veterinary intervention is necessary to remove affected tissue to allow healing."

You can check the degree of discomfort your horse is feeling by watching him on the lunge line for lameness and by using your fingers to push on various structures on the bottom of his feet to check for soreness. Timely intervention is important so the infection does not invade deeper tissues, such as the frog and digital cushion between the heel bulbs. There is the potential for a persistent case to develop extensive degeneration of these structures, leading to instability of the heel bulbs or a sheared heel condition. If your hands are able to move each heel bulb independently of the other, this is typical of sheared heels. Such loss of support and stability in the rear portions of his foot can be quite painful for a horse, causing varying degrees of lameness. It takes time for the hoof to grow out, the supportive structure to be restored, and for soundness to return. It might be advantageous to apply a special bar shoe to hold the heels in stable position while the hoof grows and the infection is resolved.

Take-Home Message

Thrush is an infection of the frog and associated structures in the hoof. Regular exercise and good hoof hygiene are important to prevention and treatment. Owner observation, rapid recognition, and proactive management can avert the development of deeper tissue infection and the need for associated medical care.

Horse Terminology

Hock - the financial condition of all horse owners.

Stall - what your trailer rig does at rush hour in an unfamiliar city on the way to a big horse show.

A bit - what you have left in your pocket after you've been to your favorite tack shop.

Fence - a decorative structure built to provide your horse with something to chew on.

Horse auction - what you think of having after your horse bucks you off.

Pinto - a green coat pattern found on freshly washed light-colored horses left unattended for 2 minutes in a pasture.

Well-mannered - a horse that hasn't stepped on, bitten or kicked any human for a week.

Rasp - an abrasive metal tool used to remove excess skin from one's knuckles.

Longeing or lunging - popular training method in which a horse exercises the human by spinning them in circles until dizzy.

Gallop - customary gait a horse chooses when returning back to the barn.

Nicely started - the horse lunges but there is not enough health insurance in the world to even think about riding him.

Colic - gastrointestinal distress in people after eating food at horse fairs and shows.

Colt - what your mare gives you when you want a filly.

Easy to load - only takes 3 hours, 4 men, a 50 lb. bag of oats, and a tractor with a loader.

Easy to catch - in a 10 x 10 stall, that is.

Easy rider - rides well in a trailer, not to be confused with "ride able."

Endurance ride - end result when your horse spooks and runs away with you.

Hives - what you get when you receive the vet bill for your horse.

Hobbles - walking gait of a human after their foot has been stepped on by a horse.

Feed - expensive substance used to manufacture manure.

Dog house - what you are in when you spend too much money on grooming supplies and pretty halters.

Light cribber - we can't afford to build any more fencing or box stalls for this buzz saw on 4 legs.

3 gaited horse - a horse that trips, stumbles and falls.

Contribution by a Member

PROBLEMS OF THE BROODMARE

(continued from Issue 13)

Can anything be done to stimulate mares that don't appear to cycle?

Mares that do not cycle should always be examined very carefully. They may be in foal!

Other less common causes are immature ovaries, complete lack of ovaries, infertile ovaries and uterus, congenital lack of reproductive organs, or a persistent or retained corpus luteum from a previous ovulation may be causing a hormonal block by continuous secretion of progesterone.

This can be diagnosed by ultrasound scan or by blood progesterone assay. All these have to be assessed before resorting to physical or chemical means of stimulation. This is NOT an area in which to give an injection and see what will happen -

Mares that cycle but don't show are often timid and as a result may be doomed to be poor breeders. Some mares have genetically damaged ovaries and may only have a limited number of follicles in their entire lifetime and consequently have infrequent cycles, and even more infrequent ovulations.

Mares that persistently cycle and do not show may require regular palpation and ultrasound examination to determine the time of ovulation. Service then becomes essential and may be assisted by the use of oestrogenic hormone to increase the receptivity of the mare.

If a mare is aggressive, she may have an ovarian tumor. Again she should be scanned and/or blood tested for hormone levels.

Persistence, careful observations and regular examination often result in pregnancy. These are not the kind of mares for the faint-hearted and can be very expensive hobbyhorses.

What information does an ultrasound give and how early can pregnancy be detected?

The use of ultrasound examination as an aid to fertility investigation started early in 1980 and has been a most useful aid in reproductive examinations

It enables the clinician to 'see' the follicles and ovaries and to 'see' cysts in the uterus. It has made the examination for twins more accurate and has enabled the best assessment of the viability of the foetus.

The embryonic vesicle can first be seen when using a scanner at 5MH between 11 - 12 days, but at this stage cannot be 100% accurately assessed for the presence of cysts except that the embryo is freely moving. If the mare is re-examined 5-10 minutes later, the cyst will still be in the same position but the embryo will probably have moved to a different location. Re-scanning at 25 days allows the actual observation of the foetal heartbeat.

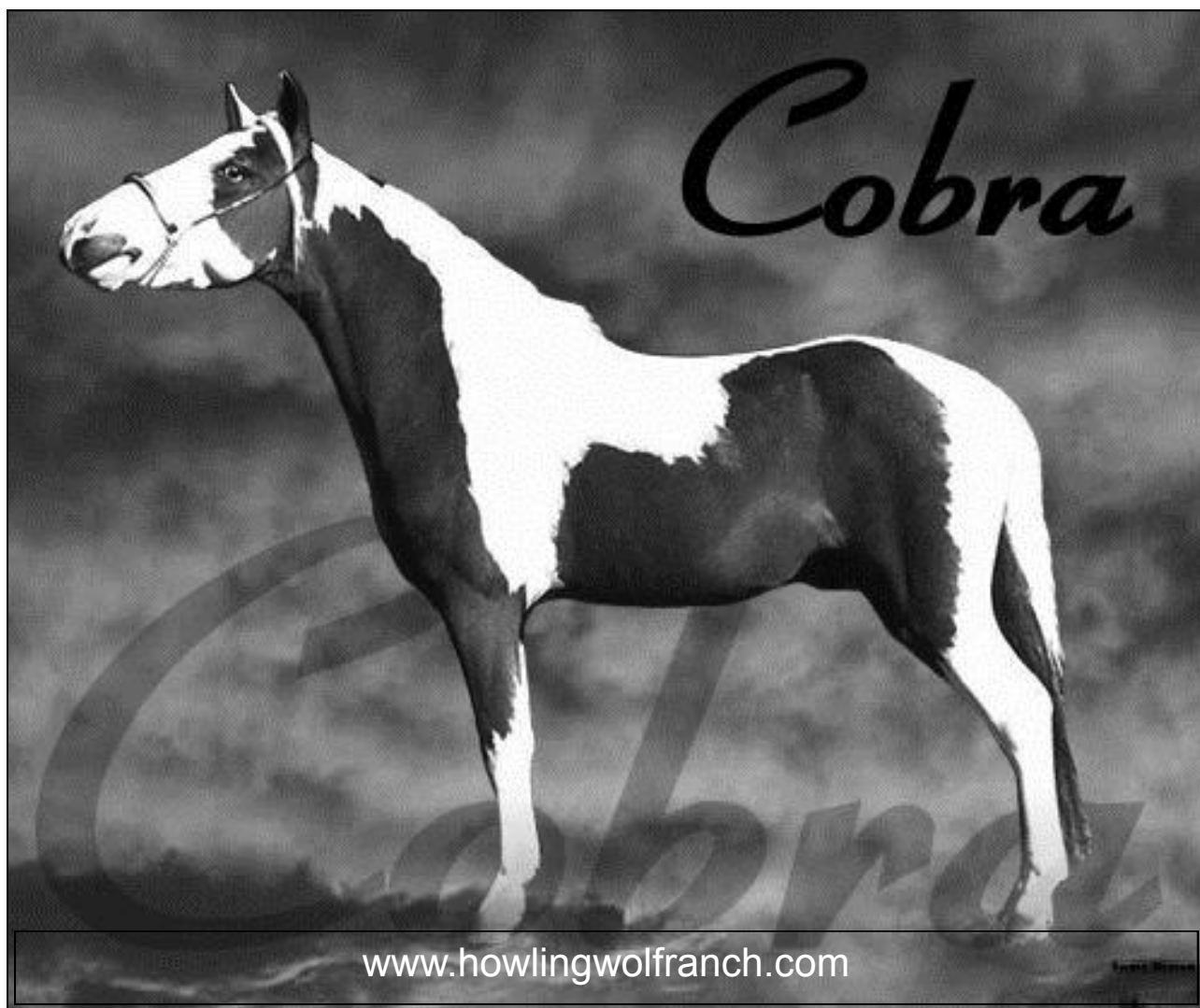
The scan also allows diagnosis of ovulation, of formation of the corpus luteum after ovulation, the presence of ovarian tumors and the number, frequency and size of uterine cysts. It can detect mares with uterine infections, the presence of fluid and pus, and of pregnancy.

It does not replace manual pregnancy testing. It only makes the diagnosis a visible one that can be 'seen' by the owner, stud master and veterinarian, and assessment of the foetus viability can be given at the same time.

Next issue –

- ✚ Are there special requirements for breeding older mares?
- ✚ Do all mares require Caslicks and when should it be cut open?
- ✚ What effects do uterine cysts have on fertility and what treatment is recommended?





Mardean Anastasia

We are so proud of our mare, a golden oldie now at 12 years of age. Anna has been with us for five years giving us HWR Bright Center Stage and HWR Black Jack. Anna is always around for a cuddle and loves Cobra and being with him. Anna will be with us till the day she leaves this earth. We love you girl!!



In loving memory of Cascade Jade

Cascade Jade was found in the back paddock unable to move, at first I thought it was founder, after carefully examining her and calling my vet he suggested I rush her over.

So I loaded up the float but then found Jade couldn't walk up the ramp. Beside myself I called my vet back and he rushed over. Jade was shaking and as most of you know, Jade was abused before I got her and this was the first time I was able to cuddle the appaloosa mare and stroke her head. When the vet arrived he was shocked to see that she had relapsed her back passage and was bleeding to death inside.



I was beside myself with tears and then the vet said there was nothing that could be done to save her so I decided to stop her suffering and put her to sleep. It was the hardest choice to make but she was suffering. Jade was put to sleep and is now out of pain. She is the dam of HWR X Factor and HWR Fame N Fortune (black overo colt soon to be shown by Anyssa Park) and Cascade Serendipity. She was a sweet mare just very timid around people. You will be missed Jade and dance in the clouds till I see you again.

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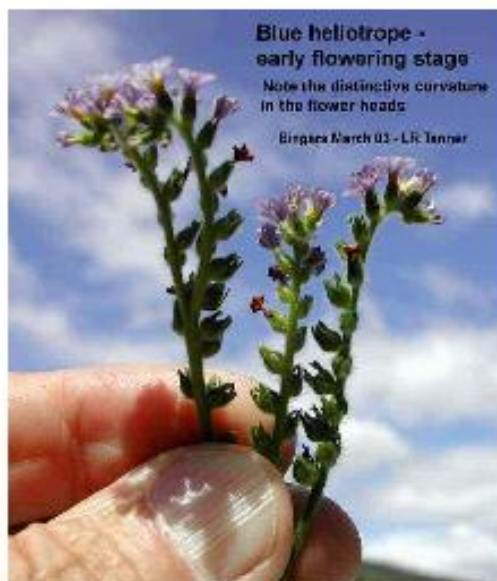


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in the flower heads
Bingara March 03 - L.R. Tanner

Blue heliotrope (*Heliotropium amplexicaule* Vahl) is a native plant of South America. Its cousin, common heliotrope (*Heliotropium europaeum* L.) is from southern and central Europe, western Asia and northern Africa. Both species can be toxic to animals.

Both plants readily establish along roadsides, disturbed areas, fallows and degraded pastures. The plants are spread by seeds and rootstocks.

How to identify blue heliotrope

Blue heliotrope flowers are purple or lilac, with a yellow centre. Common heliotrope has white flowers. Both plants have a characteristic bend in that part of the plant that holds the flowers - as indicated in the photo, left.

Both blue and common heliotrope emit very strong and unpleasant odours during the main growing and flowering periods.

Effect on animals?

Blue heliotrope is poisonous to cattle, especially young cattle. According to *Noxious Plants of Australia* by Parsons and Cuthbertson (Inkata Press), blue heliotrope causes acute and chronic liver damage:

"Symptoms of poisoning include depression, photosensitisation, scouring, straining, abdominal swelling, depraved appetite, staggering gait, circling and death. Autopsy reveals enlarged, hardened and sometimes nodulated livers with enlarged thick-walled gall bladders. There is a massive build-up in the abdomen and, while the rumen is distended with ingesta, virtually empty intestines".



An example of how blue heliotrope will take over roadside areas (Bingara-Ginerol Rd 2004)

MORE INFORMATION? PLEASE CONTACT YOUR LOCAL WEEDS OFFICER:

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|---|--------------------------------------|---------------------------------------|--|
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Attention New England Members

This is a reminder to all members wanting to show at the
Tamworth Appaloosa and/or the New England Quarter
Horse shows.

These show societies are kind enough to provide classes
for horses registered IMHR Inc.

We thank you in advance for your co-operation and
support of these shows. Please check these websites for
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www.freewebs.com/tamappy1

We thank the Tamworth District Western Performance &
Appaloosa Club and also the New England Quarter Horse
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Foal Brag

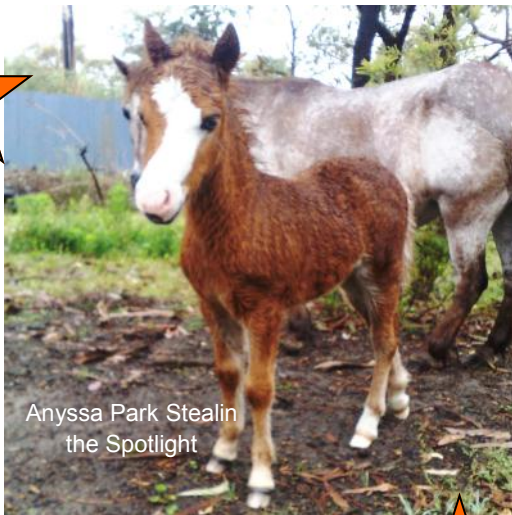
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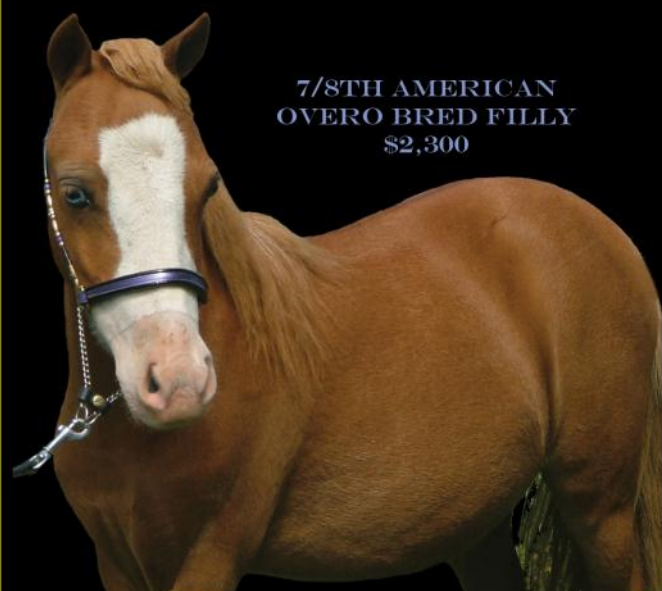


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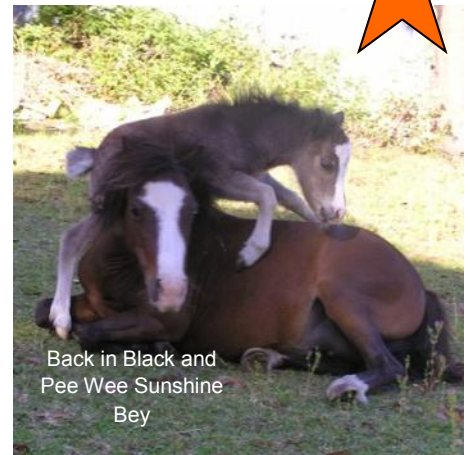
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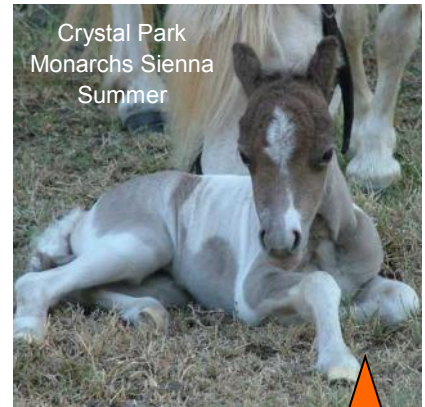
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Training for Performance – Naturally Part 4

By: Brenda Peet Shikinah Performance Miniatures.

Basics on getting a relationship and communication with your Horse

This is the fun part learning to communicate with our horse the way a horse can understand.

Getting your horse to face you, this is great.

Firstly bend over and look at your horses hindquarter in a threatening manner if they don't move then use your stick to help with what you want to tell them. Gently rotate the stick near rump in an anti- clockwise direction (DON'T touch them) you are still bent and looking threatening if they don't move get more impulsion with your stick if they still won't move then a light tap NOT HIT the side of their rump getting harder and harder until they swing their butt away, immediately stand up straight SMILE and a rub on the shoulder. Repeat and see if it takes less time by the end of it all you will have to do is bend slightly and point to their rump with your finger and Amazingly the butt swings away ☺ very helpful in lunge, catching, angle backing, pivot and liberty. So much is achieved from getting this right only spend around 10 mins on this in one session, if they haven't got it yet DON'T get frustrated come back to it tomorrow.



Ashlee and Hokey

Notice his full concentration is on his Handler. This is when you know you have the communication right.

Make sure you do this on both sides Remember Mirror EVERYTHING

Dane & Angel Pivot

Notice head held still, bend to hindquarter



Now when your horse has this maneuver, when you back you can use this to go around corners with a slight bend & pointing to the rump, same with pivot just stand on the shoulder and point to their rump but you need to hold the head still with your lead to help the front feet to stay locked in position. Also when you have them lunging all you have to do is bend and they will stop and face you ready to go in the other direction or come into you.

Backing using the Natural horsemanship method, this is done this way for a few reasons the main one is for safety and to keep your horse out of your personal

space. There is nothing worse than a horse on top of you all the time and the other is to help send your horse away from you.

Make sure your society will accept this method of backing in the show ring before showing if not train your horse the “conventional” way for show and Natural Horsemanship for home use especially with the safety issue in mind.

How do we start ???

Stand in front of your horse & gently wiggle the rope from side to side while adding a small amount of pressure with you fingers ½ way down the nose or using the thicker end of your stick & put pressure in the chest and you can even use the words back if you want, if they resist by coming forward or throw their head add a bit more pressure BUT when they take a step or 2 back take the pressure off immediately and stop wiggling the rope, this is hard to do as we want to keep going & not let go this will NOT teach your horse anything except to push on pressure not move away you need to practice this until it's second nature. Maybe with a friend add pressure to there arm when they take a step release ☺

Once your horse has the idea ask for a few more than 1 or 2 steps BUT DON'T over do it, there is always tomorrow.

If they are still not connecting with the rope wiggle and going back wiggle the rope a bit harder and REMEMBER stop as soon as they give you the slightest try. If they still have problems wiggle the rope and use your stick and give a slight push on the chest, when they back stop ALL movement and pushing and reward with a smile and pat ☺

*For those members that need to catch up on the training segments
contact Shikinah Performance Miniatures on peettribe@aapt.net.au and they will be happy to email you a copy.*

Performance Handbook & Show Rules

The IMHR Performance Handbook and Show Rules has been released !

There are a few changes to the Show Rules, so please make sure you familiarize yourself with this new rules. You can download the Handbook from the IMHR website or if you would like a printed copy, please contact the Vice President Marie Bimr on 02 6554 2261 or email mbimr@bigpond.net.au, please quote your name and membership number. All memberships are entitled to one free copy. Additional copies are \$5.00 each.

Some of the changes include:

Minimum Ages - Horses

To qualify for participation in an event/ class, the horse must meet the minimum age standard or entry will be refused.

Event Minimum ACTUAL age

| | |
|----------------|-----------|
| Halter Classes | 2 months* |
| Trail | 12 months |
| Hunter | 12 months |
| Long Rein | 24 months |
| Show Jumper | 36 months |
| Six Bar | 36 months |
| Harness | 36 months |

*Foals under 4 months old must show with dam.

Minimum Ages - Handlers

Event Minimum ACTUAL age

Halter Classes **

| | |
|-------------|------------|
| Youth Trail | Five years |
| Open Trail | Nine years |
| Hunter | Nine years |
| Long Rein | Nine years |
| Show Jumper | Nine years |
| Six Bar | Nine years |
| Harness | Nine years |

** Handlers 8 years and under may have an adult supervisor in the arena without penalty.

Special Consideration for Handling Stallions

- NO youth may drive a stallion.
- Youth 12 years and under may handle a current seasons foal or weanling except in Youth classes.
- Youth over 12 years and up to 16 years and under may handle a current seasons foal, weanling or yearling except in Youth classes.
- Fancy dress and novelty events are not exempt from these rules.
- In all cases, Show Management/ Judges may revoke permission if safety of horse or handler is deemed to be compromised.

7. Conduct by an exhibitor, trainer, owner or immediate family member of an unsportsmanlike, abusive or detrimental nature will not be tolerated by the show management including but not limited to threatening, abusive or intimidating conduct, physical, verbal or written, toward any show official or fellow exhibitor. Any person(s) guilty of such conduct should be reported immediately to management by the exhibitor, judge, steward or show committee member. The show management must suspend the offender for the duration of that show. Any person accused of such unseemly behaviour may appeal her/her case to the Committee of the Association which shall render a decision. If found guilty such a person may be barred from future participation as defined by the decision of the Associations Committee. This decision will be published in the official publication of the Association.

A couple of photos kindly donated by Sue Flavel taken at the IMHR Regional Championship South Burnett Show in Maryborough Qld in November 2008. Well done Sue! Sue successfully competed with Bonsai Park Skuta in Small Horse Gelding at halter, harness and long-reining.



If you have any photos taken at shows that you would like to share in the magazine, please send them in before the deadline of the next issue. If photos weren't taken by you personally, then we will need to have the photographer's permission and name, date of show and the names of the horses if you know them. Photos can be sent to IMHR Inc office on CD or to the editor at minifarm@tpg.com.au, but must be in a high resolution for good reproduction.



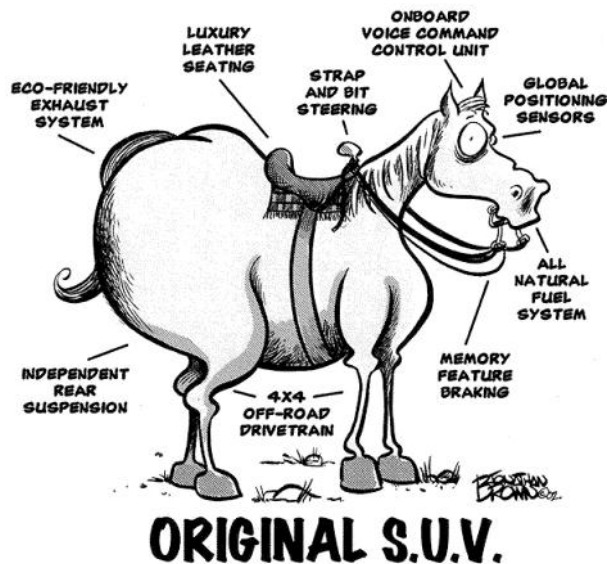
Rule Highlight

We would like to draw members attention to Rule 58 (4)

"All breeders must register a prefix with the Association. Foals may not be registered until the prefix has been recorded. Animals of any age applying for registration must carry the original breeders prefix and registered name if registered with another Association or Registry."

Simply put - this means that if you buy a horse that already carries registration with another group - the horse MUST carry the same name when it is to be registered with IMHR

Inc. You cannot put your prefix onto a horse if it is registered elsewhere, regardless whether you are a member of the other association/registry or not. If you are breeding, you cannot register a foal unless you have a prefix of your own recorded with IMHR Inc.



National Show Raffle

IMHR are very fortunate to have our brand new sponsors - OzQuickTent to donate one of their awesome Float Annexes to a lucky raffle winner.

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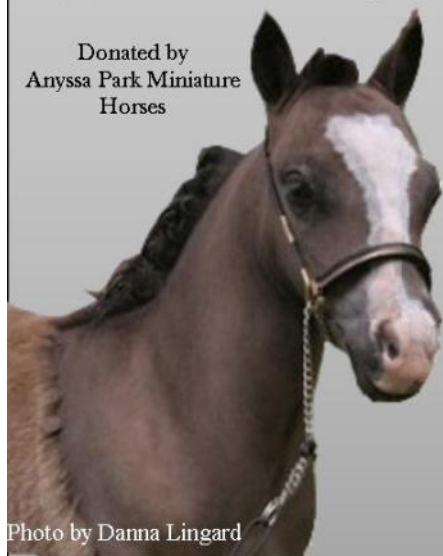


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☐ Please tick if you don't wish to be included in the Welcome New Members of our magazine

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All assistance is greatly appreciated.

Our thoughts and hearts are with all of those affected by the bushfires and a big thank you to TLC Minis for their assistance in fundraising. All funds raised from these raffles will go directly to support those in need via Project Hope.

NEWS FROM THE HUNTER

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Miniature Horses:

Best Presented: Atlanta Rebel Silhouette – S Meyrick (Rug donated by Tashwood Rugs)
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2nd Coomba Mystique Lady – L Metcalf

3rd Glenmar Park Yogis Contessa – A Metcalf

Youth Showmanship: 1st Atlanta Rebel Silhouette – S Meyrick

= 2nd Crystal Park Wind In The Mist – D Peet

Spellbound Hocus Pocus – A Peet

3rd Weebelong Calypso Moon – C Gilroy

Adult Showmanship: 1st Pixieland Peppers Painted Perfection – Spellbound Miniatures

Colt 2 years & under n/e 33": 1st Harrington Park Dream Maker – R Clover

Stallion 3 years & over n/e 34": 1st Pixieland Peppers Painted Perfection: Spellbound Miniatures

Champion & Reserve Colt/Stallion : Ch. Pixieland Peppers Painted Perfection: Spellbound Miniatures

Filly 2 years & under n/e 34": 1st Belle Capri Show Kayce Sheza Doll – S Meyrick

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3rd Shikinah Royal Streak – R Peet

Champion & Reserve Mare/Filly : Belle Capri Show Kayce Sheza Doll – S Meyrick

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Gelding 2 years & Under n/e 34": 1st Crystal Park Wind In The Mist – D Peet

Gelding 3 years & Over n/e 34": 1st Weebelong Calypso Moon – Claire Gilroy

2nd Spellbound Hocus Pocus – A Peet

3rd Spellbound Jack Daniels – B Peet

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REQUEST FOR SPONSORSHIP

We have been getting many requests for sponsorship of open agricultural shows.

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The forms are now available for download from the website or you may request a form from the office.

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Have you changed your address, email or phone number?

If so, please contact IMHR Inc so you don't miss out on the magazine or email updates.

It is up to you.

Contact details at the front of the magazine.

If anyone has any interesting articles they may have read or written and would like to share with other members, please send them to the editor on minifarm@tpg.com.au to be included in future issues.

These could be health issues, natural remedies that are tried and true, foaling anecdotes or tips, show tips, breeding tips or something similar. Whatever you think may be of help to another member or a new person into the industry.

Let's share and help one another if we can.

If any of the articles are not written by you personally, can you make sure you have permission for us to re-print them in the MHQ and give us the details of the author so we may give credit.

Miniature Horse

Exhibitor Education & Judges Accreditation

IMHR partners with the AMHA USA to host a judge's educational seminar in Australia, instructed by internationally renowned Mr. Wayne Hipsley, BSc, MSc

WHO is hosting the seminars ?

Wayne G. Hipsley, BSc, MSc, an internationally licensed and recognized judge for many breeds and disciplines of horses. He has been a licensed Senior American Miniature Horse Association[AMHA] judge for almost 20 years. His judging assignments include: AMHA World Show - 4 times; AMHA Regional and state shows - over 40; NZMHA National Show - 2 times; IMHR National Show - 2 times; European Championship Miniature Horse Show - 3 times; and Miniature Horse shows outside of the US number over 20.

He has served as the judge educator and instructor for the AMHA judges seminar for over 6 years. He was the lead instructor at the first international judge's seminar conducted by the AMHA in 2003 in Brussels, Belgium. He has conducted 6 judges educational and licensing seminars for the NZMHA. He has served as the judge educator and instructor for the Royal Agricultural Society of New Zealand, horse show section, and his manual on selecting and judging of horses is a required reference for the RASNZ. His judging and educational credentials in other breeds and disciplines are quite lengthy including, instructing at judges seminars in the US for the Arabian, Morgan, Andalusians, Fjords, Rocky Mountain Horse, United Mountain Horse, and Color Breed Council - multi-breed seminars.

WHO will benefit from attending this seminars ?

Judges seeking to be licensed Miniature Horse judges
Owners wanting to become a licensed judge
Breeders seeking to improve their assessment skills
Exhibitors seeking to improve their showing skills

WHAT qualifications will I have if I sit for the exam ?

Successful seminar and exam participants are admitted to the IMHR Official Judges Panel. IMHR Judges panel is recognized in Australia and distributed to New Zealand.

AMHA International Judges may re-certify their status. Applicants are welcome for AMHA International Judges license. These judges are qualified to judge AMHA approved shows outside of the USA.

Applicants wishing to sit for the judges exams must complete additional forms available from IMHR.

WHAT topics will be covered ?

- Learning to Think Like a Judge
- Professional Conduct and Ethics
- Developing a Method of Evaluation
- Analysis of Form to Function
- Analysis of Gait and Movement
- Methods to Assess and Record Exhibitors

The live horse activities will include the following demonstrations and experiences:

- Conformation and Gait Analysis - Developing the "Eye" to See the Real Horse
- In-Hand Presentation - Protocols and Procedures
- Showmanship - Patterns and Scoring
- Obstacle - Evaluation and Scoring
- Driving - Differentiation between Single Pleasure/Harness and Country Pleasure Driving.
- Lungeline - Expectations of the Exhibitor and Horse
- Longreining - Course Design and Evaluation

Judges/Exhibitors Clinics

Wingham Golf Club 4-5th April
National Show Tamworth 9, 11-12th April
Goulburn Showground 18-19th April

Showmanship Clinic

8th April Tamworth (prior to Nationals)

Costs:

Judges/Exhibitor Clinics \$135 or \$110 (members)
Judge Examination: \$35.00 per exam
Showmanship Clinic: \$50.00

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