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The Muse Volunteer Fire Department's Poker Ride was held on Saturday, March 21st.

The weather was fantastic and we had 41 riders signed up. The trail started in a beautiful pasture and wandered through woods and orange groves for seven miles to find its way to the Muse Fire House for a delicious spaghetti lunch. After horses and riders were refreshed, they hit the trail again for another seven miles back to the starting location. The winning poker hand earned the rider \$460.00, and winner of the 50/50 cash raffle took home \$525.00. There were many winners of the numerous horse-related items from the Chinese Raffle table. Hot dogs, hamburgers, cheeseburgers and home-made ice cream were available to all the riders at the end of the ride. A cool breeze and plenty of shade kept horses and riders comfortable. Jason Queen, fire chief, thanked everyone for coming out to support the Muse Volunteer Firefighters, and hoped to see them again next year. He also extended his appreciation to Jack Scott, Danny Davis, Mike Dew, Ruth and Dennis Carlson, Kevin and J. Harrell and Ellen Ferguson for all their hard work in organizing this event.

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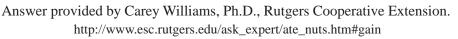
I have a 15 year old Arabian mare that is very hyper. I had her at a full care horse stable but found out that they weren't feeding her properly. My once plump, sweet horse now has her ribs showing. I had increased her grain from one large coffee can to 1 ½ but now she is out of control and hyper. She won't eat beet pulp. What can I feed her that is easy on the wallet, won't make her hyper, and will bring up her weight?



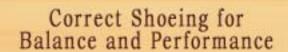
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If this does not help, you may need to revaluate her hay ration. Remember, horses should eat a total of 2% of their body weight daily, so make sure she is getting adequate hay. They can actually have free choice access to hay, but it should be of good quality so that she is not just getting fiber, but protein and minerals as well.







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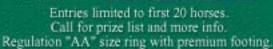
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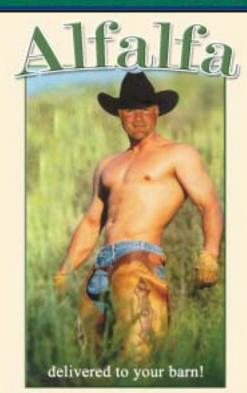
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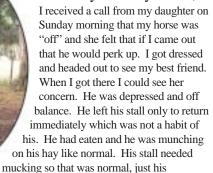
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To those of you who knew my Donkey Donk,



personality was not right. We took his temperature and were surprised to see it was at 102....which was not good. So I decided to take him to our vet In Fort Myers. Tristan, a friend's teenage daughter offered to make the trip with me. We had some difficultly loading him as he could not walk straight, but he did go in.

When we arrived at the Vet's he had a great deal of difficultly backing....almost to the point of not knowing to move back....all he did on the way up was lean his head on the wall and lean all his body weight forward with the head balancing him.

We suspected that he digested something of toxic nature and hopefully we could clean out his stomach. Blood work revealed no infection and additional blood work would take longer for results. We were worried about his liver function...which is very important in a horse but his liver test turned out normal.

I left him at the Vet's only to hear that in the evening he was no worse but definitely no better. In the morning he was worse so I decided to take him up to Brandon, Fl where they do neurological treatments as he was definitely having neurological problems.

When I arrived to transport Donkey to Brandon Fl he was down in his stall. It took three of us to coach him into standing. One attempt, he fell and hit his head against the stall wall, but you could tell he wanted to do it for me and he did.

Jim and Jackie Lockerby made the trip with me and I must admit without the company I don't know how I could have done this by myself. We did not tie him in the trailer because if he went down he would hang himself and if he went down I would have to leave him there till I arrived in Brandon. As luck would have it...two traffic jams but we did make it and he was standing when we arrived, again with all his body weight resting on his forehead. He tried to back out but fell like a dog sitting with his back ankles flexed the wrong way. Fortunately he got up right away. We were able to take the tack area wall apart which allowed him to turn in the trailer and come out forward. In the stall he was agitated, I guess he did think I was taking him home and God I wish I was at that point.

The Vet explained a lot of things to me but basically I knew with so many possibilities of what could be happening to him and watching them test for responses and seeing there were no responses from the withers up, I knew I might lose my best friend. The next 24 would tell.

On the way back to Naples I looked up and saw the most beautiful sunset and at the same time the white stream that you see in the sky when a super jet flies fast and felt that was my horse galloping in the sand telling me goodbye. When I got to Naples the vet called and I knew what I had to tell her I knew and I said let him pass.

I am having an autopsy done by the University of Florida to find out what has happened to him so that it could help other horse people and our Vets in the future.

I just want all of you to take a moment and wish that my Donkey Donk gives God the best ride of his life as he has always given me.

Thank you all for knowing my Donkey, Teri O'Connell

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Why Horses Get Gastric Ulcers

By Dr. Richard Shakalis (co-founder and researcher for SBS Equine Products)

Horses have evolved to eat many small meals per day, almost on a continual basis. Even though the horse's stomach is only 8 percent of digestive tract (eight quarts or two gallons), the emptying time of the stomach can be a mere twelve minutes and the rate of passage through the small intestine one foot per minute. The small volume of the stomach and the rapid passage of food to the small intestine is the reason that horses can and are designed to eat almost continuously. Gastric pH can drop lower than 2 soon after a horse stops consuming food and the stomach will continue to produce strong acid even if food is not present. Concentrate feeding can inadvertently contribute to ulcer formation by its influence on increasing serum gastric levels, lowering the horse's roughage intake and reducing the amount of time spent eating. Imposed feed deprivation, such as in colic management cases, can result in erosion and ulceration of the gastric mucosa as well.

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In the case of racehorses, they are often not fed immediately prior to training or racing. This could result in a significant increase in stomach acidity. Also, horses can become excited during training and racing, further lowering gastric pH. These influences contribute to gastric ulceration Studies show that the greater the degree of training activity, the increasing severity of gastric lesions. Further, lesions were induced and maintained in thoroughbred horses during simulated training, using a diet of coastal Bermuda and concentrate. Although Dr. N. J. Vatistas stopped short of recommending all racehorses in training receive gastric ulcer treatment, he did indicate that "The truth may not be far from that".

Adult horses with ulcers exhibit a combination of poor appetite, dullness, attitude changes, decreased performance, poor body condition, rough hair coat, weight loss

Ulcer Formation Mechanism

Gastric ulceration in horses results from an imbalance between offensive factors, e.g. acid and pepsin, and defensive factors such as mucus, bicarbonate, prostaglandins, mucosal blood flow and epithelial restitution. Most of these ulcers occur in the fundic portion of the stomach, which has a phospholipid rich, protective epithelial layer. Disruption of this barrier (mucous, surface-active phospholipids) is initial to the destruction of the stomach's surface epithelium. Because most domesticated horses do not feed constantly like nature designed them



Equipe ulcers occurs in the is the starting point of digestion

to, excess acid can ulcerate this protective layer. Unless the mucous lining is strong enough to withstand the powerful acids produced here, ulcers often develop.

Management of Equine Gastric Ulcers

Various therapeutic protocols have been suggested for the control of equine gastric ulcers. These include antacids, (think of products such Tums and Rolaids) and H2 acid blockers such as the pharmaceutical products Pepsid and Prilosec. These treatments will reduce acid in the fundic portion of the stomach and will reduce the occurrence of ulcers, but there may be unintended negative consequences from these treatments. Stomach acid is an extremely important component of the initial stage of the digestive process. If in this initial stage of digestion there is not adequate acid present to break down food, it will pass into the small intestine only partially digested. The nutrients won't be in a form that can be absorbed in the small intestine and the horse will not be adequately nourished.

There is a better way to protect the horse from and treat gastric ulcers. When the horse is given lecithin as a nutritional supplement to his normal diet, the acid in the fundic portion of the stomach immediately breaks it down into a mix of reactive phospholipids. The phospholipids in lecithin are both hydrophilic and hydrophobic and interact with the cell membranes of the mucosal epithelium to strengthen the mucosa. Research has shown that lecithin not only treats the symptoms of equine ulcers, it cures the ulcers as well by making the stomach lining stronger at the cellular membrane level. The beneficial effects of a diet supplemented with lecithin also enhances the rest of the digestive tract as well. There has been much research to substantiate this. They also observed horses fed lecithin had reduced levels of excitability and anxiety that was attributed to the healing of gastric ulcers.

Summary

A well studied health condition in horses is gastric ulcers. The presence of these ulcers is associated with poor condition, irritability and



The author is Dr. Richard Shakalis. co-founder and researcher for SBS

poor performance. Treatment options such as reducing stomach acid production is expensive and can disrupt the normal digestive process by not allowing the food to begin its initial breakdown as nature intended. A less expensive and more effective treatment is to give horses a nutritional supplement of lecithin. It strengthens the epithelial lining of the stomach treating and preventing gastric ulcers and allows for the proper absorption of nutrients in the small intestine.

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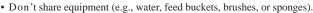


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- · Don't let your horse touch other horses, especially nose to nose.



- Wash your hands, especially after helping other people with their horses.
- Don't let strangers pet your horse, especially those with horses at home or people who have been out of the country in the past 2 weeks.
- · Before leaving the show grounds, clean and disinfect tack, boots, equipment, and grooming supplies. Brush off dirt or manure; then disinfect (spray or wipes are easy to take with you).
- · When you get home, shower, blow your nose, and put on clean clothes and shoes before going near other horses.

Visiting Other Farms, Horse Shows, or Auctions

- Have a pair of shoes or boots that you save for visiting and don't wear around your own horse.
- Wear plastic shoe covers. Plastic bags from newspapers work well.
- If you are going to be working with horses on another farm, wear coveralls or plan to change clothes before returning to your horse.
- If there are farms you visit all the time and you can't change clothes and shoes, be sure their vaccination program and biosecurity practices are as good as your



For Visitors to Your Farm or Horse

- It is best to have only one way into your farm. Mark this as the main entrance.
- Park away from the horses. Doing that will help keep disease-carrying organisms from being tracked from car floors or tires to your horses.
- If the farrier or veterinarian needs to park closer, be sure their tires and shoes have been disinfected.
- · Ask all visitors to wear clean clothes and shoes. Give visitors plastic shoe covers, or brush dirt off their shoes and spray them with disinfectant.
- If you have many visitors, such as at a farm tour or open house, make a footbath for them to walk through.

Bringing Horses Back From a Show

- If one horse has been shown, all your horses need to be vaccinated. Horses that show can bring home germs. Discuss what vaccinations the horses need, and how often, with your veterinarian.
- If possible, keep horses which were off the farm isolated for at least 2 weeks. Make sure there is no nose-to-nose contact.

Bringing in New Horses

This is the most likely way for infectious diseases to come in.

- Keep every new horse isolated for 30 days. Don't use pitchforks, grooming tools, or feed and water buckets on any horse but the new one. Mark these with red tape, or use red brushes, etc., only for the isolation area.
- · Work with the isolated horse last each day. Alternatively, wear boots and coveralls when working with the isolated horse and remove them before working or going near other horses. You can keep these in a plastic-covered tub near the
- Always wash your hands and blow your nose after working with the new horse. You could carry germs to your other horses in your nose.

Using Disinfectants How To Disinfect

Surfaces must be clean for disinfectants to work. Brush off loose dirt and manure. If possible, wash the item with detergent first (laundry or dish soap works well) and then use a disinfectant. Most grooming tools can be dipped in disinfectant. Tack can be wiped with a disinfectant wipe or a disinfectantdampened cloth. Shoes can be brushed or scrubbed off and then sprayed with disinfectant.

Examples of Disinfectants

Household Bleach—Mix 3/4 cup of bleach per gallon of water. If you don't have a measuring cup handy, you can mix 1 part bleach to 10 parts water. This formula works for shoes, grooming equipment, buckets, shovels, and pitchforks. When you use bleach, make sure all dirt and manure have been cleaned off first.

Spray Disinfectant—Be sure the label says it kills bacteria and viruses. Sprays can work well on shoes, grooming equipment, and tack. Try to remove all manure and dirt before spraying.

Waterless Hand Sanitizers—They come in gels or hand wipes. These are good for use at a show or after visiting other horses. Be sure to work the cleaner all through your fingers and under the nails. Other Disinfectants—Always mix and use according to the label. Two examples are One Stroke Environ® (available from Steris Corporation) and Tek-trol® (from Bio-Tek Industries). These both work well even if there is a little manure or dirt left on the surface. These are good choices for disinfecting trailers and car tires, and they also work well in footbaths.



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Making an Easy Footbath

You will need:

- 1. A low plastic pan or bin, wide enough to fit an adult's foot, shallow enough to step into easily
- 2. A plastic doormat (the "fake grass" mats work well)
- 3. A disinfectant that works when manure or dirt is present, such as Tek-trol or One Stroke Environ
- Water

Mix the disinfectant with water following label instructions. Put the doormat in the plastic pan. Add disinfectant so that the bottom of the "grass" is wet. Ask visitors to walk through the footbath, wiping their feet on the mat. The "grass" scrubs their shoes a bit as they wipe them, and applies the disinfectant. When the liquid starts to get dirty, empty it and put in new disinfectant.

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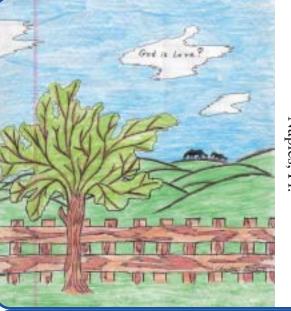
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"GHOST"

By: Half Vast Connie

The Story of The Survival of Starving White Pony

A white pony in a pasture running wild and free...
I heard his whisper on the wind, "Pick me! Pick me!"
The girl in the driveway related, "We don't want him anymore!"
We really need money for poverty is knocking down our door!

When I came to pick him up I was filled with much dismay, To my pony barn he wasn't interested in coming to stay! He jumped over old debris, rusty lawnmowers, all kinds of trash! He leaped high into the air and I worried he'd crash!

I was impressed for he jumped obstacles with the greatest of ease. He ran with lightning speed where he wanted; he ran where he pleased! Now you see him and now you don't. His antics were quite a game! This idea came to my head that "Ghost" should be his name!

After an hour of chase I thought," This pony is NOT for me.... But I heard once more, on the wind, "Pick me! Pick me!" He'll come to my place, I thought, and not do a solitary thing... I've done this before. Here I go down that same road again!

He finally jumped a barbed wire fence. Now two puncture wounds to his chest!

His downfall came when down neighbor's driveway he ran in hopes of some rest!

He jumped in the horse trailer and sighed with a breath of defeat! I stroked his thin, starved body and whispered, "I have sweet feed to eat!"

From the cruel sun and rain of hurricane Faye - no shelter provided for him....

Without feed or worming, the outlook for survival was pretty dim! I doctored raw, bleeding sores on his face. He should have used sunscreen!

A pony must wonder," Where do you run and escape when master is hateful and mean?

You couldn't raise your hand, he'd shrink down on his haunches in fear! A beating he expected every time stupid humans were near! So I practically lived in his stall. I brushed him, it seemed, a thousand times a day!

The other ponies watched as I fed Ghost the entire barn full of hay!

He soon grew a very respectable mane and his tail hung to the ground! And he didn't so much as flinch when I came around!

He was once an Indian pony from Chickasaw Reservation way up in Kentucky!

Is it fate or destiny brings us together or were we just kind of lucky?

Now I dress Ghost all up in purple for ponies should be treated like royalty, you know!

And off to festivals and parties he willingly jumps in the horse trailer to go!!

With long shiny mane Ghost is beautiful, and with kids he walks ever so slow!

Who knew he was magic unicorn, not even white ponies Casper or Snow!

When you drive by a pasture with a starving horse, his body gaunt and thin

Be still for a moment and just listen to the whispers on the wind.... Try to think for a moment if you were him and he a person be..... Would you want him to listen to your words on the wind? "Pick me! Pick me!"

Christine Becker, age 13
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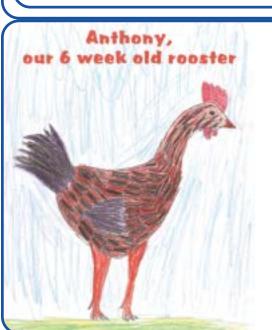


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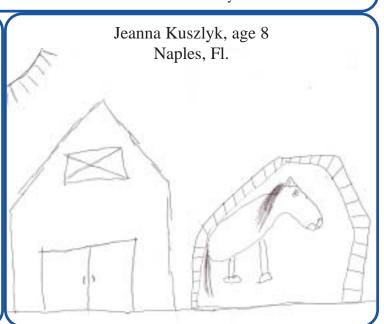
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Winner's name will be drawn at random.

You may submit up to two drawings per month. Each drawing increases your chance to win. Please print your name, age, phone number, and address on the back of each of your drawings and have your parent sign, giving permission to print your artwork.



Elizabeth Halperin, age 9 Naples, FL



Trinity Rouviere, age 9, Bartow Thunderhooves 4-H, Mulberry, Fl.



Horse tales is an area where original, unpublished works by local writers and artists will be featured. If you have a short story, poem, work of art or anything that you've created and are interested in seeing in print, please submit to Everything Equine. Everything Equine provides this opportunity for children and adults alike to show their creative abilities and talents to the entire community. Please limit your submissions to horse related tales that coincide with an equestrian or farm oriented way of life.

Horse Tales



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Horseback Safaris

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two at Forever Florida! Enjoy the ride!

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Congratulations to Anna Cantrell, who won last month's drawing for MD's Choice supplements.

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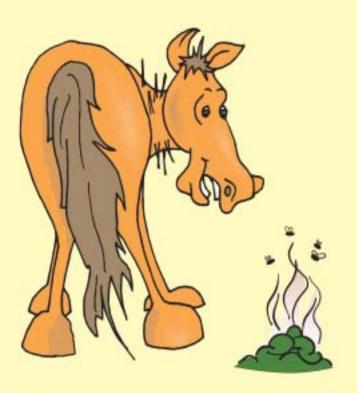
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