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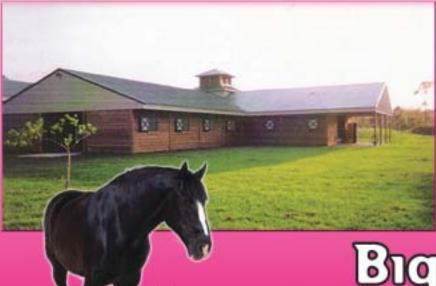
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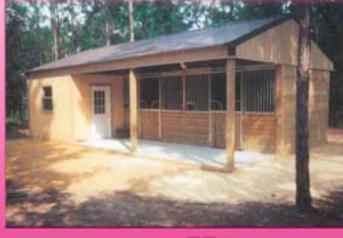
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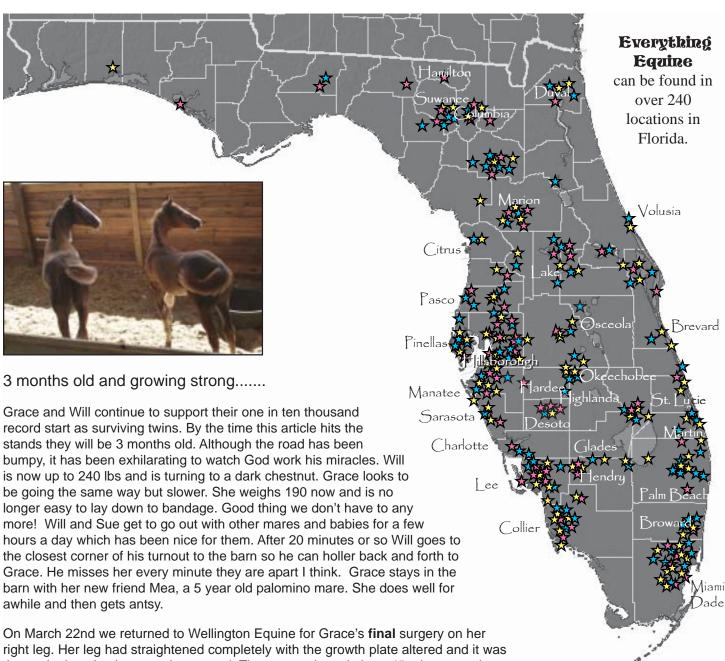












On March 22nd we returned to Wellington Equine for Grace's **final** surgery on her right leg. Her leg had straightened completely with the growth plate altered and it was time to let it go back to growing normal. The surgery lasted about 45 minutes and Grace came through wonderfully. She is such a trooper that everyone who works on her has invested a piece of their heart.......if I had to bet I'd say she even has Dr Ben wrapped around her little hoof.

Her prognosis continues to be excellent with hopes that she will be 100%normal in time. Although her left leg is a little over in the knee, it is straight as is the surgical leg. To look at the pictures in March to now is nothing short of spectacular. You can't believe it is the same baby. She is completely sound and ready to rip as soon as the doctor releases her to free time out of her stall. NBC-2 News plans to be there to capture that moment for their viewers as will the News Press. Amy Williams has done a great job reporting the story and has stayed closely in touch for updates. If all goes as planned the next story will air in two weeks or so.

Of course, we are optimistic but know there is a lot of time ahead for more ups and downs. For now, it has been a great journey. Thanks for checking in on us, supporting us, and please come to see us anytime.

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To follow the twin's progress and see updated photos go to www.sweetcypressranch.com.



Will and mother Sue await Grace's return from surgery at Wellington Equine Animal Hospital.

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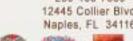
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Thanks everyone and GOOD LUCK!

Collier County made a clean sweep at 4-H State Event

The 2008 State 4-H/FFA Horse Judging Contest was held April 12 at the covered arena of the UF Horse Teaching Unit in Gainesville. The contest consisted of 8 placing classes – four halter and four performance. Reasons were given on four of the classes.

Awards were presented to the top individuals and teams in halter, performance, and reasons as well as to the highest individuals and teams overall.



Collier County managed to place 1st overall Team in Reasons, 1st overall team in Performance and 2nd overall team in Halter. The individual team members also swept the competition by having the 1st overall individual, Jenell Winn, the 3rd overall individual, Maryssa Ludwig and the 6th overall individual, Missy Currier.

Collier County was deemed the Overall winning team and will be competing at Southern Regionals in Lexington, Virginia and also at the National 4-H Horse Judging Contest in Louisville, KY (November). This is Collier County's second horse judging team in Collier County history and Collier County remains undefeated at the State level in horse judging. Both teams were coached by Jeanette Kuszlyk, a past University of Florida Horse Judging Team member.

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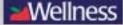
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Oaks are moderately toxic to horses. New young leaves and acorns, especially when green, are the toxic parts of the tree. The tannic acid in the acorns affects the intestinal lining and can cause portions of the lining to slough off. Symptoms of toxicity include poor appetite, weight loss,

constipation and impaction followed by diarrhea, kidney failure and edema. In severe cases oak poisoning can lead to death.

It would be wise to remove all the trees from the pasture. Allow some trees to grow around the perimeter of the pasture for shade. Horses will usually girdle trees that they have access to, which will eventually kill them anyway. Also, no pasture grasses will grow well in the shade created by the canopies of the trees.

Other trees that you need to be concerned with include cherries of all species, red maple, horse chestnut, black walnut, and black locust.

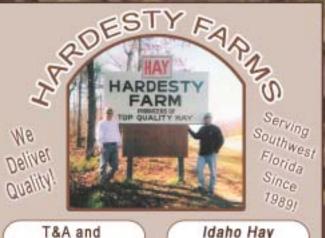
Fortunately, plants with harmful toxins are designed to prevent animals from browsing and have a bitter taste that animals learn to avoid. Well-fed, healthy horses that have access to adequate forage, through pasture and/or hay, rarely consume toxic plants.

Answer provided by Donna Foulk, Senior Agriculture Program Coordinator, Rutgers Cooperative Research and Extension.



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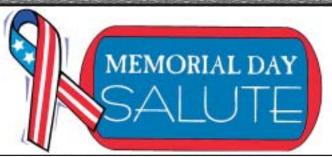
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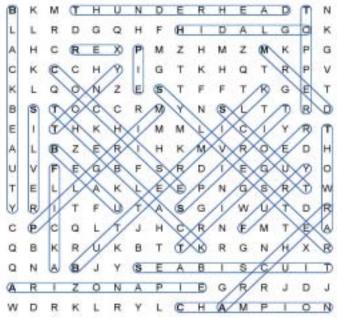
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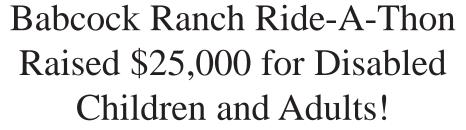
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The 17th Annual Ride-A-Thon at the Babcock Ranch was held on a beautiful sunny day on March 15, 2008. Over 150 riders participated in the event to benefit Special Equestrians, Inc., a nonprofit therapeutic horseback riding program located in Fort Myers, Florida. The event raised \$25,000 for this United Way agency which serves disabled children and adults from 4 counties in Southwest Florida, including Lee, Charlotte, Hendry and Glades Counties. Everyone who came enjoyed lunch from Rib City and great raffle prizes. The prize for the most money raised by an adult went to Donna Messier and the prize for the most money raised by a child went to Noah Curry. The Special Equestrians riders put on a demonstration of their riding skills at the event and the trail riders who came from miles away, trail rode on 11 miles of pristine trails on the Babcock property.





May 2008

Ode to a Farm Hand!

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Regarding "Help Wanted"

It seemed like a simple thing for someone to do, Feed a heard of sweet ponies, and a chore or two. No inkling had I of the nightmare to ensue... Just for some time to write these stories for you!

Little did I know what was about to occur, The endless phone calls I'd have to endure. It seemed to ring both day and night, Another candidate to my delight???

The first to call was a nice man named Bob. But it soon was apparent he wanted no job. Happy with place to live and a six pack of beer, Demands so simple, but he made them guite clear!

Then came Mary, a voice on the answering machine, Knew all about horses, she was a Rodeo Queen! She said she'd be down in about a week. But to her parole officer she first must speak!

I remember speaking with a man called Ray, Who had no car for to come this way,

By Half Vast Connie

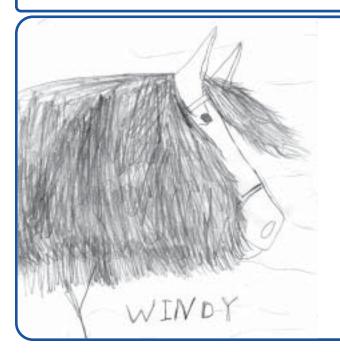
But if we'd, "Just send \$200, could you make that today?" "Upon my arrival," he said, "I'll gladly repay!"

A girl named Penny threw her hat in the race, Wanting a thoroughbred to bring to our place! A lighted arena and, P-L-E-A-S-E...jumps are a must, And a large spacious stall without any dust.

There was a girl named "Allie" who looked like Dolly! Loved the ponies less than fun and folly! I was tempted to hire her & take the phone off the hook, She would clean my house and at night she would cook!

The problem with farm hands I had no way to foresee I was doing more for them than they were for me. My biggest problem I truthfully must say... I missed not seeing the ponies each day!

Now please take my advice when you are looking for help, The best person for the job is probably yourself. The fact of the matter, when push comes to shove, Chores are done best when my ponies you love.



Windy for Wendy

Elizabeth Halperin, age 8

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.



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Horseback Safaris

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at least 12 years of age; 10 years of age is an acceptable age with proven riding experience. Guests weighing more than 275 pounds will need to be assessed by our Equestrian Director before they are allowed to take a Horseback Safari. Call-in reservations are recommended in order to assure that we and our horses are ready for you.

A favorite with visitors is our two-night "Crescent J Cattle Drive Weekend Safari," which includes some training in Florida Cowhunter skills of ridin', ropin' and cow cuttin'. (Florida cattlemen weren't "cowboys" because hunting those wild Spanish-descent cattle in Florida's woods and swamps was a man's job, they said.) Choice of campground depends on weather, type of group and recommendation of the riding instructors.

Another favorite is similar, but shorter – an Overnight Trail Ride Safari combined with a next-day "Rawhide Roundup." More time is spent riding the wilderness trails of Forever Florida and learning about nature, less on cowpoke skills.

Corporate Co-workers, Schoolteachers, Professional Club, Flying Clubs, School Groups, Church Groups, Families, Friends, Scout troops or multi-troop Camporees – there are activities and a campground on Forever Florida or the Crescent J Ranch that are just right for a bonding experience. See the Facilities and Events page for more details.

From a small primitive one-troop Scout Camp on the Crescent J that has been used by Girl and Boy Scouts for more than 30 years, we expanded to a remote but up-scale campground 'way back in the wilderness of Forever Florida, then added two campgrounds in between and most recently, a large area "up front" (near the highway) that comfortably holds up to twenty Scout troops for a big Camporee.

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Congratulations to Adele Cox, who won last month's drawing for MD's Choice supplements.

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