



OVER HERD

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SUMMER FUN

Equine Protozoal Myeloencephalitis

The Horse Protection Society continues looking for a cure for this dreaded disease, EPM, with your help. Since you have helped, HPS is that much closer to a cure.

Last year Kelly's concoction of natural vitamins and herbs worked better than anything we have used to treat the horses. We administered the treatment for 90 days and then waited 90 days to retest each horse. Here are the results:

Test 5.5.23

- 1. Tusca – 80
- 2. Shinook - 640
- 3. Cruiser – 0
- 4. Aslan – 40
- 5. Heavenly – 40
- 6. Gypsy – 640

Test 6.29.22

- 1. Tusca – 320
- 2. Shinook - 1280
- 3. Cruiser – 40
- 4. Aslan – 80
- 5. Heavenly – 160
- 6. Gypsy – 1280

Instructions

Read the patient results in the laboratory report

- Section 1, SarcoFluor™: Look for titer result(s) in the left column of the table (Serum or CSF); the percentage of probability of EPM is on the right column of the table.
- Section 2, NeoFluor™: Information regarding testing sensitivity and specificity

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SarcoFluor™ Interpretation (*Sarcocystis neurona* IFAT)

Serum titer result	Estimated probability of EPM due to <i>S. neurona</i> given the test result **
40	33%
80	55%
160	76%
320	89%
≥640	95%

After years of trying to save the horses from being crippled or dying from EPM, Cruiser tested cured of this terrible illness. The other horses' numbers have dropped exponentially.



We will order all the needed items to make up the concoction that has aided the horses toward a full recovery. You could be a part of the cure to make a long and healthy life possible for horses with EPM.

HOORAY!!

I wanted to give you a chance to save up to buy your Raffle Tickets to WIN a quarter of beef. Once again, when you win the First Place Prize, it includes a freezer for your beef. Can't you smell that beautiful mouth-watering steak cooking?

Sally Rogers is again sponsoring the fundraiser to aid the rescued horses. I don't have an exact date the Raffle Tickets will be available..... in June or early July. (I hope it will be soon.)



YUM! Summer cook outs.

An Example of the High Expenses

Here is an example of how the expenses for the horses keep escalating. Once a year, the Babies need to be given the dewormer Equimax.

Christina was searching for the lowest price, and I could hear the slight panic in her voice as she told me the lowest prices she could find were \$17.00 to \$22.00 a TUBE. Even at the \$17.00 a tube price, the total cost will be \$561.00, then there is tax and shipping. (Sometimes we can save shipping.)

Previously the same dewormer would cost about \$6.75 to \$9.95 per tube.

One of the companies asks customers to donate dollars to help animal welfare groups. Christina will call and see if the company will provide the Equimax dewormer or a considerable discount.

Please consider becoming an Angel Sponsor for any amount to help a favorite horse you would like to aid.



A Typical Veterinarian Visit

Sometimes, no matter how careful we are with the horses, they will find a way to hurt themselves.

This morning's first thing on the agenda was a radiograph of **Nina's** hock. The cartilage is almost all gone between three of the four hock joints in her left leg. Nina is a Columbian Paso Fino and a sweet horse. Not much can be done for a condition like Nina's. We can help with the pain and try several supplements that have helped other horses in the past.



Sugar has developed a new problem other than her breathing issue. We have had an issue with her right eye. Most of the time, we could clear the problem, but the pain kept returning this time. A thorough exam points to recurrent uveitis. HPS can stop this condition from blinding horses, if that is what her issues is.



Mazie is 30 years old and a Haflinger. She hasn't been with us for a very short time and has the worse plaque in her ears that we have ever seen. We would have the plaque removed, but Mazie responded severely to the slight sedation.



Mazie's left ear developed a foul odor and a yellow discharge. A small area was removed and sent for a biopsy. It looks like cancer; time will tell. I hope not.

The veterinarian was scheduled to come between 8:00 to 8:30 am to see Nina, Sugar, and Mazie.

Daisy showed up first thing in the morning with an injury just above the knee. The first thing was to decide if she needed stitches or not. Daisy gets upset easily and requires some drugs to quiet her. The wound was thoroughly cleaned and needed to be stitched since it was more profound than initially thought.



The vet returned in five days to administer another dose of Excede for Daisy (an injectable antibiotic) and to recheck Sugar's eye.

Killer Paper

In many cases, riders need an emotional epiphany to change their behavior. When a horse allows you to mount him, the ride is a tremendous gift if the horse is also enjoying the ride.

For the new big boy to trust you, playing with the horse on the ground may take a long time to build trust, but it is worth it. People often don't realize what they are doing, which upsets the horse, like lounging and riding in small circles.

The horse in the picture is racing in a round pen, and look at his body's angle. Studies have shown this causes damage to the inside legs' joints. Why would a horse trust someone who treats them like this? A horse reads your heart and knows what you are thinking.



A prey animal feels they must do what the predator tells them, or you will kill them. Stress causes ulcers. The horse needs to feel you will protect them and not let harm come to them.

If the horse is frightened, get off and show the horse you are not scared of anything. It is essential to make sure the horse is clean before saddling. Dirt can rub under the saddle and hurt the horse. HPS stopped using bits years ago. We saw its damage to the palate, tongue, and cheeks. The horses were so much happier with a soft padded hackamore.

Think about how you would feel if someone was doing exactly to you what you are doing to your horse.

Our Sincere gratitude goes out to everyone who aids the beloved horses!

The horses need your help. To continue to be able to rescue starved and abused horses and to maintain a safe cushion of funds, we need additional Angel Sponsors. Any amount will help to support the horses.

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The Yard Sale and More

A THANK YOU to everyone who helped with the Yard Sale in the arena on May 6th and those who donated items. The income will help with this month's expenses. We didn't sell the Golf cart that we have. (It wasn't the golfing crowd.)

HPS also has a two-horse trailer we didn't have time to pressure wash before the yard sale. (Who would like a two-horse trailer with four new tires?)

