



OVER HERD

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Frosty Gallops off into the Sunset

It is always our goal to place the recovered babies in the very best quality homes. Frosty was first listed in the August 2013 newsletter. Frosty is an albino, and this has caused a number of people to not even look twice at Frosty. Often albinos are a smaller stature than other horses and Frosty is pony size. This pretty little mare is only about 18 to 19 years old. She has been very healthy since she gained her weight.

About November of 2005 we had the pleasure to meet a gal who had lost her appaloosa mare that look just like Moncha, AKA – Daisy. Moncha and Salida were picked up together in Lee County. They had been abandoned on a property that was foreclosed on. Brittney Liddic wanted Moncha and she did wonderfully with Brittney, until a number of weeks ago when nothing could be done for her.



Frosty—Aug. 2013



Frosty in her new home with two of the minis.

Brittney told me she would get back with us, and she finally felt ready to start to look for another horse to love and join her two mini horses and a mini donkey. One of the miniatures came from the sanctuary. He was renamed Cracker Jack. Frosty left October 13th to join the little herd. She took up with the miniature donkey and they are fast friends, but they are all getting along great.

Brittney enjoys loving on her babies, and loves a white horse. Moncha was white with small sorrel spots, like spattered red mud, just like her first horse. The only red on Frosty is when she rolls in the mud!

Frosty will be missed! But we are all happy for her, since she went to such a wonderful home.

Thank you one and all for helping to provide for Frosty so she had this chance for a new home.

2019 Horse Protection Society Calendar

The calendar pages are 9” by 12.” By shrinking the calendar just a little, we have been able to keep the postage the same even with the postal cost increase.

1 calendar = \$19.50 + postage of \$3.50 = \$23.00 Plus donation = \$_____.

2 calendars = \$39.00 + postage of \$5.70 = \$44.70 Plus donation = \$_____.



Please help us reach our fall monthly budgets.

October costs were so much higher due to the hurricane. Please aid us through this time.

Updates at the Sanctuary

Tusca: Sometimes there are things here that sadden everyone's heart. Tusca may have Pemphigus, which normally is a non-curable autoimmune disease. There is no new research that I can find since the last horse we had with this illness 12 to 15 years ago. Most veterinarians have never seen this autoimmune disease, and the only thing that is recommended is steroids. Everyone understands how damaging long term use of steroids will be to the body. The steroids have worked and the ulcerations are clearing. The problem is the recurrence of the illness is so high. He had abscesses around the top of the hoof wall on the coronary band and up the pastern area.

Tusca has not been right since he arrived about 5 months ago, and he just didn't recover like he should have. I kept telling the vets and the folks here that he had something really wrong. Watch him closely. The blood panel didn't show anything. I think now we know what his issue was and his body fighting

The good news: We were ready for the pond to over flow this time and protect the baby fish. Melanie constructed a net attached to two poles, one short one to go on the bottom of the over flow and one long pole to hold the top of the screening. The pond did over flow, but the baby fish were safe this time.

There have been so many unexpected expenses and we need your help! Thank you for caring!

Pemphigus Foliaceus (PF)

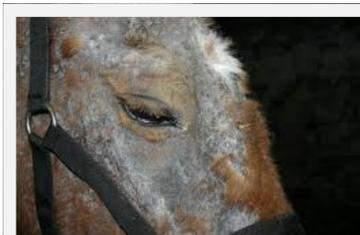
This is an autoimmune skin disease that Tusca is showing many of the symptoms. A speedy diagnosis is always in the horse's best interest. This can be a challenge since many diseases of the skin seem similar in the beginning. When the immune system is compromised, different skin conditions can run rampant. Secondary infections can exacerbate the skin condition. Autoimmune diseases are caused by a failure of the immune system. Appearance of signs may be delayed for months after the trigger event.

Testing should be done before starting treatment to get accurate results. Topical steroids allow the veterinary team to gain quick control over localized inflammation and lesions, but may result in thinning of the skin with chronic use.

Future vaccinations are usually discouraged in patients with autoimmune skin diseases, including PF, even in cases where vaccination is not a known trigger. The concern is that vaccination could cause a generalized immune response, possibly retriggering the autoimmune process. In these cases, vaccine titers are recommended. If titer levels are insufficient, then a risk-benefit assessment should be done before considering vaccination.

The picture of the hoof is Tusca's and shows the start of the skin condition on each hoof's coronary band.

The other horse's picture was found on the Internet with a face showing



Pemphigus. It can look like hives on the horse's body when it first starts, also. The horse will lose its hair where the crusting and erosions are located. This is an uncommon disease but potentially life threatening. It may be more common than realized due to possible misdiagnoses.

*Happy Thanksgiving and we send our good wishes and
pray you are blessed.*

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*Come visit on a
Saturday afternoon to
meet the rescues.*

**Lillian Wright was honored for her birthday by the folks she works with.
Happy Birthday Lillian!!!**

*In memory of "Queenie," "Denali," and "Dakota," ~ three very special and much
loved HPS horses. By Dottie Rebhan*

Ragwort has now vanished from the fields. A lot of man hours has been put in to making sure the horses are safe. The Citronella oil mixture is great for small areas, but the fields here had too much ragwort spread across it.

Fire Ants have lessened since the treatment, and the hills seem smaller. I am not seeing any new hills of fire ants. For FIRE ANT CONTROL call Mark Konish - Office 336-288—8868

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Hurricane Michael



Hurricane: The weather forecasts didn't give the impression that Michael was going to be so damaging. We were not ready for the heavy rain and the winds. There is a beautiful oak tree that is well over 100 years old in the front yard. We have tried to carefully care for the tree and would have any dead wood trimmed out about every other year. The hurricane winds brought down some huge limbs and to our surprise they were hollow. One large limb left an enormous hole in the trunk of our lovely old tree. With great sadness we realized the old tree was hollow from top to bottom. Average life span for most oak species is between 100 to 300 years. The cost is \$1,800.00 to take the tree down.

We have two more huge trees that blew down. One is in the pond field that took the fence down. The other is in the lower woods and broke off about 20 feet up and is still attached.