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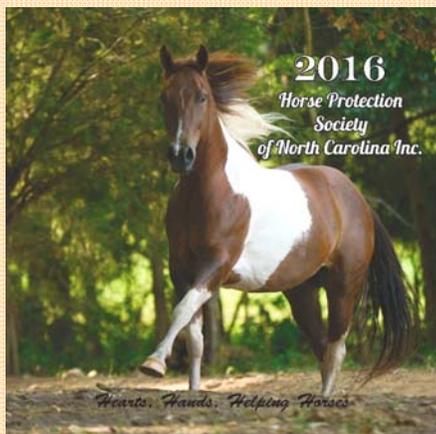
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Two Starved Colts

A kind concern gal emailed me with a picture of a starved colt. Her email was heart wrenching considering she is not a horse person yet was able to recognize that the owner needed help. The horses are located in Rowan County.

It is easy for things to get out of hand when a breeding program is started in a slow economy and limited funds to care for the mares that now have foals. There were seven horses on the property one was a spotted Tennessee Walker paint stud in with the other mares and foals. He was in the best condition since the owners were trying to keep him in a separate pasture, but he would break through fences and getting in with the foals and the mares.



We were able to arrange to meet with the owner who was very open to help since the couple felt overwhelmed. I picked out two of colts that were in the worst shape and an agreement was made for them to come to the sanctuary. They wanted to bring the colts to us which was fine with me since the babies were not used to being handled. Finally they arrived just before dark. The babies were unloaded directly into the round pen that has two stalls connected to it.

Our kind gal bought a number of bags of feed and delivered them to the owner when she first discovered the horses in need. There was no hay available for the horses and the large field was grazed down to such a state it would be hard for it to support one horse. Next she bought hay for the remaining horses while homes can be found for the five remaining horses. The owner has a home for the two other foals and possibly the stallion. That would leave just the two mares.

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News from the Herd

Baby presented with a choke and then the stress causes her to colic. Both were quickly relived by Dr. Mary Gochnauer and Baby is fine now.

Black Velvet was not sweating normally and was started on One AC powder and an acupuncture treatment and both helped him. A thyroid test was done and it was okay.

Cloud had a puncture wound that was not healing. Minor surgery was performed and a small piece of wood was found and removed.

Cayenne somehow injured herself leaving an open wound on her back leg. It healed fine.

Honors and Memorials

In honor of Steve and Mary Lou's 60th wedding anniversary! By their Daughters, Kathy McDermott, Carolyn McTish and Mary Trost

"We can judge the heart of a man by his treatment of animals." (Immanuel Kant) presented by Jan Gavin

"In memory of Madge Austell." By Susan Parker

In loving memory of the Big Red One (aka Dakota), October 2, 2007. Always missed, Roberta

Two Starved Colts (Cont. from Page 1)

Both of colts were being abused by the stud. The sorrel and white paint was still with its mare and nursing. If you notice in the picture, the colt's tail reaches the ground. Normally a tail will not reach the ground until a horse is close to three years old. He is very tiny for his possible age and is a body score of a one. Without the correct nutrition no horse will reach their full growth potential. The stallion saw the young colt at a threat and was kicking him unmercifully and one side of his body is covered with nicks and scrapes. The little black and white is so very tiny and we have no idea how old he is. His tail is at his hocks and he still has his foal hair. This could be from a huge overload of parasites that can kill a young foal. Getting the dewormer into them is the big challenge. I keep trying to find something they will eat so I can add the worming medication to that. Grabbing them and putting the wormer down their throat will cause them not to trust us and it will take much longer to win them over to bond with people.

The little black and white's mare was given away, so he had no protection from the stud that was chasing him away from the herd to an area where there was no grass. This is the natural actions when there is not enough food for the herd to push the weakest out of the herd.

Both colts have undescended testicles, this condition is known as Cryptorchid. This condition requires expensive surgery to solve the issue and cannot be considered until their health greatly improves to be able to handle the operation. The testicles may descend as the colts recover from starvation. Foals are always more difficult to bring back to full health. Both horses are cow hocked in the back, which means the legs bend in to each other instead of being straight. It just takes time to see how they will develop.

We could use your aid to help pay for their expenses. For without you donations we could never rescue the horses that are so in need. Thank you for caring!

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CoQ10 improves cardiovascular function, boosts energy and stamina, supports cognitive function, fights free radical damage and supports healthy vision and hearing. It is important to take the right type or it may not give you the added benefits. Look for the words "trans-form" and fermentation, also "piperine or black pepper extract. Doctor's BEST High Absorption CoQ10 seems to fit the bill for a good product.

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The Horse Protection Society only has 50 round bales left to feed the horses! The drought and high temperature has hit this area very hard. We are going to have to buy hay out of the area and have it shipped in to be able to feed the horses over the winter. This is about 35 weeks until the spring cutting of hay. The horses need about 10 to 12 bales of hay per week. This equals 348 to 418 round bales that weigh approximately 850 pounds each. The shipping is going to depend on how far afield we have to have the hay shipped in. I have started looking for hay and have not found any yet.

We will be looking at about \$60 to \$65 a bale that will include shipping. If each person could donate the funds for one round hay bale, we will be able to make it through the winter until the next cutting. Please help to keep the rescued horses in the hay they need to stay healthy.

Thank you so much for helping!

