

## OVFR HFRD



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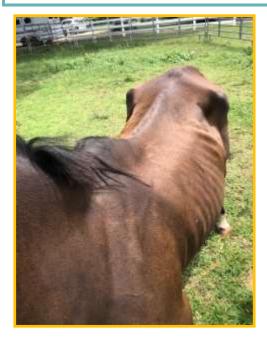
### A New Gelding By Christina S.

Recently, we have had a consistent flow of new horses arriving at the sanctuary. Our newest rescue is a 30-year-old gelding. Animal Control had removed him from his owner and contacted HPS to take him in. We know older horses do not usually get placed out once they arrive at HPS, but they still deserve a chance for a better life. This poor guy was a 1 on the Henneke Body Condition Scoring System. This scoring system is a numerical scale used to evaluate the amount of fat on a horse's body. The scores range from 1 (poor, extremely emaciated) to 9 (extremely fat.) A score of 1 is the lowest point before death occurs.

We needed someone to drive the truck and trailer to pick up the horse from the facility, and David jumped right in and offered to drive. Thank you, David! HPS could not function without our wonderful volunteers!

The gelding walked right up to us when we arrived at the barn where he was temporarily housed. There was no problem putting a halter on him. I spent a minute getting to know him and slipped him a few alfalfa pellets; he really enjoyed those! As I started walking toward the trailer, he followed without hesitation. When I asked him to load, he paused to check things out first, but after a brief moment, he walked right on the trailer.

He has been with us for a few weeks now. He has the sweetest disposition and loves people. He has already gained a little bit of weight, but when a horse is extremely malnourished, it takes longer than usual to regain that weight. Hopefully, he will continue to gain weight and, when strong enough, can





When he first arrived at HPS

After a few weeks being at HPS.

#### THE HORSES NEED YOUR HELP! By: Joanie Benson

For over 24 years, HPS has tried to find a cure for Equine Protozoal Myeloencephalitis (EPM). EPM is caused by an infection of the central nervous system by two protozoan parasites. It is a debilitating neurologic disorder in horses that affects the brain and spinal cord and can ultimately be fatal.

Our latest treatment for EPM-affected horses involves a protocol of natural herbs and vitamins for 90 days. After the treatment period, we wait 90 days for the treated horses to clear the dead parasites and then retest the horses to determine the level of remaining live protozoal that survived the treatment. Utilizing this treatment, we finally have a horse that has been treated and cleared all the protozoal and, after the treatment and clearing periods, has tested ZERO. God bless Cruiser! Eventually, we hope to share this protocol with other people to help their horses.

Currently, we are treating ten horses for which testing revealed high titer levels, indicating a high probability of the EPM protozoal parasites. Some of the horses have tested positive for both types of protozoal. Several horses have extremely high titer levels and will require a second and possibly third round of treatment.

The approximate cost of the herbs and vitamins used for the treatment is \$450 per horse. For a veterinarian to draw the blood and send it to UC Davis in California for testing for the EPM is \$142. The total cost of the protocol and testing for the ten horses is\$5,920.00

We definitely need your help to fund these critical but expensive treatments and testing, which we believe may be considered a cure. Pursuing the eradication of EMP is critical to ensure a good quality of life for the horses and may help save the lives of these horses.

Below are the ten horses in treatment and their associated titer results at the last testing. The higher the titer levels, the greater the probability of EPM. As reflected below, some horses show good reductions in titer levels, while others, just starting treatment, show incredibly high numbers.

#### Please Help Save The Lives of the EPM Horses.

Heavenly - Tested down to - 40 S.Fluor. One more 90 day treatment should take Heavenly to ZERO

Shinook – Tested as high 2,580 and is down to 640 S.Fluor. Two more 90 day treatments should take Shinook to ZERO.

Tusca - First test was 320 S.Fluor and is down to 80 S.Fluor. One more 90 day treatment should take Tusca to ZERO.

Penny – A high of 1280 and is down to 640 S.Fluor. Two more 90 day treatments should take Penny to ZERO.

Red Sky - A high of N.Fluor 2560 and S.Fluor 80 two more 90 day treatments should take Gypsy to ZERO

Gypsy - It was as high as 2560 and down to S.Fluor 640, two more 90 day treatments should take Gypsy to ZERO

Chuckles - The numbers were as high as N.Fluor 2560 and a high of S.Fluor 1280.

Chicklet - The numbers are scary high S.Fluor was as high as 2560

Gallant - The number is so high N.Fluor 2560 and S.Fluor 80

Sunshine - S.Fluor 1280 needs the treatment.

#### Circle the horse you wish to help SAVE their life























90 day full treatment: \$592.00 3 monthly payments @: \$197.00 One time:\$

Name:

Email:

HPS, 2135 Miller Rd, China Grove, NC 28023, check or Pay Pal

Address:

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ONLY 16 more days until the drawing

If you haven't purchased your Beef Raffle ticket yet, use the QR code below or stop by HPS and get your tickets.

This is one raffle you don't want to miss out

### GRAND PRIZE

5.0 Cubic ft Hisense Chest Freezer & A 1/4 of Aged Beef

2nd Prize: A 1/4 of Aged Beef 3rd Prize: A 1/4 of Aged Beef

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\$20

For the Love of Horses in Memory of Lynn Burris
All Proceeds go to Horse Protection Society in her memory

Drawing will be held

September 16th

No delivery - Pickup located in Salisbury, NC



ONLY 500 tickets to be sold

Help Needed to Rebuild the Condo Stall Doors

Recently a newly rescued horse kicked the doors on the condo stalls. After we assessed the damage, it was apparent the doors needed to be replaced. The doors were already in sad shape from wear and tear, but now are unsafe because of the exposed hardware, splintered wood, wood rot, and broken hinges.

We have the materials to repair the doors but do not have the tools necessary to rebuild them. We are looking for volunteers who have carpentry tools and can volunteer their time and skills to help with this project. If anyone is willing to help, please reach out to HPS to schedule the time. Your time and skills are greatly appreciated.













DONATE DONATE DONATE



Get your donations to HPS for the BIG tack and Treasure sale in October as soon as possible.

# Giving is not just about making a donation. It is about making a difference in these rescued horses lives.

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This will save money in printing & postage.
THANK YOU!

# Our 2024 Horse Protection

## Society's Calendar

will be here soon!!!

Calendars \$19.50

Shipping is available for an additional \$3.50

