

Standardbred Retirement Foundation

SUMMER 2014 NEWSLETTER

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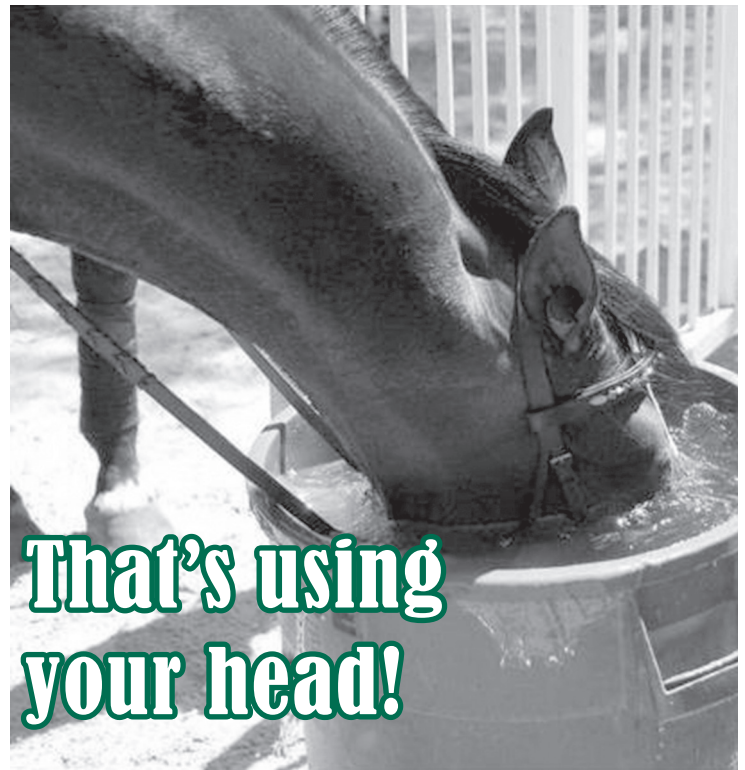


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A Day With the Kids

We want to show you how you help whether with a tax deductible gift, or by supporting our fund raisers so we have scheduled a day to open the barn doors to the farms we use to keep our "Companions" comfortable in pasture. The doors have always been open but a specific day to accommodate company makes it easier. Many of the retirement farms are located on hundreds of acres and it is a great deal of work rounding up the herd to bring them up close. We hope you will visit a few of the great old campaigners as well as those meant to be such. There are sons and daughters of some of the greats like Earl, Beach Towel, Lindy's Pride, and Landslide. Meet 31 year old Julie The Gem who earned more than \$201,000; 21 year old C-Mon Big Guy by Tylers Mark who earned \$322,000 for 13 different owners of which we appreciate support from two. There is 16 year old Maci The Farmer with earnings over \$201,000, 18 year old Fly Like An Eagle with \$436,000 green notes packed away for 16 different owners. Meet our 39 year old who still has her teeth, and others by Cambest,

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Join us for Hambo Casino Night

On July 29th the Hambletonian Charity Committee hosts the Casino Night at the New

Meadowlands following the Post Position draw at 4pm. There is an open bar and food on the Grandstand Level at 5pm, and the Casino opens at 5:30 with BlackJack, Roulette, Craps, and a Poker tournament scheduled for 7:30. It is a fabulous night, always great fun with prizes and much more. Tickets are \$125. Pp for the open bar, food, and includes \$50. in chips. See our website for other details or call 732 446-4422, email Admin@srfmail.com. This event benefits the Harness Racing Museum and SRF and we hope you will join us for a blast of fun!

RECENT ADOPTIONS



Spinks Mattise	Spring Lake Breeze	Nights Nautical
Windsong's Queen	Hurrikane Mister T	Here Taz
Jimmy B Good	Pacific Hoss	Courage De Mongil
Cams Feisty Lady	Mirage Blue Chip	Mac Pherson
Runnin The Roads	Need A Job	Counterterror
Epinaard	Laag In Time	Rivers
Almostinthephoto	Jimmy Dick	Big Gus
Strike A Match	S F Decathlon	Pinch Of Thyme
Beach Bubbles	Ticonderoga	Creditora
Shelter by the Storm	Hurrikane Maximus	Diamondonthebeach
Chernucson	Southern Walton	Run Like Tiki
O Narutac Magic	Hurrikane Tyler	Blazin Cajun
Sweet Dragon	Candide Blue Chip	Sectionline Blast
Mr. Yankee Dabra	Sea it Ain't So	Yankee Frisbee
U Glow Girl	BFF Cams Diva	JK Storm

Wish List

- Horse Sponsors
- Hay for NJ
- Grant Writers
- Items for Auctions, Raffles
- Horse Guardians
- Foster Homes
- A Forever Home so we never have to move again
- Training Help for Horses
- Another Location as an Adoption Center
- Support for an Endowment

Please Call (732) 446-4422 or email admin@srfmail.com if you can help.

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Matts Scooter, Storm Damage, No Nukes, Grinfromeartoe, Precious Bunny, Balanced Image, Artsplace, Albert Albert, On The Road Again, Nero, and others. It's a day down memory lane, a day to take in the addictive scent of the horses, a day to kick back and enjoy the rewards of your kindness, and a day to make new friends to help us in supporting 114 retirees who have given so much and need a new buddy to help them. Please make sure we have your email address so we can send you the dates, or check our website for updates. You can email us yours at admin@srfmail.com. The next Open House is scheduled for Saturday, July 26, 2014 from 4-8 in Walingford, KY at Chasing The Sun Farm.

TREMENDOUS THANKS!



Thank you to McCauley's Feed for their gift of grain at cost for our NJ location at Walnridge Farm, and Kentucky location at Chasing The Sun. And thank you to Reynolds Hay and Straw for their gift by delivering in NJ. We love McCauley's!

MISSION STATEMENT

The Standardbred Retirement Foundation is a non-profit, tax-exempt organization created to care for, rehabilitate, and secure lifetime adoption of non-competitive racehorses, to ensure their proper care with follow-up, and to combine the needs of youth at risk and these horses in therapeutic equine programs to benefit both.

SRF is a 501 (c) 3 non-profit organization



Adopter Lori Staas & twenty six year old Camy share time together once again thanks to Lori's tenacity.

Never Giving Up, One Adopter's Special Love

When Lori Staas was 14 years old her parents adopted Cams Feisty Lady for her to enjoy in her teenage years. Camy was 16 years old and the perfect size horse for their daughter.

Lori fell madly in love and it went both ways; she told us how Camy loved candy mints, drinking water from the hose, and how they would just hang together like teenage pals. After a few years Lori was at the age where having a driver's license and being in high school brought new interests. Camy was put in the back stall, so to speak. Seeing this, her parents felt that Camy needed a different home and called SRF. When Lori heard, the tears poured, she wanted Camy back and pleaded with her parents and SRF for her buddy. But time had passed and Camy had another home, she was a perfect fit for a need at Rutgers University, and that was where she went.

A couple of years later Lori and her parents went to Rutgers to see how her friend was doing. Lori truly believed that the sweet mare remembered her prompting Lori to make a very strong commitment. Lori wrapped her arms around Camy and said that when the time was right she would have her back in her life. Her parents rolled their eyes.

About 10 years later Cams Feisty Lady was in fact back with her! Wow, what a special person Lori is, and what a lucky mare. Today she tells us that she is looking forward to Camy and her daughter bonding like she had, a wonderful experience of love and friendship that is so special.

Luck, Sheer Luck, Thanks to You

SRF recently shouted out for help for five Standardbreds in steel pens of what the horse community labels the “kill buyer”. What happened next will warm your heart.

The “kill buyer” offers horses for sale privately averting their going through a livestock auction where, due to the lack of buyers, in nearly every case, results in a sale for the Canadian slaughterhouses. Yes, the “kill buyers” prey on people to line their pocket, however, it does provide a small opportunity to save horses from slaughter because affording someone to be present at the actual sale would be more costly.

The SRF needed help if they were to buy, ship to quarantine (isolation), board, rehabilitate, and find them homes. These five were in a dire situation, if not rescued quickly they were expected to be loaded onto multi-decked trailers known to overload, cramming as many horses in as possible before shipping to Canada. Mexico is another border crossed for shipment for meat. Oversight from the Dept. of Agriculture at the sales is rarely

noted, as per reports of repeat attendees; and while there are regulations for the conditions by which horses may be shipped, enforcement is severely lacking. Some of these horses were not in good physical.

Help came, calls, emails, Facebook messages, and texts brought support. The purchase and quarantine alone was about \$4,700. The real expenses were to begin with rehabilitation and care until homed, and then the follow up for life so this would never happen again. But until the horses were to arrive to SRF's care it was not clear on what was to be needed. By the time this newsletter is being printed, the five, which was really six Standardbreds will have arrived at a boarding facility in Millstone Twp., NJ. The facility, lush with grass was only one of a couple willing to take in horses from a situation of this type, as there is always a concern for communicable diseases. Grazing muzzles were needed as it was expected that these needy horses were not lucky enough to have seen anything green under their feet for some time, no sense risking founder. Dr. Bokman will have examined all and provided the medical help required, a gift to them and SRF, and the care and rehabilitation will have begun.

We anticipated that at least one horse was in need of retirement, a filly we were told had big ankles and knees. If she could at least be comfortable in pasture SRF would need to retire her life, a great expense.

There are plenty of days when SRF's staff and volunteers go home fighting off discouragement in order to start back

Key Larkgo Blue (tattoo still not confirmed as his legs prove years of racing and his card shows no racing lines)



One of the six rescued believed to be, Kiss My Match, Mollie Muggins, Keylarkgo Blue, Marios Kick Start, SOS Crusader, and Bedarka.

up the next day, when an adopter or an owner or trainer gives up on a horse and the feed tub is empty and we have to step in. There are days when one of SRF's horses changes someone's life, fulfilling a dream, a passion. Then there are days when emotions are mixed, seeing six Standardbreds whose lives were planned, who had dozens of people involved in those plans, breeding, breaking, training, racing, and then waiting in a feedlot for a trip to a horrific end. When that is followed by the generosity of such wonderful caring people, that's a day to remember.

Like Us On Facebook!

Not everyone is on Facebook but SRF is and it is one the best means for entertainment. There are great photos and stories and some very funny horse quotes-well, if they could speak. Thank you to all who make our Facebook page a blast!



We Love Golf!

It was another very successful golf outing even with a blast of weather ending our time on the greens just an hour before the day turned into a fun for cocktails and dinner, prizes and more. We so appreciate the support from everyone, the sponsorships, the gifts, our golfers, and supporters in other ways. Thank you

so very much, we again met our goal and left last year's in PLACE. We had a WIN!

Thank you to Vicki Wright for her wonderful gift of capturing all the fun on camera. Here are a few pictures, many more are posted on our website!



Team Croghan and Webster



Team McNiche



Bryan O'Hara, Dr. Rodney Belgrave of Mid-Atlantic Equine, and racehorse owner Joe Muscara



Karen Taft enjoys all the attention during cocktails!



Bob Bencal, Dr. Patricia Hogan, Ed Lohmeyer, and Ben Hogan



Ray Polin, Dan Dube, Scott DeDomenico, Tyle Buchanan

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Thank you to the Golf Committee and Volunteers!



Max Will Start, a 9 year old gelding will start for sure, he is now turning a page in his life arriving in NJ for the transition to the saddle. Our trainer says, "He's such a cool horse!" He had a little setback with a foot abscess but is fat and happy otherwise.



Maryellen Valerie and her husband, Tom are the proud sponsors of Spring Again who has degenerative joint disease in his ankle. He is still comfortable in pasture. Maryellen and Tom are one of the few who actually can visit their horse and enjoy the pleasures of sponsorship, and certainly it goes both ways because Spring Again enjoys his family immensely! Thank you so much for being a sponsor.

That's Enough

When an adopter in Mass. dragged her feet on returning her Veterinary Follow-up Form and she mentioned how the horses were eating her barn, that was a clue, a bad clue. These horses were hungry. We worked with her for a period of time to take them back and she kept stalling on getting them shipped to us until we finally said, "That's enough." We sent a shipper and pulled them out. We found the horses in a condition 3 on a scale of 9. There is no nutrition in barn board. We are fattening up the two boys and are thankful we moved so quickly.

Please Help One

Please sponsor one of these grand old warriors in any amount, we would be so grateful. See the envelope insert or go directly to our website. Thank you so much.

Aduka, 30	Julie The Gem, 31
Amiable, 26	Justan Extra, 14
Air McNair, 11	Kamsack Blue Chip, 26
Allison's Melody, 15	Kathy's BG, 25
Big Run, 18	Keena, 31
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Bogert's Best, 18	Legal In Nevada, 4
Bright Hope, 13	Leprechaun Dream, 17
C-mon Big Guy, 21	Lucy Montcalm, 21
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Cambeaster, 13	National Play, 14
Cheyenne Pedone, 6	Northsong Rose, 29
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Chrominator, 14	Old Rojo, 25
Danny, 24	On the Deans List, 21
Danny Boy, 19	Organizer, 24
Dave W Dart 26	Prince Argon, 9
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Divine Setup, 12	Radar Detector, 8
Fly Like an Eagle, 18	Record Turnout, 25
Get Over Liz, 3	Red Leader, 26
Gordy's Earth Angel, 6	Rob's Thunder, 15
Houdinis Show, 2	Rubis Du Fauberg, 15
Imocean, 18	Ruffles and Lace, 25
International Sal, 25	Scenic Lad N, 19
Island Flower, 22	Sea It Again, 27
JD's Dragon, 22	Silence My Critics, 4
Jamie's Crown, 29	Silk Threads, 24
Jay Bee DN, 22	
Jay Bees Flush N, 22	

SAVE THE DATE

SRF has made it to 25 years because of the family and friends who helped get us here. We are so grateful to have the opportunity to do something so righteous and noble as an extension of your wishes. We hope to commemorate our silver anniversary in a special way following the Post Position draw for the Breeders Crown on Nov. 18, 2014. Please save that date and we will be in touch with plans.

Capitol One Requires Your Choice

Many years ago MBNA Bank offered a MasterCard to benefit SRF and we had wonderful support that really gave us a great beginning in our fund raising efforts. After several years they dropped our program. A few years ago Capitol One took on the same concept, but we were not privileged to the names of our supporters so we could extend our appreciation. In order for the horses to continue to receive help from the SRF Visa card, the bank requires that you go to their website and actually choose SRF. Thank you for your support in this way.



Spring Lake Breeze is on probation! Life as a safecracker, this girl continues to figure out how all the locks on the gates and doors operate, and she cracks them all. The adopter's boarding facility has now put her on probation, one more time and she needs a new postal code!

The Win★Win Program

The Standardbred Retirement Foundation (SRF) not only has a monumental job, but also a daunting task to find a way to fund it. The SRF has partnered with numerous race tracks to accommodate owners, trainers, and drivers to authorize any percent of winnings they choose as an automatic tax-deductible gift to SRF. The program is appropriately named The Win★Win Program.

If you don't have horses racing at the moment please return the Win★Win form below for future horses, you may also choose to send a tax-deductible gift. Thank you for your kind consideration of these noble and beautiful animals, your generosity is greatly appreciated. We wish you much good luck on the oval.

Authorization for: Standardbred Retirement Foundation's **WIN★WIN Program**

I, authorize the race tracks to deduct either \$ _____ or _____% (Some tracks are not set up for dollar amount, only percent so please choose a percent as well) from purse earnings from horses **owned, trained or driven by me**, and/or the stable(s) listed below.

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***How
special
is this?***

Runnin The Road stands very politely for the kids to identify his body parts with sticky notes. This 15 year old gelding has found his happy home with some very special children. Rody was adopted by a children's orphanage in the central part peach state and has oodles of friends and lots of love! Hopefully his third home is a charm, we think so.



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please pass it on to a friend!
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