



December 11, 2013

Greetings!,

Does your horse stand still for the veterinarian? Can you medicate your horse's eyes (or anything else) without the horse moving away from you? Monty discusses benefits and how-to procedures for teaching horses to stand still for routine handling in his question and answer column below.

"Learning should be an ever-changing and never-ending process." —Monty Roberts

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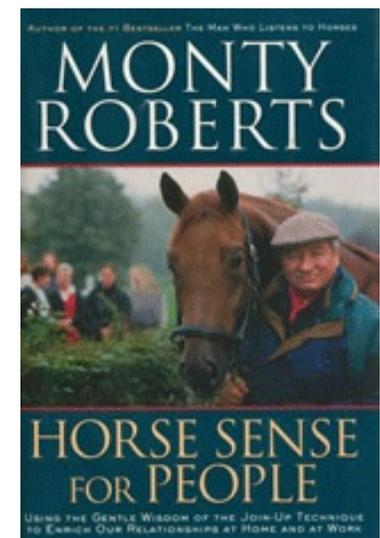
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Monty's Principles



Dear Mr Roberts,

I am writing in connection with your great book [Horse Sense for People](#). This book has opened my eyes. I am just 17 years old, but I was really excited by it. I think that is very helpful for everyone in their life.

QUESTION AND ANSWER

Question:

Please tell me the best way to get eye ointment into my horse's eye without poking her eye with the applicator.

Monty's Answer:

At the risk of repeating myself after last week's Question and Answer (about asking a filly to stand still for the vet as he gives her a shot), I will gladly repeat myself and I am happy you are asking because there are so many advantages to the simple training to stand still and trust the horse handler.

The Dually Halter is, first, your 'best friend' in this situation. View the video on how to use the Dually halter, <http://www.montyroberts.com/shop/equipment/dually-halter-pony/> over and over again. I emphasize that you pay particular attention to the use of the Dually to cause your horse to stand still. I have just completed two and a half months of touring where standing still was the most critical issue with the horses.

Once you have accomplished the standing still procedure, I suggest that you fabricate an appropriate sized chute. This item is often called a crush but it is simply made of wood or metal and can be just wide enough for your pony to comfortably stand in. I just made a very effective chute in England by using a 5 bar gate and placing it about 28 inches from a wall. This would allow access to the near side of your horse.

The filly eventually stood, allowing stroking and plastic bags, neither of which was possible throughout her 18 months. She has continued to improve with a student of mine whom I am speaking with about every 3 days. With your horse comfortably standing, approach the outer corner of the eye to insert medication there. Ideally if the horse moves, you won't be pulling the applicator across the eye. After inserting the medication, carefully close the eye lid in order to insure the medication covers the entire eye area.

One could get great benefit from my [From My Hands to Yours textbook](#) in the Dually chapter. In addition there are some very good lessons on my [Equus Online University](#) on gentling with a chute. Mind you, the chute in the lessons would be quite expensive because it is meant to be used for many years and with full sized terrorists. The outcome is virtually always astonishingly effective when used properly.

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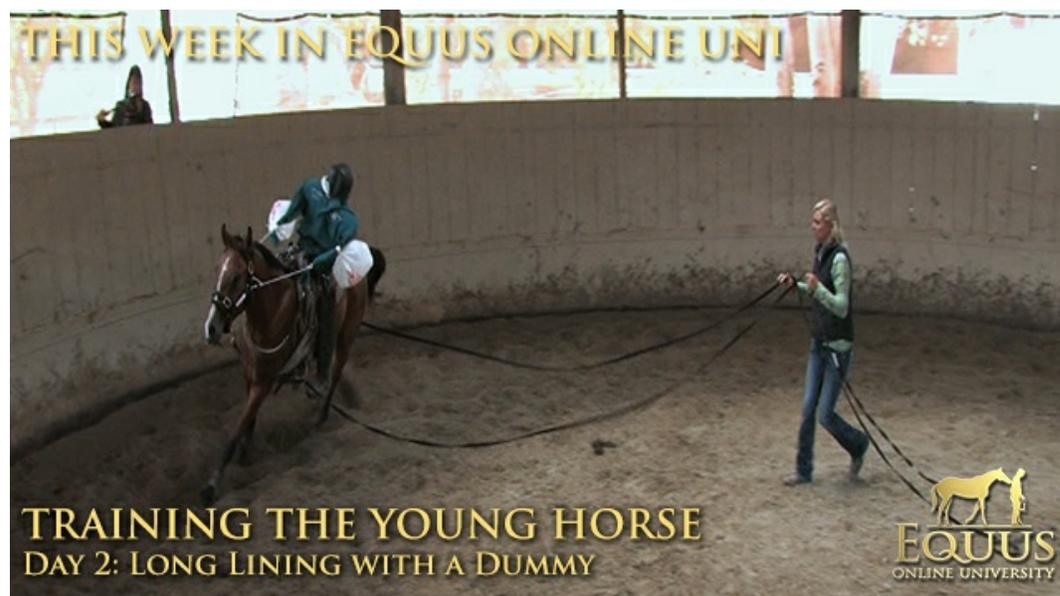
I love horses too much so I was interested in your story about mare Mustang. I have never heard of it. I have a mare too. But she is so spoiled. She is 8 years old and she is great jumper but I have one problem with her. She is so fast.

I really hate when someone is just pulling reins. I tried to work with my sitting position or doing some tricks but it did not help. She loves jumping but she is very big and sometimes I am very scared. I hope it will be possible for you to help me.

And I am so sorry for my English I am not English speaker. I am from the Czech Republic. But one day I want to visit your farm. You are great man.

Yours sincerely,
Tereza Müllerová

THIS WEEK IN MONTY'S EQUUS ONLINE UNI



In this week's video lesson on [Equus Online University](#), Certified Instructor Courtney Dunn combines long lining with the experience of a dummy rider for a young horse in his second day of training under saddle.

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THOUGHTS ON CLICKER TRAINING

Hello Monty,

I couldn't believe my eyes when I read this latest email. I have always defended Monty to my

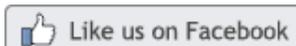
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BEAUTIFUL BRAZIL



Monty has just returned from Brazil, where he conducted workshops, visited the police academy that is integrating Monty's principles in the training of cadets, worked with barrel racing horses and visited with a great group of students and friends.

Thank you Eduardo Moreira for inviting and promoting Monty and the MREM in beautiful Brazil. We look forward to the next time!

ESMA NOMINATION

latest email. I have always defended Monty to my behavioural science friends but to dismiss a scientific, extensively proven method of effective and ethical animal training like this defies all logic. I know Monty comes from a different era but I believed what he said - that he is open minded and always looking for kinder methods of training. I have certainly learnt a lot from him, and I'm not that many years younger than he is, but I'm SO glad, for my horses sakes, that I really have stayed open minded. So sad.

Maybe Monty has only been exposed to bad clicker training but there are loads of resources out there to show how effective it is when used properly! Please can someone ask him to look at the science and contact Alexandra Kurland or Shawna Karrasch (or Olympic showjumpers Beezie and John Madden) for more information and not to be so dismissive and illogical when he has a duty of care as an influential role model.

Thank you,
A very disappointed,

Helen Whitaker

Dear Helen,

Please rest assured that I continue to have an open mind. Please understand that I have studied clicker training for decades now. There is a standing invitation open to anyone that agrees to come to my farm and explore their concepts where clicker training is concerned. I have had horsemen accept my invitation from about 5 different countries to this point in time. I have stated consistently that I would prefer to title clicker training "marker training". I do not believe that there is any sacred need for the click but I believe that there are great results achieved by marking positive behavior.

Throughout my writings you will find that I consistently state that food delivered by the human hand is bad horsemanship. I stand by that statement. Each and every experience I have had with those

that would execute training with food from the hand has resulted in unacceptable behavior by the horses in question. I have outlined my studies which prove to me that food is not a good reward for desired behavior. Predators regard food as a trophy. They learn to achieve their trophy with a long list of actions. Please remember that no blade of grass has ever run from a horse.

It is my hope that you will understand that I appreciate your freedom to have an opinion. It would be nice if you would continue to appreciate that I also have a right to my opinion. Remember that horses performed for us for 6000 years when violence was the choice of virtually every horseman. Champions were made by violence when each of their competitors were also trained with violence. Equus is an amazing species and we need to meet their needs. Don't be sad. Remember my mantra "My way is the only way for me today. Show me a better way and it will be my way tomorrow"

-Monty



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April 4, 2014	Pferdezentrum Schloss Wickrath , Mönchengladbach	DE
April 6, 2014	Landgestüt Zweibrücken	DE
April 8, 2014	Reitsportzentrum Hohenzollern , Bisingen	DE
April 11, 2014	Reitverein Bayer Leverkusen	DE
April 13, 2014	Gestüt Tannenhof , Heidenrod-Watzelhain (bei Wiesbaden)	DE



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http://www.montyroberts.com/ab_about_monty_calendar/see-monty/



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See:

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Monty's Challenge

Monty will be answering the question featured in Monty's Principles as next week's challenge.

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Now Playing: Carrie Scrima, ACTHA Founder & Phillip Ralls, Reiner

Feel Good About the Direction Horsemanship Is Going!



The Horsemanship Radio Show is an online radio show (podcast) dedicated to the exploration of good horsemanship throughout the world. Hosted by Debbie Loucks (Monty Roberts' daughter), the show includes segments, tips and interviews exploring good horsemanship.

Carrie Scrima of the American Competitive Trail Horse Association and Phillip Ralls, trainer of high performance reined cow horses will be on the show starting November 30 2013.

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Sincerely,
Monty Roberts



