



ASK MONTY

January 1, 2014

Greetings!,

Happy New Year!

Listen in to Monty's year-end message on Horsemanship Radio. Monty reviews 2013 and looks ahead at 2014. Plus, a trainer tip from Joe Camp:



<http://www.horsemanshipradio.com/2013/12/30/horsemanship-radio-episode-7-by-index-fund-advisors-ifa-com-montys-year-in-review/>

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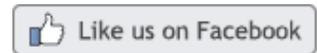
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Monty's Principles

Annette Armstrong from www.Facebook.com/MontyRoberts

More than 30 years ago I rode babies for Monty Roberts, but before anyone got on the babies they were handled with ground work and horse-sense. I always remembered that it was a better approach to performance horses and my style and experiences with horses have always been successful in any venue I find myself and my horses. Thanks for the memories.



Now Playing: Monty's New Year's Message



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

THIS WEEK IN Equus Online University





TRUST IN RESCUED WILD HORSES

LESSON 1: DIXIE AND THE LAKE AND STREAM



This week's video lesson on [Equus Online University](http://www.montyrobertsuniversity.com), Dixie, a beautiful rescued mare who does not trust people meets Monty and begins to partner up with a human for the first time.

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QUESTION AND ANSWER

Question:

I have two very young colts - only 8 months old. What should my expectations be at this age? They are being handled, can touch them all over, lead them, working with picking their hoofs for Ferrier, put ropes on/over them, working on having them get used to a tarp and the noise, have put blankets on/off them. Have been introducing them to new things weekly- traffic, noises, tractors, balls, walking them on the road, woods, etc. One concern I have is how attached the colts are to each other. Hard to take one out without the other - they are co-dependent on each other. I would like to raise a nice quarter horse using your gentle methods but would love some ideas to try but don't want to expect too much too soon. Do you have any suggestions or helpful hints?

I also have older horses but do to the size of the colts I have not put them in with the older horses yet. They can see and touch the other horses through the fence line but have only introduced a very gentle older gelding to them. I don't want them to get kicked or hurt since they are so small still.

Monty's Answer:

Reading between the lines of your message, I am concerned with one particular area. I didn't hear a reference to allowing these youngsters to simply be horses. It is important to keep them as safe as possible but just as with children one must not raise them in a padded room or a sterile bubble. The real world is out there waiting for these babies and they must be able to deal with that when their time comes. I applaud your desire to train early with these frightening objects and I can feel your need to do the best job possible. Another concern is that these two individuals can easily become over-bonded. Use [my textbook From My Hands To Yours](#) to ensure that they don't grow up with behavior that expresses insanity when they are separated from one another. I feel certain you will do a good job but read my words as to the caution signs that I give you.

 [Forward to a Friend](#)

WHERE IN THE WORLD IS MONTY?

APRENDA COM O "ENCANTADOR DE CAVALOS"
MONTY ROBERTS

interviews exploring good horsemanship. Monty Roberts called in to the Horsemanship Radio studio to record a year-end episode. In his message, Monty looks back at 2013 and talks about what's ahead for 2014. Plus, a trainer tip from Joe Camp.

Listen in...

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<http://www.horsemanshipradio.com/>

CANADA'S RURAL TV



In Canada, Monty's Backstage Pass show airs Thursday & Saturday-10:30 AM, 4:30 PM, 11 PM (all times are EST) on television

on The Rural Channel. More info as to where The Rural Channel is available: <http://theruralchannel.com/get-trc/>

If you have questions or need more info go to info@theruralchannel.com or reach out on any of their Social Media platforms: @TheRuralChannel <http://www.facebook.com/theruralchannel>

Monty on HRTV



Watch Monty on HRTV Tuesdays at 6:00 PM ET.

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HRTV

Please check local TV directories for your time and channel or the HRTV website where times are in Eastern Standard Time:

<http://www.hrtv.com/MontyRobertsShow/>

A TÉCNICA DO JOIN-UP EM SUA FAZENDA



VIAGEM OFICIAL MONTY ROBERTS

*5 dias de curso intensivo
com o Encantador de
Cavalos" em sua fazenda
Flag Is Up Farms.*

March 4-8 Five Days with Monty on Flag Is Up Farms with Portuguese translation provided!
Depressa! Viagem para a Califórnia para aprender com Monty Março 4-8 2014 Hospedado e
tradução Português ao longo - See more at: <http://www.montyroberts.com/latest-news/monty-special-clinic-with-portuguese-translation-in-march-2014/>

MONTY ROBERTS TOUR Spring 2014

15th March The Hand Equestrian Centre, Davis Lane, Clevedon, N Somerset BS21 6TG
21st March Norton Heath Equestrian Centre, Fingrith Hall Lane, Blackmore, Essex, CM4 0JP
29th March Royal Leisure Centre EC, Horn Lane, Henfield, West Sussex, BN5 9SA

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January 2014

Monty Roberts Stablemate to Soulmate Tour March 15, 21 and 29! Monty and Kelly will be helping owners and horses face their fears and learn to trust each other. Audiences leave with the knowledge that will help them for many years - inspirational demonstrations for horse lovers and equine novices alike. Tickets purchased in advance only £30, otherwise £35 on the door if available, but of course they cost £25 at the moment! Tickets ordered online will be with you between 5 and 7 working days. <http://www.intelligenthorsemanshipshop.co.uk/collections/demonstration-tickets>

January 25, 2014	A Night of Inspiration with Monty at Flag Is Up Farms in Solvang, California. Call (805) 688-6288 for more info.	USA
January 26, 2014	Life Lessons: A Personal Development Workshop at Flag Is Up Farms. A few more spots are available for this life-changing event!	USA
March 4-8, 2014	See more at: http://www.montyroberts.com/wp-content/uploads/2013/10/Life-Lessons-web.pdf Monty's Special Training in Portuguese coming to Flag Is Up Farms! 5 dias de curso intensivo com o 'Encantador de Cavalos' em sua fazenda Flag Is Up Farms. Contact admin@montyroberts.com for more information in English or Portuguese.	USA
March 15, 2014	The Hand Equestrian Centre Davis Lane, Clevedon, N. Somerset BS21 6TG	UK
March 21, 2014	Norton Heath Equestrian Centre Limited, Fingrith Hall Lane, Blackmore, Essex, CM4 0JP	UK
March 29, 2014	Royal Leisure Centre, Horn Lane, Henfield, West Sussex, BN5 9SA	UK
April 4, 2014	Pferdezentrum Schloss Wickrath , Mönchengladbach	DE
April 6, 2014	Landgestüt Zweibrücken	DE
April 8, 2014	Reitsportzentrum Hohenzollern , Bisingen	DE

Please note that Dish TV has moved the HRTV channel position to 398.

Horse & Country, UK



Watch Monty Roberts on Horse & Country TV in the UK (Sky channel 280), Ireland, The Netherlands, Sweden

and Malta. See:

<http://www.horseandcountry.tv/monty> for more info.

Monty's Challenge

Dear Monty, Hi from Ireland! I have a question and would value your opinion. I have 5 horses, aged from 18 months to 9 years. Some I have had for many years, the youngest I have only owned a few short months. And most have never been any place else since arriving here. They live out in 2 groups at the moment as the youngster has some catching up to do food wise with the others, but I aim to have 1 herd in the coming months.

My question is this, how do you think I can help them transition easily into a new home. I am having to move house and will of course be taking them all with me, I want to ensure I help them adapt as calmly as possible? They will of course all practice loading prior, are all already very familiar with dually and yours and Kelly's methods of training.

Other people who move horses advise to keep them stabled for a few days, but I strongly disagree because that would be very upsetting when they are used to living out and wonder what advice you might offer? Here they live out 24/7 and are also fed out together. None are currently in work. At the new place they will also live out 24/7 but will have the advantage of direct access to a yard, and once settled will be on a paddock arabise type track system.

Who do I move first? The older ones and leave the youngsters to follow? Or the youngsters first and let them get their

bearings? Or before I move should I get older and youngsters familiar and move one of each at a time? I cannot move all 5 together! And think if I did there may be mayhem as they all investigate, but, by introducing them separately am I just prolonging this?

Also is there anything else you would advise? Any advantage in bring familiar things? My youngsters have some field toys? Would you have those in the new home before or do you think it's irrelevant? I don't want to blow their minds with over stimulation! I just worry and have to think some up as I through



For information about Monty's worldwide demos and the courses held at Monty's farm in California go to:

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

and have to think every angle through before I make decisions but this is a new and once off task for me..

I am obviously aware horses move a lot, but for me this is a big worry because I live my life to ensure my animals are as safe and content as can be, this move will allow them live an even more natural life, in a confined 12 acres anyway, and I would like to minimize stress as much as I can, they are settled here and we all trust each other, but most before coming here had troubled pasts and issues as a result of moving around through dealers yards as well as being stabled for long stints at a time, quite a few had ulcers when they came to me, including the youngest, and two have had laminitis in the past, so I need as stress free as possible for them?

The other idea I had was to bring my two mares who are both leaders, allow them to explore then return home, before we actually move permanently? This would be a bit of an ordeal as it's 2.5 hours each way travelling but they have both done that journey before. Is that incremental moving? Hehe
Any ideas and advice greatly appreciated.

Kate

AN UPDATE ON BRAZIL



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Christopher Dydyk

To my friends in Brazil

...and also horse lovers around the world, I was invited to Curitiba, Brazil to have a look at a beautiful breed of horses called Crioulo in Portuguese (Criollo in Spanish). The results of the day are in this video program: <http://youtu.be/7YbUFz-rV0k> where I was able to meet with traditional trainers in their environment, with their equipment and their young (probably 8-10 month old) horse to cause a Join-Up without roping the young horse, as many do.

After Join-Up I shared my concepts of teaching a horse to pivot from his hind end. These horsemen were willing to observe my concepts and keep an open mind, exposing my concepts of horse gentling and training to a very large, new audience, for which I am grateful.

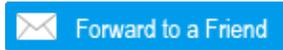
Curitiba is the capital and largest city of the Brazilian state of Paraná. The city's population is approx. 1.8 million people, making it the eighth most populous city in the country and the largest in Brazil's South Region.

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