



Wednesday December 14, 2016

Greetings! ,

Have you seen the beautiful documentary that features Monty Roberts about the life of the German Thoroughbred called Lomitas?



Winner at Equus Film Festival this year: Equestrian International Documentary Florian Figge - Lomitas - His Story - Germany 18:24 min / Directed by Florian Figge, featuring Monty Roberts. You can watch it here: [https://youtu.be/xW68NBI2K\\_U](https://youtu.be/xW68NBI2K_U)

## Question

Dear Mr. Roberts,

My daughter has recently purchased a five-year-old, very green Arabian. He follows her around the pasture like a pet and when we try to work him

in the round pen he will not lunge. She throws the lunge line to encourage him to move and he stands and looks at it. What are we doing wrong? If myself or my daughter walk in front of him he will follow but I do not think this is Join-Up the proper way.

I too grew up on a farm with a father that used to break horses like yours and I always hated the treatment! The ropes, hobbles, twitches etc. I did not know of your method until I was in my late thirties but I always sort of had the same idea as yours just not as refined. If you have any suggestions on how to get this guy going I would truly appreciate it. I have just stated following your blog and you tube videos and hopefully I will come across something like we are dealing with now.

Thank you,  
Kelly

## Answer

Dear Kelly,

Thank you for your question. It is with regularity that I receive correspondence from people who have difficulties with their horse that won't go away from them. It does present us with a problem, but at the same time we have to congratulate the horseman who has generated a relationship with a horse whereby it prefers to be with you instead of away from you. I congratulate you for that.

My first response to your question is to suggest that you take a hard look at the body language you are using to achieve a natural flight process. Often times we become more familiar with our individual horse than we are about the communication system of the horse. Sometimes we think of our horses as close friends which tends to reduce our ability to communicate effectively with them.

Horses are flight animals and I feel strongly that they should not lose their natural instinct to flee. When I confront this particular situation I often use something that the horse considers a flight trigger. Plastic shipping bags on a bamboo stick or similar pole will activate the flight response if shaken in such a way so as to send the horse away from you. It has been effective for me.

Let me remind you that we have an [Equus Online University](#) with more than 400 lessons. I simply can't remember how much information is there based upon the horse that doesn't want to go away, but I am confident that it is covered. There is so much information on there for such a small cost that I recommend strongly you use the archived videos to acquire information across the spectrum of my concepts.

Sincerely,





This online video lesson shows how to train your horse to stand still for the farrier. Not a student yet? Click on the buttons below to Join-Up with thousands of horse lovers learning Monty's force-free and fun methods now.



## MONTY'S HOLIDAY SPECIALS!

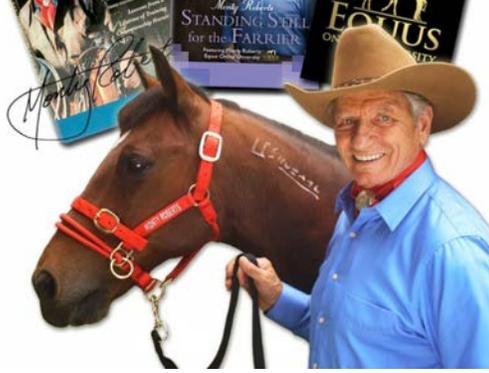
Monty Roberts' NEW packages and a Join-Up Kit cover a range of natural horsemanship subjects fundamental to working with horses. Whether you are just learning to Join-Up with a horse or you want to overcome training and riding challenges and achieve breakthrough results, Monty has your answers. "The Man Who Listens to Horses" has prepared gifts that include his Dually Training Halter and Equus Online videos. New this year are specially packaged charms, each depicting the cover of one of Monty's books (see below).

Go to <https://montyrobertsshop.com/collections/packages> to see all of [Monty's Holiday Specials!](#)

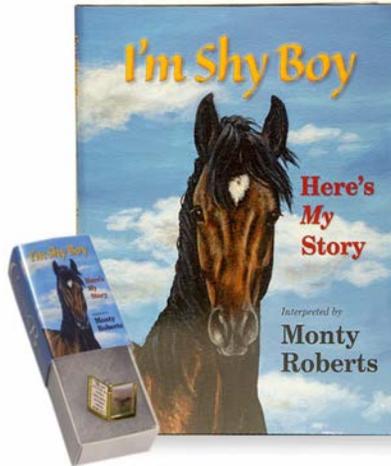
### THE JOIN-UP KIT GIFT SET

Monty's Join-Up Kit is in! It has all the tools you need to get started on the journey to Join-Up, including a Dually Halter (your choice of size), Monty's latest DVD "Standing Still for the Farrier," and Monty's autographed textbook, plus a six-month membership to Monty's Equus Online University to keep learning fun and connect with other horse people on their path to force-free training. When you join Monty's Equus Online, you get a new video lesson from Monty each week, plus 24/7 online access to more than 400





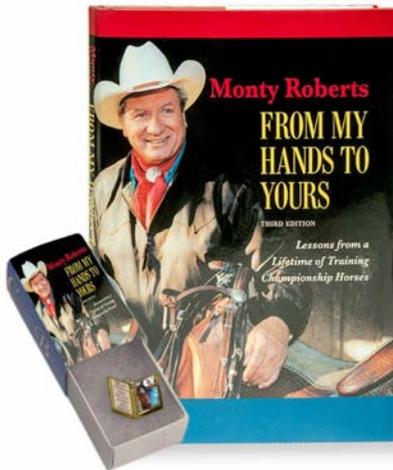
each week, plus 24/7 online access to more than 400 archived videos for horse lovers of all levels and disciplines.



### **I'M SHY BOY BOOK WITH A CHARM**

NEW! Inspired by Monty Roberts' famous American Mustang, Shy Boy's story is immortalized on a matching charm with the image of I'm Shy Boy, the book for horse lovers, young and old. Adopted from the BLM by Monty, Shy Boy helped raise awareness of the treasure this breed is in American history. Monty shares the story of his Join-Up with Shy Boy in the wild and their adventures as they enjoy a special bond.

Limited availability.



### **MONTY'S TEXTBOOK WITH A CHARM**

NEW! This is the definitive guide to violence-free horse training and Monty's only textbook, now in its third edition. Recognized globally as the Man Who Listens to Horses and credited with revolutionizing the way in which we partner with and train horses, Monty Roberts is still traveling the globe to share his message that choice over force is a better way to be with horses. The book, with its matching charm of the cover, will be appreciated for the depth of detail and message of gentleness as strength.

Limited availability.

### **UNI GIFT SUBSCRIPTION**

Give the gift of learning this holiday season! A subscription to Monty's Equus Online University makes a great gift: no shipping; no wrapping; and over 400 video lessons accessible online 24/7 on how to train a horse gently and with love. For \$60 for 6 months, you can give what I learned from horses over my lifetime. Go to:

<https://www.montyrobertsuniversity.com/giftpayments/new>



## RETURNING SHOPPERS BONUS

Every order to Monty's Online Store will receive in their shipped package a bonus coupon for 15% off their next order through 12/31/2016.

## CHECK OUT MONTY'S NEWEST PRODUCTS!

Charms, Belt Buckles, Crystal Cap, and Monty's "Standing Still for the Farrier" DVD.

## WHAT ARE HORSE LOVERS SAYING ABOUT MONTY'S PRODUCTS?

"Every time I pick up [From My Hands to Yours](#) to read and study another chapter, I find something to help me teach or approach my horse in a positive way."

Catherine J.

Verified Buyer

01/20/16

"The [Dually Halter](#) was the best tack money can buy. Thank you, Monty, my Dandy Boy follows me now with no hesitation and has overcome so many insecure problems he had."

Maggie W.

Verified Buyer

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## HOLIDAY SHIPPING CUTOFF DATES

December 16 FEDEX Ground to USA

December 18 FEDEX International Economy

December 20 FEDEX International Priority

December 21 FEDEX 2-Day to USA

FEDEX estimates are based on most locations, but are subject to your local conditions. Please find up to date delivery quotes at: <https://www.fedex.com/ratefinder/home>

November 30 USPS to Africa and Central & South America

December 3 USPS to all APO/FPO/DPO zip code 093

December 6 USPS outside USA (except Africa and Central & South America)

December 8 USPS to all APO/FPO/DPO zip codes (except zip code 093)

December 19 USPS within USA

Items ship from the United States from zip code 93463.

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## UPCOMING EVENTS



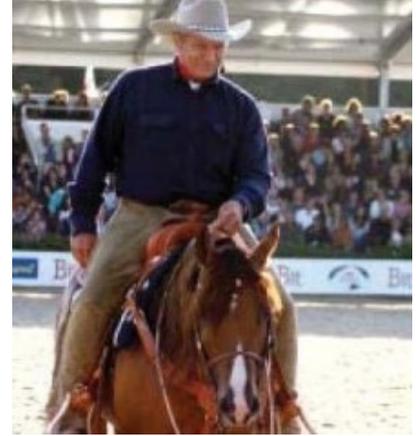
## UPCOMING EVENTS

Monty is home through the end of the year. You are welcome to visit [Flag Is Up Farms](#) and watch Monty's methods in action at his state-of-the-art training facility. The farm gates are open from 9 am to 5 pm daily, with no fee or reservation required.

Ticket information will be available soon to see Monty in Brazil, England in March and Germany in April.

**USA** July 10 to 21: Gentling Wild Horses California

**USA** July 31 to August 4: Monty's Special Training



[FULL SCHEDULE HERE](#)

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## THE MONTY ROBERTS INTERNATIONAL LEARNING CENTER

**February 4 to 5, 2017**

[Horsemanship 101](#)

**February 10 to 12, 2017**

[Horse Sense and Healing](#)

**February 20 to 23, 2017**

[Join-Up Course](#)

**February 24 to 25, 2017**

[Long Lining Course](#)

[MORE COURSE INFO HERE](#)

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## MONTY'S PRINCIPLES HORSE SENSE FOR PEOPLE





Dear Monty Roberts,

I'm sure you get thousands of these messages, but I just wanted to say, how motivational and inspirational you and your methods have been to me, from reading all of your books years ago, watching your programs on TV when I was younger, watching some of your demos here in the UK and then putting into practice your techniques with my own horses.

My young horse had a very sad and traumatic start (not with me) which he seemed unable to forgive humans for, when I was gifted him I started everything from scratch. It's been a long road but he finally trusts me and the bond we have is indescribable thanks to you. Last weekend we went out to his first show in which he came third!

I always preach to people how much I learn from you and how your methods are so rewarding. So I just wanted to thank you myself and on behalf of my horse, Sunny, who wouldn't be here now if it wasn't for me taking him on and basing everything around your methods to allow him to trust again.

Best regards,  
Amy Pearce





## MONTY'S CHALLENGE

Test yourself each week as I challenge you to answer the question below. I mean this. Sit down and write an answer. Don't wait for my answer next week. If you have been reading my Weekly Questions and Answers for the last six months, you should be in a position to do this. Send your answer to my team at: [askmonty@montyroberts.com](mailto:askmonty@montyroberts.com)

Why should you bother? Because it will help you focus. There is probably a comparable question in your life that needs answering - or will be. If you can gain insight into how to go about answering a practical question that is loosely related to your problem, this exercise will help you answer your nagging question. Then read my answer. I want all of my students to learn to be better trainers than me. That's good for you and good for horses!

~ Monty

## NEXT WEEK'S QUESTION

I was wondering whether you could give me some advice having some trouble with loading my Thoroughbred on to a horsebox or trailer. She rears up and goes backwards and gets a bit strong and she's in control of me and the other thing is she doesn't like the noise of her feet touching the ramp if you have any tips for me would love a bit of help with her because she loves it when I do take her places, but I can't get her to load so we don't end up going, which I get very disappointed with. Many thanks.

Lisa Collingridge

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Join-Up methods help horse and trainer to establish a bond of communication and trust. "You must somehow understand that we as horsemen can do very little to teach the horse. What we can do is to create an environment in which he can learn." ~ Monty



## ONLINE REVIEW: MONTY'S ONLINE UNIVERSITY

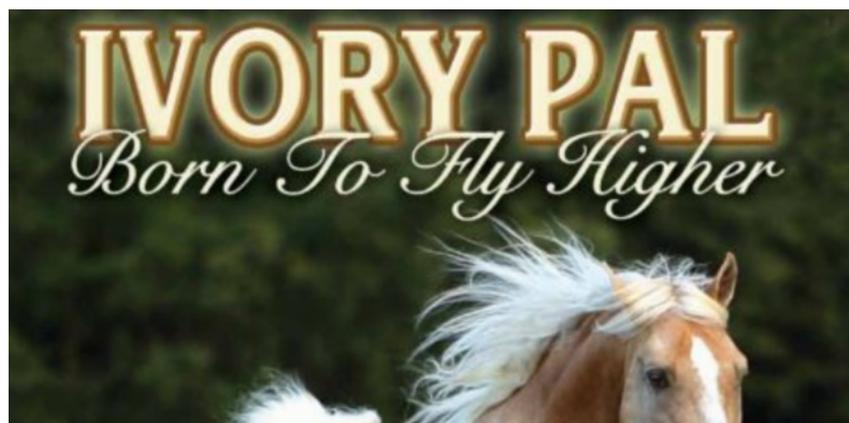
"Thanks to [Monty's university lessons](#) my nervous horse now follows me when I want to take her out of the field, without a rope. She just keeps following me. I tell everyone about the university when they observe that my horse has changed so much in such a short time. Thanks for everything, I will help you spread your non-violent message."

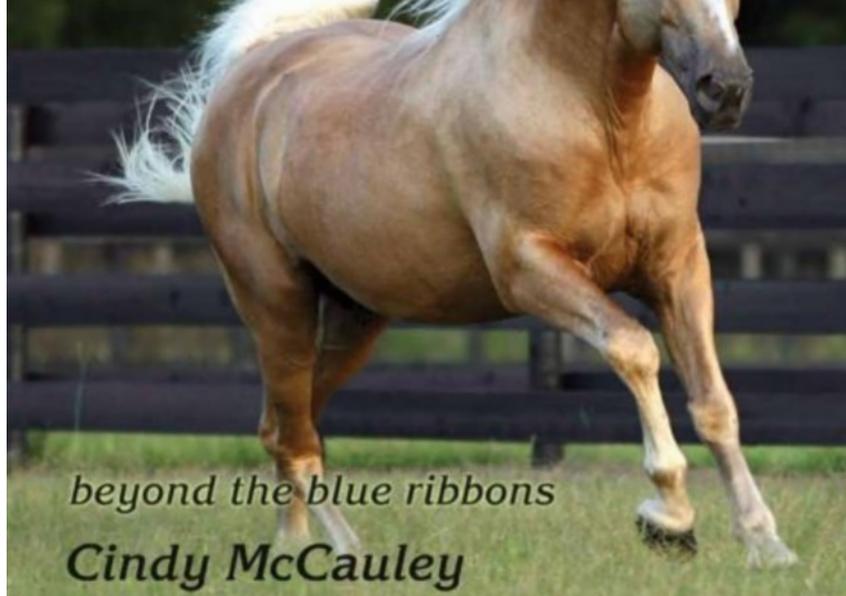
Jessica  
Verified Buyer

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## HORSEMANSHIP RADIO

Joyce Bautista Ferrari of Lumina Media brings her love of horses and her experience in publishing to some of our favorite horse magazines. Ivory Pal, the golden palomino champion Tennessee Walking Horse stallion, is owned, trained, and loved by Rafael Valle. Jamie Jennings reads Monty's answer for a fence pacer.





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**FOR OUR VETERANS AND FIRST RESPONDERS**





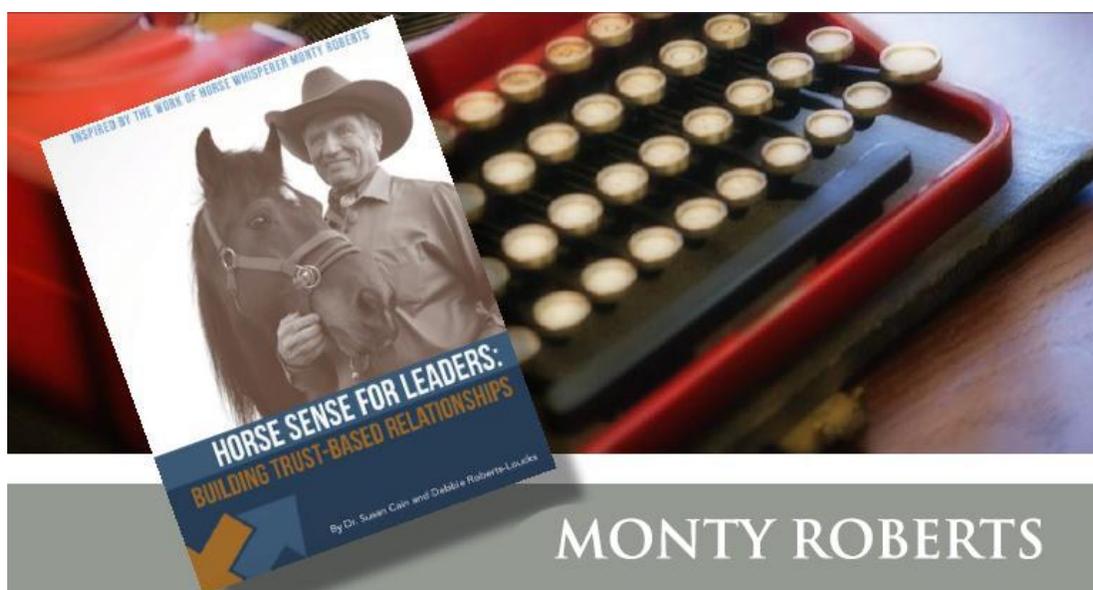
Monty Roberts is running free, resilience-building workshops for veterans, police, fire, first responders and their families. Horse Sense and Healing is a three-day program and it involves working closely with horses. The individuals and horses develop a special bond built upon mutual trust and respect. Join-Up offers everyone an effective tool to rediscover themselves through the eyes of the horse. This self-awareness exercise deals effectively with emotional trauma, anti-social behavior and withdrawal, anger, stress, combat stress and even Post Traumatic Stress Injury (PTSI). [READ MORE](#)



\*December 9 to 11, 2016: Monty's Horse Sense and Healing. For more information <http://www.join-up.org/horse-sense-and-healing/>

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## HORSE SENSE FOR LEADERS



Buying Monty's book, [Horse Sense for Leaders: Building Trust-Based Relationships](#), is another great way to support Monty in his efforts. We have a [Paperback Version](#) and a [Color Version](#).

WINNER AT THE EQUUS FILM FESTIVAL: Best Equine Educational Training - Human Susan Cain, EdD, LCSW - Horse Sense for Leaders: Building Trust-Based Relationships By Dr. Susan Cain and Debbie Roberts-Loucks, foreword by Monty Roberts <http://tinyurl.com/johxoh6>

"Are leaders born or made? Follow the life of New York Times Best Selling Author and Horse Whisperer, Monty Roberts in the book Horse Sense for Leaders. Discover how Monty's life events shape his leadership style. Then, take our Trust Based Leadership Assessment to find out your own leadership style, and how to capitalize on your own unique leadership style."  
~ Dr. Susan Cain, Corporate Learning Institute

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## REDUCING VIOLENCE THROUGH WORKSHOPS WITH HORSES IN ANTIGUA GUATEMALA

Lead-Up International (Affiliate of Join-Up International) is a program based on workshops with horses in which youth at risk are introduced to calm and humane ways of interacting with horses. Participants discover non-violence for themselves and develop a new sense of peaceful leadership.

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## FIND A MONTY ROBERTS CERTIFIED INSTRUCTOR

Find [a Monty Roberts Certified Instructor](#) near you. All courses offered by certified instructors give students effective tools to communicate using the horse's own natural language, forming a partnership based on trust and communication rather than dominance. Visit the certified instructor web page here: <http://www.montyroberts.com/certified-instructors-page/>



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