



---

**Wednesday March 22, 2017**

Greetings! ,

Monty is currently touring the UK. Scroll down to his calendar for more information!



Thank you Ingliston, Scotland, on tour. See us in Dorset this weekend!

[http://www.montyroberts.com/ab\\_about\\_monty\\_calen../see-monty/](http://www.montyroberts.com/ab_about_monty_calen../see-monty/)

---

## Question

Good morning Monty,

I recently lost my beautiful Arab. I had owned him for 13 years and he reached a grand age of 26. I miss him terribly. I wasn't looking for another one, however I found one.

Straight out of a racing yard, three-year-old Ikraamm, out of Champion racer Street Cry Son of Machiavellian bred in the USA. Ikraamm is 15.3hh gelding. I have now had him at home for three weeks. I have ridden him everyday out hacking, and he is a very relaxed chilled out guy.

I have read ALL your books and watched many videos. I wish to do Join-Up and use all your techniques with him. I do not have a round pen nor do I have an arena to do Join-Up, however I am on the look out for some kind of second-hand pen.

In the last week or so he has started to get very aggressive at times with (usually) me. Feed times he is worse, but he will put his ears flat back at me and come at me with teeth or back legs and he turns his backside on me if I enter the stable if I try to take his hay net or fill up his water. I have to have one eye on him in case he comes at me. I have tried ignoring him or waving my hands to get him to go away but he comes back. I will not hit him as some people have told me to do. What can I do? It is getting to the point were my dad is having to go in and get his hay net down and change his rugs. I am only 5'1, so not very tall not that it is relevant.

When I have attempted to lunge him he turns his back end on me and tries to kick me. I feel that if I took him in the round pen he would come at me teeth or legs. How can I discipline him correctly without myself or him getting injured.

I realize this is most probably me that is now giving off vibes of negativity to him because I am expecting him to come at me. It is extremely hard for me to not think that when he has flown at me so many times. What can I do? Please help, as I want to stop this whilst he's young before it gets worse.

I have had so many people suggesting old school methods of disciplining him such as hitting him on the nose, hitting him in the face, taking a broom in the stable and tapping his leg or shoulder... I don't want to do any of these things as I want to do your methods. I do not want to create a head shy or nervous horse.

Any advice will be hugely appreciated.

Many thanks

Hope to hear back from you.

Francesca McDaniel

England

## Answer

Thank you for your question. This is a question I receive quite often about aggressive behavior. Please let me lead off by saying that your safety and your health are absolutely paramount in answering this question. A gelding that has become aggressive is fairly rare. Colts will have testosterone and the female Equus is far more often aggressive than the gelding ever is.

There are several aspects to your question that give me pause. Your reference to the loose box or stable caused me to raise one eyebrow. When you added the word 'feed' to it the other eye brow popped up. Before going into my recommendations let me suggest to you that there is a strong possibility that this is not the right horse for you. The last thing I ever want is a message that you have been injured or worse.

A gelding with this remedial problem should never, ever be fed in the stable. One can 'feed' his box. There was no mention about how much time he spends away from the stable so that concerns me as well. An aggressive gelding should spend as much time in the field as he does in the stable. One should always feed the stable without the horse, with this behavior in mind.

One should remember that horses were designed to live on vast open grassland where they can see great distances in every direction. The modern day world tends to house them in small enclosures and feed them twice per day. This encourages all horses to become territorial. They will attempt to protect their territory.

Do not strike your horse under any circumstances, no matter the advice you get. Causing pain will only exacerbate the problem. My next and last recommendation is that you seek the help of one of my certified instructors. The Suffolk area would not be so far for some of them to travel. The contacts are here: <http://www.montyroberts.com/certified-instructors-page/>

I would also recommend my Equus Online University for general lessons in handling bad ground manners: <http://www.montyrobertsuniversity.com/library>

When you feel unsafe, stop, get help and inform me.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Monty". The signature is stylized with a large, sweeping loop under the "M" and a long, thin tail extending from the "y".

---

**MONTY'S EQUUS ONLINE UNIVERSITY**  
**THIS WEEK'S EPISODE**

---

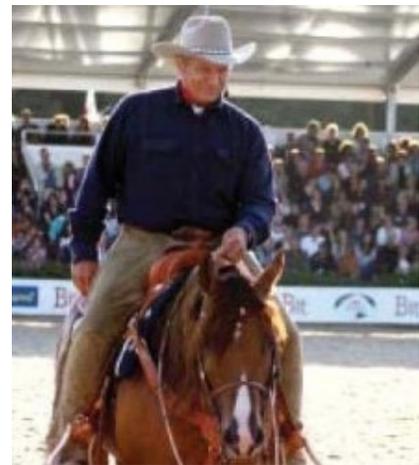


This online video series shows how to create a partnership with your horse. Not a student yet? Click on the buttons below to Join-Up with thousands of horse lovers learning Monty's force-free and fun methods now.



## UPCOMING EVENTS

- Scotland** March 18: Ingliston Country Club, Ingliston Estate, Bishopton, Renfrewshire, Scotland, UK
- England** March 25: Kingston Maurward College with Martin Clunes, Dorchester, Dorset, UK
- Germany** March 31: Monty Roberts Germany Tour in Munich
- Germany** April 7: Monty Roberts Germany Tour in Elmshorn
- Germany** April 9: Monty Roberts Germany Tour in Redefin
- Germany** April 20: Monty Roberts Germany Tour in Dorsten
- Germany** April 22: Monty Roberts Germany Tour in Alsfeld
- Hungary** April 30: Monty Roberts Hungary Demonstration in Kaposvár



- USA** May 13: Night of Inspiration with Monty in California
- USA** July 10 to 21: Gentling Wild Horses California
- USA** July 31 to August 4: Monty's Special Training

[FULL SCHEDULE HERE](#)

---

## **THE MONTY ROBERTS INTERNATIONAL LEARNING CENTER**

**March 27 to 31, 2017**

[Introductory Exam](#)

April 3 to 21, 2017

[Advanced Certification Course](#)

May 6 to 7, 2017

[Horsemanship 101](#)

May 8 to 11, 2017

[Join-Up Course](#)

May 12 to 13, 2017

[Long Lining Course](#)

May 19 to 21, 2017

[Horse Sense and Healing](#)

May 22 to June 2, 2017

[Advanced Exam](#)

June 3 to 4, 2017

[Kids' Course](#)

June 24 to 25, 2017

[Kids' Course](#)

[MORE COURSE INFO HERE](#)

---



### **ONLINE REVIEW: MONTY'S DUALY HALTER**

"Without a Dually Halter I don't think I would have achieved so much with my ex-

racehorse that I am retraining for dressage, jumping, and hacking out."

Angela Bishop  
Norfolk  
Great Britain

---

## **MONTY'S PRINCIPLES HORSE SENSE FOR PEOPLE**



My filly, Dolly, had the privilege of overcoming fear with Monty on his Australian tour. I learned so much about her whilst watching her with Monty and learned so much about how I can change myself to help her move forward. Monty, your dad may not have had it in him to accept your ways, but I'm grateful to you, as are all my horses and all the horses I work with, that you had the fortitude to stand your ground and believe in yourself. Thank you very much. Lornita Papworth

## **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

## NEXT WEEK'S QUESTION

I've read where you discovered and share why 'clucking' or 'kissing' to the horse helps encourage forward movement from the horse. I think it is like an impulsion to their senses. I have never heard why horses respond to a different type of sound to encourage stopping or standing still.

---

## HORSEMANSHIP RADIO



Roundtable: What happens when great horsemen and great horses come together? Great plans! Global Polo Stars, Nic Roldan and Kris Kampsen recently met legendary Thoroughbred star, California Chrome with Duncan Taylor of Taylor Made Farms and Alan Sherman of the Sherman Racing Team to discuss how they can partner and encourage the Thoroughbred Aftercare Alliance. Listen in on their vision to help horses in their sports.

[EPISODE 84 | LISTEN HERE](#)

---

## FOR OUR VETERANS AND FIRST RESPONDERS



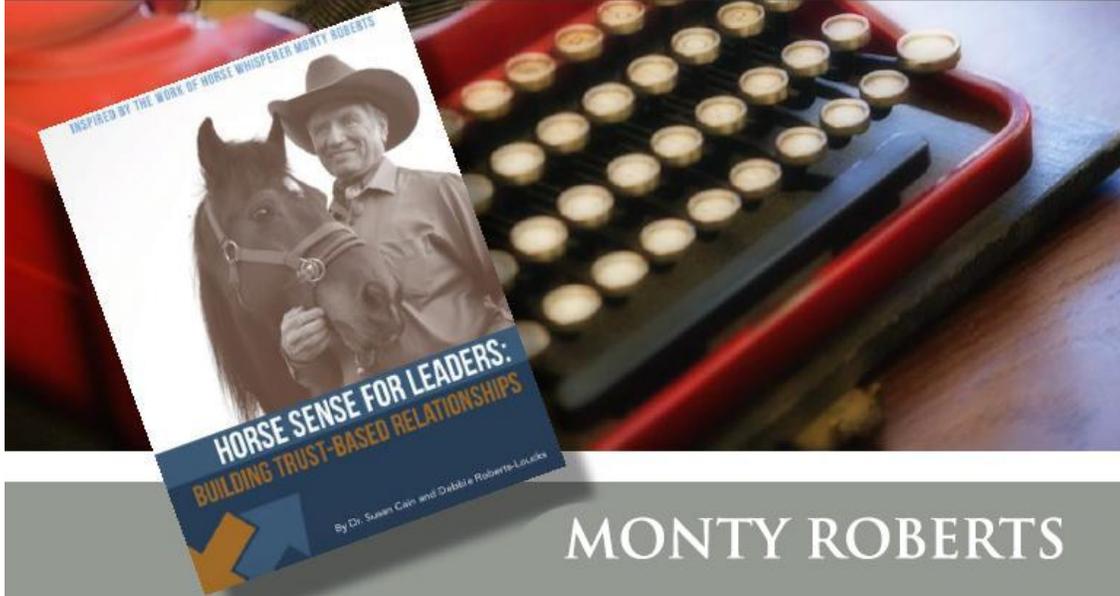
Monty Roberts is running free, resilience-building workshops for veterans, police, fire, first responders and their families. Horse Sense and Healing is a three-day program and it involves working closely with horses. The individuals and horses develop a special bond built upon mutual trust and respect. 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](#)



May 19 to 21 is Monty's next Horse Sense and Healing workshop. For more information, go to: <http://www.join-up.org/horse-sense-and-healing/>

---

## 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**.

Paperback \$9.99 <http://amzn.to/1jqmgBc>

Color Version \$19.99 <http://amzn.to/1h31Psj>

"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



## 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.

[READ MORE](#)



**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/>

---



[Join-Up International](#) | [AskMonty@montyroberts.com](mailto:AskMonty@montyroberts.com) | [MontyRoberts.com](http://MontyRoberts.com)

 Forward to a Friend

