



Wednesday April 26, 2017

Greetings! ,

See Monty on tour and learn his procedures that help horses worldwide overcome their fears and become better partners through positive training experiences.

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You too can learn how to handle a horse, without force, and get incredible results...



Question

I re-homed a 7-year-old Irish Cob gelding. Doing well in hand following your lessons. Riding introduced, first wouldn't go, then wouldn't stop and has bolted twice, thankfully in a

confined area.

Bolted, through fear I think, in indoor lesson and on lunge with instructor, races away at gallop then bucks when at area limits as if pack of wild dogs might still be there! Then looks to check, and relaxes. Seems like a prey reaction to me, but instructor thinks he needs sending away to relearn that riding is OK. Can anyone talk to me and advise?

Answer

In processing your question, let me say that I have dealt with this behavior with a huge number of horses. If I were to see the action you describe, obviously I could answer with more certainty but it seems evident to me that fear and the flight impulse is responsible for this behavior. I have many recommendations where this problem is concerned, and early on I would suggest keeping your feet on the ground.

If you have read my books you know that I do not abide by single line lunging. I would double lunge in a relatively confined area until your horse can be guided by the lines without moments of fear and flight. At that time I would begin to add objects that drag behind. Each of these small objects should be attached to a saddle, a girth or a surcingle and fixed with a bow knot so that you can immediately trip them away from your horse at a safe distance.

Bolting in the manner that you describe has often been on my list to solve. I would recommend that you seek advice from one of my certified instructors near you. You will find [a list and a location for them on my website](#). It is my desire to keep you safe. This is probably not a difficult behavior to overcome but staying safe in the process of dealing with it is absolutely essential.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Monty", written in a cursive style with a large loop at the end.

MONTY'S EQUUS ONLINE UNIVERSITY
THIS WEEK'S EPISODE

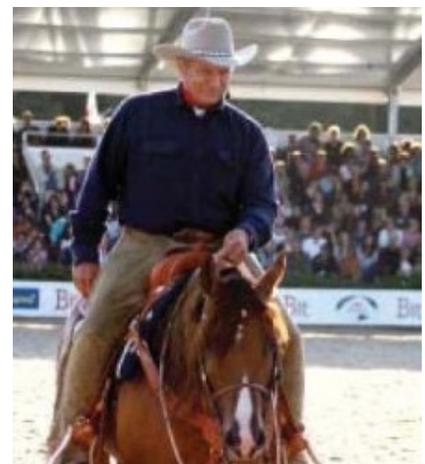


In this online video series, you'll see Monty working with a Thoroughbred filly who has not been trained to load and fears the trailer. Not a student yet? Click on the buttons below to Join-Up with thousands of horse lovers learning Monty's force-free and fun methods now.



UPCOMING EVENTS

- Hungary** April 30: Monty Roberts Hungary Demonstration in Kaposvár
- USA** May 13: Night of Inspiration with Monty in California
- USA** May 19 to 21: Horse Sense and Healing in California
- USA** July 10 to 21: Gentling Wild Horses California
- USA** July 28 to 30: Horse Sense and Healing in California
- USA** July 31 to August 4: Monty's Special Training
- USA** September 8 to 10: Horse Sense and Healing in California
- USA** December 8 to 10: Horse Sense and Healing in California



[FULL SCHEDULE HERE](#)

THE MONTY ROBERTS INTERNATIONAL LEARNING CENTER

May 6 to 7, 2017	<u>Horsemanship 101</u>
May 8 to 11, 2017	<u>Join-Up Course</u>
May 12 to 13, 2017	<u>Long Lining Course</u>
May 19 to 21, 2017	<u>Horse Sense and Healing</u>
May 22 to June 2, 2017	<u>Advanced Exam</u>
June 3 to 4, 2017	<u>Kids' Course</u>
June 24 to 25, 2017	<u>Kids' Course</u>

[**MORE COURSE INFO HERE**](#)



ONLINE REVIEW: MONTY'S 5" BITS ARE BACK!

"My bit is made of the black iron as a principal metal and copper inlaid in strips so that it is protected from the chewing by the stronger black iron. The presence of the copper creates desired moisture. I designed it so that the portions outside of the horse's mouth are pinch-less and stainless steel. You can choose between a thick and thin-gauged mouthpiece. The thick mouthpiece is naturally heavier and more appropriate for the large breeds. Conversely, the thin should be used on sensitive Arabs, Quarter Horses and the lighter breeds. The length of the mouthpiece itself is longer or shorter to accommodate the width of the mouth on the various sizes of the horses' mouths." ~ Monty Roberts

"I've purchased many products through Monty Roberts, which has enriched my experiences with my horses both in training and knowledge. I believe the products are fairly priced and of good quality."

Lynda K.

Verified Buyer



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MONTY'S PRINCIPLES HORSE SENSE FOR PEOPLE



Magdalena Ferdyn writes, "I came from Poland, more than 1000 km, just for you and I'm so happy! It was pleasure to see you in action. You're doing a great job and you know that! Thank you! You are the inspiration!
I hope to see you soon."

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

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

Please could you just advise me. I brought a 7-year-old Connemara x Irish Sports Horse

mare, 14.2 hands high. She's very head shy. She wasn't big enough for the people who bred her so they put her on loan. They didn't get on with her so gave her back very thin and unloved. The owners fattened her up then I got her. I love her to bits, but when I get to the stable in the morning to give her her breakfast and put her out if I go and speak to her over the door, she pins her ears back and bites the wall and stomps her front feet at me if I go in the stable she will turn away from me so I stand quietly till she comes back over to me. I know she doesn't mean it, but why is she getting so angry with me? I don't want it to get worse.

Also, today I thought I would get the poo picked up out the field while she was in the field just to see how she behaved. She followed me round but kept rolling near me what does this mean? She just worries me, she seems to be quite aggressive sometimes and I wondered what rolling near me meant. She will also nip me as I change her rug or brush her and bites me when I pick her front feet up, her ears aren't back. I can't say she's being aggressive to me. I don't want to smack her as everyone else tells me to because she's obviously been smacked before and I don't want her to be frightened of me. If a horse is nipping, is it always really bad as they will nip each other in the field? Is she just communicating with me? Please help me with any advice; I would be so grateful.

Yours sincerely,
Sarah Hancox

HORSEMANSHIP RADIO



Teresa Bippen is President of FOSH, Friends of Sound Horses. And Kate Cook realized her dream of owning a horse. Listen in as Kate shares how she and Wouter, a 10-year old Friesian gelding, prepare for their first schooling show in dressage.

[EPISODE 86 | LISTEN HERE](#)



FOR OUR VETERANS AND FIRST RESPONDERS

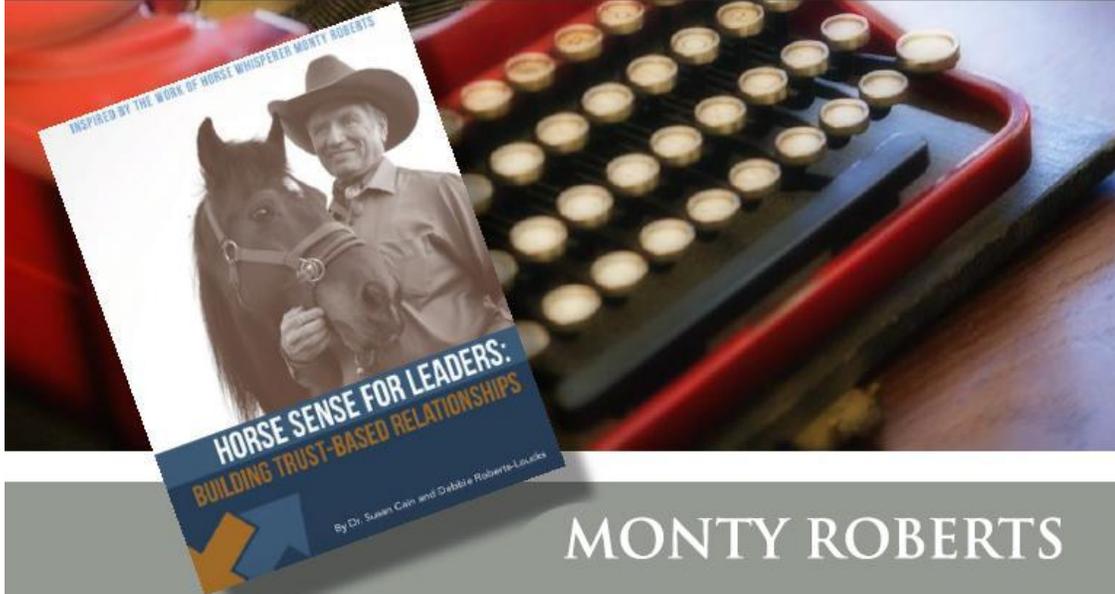


Monty Roberts is running free, resilience-building workshops for veterans, police, fire, first responders and their families. Horse Sense and Healing is a three-day program and it involves working closely with horses. The individuals and horses develop a special bond built upon mutual trust and respect.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



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