

Wednesday September 13, 2017

Greetings! ,

Last week we wrapped up another Horse Sense and Healing clinic, a three-day resilience-building workshop for veterans, police, fire, first responders and their families. Learn more about this free program here: <http://www.join-up.org/veterans/>



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Question

Dear Monty,

I would like to know if the moon influences the teaching of the horse... for example, it is of common knowledge here in Venezuela that it's often better to tame or break the horse in a waning moon, because if you tame or break him in a crescent moon the horse comes out to be a sweaty horse.... is this true?

Roberto Insana

Answer

Dear Roberto,

There are many things in life that have escaped my education. Following the moon to adjust any procedures in the training of horses has never entered into my concepts. I have studied behavioral sciences and at no time have I ever concluded that any lunar actions have affected the outcome of the training I have done. I have watched a significant number of horses entering procedures to accept their first saddle and rider and have a firm belief that nothing about the moon, the stars or any celestial bodies could act so as to improve the procedures I saw.

The general concepts of breaking horses in Venezuela need extreme revision regardless of the moon's position shape, color or existence. It is typical for Venezuela to use old world methods including violence. I have a completely different outlook on causing the horse to accept his first saddle and rider.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Monty". The signature is stylized with a large, sweeping loop at the end.

MONTY'S EQUUS ONLINE UNIVERSITY
THIS WEEK'S EPISODE



In this online video series, world renowned horse archer Kassai Lajos demonstrates horseback archery and the learning path to becoming a horse archer. 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

- USA** September 15 to 16: [Equus International Film Festival](#)
- UK** October 1: [Special Training Day](#) with Monty
- UK** October 14: Monty Tours United Kingdom [Easton and Otley College](#)
- UK** October 20: Monty Tours United Kingdom [Hartpury College](#)
- UK** October 25: Monty Tours United Kingdom [Merrist Wood College](#)
- UK** October 28: Monty Tours United Kingdom [Lluest Equine Centre](#)
- UK** November 2: Monty Tours United Kingdom [Richmond Equestrian Centre](#)
- UK** November 4: Monty Tours United Kingdom [Alnwick Ford Equestrian](#)
- Germany** November 9: [Pferdezentrum Franken D-](#)



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Germany November 11:
Schwarzwald-Sportzentrum D-75387
Neubulach

Germany November 18: Reitrevier Muenchehofe D-
15366 Hoppegarten (Berlin)

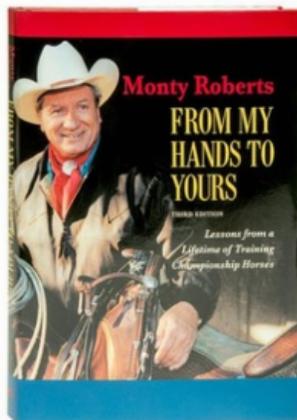
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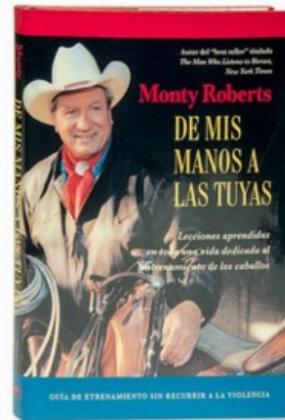
THE MONTY ROBERTS INTERNATIONAL LEARNING CENTER

September 11 to 15, 2017	<u>Introductory Exam</u>
September 18 to October 6, 2017	<u>Advanced Certification Course</u>
October 9 to 20, 2017	<u>Introductory Certification Course</u>
October 23 to 26, 2017	<u>Join-Up Course</u>
October 27 to 28, 2017	<u>Long Lining Course</u>
November 25 to 26, 2017	<u>Horsemanship 101</u>
November 27 to 30, 2017	<u>Join-Up Course</u>
December 1 to 2, 2017	<u>Long Lining Course</u>

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**FROM MY HANDS TO
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From My Hands To Yours 3rd Edition By Monty Roberts

"Every time I pick up this book to read/study another chapter, I find something to help me teach or approach my horse in a positive way."

~ Catherine J., Verified Buyer

Editor's note: Monty's textbook is available in English and Spanish from [Monty's online store](#).

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MONTY'S PRINCIPLES HORSE SENSE FOR PEOPLE



What are people around the world saying about Monty's work?

"There is only ONE Monty Roberts. Thank you for ALL you do for horses AND their human." ~ Dorothy Eichler

"I am amazed every time I see this - melts my heart!" ~ Tammie Mathias

"I can see it again and again, still fascinating." ~ Claudi SieGo

"I love watching Join-Up. It's been years since I was able to do that with a horse." ~ Carol Michaud

"Still stunning." ~ Jenny Meyer

"Congratulations!" ~ Rosemburgo Romano Junior

"My hero, Monty" ~ Stewart Talley

"Fantastisk!" ~ Heidi-Marie Korsmo Haugen

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

Dear Monty,

Many years ago, we had the privilege of meeting you when you came to Calgary Alberta, Canada. Your way of working with horses changed everything we knew and did working with horses and for us was the only way to build a partnership with our horses. Several years after that meeting, while working with our three-year-old mare she did something she had never done, she threw my husband twice within 10 minutes. This gave me a really good scare and has left me with far less confidence when it comes to riding.

Now several years later, we have rescued a beautiful Appaloosa mare who is now four, we were very successful in Join-Up and building trust. We have had several lessons with an excellent trainer who fondly refers to her as Saucy Trixie, and she was given several weeks in training with his group. He has really been the only one up on her and she has done well. I have no problem doing ground work with her and we have a great connection, however it is now time to progress to us riding her and to be honest I am apprehensive and anxious over that next step. How something that didn't even happen to me so many years ago has affected me this way is unsettling. What can I do to change this? If I can't get past this, I am afraid I will never ride her. Any ideas or suggestions?

Thank You,
Debbie Gibson

HORSEMANSHIP RADIO



The 465 year old Spanish Riding School in Vienna Austria broke with tradition, inviting Monty Roberts to demonstrate his famous Join-Up® concepts in the Marble Hall, home of the famous White Lipizzaner Stallions. Monty recounts what it was like to work with five horses, including the famous Lipizzaner breed, in the hallowed halls of the Winterschule of Vienna. Find out if his concepts were welcomed or tested.

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FOR OUR VETERANS AND FIRST RESPONDERS

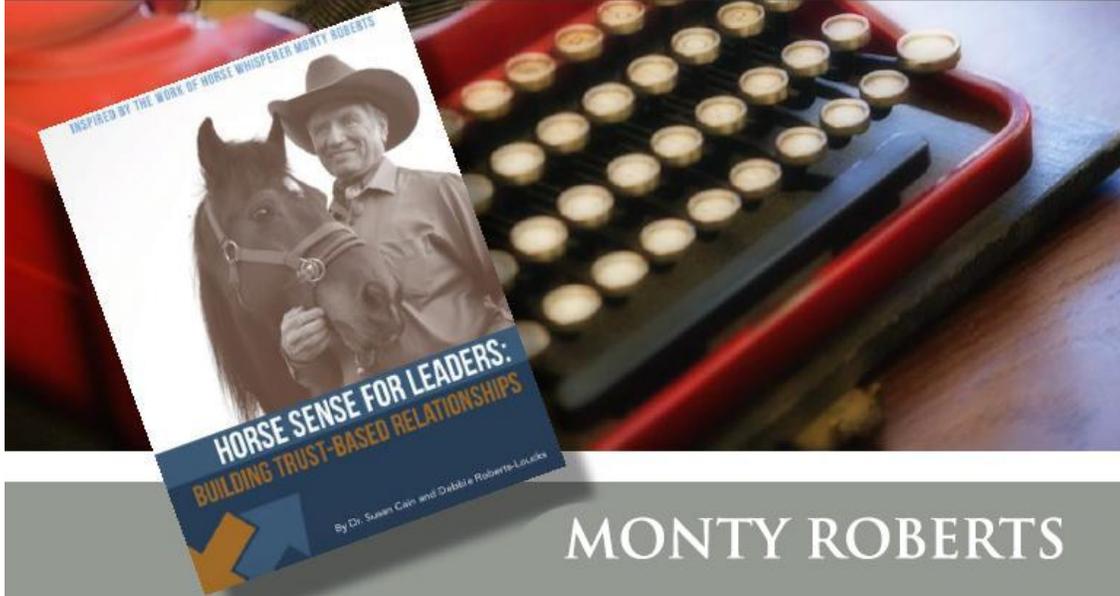


Monty Roberts is running free, resilience-building workshops for veterans, police, fire, first responders and their families. Horse Sense and Healing is a three-day program and it involves working closely with horses. The individuals and horses develop a special bond built upon mutual trust and respect.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



To find out about Monty's upcoming Horse Sense and Healing workshops and 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 GLOBALLY

Lead-Up is a program of Join-Up International 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**



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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:

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