



Wednesday October 31, 2018

Greetings!

Question

Hi. I have a Dartmoor four year old, broken in and going nicely apart from when hacking out with others she kicks anything that comes behind her. Also in the outdoor school she backs up to kick others that are near her. How can I cure this?

Shirley Cork

Answer

Dear Shirley,

Thank you for your question. The behavior you describe is as natural as any equine behavior could be, especially for a female. It is very difficult to train away natural protective behavior. It is not a matter of training but it is a situation that needs to be managed with care. One must pay particular attention to reducing those movements that bring on this activity. Attempt at all times to keep the horse from those situations which encourage this behavior.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads 'Monty' in a cursive, flowing script.

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THIS WEEK'S EPISODE**



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UPCOMING EVENTS

GERMANY	October 31, 2018: Monty Roberts Tour of Germany 15th Anniversary in Schüsselfeld
GERMANY	November 2, 2018: Monty Roberts Tour of Germany 15th Anniversary in Fulda
GERMANY	November 10, 2018: Monty Roberts Tour of Germany 15th Anniversary in Neubulach
HUNGARY	December 1 and 2, 2018: Monty Roberts Join-Up Master Demonstration at Budapest Horse Show

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THE MONTY ROBERTS INTERNATIONAL LEARNING CENTER

November 3 to 4, 2018: Horsemanship 101

November 5 to 8, 2018: Join-Up Course

November 9 to 10, 2018: Long Lining Course

November 16 to 18, 2018: Horse Sense and Healing workshop

December 14 to 16, 2018: Horse Sense and Healing workshop

February 1 to 3, 2019: Introductory Course Module 1

February 8 to 10, 2019: Introductory Course Module 2

February 11 to 13, 2019: Long Lining Course

February 15 to 17, 2019: Horse Sense and Healing Workshop

February 19 to 21, 2019: Join-Up Course

February 22 to 24, 2019: Introductory Course Module 3

March 1 to 3, 2019: Prep for Introductory Exams Module 4

March 4 to 6, 2019: Join-Up Course

March 7 to 9, 2019: Long Lining Course

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PRODUCT REVIEW: THE DUALY HALTER

Green Dually Halter

Excellent trading tool. Was unable to control a year old colt to walk quietly by my side until I used this halter. So easily effective!

Elizabeth L., Verified Buyer

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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

What is the book (or books) you've given most as a gift, and why? And what are one to three books that have greatly influenced your life as a horseman?

FOR OUR VETERANS AND FIRST RESPONDERS



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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/>



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