

Thoroughbred Aftercare:  
For the love of the horse, and the future of the sport.

Welcome to  
**WILD HEARTS**  
Thoroughbred Adoption Society

# NEWSLETTER

Spring 2025

## Goodbye winter, hello Spring (and exciting things!)

Spring clean up is almost complete as we lose the last of the white stuff. The Wild Hearts trainers started back recently and we are excited to start the season with 3 wonderful adoptive horses (Ombre Rose, Roaring Destiny, and Mithrix). All 3 have started back in their consistent training regimes and one (ahem, Mr. Beauman) already has another meet & greet scheduled for the end of March!

While Ombre Rose is adoptable as a companion, we are tirelessly **continuing our fundraising efforts to raise enough to have her surgery completed** while ensuring not to infringe on the funds required for our ongoing expenses (which would put her back to a 'no limitation' horse). We completed a 10 week rehabilitation program, however, after follow-up with Paton & Martin along with our vet, it was decided she really would not be comfortable under saddle without undertaking the surgery. She previously was adopted out and over the course of a year it was found she was becoming more and more uncomfortable along her back. We thankfully had the ability and space to go pick her up and bring her back so in the meantime, she is enjoying life! Want to help expedite the process for Rose? Please check out our 'Donate' portion of this newsletter.

We have several clinics scheduled over the summer (more details to be shared soon!), and we have been informed that our organization will be given a '**Community Day' at Hastings Racetrack** to help support and showcase our work. To date, we are a 100% donation driven, volunteer run organization and every dollar donated goes directly towards horse care.

We had a successful tack auction fundraiser last month raising almost \$1,000 (thank you to all who took part!), and our hoodies were a huge hit and are all sold out! A special thank you to Devon and Jade for hosting their own fundraiser (charging a small fee for painting the stalls at Hastings racetrack); we will share those results once they come in!

A huge thank you to our **Director of Fundraising Lisa Russell** for her ongoing efforts to secure reliable industry funding for our organization. Part of her success which we are excited to announce is the community day at Hastings racetrack for Wild Hearts (date and details to come!)



## Adoption Alumni Update

JC Whitershadeofpale (now 'Goose'), and JC My Man Stan (now 'Maverick') are thriving in one of the most beautiful backdrops we've ever seen! With acres to run and kick their heels up, they are enjoying the good life in their adoptive home in Keremeos. The boys adopters are always taking part in clinics (they recently took part in a Warwick Schiller clinic!), and are always seeking to continue building their bond with these two. We are so thrilled and grateful to this home for providing a dream 'ever after' setup after the races.

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## Introducing the 2025 Organizational Donors

*Each year, we proudly recognize the organizations whose generous support makes our work possible. Your contributions are the foundation of our mission, and we are deeply grateful for your commitment. Thank you for setting an inspiring example of philanthropy, and for sharing in our love of the horse.*

### Platinum Donors

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### Gold Donors

Hastings Racetrack | Sharon Berry Foundation | The Feedway Foundation

### Silver Donors

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### Bronze Donors

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Aftercare is a key that unlocks two doors. It is necessary and deserved for all thoroughbreds retiring from racing, to provide proper AAEP transitioning, further vet assessment (and rehabilitation where required), basic retraining, placement into approved and suitable second homes and ongoing follow-up. Second, it is a huge opportunity for our industry to showcase the care and investment in supporting each and every horse 'after the races'.



## How to Donate

Donate by Mail:

Wild Hearts Thoroughbred Adoption Society  
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VOX 1W0

Donate Online:

[www.wildheartsthoroughbredadoption.com](http://www.wildheartsthoroughbredadoption.com)

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## Why Aftercare?

The most successful racetracks around the world have one thing in common; they are consistently 'out front' in terms of maintaining their 'social license' to operate (creating positive PR versus scrambling to react to negative press).

Aftercare and the care 'after the races' is front and centre for those attending the races to see. 'Happily ever afters' and showcasing how invested those within the industry are to the horses matters to the public and ultimately impacts the success and longevity of each track.

Wild Hearts advocates 'aftercare for all' and 'retire one race early (ahead of more debilitating injuries), for the love of the horse and the love & future of the sport.

Aftercare for retired racehorses is provided by registered charities, adhering to strict AAEP protocols. These horses receive thorough veterinary evaluations, proper rest and rehabilitation, and foundational retraining both on the ground and under saddle to support their transition and enhance their skills. Ultimately, they are adopted into approved homes, with ongoing follow-up to ensure their continued well-being.

At Wild Hearts, we proudly advocate for the racing community through positive public relations, using our social media platforms to demonstrate our support. Although we do not currently receive aftercare funding, our long-term vision is to show that the demand we fulfill is primarily supported and funded by the racing industry itself.

Looking ahead to 2025, we are committed to securing reliable industry support and demonstrating to the public that racing truly values the equine athletes who make the sport possible. Our goal is for the industry to be recognized as the leading supporter, investor, and champion of independent, charitable thoroughbred aftercare.



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