



Dreamchaser PMU

A Premarin Mare Rescue & Sanctuary

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May-July Newsletter

OUR NEWEST RESCUE

Meet Luke...

Luke is a four year old buckskin Quarter horse. Luke came to us earlier this spring as an owner surrender.

Luke is almost completely blind in both eyes due to cataracts. He is currently paired up with Nevaeh so that he can get used to his surroundings.

It will be a process, but we are searching for a veterinarian that is able to remove the cataracts. It will be a very costly operation, but he is worth every penny.



Luke, our newest rescue.

WHAT'S NEW

It's springtime here at Dreamchaser, and with it comes lots of fresh green grass for all the horses to enjoy. We have been lucky enough to receive a good amount of rain without causing flooding. This year we have been very busy already; the fields have been fertilized, pastures have been bushhogged, and we are constantly grooming to help the horses shed their winter coats.

Since our last newsletter we are happy to say we have had Six of our horses get adopted!!! Gypsy, Rhett, Hunter, Precious, Aspen and Dakota.

Gypsy is now part of the National Boy Scout Ranch in St. Louis Missouri. She goes out on several trail rides a week and has all the attention she could ever want. A big thank you to Paul Conley.

Hunter and Rhett were adopted together. Hunter has plans to be trained for roping while Rhett will be a pleasure ride. Jeff and Cynthia are really enjoying their family members.

Precious was adopted by a very knowledgeable lady named Christi Pope. She is being trained at liberty, meaning using no tack. She will be treated like a precious gift, just like her name.

Aspen and Dakota were also adopted into a home together. They have been inseparable since day one of arriving at Dreamchaser. They were adopted by our very own Julie and Bruce Gatlin. They will be trained as pleasure rides for the Gatlin family.

Don't be sad because you're saying Goodbye, You should be Happy because you have memories with them you'll cherish Forever.





DID YOU KNOW?

Laminitis is a disease of the foot that can vary in severity from the merest hint of lameness to a situation described as 'sinking', which can be fatal. As laminitis develops the attachment of the pedal bone to the hoof wall starts to fail, leaving the pedal bone to rotate and point towards the sole, and in the worst cases to sink right through it.

Eating too much high-sugar grass, often in spring or autumn, but possible at other times of the year, e.g. after frost.

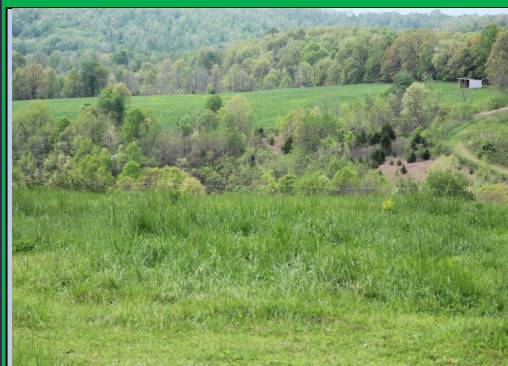
Research has indicated that stressed (e.g. closely grazed) or frosted grass is high in sugar cannot be digested by the horse itself, so passes through the small intestine undigested to the hindgut where it triggers similar changes to a starch overload. This helps to explain the cases of laminitis seen in horses and ponies kept on 'starvation' paddocks or turned out in very cold or frosty weather.

Other causes include obesity, stress, Cushings disease, severe infection, traumatic work overload, etc.

All of the staff at Dreamchaser monitor the horses very closely for any signs a lameness. Our 'Easy Keepers' are generally kept off of the early spring grass because of its high sugar content.



A very severe case of Laminitis.



A view of Dreamchaser from the road.

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~Sarah Brightman~



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