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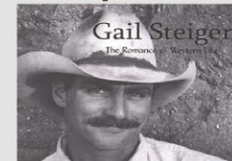
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HAZEL HOWLS

Dear Rocket Red Dog Journal:

I had the same dream twice recently. Well, the dreams weren't the same exactly, but they both occurred in the same place.

The first time, I found myself in an endless sea of tall prairie grass. The tops were wet with dew and as I burrowed through the grasses, following various scents, cool water would splash on my back from above. An early morning breeze whispered around me.

Even though I tried numerous times, I couldn't quite see over the grass very much, so I concentrated on scents rising from the ground.

Every time I found an intriguing one, and followed the direction where it was getting stronger, and right at the point where it was so strong I knew I would discover its origin...a new and more puzzling scent would arise, and I would start tracking that one. This repeated several times, and I began to get irritated. Every trail ended with the start of a new one and no resolution. I began to resent the endless breeze that now only made me more aware that my back was wet. I got cold and grumpy and gave up trying to follow scents or discover anything. I longed for some kind of clearing, but everywhere I turned I was hemmed in. Just when my increasing sour mood was about to drive me into full "rocket dog mode"... I woke up.

The dream dissipated, but the mood didn't that morning. Dad noticed right away, and after he got Elle settled from her post-breakfast-mayhem-shenanigans, he and I got to talk about it.

After hearing the dream, he told me if I was ever there again, pick one scent and when another grabbed my attention, go past the new one and spiral out in small circles till I pick up the original scent again.

I had to snort to keep from laughing...having a two-legged (who only use their eyes for tracking) explain how to reacquire a scent to a four-legged is more than funny.

"Be determined to follow through with the one you originally chose," he said, getting up to find Elle who had just trotted past us with the TV remote in her mouth.

But still, Dad had a point: by allowing myself

to be distracted, I had become frustrated to the point that I lost the initial fun and light-hearted spirit of the dream. As I watched Dad walk past with a slightly soggy remote in his hand, I made the decision to remember not to be overwhelmed if I ever found myself there again.

A few days passed, and one morning Mom got ready to drive a friend to Phoenix which left us in Dad's care. We wrestled, played ball, laid in the sun, and eventually lunch came around. Elle, of course, wanted to keep playing, but I wandered off to my "philosophers cave" (Dad's side of the bed). Of course, with a full tummy it was only a matter of minutes before my eyelids got heavy and the sound of Tucker and Elle loudly "negotiating" over a toy out in the living room faded away.

Fall. It smelled like autumn this time. The grass was slightly taller, most with dried seed-heads at their tops. An intermittent breeze made the grasses rustle instead of whisper like last time. With the crisp, cool air, I had a feeling this was going to be what Dad calls a cakewalk. I wasn't even going to get wet this time.

Just as I got down to the business at paw (after craning my head as high as I could to catch the overall scent menu), I heard the rustle and crunch of a swath of grass. Lowering my head and taking a few steps forward, I found a scent worth following.

What you might not know is that an individual scent is made up of layers. This particular one had four main parts. Canine, youth, sunshine, and a subtext so subtle I could only tell that it was familiar, but couldn't quite remember where.

Again, there was rustling up ahead.

The trail got hotter, and I adopted stealth mode as I knew I was getting close. Right on cue, I found a stronger, different scent. This one reminded me of that two-legged mystery food known as lasagna.

As I struggled with my determination to stick with the first scent, the thought that a pan of lasagna and its accompanying cheese might be near was a powerful temptation to alter my course.

While I was trying to come to a decision, a dark copper-colored animal exploded out



"I wish I were dreaming."

of the grass to my right, shot underneath me and disappeared.

Whatever it was, it was nearly my size and almost knocked me over. I barked once out of nervousness, and then the full scent wafted past me. Wait....

I know now what the familiar part of the scent was. It was from a family line of Golden Retrievers we know, some of whose puppies we've fostered for service dogs. Like Elle, the upstart who'd run over me came from the same line.

Before I could revel in my epiphany I thought I heard something like, "Torpedo in the water bearing two-eight-zero mark four!"

My body tensed just in time to be sideswiped and bowled over.

The dark-red dog stopped and stood over me, panting and watching as I leapt to my feet. "Hazel, get up," I said (in Dad's voice). "Come on! Mom's home with a surprise."

I came awake to hear Tucker and Elle making a ruckus with Mom at the front door. I rounded the corner in time to see a red copper-colored head appear above the white and blonde blur of fur of Tucker and Elle as they did a thorough and frantic examination of Mom's surprise.

"Hazel this this is Keira, she's come to stay with us."

Before I could react, Elle made a break for the back door to show Keira the yard. As Keira galloped past me, I asked her if she knew what a torpedo was.

"Haven't a clue, Old Girl!" She promptly shot underneath Elle before rounding the pine tree and leaping over her back.

Old? ... Girl?

"I'll show you 'Old Girl'!"

Gotta go now, someone's going to school.



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by C.L. Dreves

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If you would like to schedule a tour of our center, please call: (928) 515-4947.

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- Walk-In Vaccine Clinic every Sat, 8a-4p at YHS Spay/Neuter & Wellness Clinic, 2889 Centerpointe East, Prescott. No appointment necessary. First come, first serve for low-cost vaccinations. More info: yavapaihumane.org.
- Low-Cost Feral Fixes Wed, Thu, Fri 7:15a - 5p at YHS Spay/Neuter and Wellness Clinic, 2889 Centerpointe East, Prescott by appt. only. 928-771-0547 to schedule an appt.

ONGOING ADOPTIONS

AARF ANIMAL RESCUE & SANCTUARY

Adoption days: Every Saturday at Petco (Hwy 69); 3rd, 4th, 5th Saturday of every month at Whiskers Barkery, 225 W Gurley St, Prescott. aarfanimalrescue.org

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Info: unitedanimalfriends.org

- Cat Adoptions - Petco (Hwy 69, Prescott), Daily 9a-10:30a & 4p-5:30p.
- Dog Adoptions - Petco (Hwy 69): Saturday 11a-2p; Sunday 12p-3p; Whiskers Barkery (225 W Gurley St, Prescott) 1st two Saturdays of every month, 11a-2p.

YAVAPAI HUMANE SOCIETY

- Onsite Adoptions - Mon-Sat 11a-6p; Sun 12p-4p, 1625 Sundog Ranch Rd., Prescott, (928) 445-2666
- Offsite Adoptions - Petsmart Mon-Sat 2p-4pm; Sun 11a - 2pm. Petco Fri & Sat 11a - 2p
- Lost Pet Center - Hrs: Mon-Sat 11a-6p; Sun 12p-4pm

SEPTEMBER EVENTS

HERITAGE PARK ZOO

- September 7, 21 - Zoolittles
- September 13 - Zoo By Moonlight
- September 14 - Breakfast With the Animals: Black Bear Gus
- September 14 - Sip & Paint

SPA DAYS OF SEPTEMBER

DOG WASH

September 7, 10a-3p. \$10 for shampoo & towel dry; \$5 for nail trim; \$20 for Spa Treatment (blueberry facial, shampoo, creme rinse, towel dry & nail trim). Whiskers Barkery 225 W Gurley Street, Prescott. Info: (928) 778-2924. All proceeds benefit United Animal Friends

CVEP OUTLAWS ARIZONA COWBOY MOUNTED SHOOTERS FINALS

September 7, Rodeo Fairgrounds, Prescott. More info (928) 636-3242. cvequestrianpark.com

BARKS 'N BEERS

September 14, 5p-8p. \$20 for dinner & beverage under the stars with your dog. The Barley Hound, 234 S Cortez Street, Prescott. Info: (928) 237-4506. A portion of the proceeds benefits United Animal Friends.

HORSEBREAKERS RANCH RIDING BUCKLE SERIES & YEAR END AWARDS

September 14, Horsebreakers Ranch, Dewey. Info: (928) 632-5728. horsebreakers.com.

DRESSAGE DESPARADOS SCHOOLING SHOW

September 15, Rancho Pollo Del Mar, 2310 Thunder Lane, Chino Valley. More info: dressagedesparados.com

WESTERN DRESSAGE CHAMPIONSHIP EXTRAVAGANZA

September 21, Jackpot Ranch, Camp Verde. Ranch Riding, Ranch Rail, Trail, Western Dressage, Free Taco Bar. Info: Syndy (928) 830-9329. wdaaz.org

4TH ANNUAL "HAVE A HEART" OPEN 4-D BARREL RACE & POLES.

September 28. Books open 8a; practice 8:30a-10a; Grand Entry 10a; barrels with run 11a. Olsen's arena, Chino Valley. All proceeds benefit Horses with Heart. More info: (520) 678-2019 or (928) 713-4016. HorsesWithHeartaz.org

OCTOBER EVENTS

HERITAGE PARK ZOO

- October 6 - Taste of the Wild
- October 7-11 - Fall Zoo Camp
- October 12 - Breakfast With the Animals: Gray Wolves
- October 26 & 27 - Fall Zoo FEst
- October 31 - Boo at the Zoo

HIGH DESERT HORSE SHOW - OPEN HORSE VENUE

October 5, Santori Ranch, 955 W. Road 2 North, Chino Valley. Info: Traesa (928) 848-3659

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October 6, Santori Ranch, Chino Valley. Judge Terri Buzan. More info: Kirsten (951) 440-4615. nacofada.org

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5K: 7:50AM

1 Mile Fun Run: 8:00AM

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PET PARTNERS CANINES ARE PATIENT LISTENERS ENCOURAGING CHILDREN TO READ

Story by Heidi Dahms Foster. Photos by Laura Molinaro.

Good readers enjoy a world of adventures at their fingertips and the ability to learn anything throughout their lives. But it's crucial that those skills are developed at a young age. Now, a group of local Therapy Dog owners and their kid-loving canines are helping children open those doors through Pet Partners reading programs.

Pet Partners therapy dogs and their humans visit libraries and schools in Prescott and Prescott Valley encouraging children to find the joy in reading, many by reading to the patiently listening dogs.

Lana Fielding has worked with Pet Partners, a national organization, for five years. She is co-founder of Pet Partners of Prescott and currently participates with her Yellow Labrador rescue, Tama. She joined the Pet Partners group because she wanted to volunteer at Yavapai Regional Medical Center after she retired.

"Pet Partners is the (Therapy Dog) organization the hospital uses. The organization has one of the best programs and guidelines that I have found. They also give their teams 100 percent support," Fielding said.

Fielding and Tama visited this summer with Prescott's Abia Judd summer school. Tama is a hit because he loves everyone, young and old, Fielding said.

Fielding, like most Pet Partners participants, has poignant stories about how her dog has touched the lives of children.

"One little boy had a very hard time with most words. After he had his turn he came two more times to read with Tama, then a big hug for Tama when his time was up. Another child was sitting in our group and all of a sudden he started



crying. He lost his dog recently and was able to express to all of us how much he missed his dog and was glad Tama was there."

The other half of Pet Partners of Prescott's founding team is Lauren Zaffuto. Zaffuto knew another person with a poodle therapy dog, who gave her contact information for a breeder, and Standard Poodle Bailey joined the family.

Zaffuto had discovered therapy dogs 20 years ago, but had to wait to participate. "I knew I wanted to do this because I saw how dogs made a difference. I had to wait 15 years until I retired to get Bailey, and he is perfect," she said, noting that Bailey loves children, and seems to know who needs his attention and how best to engage them.

Zaffuto joined the national Pet Partners so she could volunteer at YRMC as well. "Pet Partners has high standards, testing the handler and the dog in an evaluation that increases in intensity. We must re-evaluate every two years and complete ongoing education. Advocacy is important as well. Pet Partners is involved on the state and national level, educating our representatives about the importance of the human-animal bond and the difference it can make in a person's life. For children, that's extremely important. Reading to an animal builds self-confidence and can lay a strong foundation as children grow up."

This past summer, Zaffuto assisted with the summer reading program in Prescott and volunteers with a Prescott Unified School District social worker in pre-school and K-2 special needs classes.

Prescott Valley Children's Library Director Lynette Christensen heard about Pet

Partners when member Julie Stewart contacted her about bringing the program to the PV Library. A dog lover herself with a Pointer named Shelby, Christensen knew right away that this would be a great fit for the children who visit.

"Children love interacting with animals, and this program helps them feel comfortable while improving their reading skills through practice with acceptance and no correction," she said.

Prescott Valley brought the program in for the summer, and it has been an amazing success. "The dogs are so mellow and their humans so patient with the children."

Julie Stewart participated this past summer in the Prescott Valley Library program with her Cavalier King Charles Spaniel Griffin. Stewart joined Pet Partners with Griffin because, she said, therapy dogs are a way for children to receive unconditional love and care. "Each therapy pet knows how best to help the child; it is quite precious to witness."

Stewart has first-hand knowledge of how a little extra help can make a difference for a child. "As a child I had difficulty reading, and dyslexia. My family provided tutoring help in the third grade. That changed my life, and I am very grateful. Pet Partners is a way to give back to the community."

She enjoys seeing children relax and become confident in their reading abilities as they interact with Griffin. "They feel safe, wholly accepted, and confident to be who they are," she said.

Debbie Zdanowicz said she chose to participate in Pet Partners with her Irish Setter Megan.



She visits reading programs at the Prescott Valley Public Library and in Prescott at Lincoln Elementary School.

"We were losing our 11-year-old Irish Setter to cancer and found an Irish Setter litter in North Carolina. The puppies' mom and dad were on the premises, and the owners home-schooled their six children. We knew the puppies would be well socialized. Megan was well worth the trip," Zdanowicz said.

She came into the Library reading program because her mother, an elementary school librarian, instilled the love of reading in all her children. "Did you know that if you are not a good reader by the end of the third grade, it affects your whole life? But it's the kids and Megan's interactions that I now enjoy," she said.

She loves that the program teaches children that reading can be fun. "It's fun to read to a dog in an environment that is non-judgmental, comfortable, and without peer pressure. The child gets reading practice that helps improve vocabulary and comprehension. If it's fun to read, the child will read more," she said.

Zdanowicz had one student in second grade read to Megan. The same student read to the dog in third grade and summer school. "I told the student if she wanted to continue reading to Megan to pick more difficult books as she is reading very well. The student followed up with a thank card saying how much she loves Megan."



Many people know former Prescott Valley Police Commander Laura Molinaro through her career, but more know her canine companion Cruiser, a "tripod" pup rescued from a New Mexico reservation. Cruiser was an injured and terrified terrier mix when he landed in the Chino Valley Animal Shelter.

Several years later, Cruiser is now a much beloved visitor to the Yavapai Regional Medical Center (East and West Campus), the Veteran's Administration Medical Center in Prescott, the Town of Prescott Valley Civic Center and Library. He is no longer afraid, and in fact, even after his rough start, overflows with love of people and especially children.

"Cruiser seemed to lead me toward Therapy Dog work – it was almost as if it was his calling, his purpose in life," Molinaro said.

This past summer, Laura and Cruiser joined the pilot Pet Partners reading program at the Prescott Valley Library. Cruiser is delighted to interact with the children, and his missing limb opens many discussions with children and adults about how we can thrive in life even with difficulties. (Read Cruiser's entire story at PrescottDog.com, the November/December 2018 issue).

"Cruiser's favorite humans are kids. He gravitates towards them whenever he sees or hears them," Molinaro said. "He is just drawn to these small humans. Perhaps he senses their innocence and wishes to connect with that feeling. Perhaps it is their size; they are a little closer to his level than adults."

"The sight of those small hands stroking his fur gets me every time. I sometimes wonder what passes through that touch and hope these kids never lose the ability to convey the love and kindness they show him. It is genuine, never forced, and I think Cruiser senses that and revels in it."

She loved participating in the PV Library program this summer and hopes to see one like it at a future time at the Dewey-Humboldt Public Library. "Not only does (the program) help children practice their reading in a safe environment, but at the same time allows them to develop compassion for another living being. Caring for, petting, brushing the dogs while they read helps that connection," she said.

Lana Fielding is looking forward to seeing the reading program expand in the area.

"We are going to be working with children of all ages this year, particularly in the Prescott area, from Discovery Gardens to high school students. How you treat an animal can transfer to how you treat people. We teach kindness, body language, needs vs. wants, differences, and more. It's so cool!" she said.

Additionally, "Being able to read and read well builds a strong foundation that will help children as they go through life. Building self confidence and developing appropriate social skills are very important to how you interact with others," she said.

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Therapy Mini Horses

Therapy Mini Horses

By Dave Bradford

I wanted to share about the support I have had in making Therapy Mini Horses what it is today. The minis became part of the family in October 2016, and the following October they were evaluated and certified by Joey Ogburn, owner of Mini Angel Eyes.

The minis, several Orme School students, and I were certified that day. Mini Angel Eyes is a 501 C3 founded by Joey and Greg Ogburn in January of 2012. Their website is MiniAngelEyes.org

Two of those students were Sheila June and Madyson Whitney. I could not have done this without their help! They continue to coach me often. When it came to training, early morning clean up to get them ready for the day's visit, or daily grooming, they were always ready to help. Their dedication will never be forgotten.

I have asked them to write an article about what it was like for them, and the reactions they



Mady, Baylee, & Pearl.

observed from the seniors. Thus far we have only visited senior homes. However, future plans include schools and hospitals.

Therapy Mini Horses is a non-profit. We do not charge for visits.

Bay Lee and Pearl just want to see everyone, regardless of age, and make them smile. If you would like to meet all of us, we will be at Dogtoberfest held at Watson Lake on October 6th.

We're located in Camp Verde. If you have questions or would like to schedule a visit, call Dave at 480-440-0643.



Sara & Baylee, Amelie & Pearl with the seniors.

Forever Home Minis

By Sheila June

Forever Home Minis is an organization that does not fail to impress. At the heart of the program, of course, are the very sassy Bay Lee and Pearl and their loving handler Dave Bradford.

I remember the first time I saw the real magic of their visits. It was on one of their earliest trips to a senior home.

There was a resident there, 105 years old. The second she saw Bay Lee and Pearl walk through the door there were tears rolling down her cheek. I sat with her as she stroked their mane and told me stories of her childhood, growing up with her own pony. She confessed she hadn't touched a horse since she was a girl, and the memories that Bay Lee and Pearl brought back to her were the most precious gifts she could ever ask for.

This is when I realized what Forever Home was really about. It wasn't just the excitement of meeting and petting the girls that people remembered; it was the way Bay Lee and Pearl touched their hearts. The smiles they bring are undeniably pure. This program is changing the lives of everyone it encounters, and I am beyond blessed to have participated in such a movement.

This year, Dave and the girls want to reach out to more senior homes in hopes to spread a little love, and a little magic.

Forever Home Mini Therapy Horses

By Madyson Whitney

My name is Madyson Whitney, and I worked Bay Lee and Pearl for two years. I went on



Baylee with a senior.



Pearl with the seniors.

visits to a senior home, and we took them to a fair in Prescott. I helped Dave with them whenever I was able. I was certified as a handler for them, and I helped get them their therapy animal certifications.

I was always eager to take any opportunity that was given to work with Dave and his Mini Horses, Bay Lee and Pearl. I loved grooming them and braiding their manes before visits, but nothing can compare to the feeling of sharing the pure joy that Bay Lee and Pearl bring with them everywhere they go.



A senior feeding Baylee a treat.

There was always an immediate change when I would walk into a room with Bay Lee or Pearl. People light up when they see the Mini Horses. You can feel the love radiating around the room, and you can see the joy in the seniors' faces.

Dave has done an incredible job raising and training his Mini Horses; his generosity, patience, and love is truly inspiring. I feel so blessed to have been a part of their journey. I know the best is yet to come for Bay Lee and Pearl because of Dave's dedication to them and his passion for helping others.



Amelie & Baylee, Mady & Pearl.

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In recent months, AARF has seen some amazing stories coming to our rescue. One is Penny, a beautiful 5-month-old basset. She was brought into Chino

Valley Animal Hospital with a broken leg. Relinquished by the owner, we were called to see if we could take her. Well, of course!

Surgery was done on her leg and one of our fosters brought her home for recovery, therapy, and love. Soon her cast was off, and she began water

therapy to strengthen her legs. As she felt better, Penelope began to be a puppy again, showing her true basset traits of independence and stubbornness! She has been adopted to a loving home. Many thanks to Chino Valley AH for their kindness.

This same foster took in a female from the reservation in July. Three days later, Molly gave birth to ten babies, 8 boys and 2 girls! She is sweet, was a wonderful caring mom, and we want her to have the best life after what has been a pretty awful one. As this issue goes to press, the puppies will be ready for showing so keep checking our website!



Molly and her pups



Lumikki is one of the lucky ones to be save that day in May.

Our trapper Kara had started doing a TNR (trap neuter return) job on the east side of Flagstaff. She trapped mom after mom, but she just didn't know where all the babies were until one day our foster was driving on a street over. She called Kara up and said "A lady has kittens on her porch." Naturally Kara goes and investigates, and to her surprise and horror, there were 21 kittens living in feces and on top each other on this porch.

These porch kittens came to us with eye infections, upper respiratory, and all kinds of parasites. They were skin and bones. Lumikki spent her first week out at the Ark Cat Sanctuary getting hand fed and medicated daily. Once she was stronger she was able to go into foster care with some of her "siblings." In foster care her purrsonality thrived. She loves to suckle on ears and cuddle up to her person.

She has recently been adopted, and her forever home is just smitten with the joy she brings to them. She says Lumikki is such a love. You would never know what a hard start to life she had.

Since the day we caught those porch kitties, we have TNR 13 moms and 9 males from that square block and have caught an additional 18 kittens who are also in foster care. The biggest challenge we are facing is our need for wet food and for volunteers.

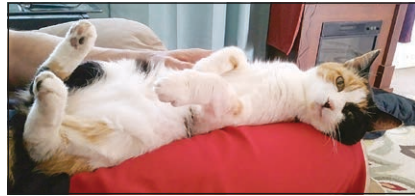
If you can volunteer or donate please reach out to fosters@arkcatsanctuary.org and help save more like Lumikki.



Every One is Special

In August of 2018, Melissa and her 17-year-old son, Matthew, came to United Animal Friends Kitty City adoption center in Petco. They were considering getting a cat for Matthew, who has special needs, and it was important to find a calm companion that would be comfortable for him.

Matthew adored all the cats, but after a week of communications, the family said that they needed more time to think about it before deciding whether to adopt.



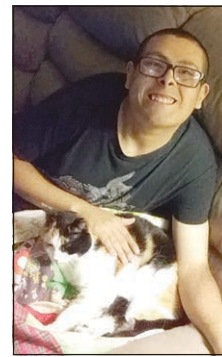
The following January we took in Cali, a 14-year-old calico whose owner had gone into assisted living. Cali was a bit shy, and we knew it would take a special person to want to adopt a senior cat.

Two months later, Melissa and Matthew paid a surprise visit to Kitty City with radiant smiles on their faces, saying that the family had agreed to let Matthew have a cat. He quickly bonded with Cali, who became a part of their family that same day and is now named

Willow.

A few days later, Melissa texted to say "We love our kitty so much. Matt adores Willow, and she is a great support for our son. They have a big bond. Thank you for doing so much to help us get the perfect cat for him."

Finding the perfect match for each animal in our care is one of United Animal Friends primary goals. We are thrilled that we were able to bring together this special boy and this special cat.



Mittens, a handsome 13-year-old black cat, was at the Yavapai Humane Society for a long time. He had the cutest meow that sounded as though he was talking to you.



One day a man and his two teenage daughters came in looking for a cat, but not just any cat. They were looking specifically for Mittens! They had seen that he was a Pet of the Week and wanted to meet him. When they did, Mittens cozied up to them and gave them lots of love while he was purring his happy purr. Within minutes, the family knew that Mittens was their

cat, and they adopted him!

Flo was a sweet pit bull mix who always looks like she was smiling. She was a resident at YHS for quite awhile, but she always looked forward to seeing her volunteer friend Jon, who said, "Flo's smile stole my heart, and that is what drew me to walk her."

Flo was so special that she caught the attention of all the staff and volunteers, who would give her love every day.

One day another volunteer named Roger paid Flo's adoption fees because this sweet girl just had to go home. All the while, Jon and Flo became inseparable, and the magic between them was felt by all.

Jon wanted very much to adopt Flo, but the timing and circumstances weren't right until on Jon's birthday everything fell into place, and he was able to finally



take Flo home!

Kennedy, a 4-year-old mustang, grew up as an orphan and suffered from a leg injury since she was a foal.

She was brought to Healing Hearts where they corrected her injury and nursed her back to health.

When she came of age, they started her under saddle. Then Healing Hearts became overloaded with horses, so we stepped in and decided to take her, along with a few other horses, in order to help them get adopted.

Charlotte, an equine volunteer, fell in love with Kennedy and decided that she was the horse for her. Charlotte and Kennedy make for a great match and have begun their training journey together!

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CASSIE is an adorable 2-year-old terrier mix. She loves everyone she meets, very affectionate. Gets along with dogs, loves to play. United Animal Friends 928-778-2924



KIKI is a purebred Miniature Schnauzer, 11 years young. Loves people, hugs and cuddles! Kiki is in good health and housetrained. United Animal Friends 928-778-2924



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LOKI is a Papillon/Chihuahua mix, about 5 years old. He is neutered, up to date on shots, and micro chipped. 4lvdch@bullerinetworks.net



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COCO is a Rat terrier around 5 years old. Very good about warning when someone is outside. Loves chasing tennis balls, going for walks. 4lvdch@bullerinetworks.net



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PUNKY is a Dachs-hund/Pointer mix? She is the size of a Dachshund with pointer markings. Loves to play in the pool, walks great on a leash. 4lvdch@bullerinetworks.net



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DOGTOBERFEST 2019!

By Ed Wisneski

Have your dogs been hounding you to escort them to the canine social event of the season? Where they can dress up, sniff every breed imaginable, show off their latest tricks, receive a special bandana, enter the beauty pageant, and even tag along with you around the scenic 18-hole disc golf course?

Then circle Sunday, October 6 on your calendar and plan to attend the 13th annual DOGtoberfest and Adopt A Thon from 10 AM to 3 PM at Watson Lake Park. This picturesque gem of Prescott is the perfect location for DOGtoberfest.

DISC GOLF TOURNAMENT

A new event at DOGtoberfest will be a disc golf tournament on Watson's superb 18-hole course, the finest in the Quad Cities. The course has most everything you'd find on a regular golf course – tee boxes with signs indicating distances to the "holes" (200-550 feet), which are actually baskets that catch the discs. Even the three core discs have the same functions of golf clubs – putter, mid-range, and driver.

"Disc golf is one of the fastest growing sport in the world, said David Alexander, president of the Prescott Valley Disc Golf Club. To include a tournament as part of DOGtoberfest will increase awareness to the sport and the fact that it is incredibly dog friendly. We will be teaching disc golf and dog etiquette during the tournament. There will be golf discs available to borrow or purchase. If you've never tried this sport, you and your dogs will have a blast."

The entry fee for the tournament is \$25, including a \$10 lunch voucher. Register at A Greener World Disc Golf 6350 Hwy 69 in Prescott Valley, or at 10 AM at DOGtoberfest, at Booth 1. The "shotgun start" is at 10:30 AM, and there will be trophies and prizes for winners.



BARK FOR A CURE

There are great views to be had along the trails in the Bark for a Cure noncompetitive walks. The walks are scheduled for 10:30 AM and 1:30 PM. The cost is \$15 to register your dog and yourself,

then \$10 for each additional dog. Special bandanas will be distributed to adorn participants. You'll receive a T-shirt if you raise \$100 or more. Bark raises funds and awareness in the fight against cancer.

"Bark for a Cure honors the caregiving qualities of canine companions and remembers those dogs/owners who have lost their lives to cancer," says Kristi Jones of the American Cancer Society. By supporting Bark for a Cure, you help the American Cancer Society save lives, helping us move closer to a world with less cancer and more birthdays."

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CALLING ALL DOGS! DOGtoberfest Contests

It's your time to show off your talent, special attire, trick, beauty, or speed!

Register your dog at the contest tent by the stage, \$10 per entry. The dogs finishing in top three places in each contest will receive trophies and prizes.

The contests are:

- Pet/Owner Look-A-Like 11:30 AM
- Best Costume 12:30 PM
- Best Trick or Talent 1:30 PM
- Best-Looking Dog 2:30 PM

SELFIES IN THE PARK

While you're participating in the disc golf tournament, Bark for a Cure walk, or just roaming around, don't forget to help your dog snap a selfie. Their entry could be worth a professional portrait sitting for both of you with Portrait Park by

J – a \$300 value, courtesy of My Health Etc.

Here's How to Enter

Photos must be taken at DOGtoberfest and submitted by 11:59 PM on Monday, October 7, 2019 to qualify.

Snap a selfie or two of you and your dog, especially if you adopt your new family member at DOGtoberfest. Be sure to set your cell phone or camera on high resolution before catching that special shot. No videos please.

Submit photos to info@reddog-publishing.net with your name and phone number. All submissions will be judged and could be selected to appear in our November/December edition of Prescott Dog Magazine. Winners will be notified October 15, 2019. By submitting, you agree to enter the contest and release your photo for publication by Prescott Dog Magazine.

THE HEART OF DOGtoberfest

Some folks may not know that DOGtoberfest is more than the ultimate celebration of 'All Things Dog' and a good time for all dog lovers – it also has a purpose: To elevate the plight of area homeless dogs.

Adoptions are at the heart of DOGtoberfest. Consider opening your home to a rescue and save two lives! The Humane Society of the United States estimates that four million pets lose their lives in shelters each year, as more people surrender their pets than adopt. By adopting a shelter dog, more space becomes available for another animal

in need of a loving home.

At press time, 20 rescue organizations from around the state have committed to attend this year's event with dozens of adoptable dogs.

"Chino Valley Animal Shelter had a huge success from DOGtoberfest," said a staff member last year. "Due to last year's inclement

weather, we only brought three dogs with us, all three got adopted that day! We are so happy that DOGtoberfest led to their forever homes. We can't wait till this year!"

"It's always a great event," says Sheryl Duke, the Account Executive with Yavapai Broadcasting Corporation. "You walk

around with your mouth wide open checking out all the beautiful dogs. This is truly their day in the park!"

Feel free to bring your socialized dogs to DOGtoberfest, but please keep them on a standard six-foot leash, and be aware that animals unaccustomed to loud noises

and other dogs may be overwhelmed by the environment.

Poo Poo (or doggie doo, if you prefer) bags will be available at the event, or you can bring your own from home. Please pick up after your pets and help keep the beautiful Watson Lake Park grounds enjoyable for everyone.

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SCHEDULE OF EVENTS & CONTEST TIMES

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- 9:45a Invocation & Blessing of the Pets
- 10:00a Parade of Adoptable Dogs
- 11:30a Pet/Owner Look Alike Contest
- 12:30p Best Costume Contest
- 1:30p Best Trick Or Talent
- 2:30p Best-Looking Dog

DEMO SCHEDULE

- 10:00a Phoenix Area Disc Dogs
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For more information go to PrescottDog.com. Contest & demo times subject to change.

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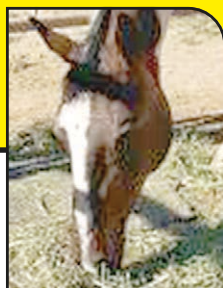
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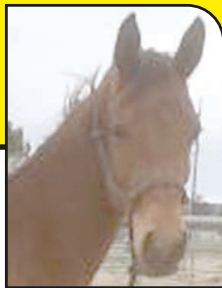
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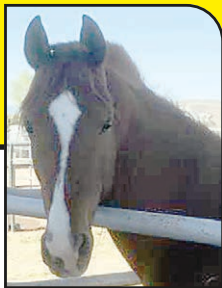
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AMERICAN KENNEL CLUB B.A.R.K. PROGRAM AIMS TO GET KIDS EXCITED ABOUT READING

By Heidi Dahms Foster

Children who know how to read well have the entire world at their fingertips. The article on Pet Partners in this issue of Prescott Dog illustrates a local program that helps children gain those skills by reading to dogs.

Another national organization, the American Kennel Club, also recognizes that reading to dogs allows children a comfortable, enjoyable and fun way to learn through its B.A.R.K. (Be A Reading Kid) program. B.A.R.K. is designed to get kids excited about reading through an experience that also allows them to bond with a dog.

The B.A.R.K. program encourages children to read to a dog of their choosing, and a parent or guardian helps them log their hours on the AKC website. If the child doesn't have a dog, the parent or guardian can find a local AKC Canine Ambassador and arrange a visit.

Canine Ambassadors are members of AKC clubs and support their club's public education efforts by visiting schools and youth organizations, often with their own dogs, the website states. They promote purpose-bred dogs, responsible dog ownership and safety around dogs. After reaching certain milestones, children will receive incentives for the hours they have read.

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- 5 Hours: Bookmark
- 10 Hours: Certificate



Courtesy American Kennel Club

- 15 Hours: Pencil & Bone Eraser
- 20 Hours: Rubber Bracelet
- 25 Hours: Notebook
- 50 Hours: Water Bottle
- 75 Hours: Book Light
- 100 Hours: T- Shirt
- 150 Hours: Drawstring Bag
- 200 Hours: Age/Grade Level Appropriate Book About Dogs
- 250 Hours: Raffle for \$25 VISA gift card

- 300 Hours: Raffle for \$50 VISA Gift card
- 350 Hours: Raffle for iPad

Additionally, volunteers will be invited to log their participation in the program, and each dog owner will receive a certificate acknowledging their participation.

"One of AKC Public Education's most important goals is ever strengthening the human-canine bond, and we are excited to see the B.A.R.K Program assist in that," said Meredith Saraceno, AKC Public Education Manager. "With the help of our valued AKC Canine Ambassadors, we will be able to offer this program nationwide."

To learn more about the AKC B.A.R.K Program, or sign your child or dog up to participate, please visit:

<https://www.akc.org/public-education/akc-b-r-k-program/>

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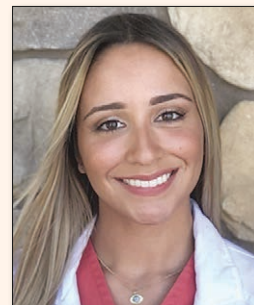
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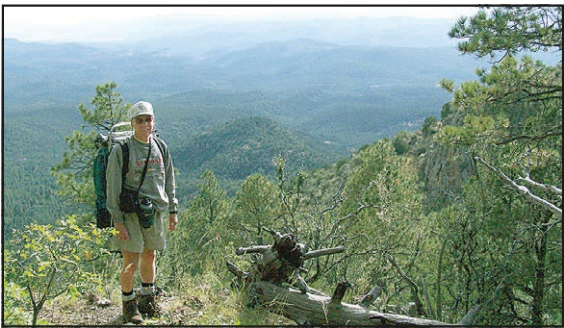
Story by Cheryl Hartz. Photos by Cheryl and Myron Hartz.

For autumn's golden glory, eastern Arizona around the Hannagan Meadow Recreation Area has no rival.

Our trips from the Prescott area on State Route 260 took us east through picturesque Payson, Show Low, Pinetop/Lakeside, and Eagar/Springerville. Then we headed south on State Route 191, also known as the Coronado Trail National Scenic Byway, and at one time, the Devil's Highway for its twists and turns through dense forests and alpine meadows. This took us into the Apache/Sitgreaves National Forest and through Alpine to Hannagan Meadow.

Hannagan Meadow's name is steeped in folklore, but history says Robert Hannagan was there in the 1870s. Rustic and comfortable Hannagan Meadow Lodge was built in 1926. At an elevation of 9,120 feet, it is the highest point in Arizona inhabited year-round.

I first visited Hannagan Meadow on my own for the much-publicized Mexican gray wolf release in January, 1998. Four-foot deep snow made it necessary to access the release site in tracked Sno-Cat machines, but the entire experience was unequalled. Even dodging all of the major television network, newspaper, and magazine personnel was worth seeing the first endangered wolves leaping from crates into their new habitat.



The Apache/Sitgreaves National Forest goes on for 2 million acres.

Eager to share this wondrous part of Arizona with my family, a summer backpacking trip gave us gorgeous days and cold nights. We started on a trail just a couple of miles from the lodge. Day hikes we bushwhacked over much downed deadwood to spot wildflowers, wild strawberries, and wild turkeys.

An October jaunt for my husband and me revealed the most astounding stands of bright yellow aspens. Early foot-deep snow had fallen the day before but melted during that visit, so we managed get in some hikes. A huge pile of bear scat made us alert to our fellow forest inhabitants.

On our way home, we stopped at Escudilla Mountain near Alpine for a quick climb. The break became extended when we discovered the most glorious stand of aspens I'd ever seen covering a bowl on the other side. Breathtaking doesn't begin to describe the unexpected sight.



We toast the gorgeous view.

The devastating Wallow Fire of 2011 destroyed many areas of the Apache/Sitgreaves National Forest. Driven by wind, the fire's damage seems hit and miss. I fear the huge pines surrounding our backpacking camp are gone. But the forest is so massive – more than two million acres extending into New Mexico – you will find more than enough to explore. It contains more than 30 lakes and reservoirs and 1,000



Hammock time is always a good idea.

miles of rivers and creeks. The Mogollon Rim, White Mountains, Blue Range Primitive area and the Bear Wallow, Escudilla and Mount Baldy wildernesses are some of its mind-boggling features.

The mountainous forest abounds with large mammals and bird species, but also provides deep cover, so you would be fortunate indeed to spot them. Along with the wolves (grown to about 120 animals in 27 packs throughout Arizona and New Mexico), black bear, mule deer, elk, pronghorn, and bighorn sheep roam while turkey, bald eagle, turkey vulture, and peregrine falcon soar over the Apache/Sitgreaves.

Very likely, you will hear elk bugling in the fall. While exciting, you must beware of hunters during the season. Make your presence known, especially when off-trail. Trails may be safer. Check out the many maps that are available from the forest service and online.

Always check for warnings and advisories on road and weather conditions, along with closure orders and prohibitions, when planning a trip into this rugged and remote area. Do not expect to have cell phone reception.

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YAVAPAI COUNTY SHERIFF'S OFFICE'S NEWEST K9 OFFICER JOINS FORCES WITH K9 HADDIE, THE FORMER "MOUNTIE"

Story by Heidi Dahms Foster. Photos by Travis Hartman/YCSO.

Yavapai County Sheriff's Office's former "Mountie," German Shepherd K9 Haddie, has a new and dedicated handler.

YCSO acquired Haddie from the Royal Canadian Mounted Police after it offered its narcotics K9 Vader to the Arizona Department of Corrections, where he is thriving with an experienced handler.

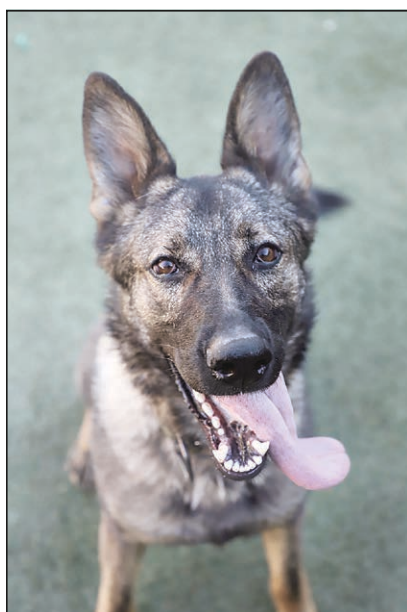
Vader, handled by Deputy Stephen Warburton, did not enjoy interacting with the public, an important part of the YCSO K9 program in which children and adults can talk to and pet the animals. Haddie, also an expert narcotics detection dog, is extremely social and a better fit for YCSO's K9 Unit.

Haddie was bred and trained by the Royal Canadian Mounted Police, or RCMP. When Canada recently legalized marijuana, the RCMP had to shut down its K9 program and start with all new dogs. Warburton said Haddie is only four years old, a high drive working dog that is too young to retire.

"Instead of retiring and being someone's pain in the butt, the RCMP sold her to us at a discount so she could continue to do police work," Warburton said. "Police dogs are not the greatest pets. They get into everything, they are very high drive, and they need to work. It would have been a bit of torture for Haddie to not meet her mental and physical needs."

YCSO received Haddie in November 2018, and she certified a month later with 100 percent, no errors. The icing on the cake is that Haddie is extremely social. Warburton called her "a big bundle of joy."

Warburton quickly bonded with Haddie, little knowing that in just a few months he would be offered



Courtesy Travis Hartman/YCSO

an opportunity he couldn't turn down – a promotion to the YCSO Criminal Investigations Unit. Unfortunately, that meant releasing Haddie to a new handler.

That new handler is Travis Hartman, a deputy with YCSO since graduating the Northern Arizona Regional Training Academy in 2015.

Hartman grew up in a law enforcement family. His father was an Orange County, California Sheriff's Department Deputy for 29 years, Hartman says with pride, asserting that his father's service is what sparked his own desire to enter law enforcement as a career.

Hartman is passionate about taking dangerous drugs off the streets, and he saw the K9 Unit as a natural progression. "I've felt I was good at investigating narcotics crimes, so when I had the chance to become a K9 officer, I wanted to take that next step."

He spent a lot of time preparing himself for when he could add a K9 to his career. "I made it apparent early on that the K9 Unit was something I wanted to be a part of,

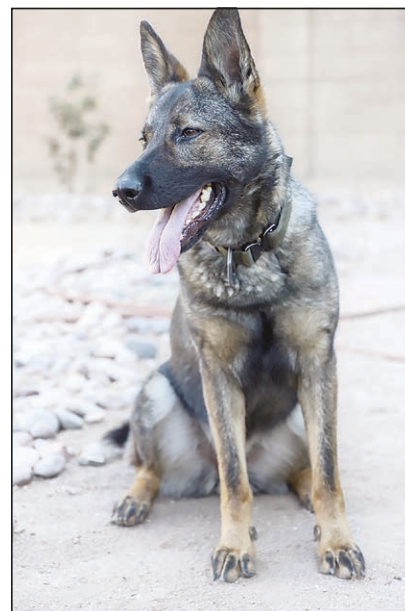
and I geared myself toward that. I let everyone know that's what my focus was."

Hartman said he prepared extensively, hanging out at every opportunity with the K9 officers and learning all he could. He did ride-alongs with K9 teams and studied search and seizure case law. He was absolutely determined to excel. "I don't mean to sound cocky, but my mentality was that no one was going to take that spot from me."

Hartman earned the spot, and began his K9 career at the beginning of May. After all of his work, what he wasn't prepared for was the love kindled between him and his first K9.

"We spent a couple of months getting to know each other and acclimating without really working her. I brought her home, played with her, threw the ball for her, and fed her. I picked up the K9 patrol car and brought her along with me, to get used to riding with me," he said.

"I love this dog, and I've come to realize that I wouldn't be able to



Courtesy Travis Hartman/YCSO

give her up. I'm going to have to retire her," he said. "My favorite thing about her is her personality. She's goofy and friendly, and she loves everyone. Haddie's a lover, and that makes her easy to be around. She loves playing with my kids and my wife."

"I've always grown up with dogs, but I never had a working dog before," Hartman said.

One of the dogs he had growing up was a retired police dog, but Haddie is his first actual experience. She has taught him the actual difference between his working partner and a pet.

"It's different in a lot of aspects, but obviously she has to be kept maintained with a high standard of training. It's more responsibility than just hanging out with a pet."

Haddie doesn't do patrol work. All of the YCSO K9s are strictly narcotics detection dogs, and the department works closely with the Partners Against Narcotics Trafficking (PANT). Haddie's former handler Warburton remembers her unique alert, something Hartman also has observed. She sits, and then she stares, and stares. Hartman calls it her "laser focus."

Just two weeks into the New Year, Haddie, during an exterior search of a vehicle near Cordes Junction, alerted to the odor of drugs within the vehicle. A search turned up a pound of methamphetamines, with a street value of about \$11,000. On February 12, Haddie detected 18 pounds of methamphetamines in another vehicle.

Hartman, while diligently training with Haddie now, will enter the K9 Academy with the Arizona Department of Corrections in October. After that, the sky is clearly the limit for this new K9 deputy and his experienced K9.



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MAD ABOUT MULES

By Rita Thompson-Tinsley

Over the years I have noted equestrians are CRAZY about their horses. But It's becoming apparent today that mule owners are MAD ABOUT MULES!

Let's start with the scientific details, because it's all in the mix. The ingredients of a mule combines one horse with one donkey. The most common blend is a donkey sire with a horse mare. There's also the mix of horse stallion with donkey mare, which is called a hinny. This is not as prevalent as the former. Common breeding combinations include donkey/Quarter horse, donkey/Arabian, donkey/Thoroughbred, and donkey/draft.

According to mule trainer Eric Parmer, "Today's breeding trend further east and in the midwest is showing more of a gaited influence." They're breeding donkeys with gaited mares with great results. Some barns are breeding the donkey with Warmbloods. But the traits that are most desired tend to come from the donkey makeup, such as being ridiculously smart and wonderfully non-reactive (less spooky).

Eric points out that, "Unlike horses, who are primarily flight animals that run to flee from attack, the donkey part of the mule is calculative. If he cannot outrun his enemy, he will turn to face him and devise a plan."



Mule Trainer Eric Parmer. Courtesy Meg Goodson.

So how do you train a mule? Eric recommends training and maintaining them. "They think differently than horses. They need consistency and strong leadership. They are thinkers," explains Parmer, who is well versed with plenty of mule training experience. He adds, "They really bond with their owner, more than a horse does."

Wylie Preston is a farrier to the South Rim Grand Canyon packing mules. He explains, "The shape of their foot is different, more straight and with steeper walls, more upright." Mules do not tend to have many foot issues, and their hooves are harder than horses. "Because of their demeanor," says Wylie, "they rarely sit back while tied."

Chris Clark is Lead Mule Packer at the Grand Canyon, South Rim. Mule packing in the Grand Canyon has been going on for over 100 years. And though it may seem like a 'beast of burden' burden, it clearly is not.

"These mules are waiting for you at the gate", Chris states. "They love doing their job and being with their buddies."

The mule packing team has a schedule each day. They maintain the trails, haul dirt, compost the toilets, bring food to Phantom Ranch, and take trash out. Whatever the task, these mules are on a mission. And, whatever the project, Chris knows exactly how to pack them.

Clark can only say, "The mules are super smart." And the mules are well taken care of. In addition to re-



Packing Mule at Grand Canyon. Courtesy Chris Clark.

ceiving vaccinations twice a year, they also have annual dentals and farrier visits every six weeks.

At the age of three, Tawn Mangum's family started a business of managing national parks. Today, Tawn, his sisters, and his parents oversee the Grand Canyon North Rim, Zion National Park, and Bryce Canyon, along with the third generation of family members. They manage 230 head of mules and horses, and do they have some great trails!



Marilyn Bocksnick riding Gus at the North Rim. Courtesy Micaela Aigner-Jacobs.

Local equestrian Marilyn Bocksnick experienced their three-hour ride on a mule named Gus. After her adventure riding down into the canyon and maneuvering switchbacks along the way, Marilyn is convinced that mules are the way to go. "Gus was a very safe, broke, good boy who knew his job and didn't try to pull any shenanigans," reports Marilyn.

Now, if you're thinking that mules are strictly trailbound troopers, you haven't met the likes of Theseboots-weremade4lopin who is the world's first Champion Working Equitation Mule.

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Reta Conner competing on Thesebootsweremade4lopin. Courtesy World Andalusian Cup in Las Vegas.

Conner dared to sign this molly (mare mule) up for the difficult challenge of Working Equitation at the Andalusian World Cup where she adeptly achieved Reserve Champion at Novice Open Level, a noble accomplishment indeed. This, after obtaining numerous winnings at Horsebreaker's Ranch Riding competitions in Dewey, AZ.

Meg Goodyear, having incurred serious horse-related injuries in the past year, decided to take a significant turn in her stable style. "The decision to get a mule was actually prompted by other mule owners," explains Meg.

Her current horse was very reactive, and she knew safety was going to be an issue. After some diligent research she set out to meet her mate.

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