

Helping Horses & Kids Since 1989

Three Decades of Experience

When SRF was created, there was no solid plan. There was no model to learn from. We had to step slowly and test what would work, such as: What restrictions adopters were willing to accept? Where would the funds come from? What would race horse owners be willing to do for the horses? How would we make sure adopted homes kept up the good care and how would that be tracked? What if horses came back at unadoptable ages? What were we to do with the sore and lame horses, which, we were right, would be in abundance. How would we change the stigma that they only pace? The list went on and on.

Had we waited to sort it all out, thousands of these trotters & pacers would have never had the chance to live on. There were few answers at the time, and some answers are still missing. What we do know is that there are too many horses in need. What we have learned is:

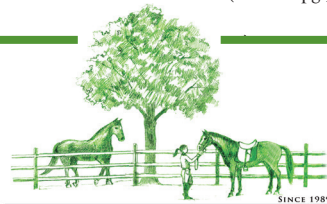
- The two most popular homes by far, for Standardbreds through SRF, are for trail riding, and as a family horse and pet.
- The number of sound horses in need of a home is so small it is insignificant. They are racehorses, people want to race them until they can't hold up to it.
- Horses need guardians, then the slaughter may stop.

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Cindy Gordon is all smiles with Swizzle Stick, her adopted friend she now calls "Buddy". She went through a lot with this gentleman who recently battled EPM and thankfully had a near complete recovery. Lucky guy again, he too was found tagged for slaughter until SOSS volunteers and SRF helped him to safety. Buddy joined her first adopted horse Rusty's Martini, and Cindy is now stirring up some great fun with her Swizzle Stick and her Martini!

RECENT ADOPTIONS



SRF is Different...

- Helping Standardbreds exclusively, young, aged, injured, neglected or abused.
- Lifetime guardian to every adopted horse, never to be at risk again.

All Decked Out
Almostinthephoto
Apache Rebel
Attack the Land
Backintheday
Big Ten Linns
Biggen (004)
BJ's Star
Bluebird Radar
Boogie's Delight
Brett Mans Fun
Broadway Kevin
Buckeye Warden
Carolina Valley

Causey Sings
Cejac
Chance (Tag 3415)
Cheyenne Lipton
Cheyenne Robin
Cinja
Corporate Strike
Country Breeze
Cunning Design
D GS Turnaround
Dark Prince
Devils Cut
Diva (Tag 282)
Dragondotcom

Even Trade
Even Wiser
Extra Virgin
Fast Johnny
Fox Valley Atticus
Fulton Blue Chip
Get Over Liz
Getthepartystarted
Giacometti
Grinding Gears
Hardtop
Have It Your Way
He's The Most
He's Unbelievable

Holly Hill Rowdy
Homestead Mickey
HR'S Blazeoffire
Hurrikane Maximus
Impatient Falcon
Indiego
International Style
Intrepidacious
Itsalwaysomething
Jacked Up
Jeanne's Tiffany
Jettin Justin
Jo Pa's Somebeach
Jobe (Tag 3446)

Jody (Tag 609)
Judson Executive
Kash Contrast
Keystone Notorious
King's Cavalier
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Laag In Time
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Real Bullets Still Stirring News!

You may recall the son of Real Desire, Real Bullets, aka Billy, who was taken in from a kill pen with a severely damaged eye. Thanks to help from wonderful people, Billy's eye was removed. His recovery time was spent with the Hagues and 18 year old Yougottahaveheart aka Heartly. Heartly is sadly blind in one eye and losing sight in his other, amidst all his other issues from his days of overuse in the rural community.

Billy has quite the playful personality and poor Heartly was beginning to tire of his antics. Upon our moving him back to the main farm SRF uses to train the horses under saddle, we could see for ourselves that Billy needed a job. We quickly got him under saddle and he perked up his head as if he was saying, "Wow, this is so cool!" Lucky for him and SRF he had a wonderful sponsor during this time, a great lady from Iowa. Unexpectedly, we received a call from her sharing that her daughter had her retired race horses in Texas and said, "I'm going to see if she will give Billy a home too?"

Billy will be leaving soon, stopping in Paris, KY for a layover where SRF boards 65 of its seniors. After some rest, and a bit of fussing like the others get at this wonderful facility, he will be on the road again to his new home in South Lake, Texas. It takes special people to make the world a better place, this horse may not have had any kind folks early in his life, but he is being showered now!



Summertime Volunteers

The equine club from the Donovan Catholic School in NJ, on their first trip to volunteer at SRF, led to a whole lot of oooohs and ahhhhs, all we needed was a guitar and it would have sounded like an Elvis song! Their students already have great skills with horses and so much was accomplished to freshen up the fuzzy noses, and the facility after a long winter. Thank you all for also spending summer volunteer time with us along with our other high school and college volunteers from the Peddie School, Muhlenburg University, Duke University, University of Connecticut, Ocean County College, Bridge Academy, the Pennington School, and a shout out to our senior volunteers who bring their wisdom and stories to teach us all!

Wish List

- Horse Sponsors, what wonderful help!
- Support for the endowment
- Another location for an adoption center
- Items for our event auctions
- Wormer & vaccines
- Large field salt blocks
- Bare bottom used pickup for the farm
- only, (it doesn't need to be road worthy) or used gator
- Hay for NJ and KY
- Horse Guardians to assist in checking SRF horses
- Two-wheel Wheelbarrow
- Security Cameras for the feed trailers and barn \$399

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SRFHorsesandkids@gmail.com

IT WORRIES US

With more than 375 Standardbreds under our full care and half assumed retired for life, as they are aged or injured and unattractive to adopters, SRF is always concerned about sustainability. Each year the income from its endowment only generates \$270. Without considering any cost for raising funds, or administrative expense, SRF must raise enough each year to follow up every adopted horse since 1989, and care for the 375+ in need of homes.

When you do the math it is mind boggling. SRF needs help. Please be the one to build a future through an endowment by making a tax-deductible gift, and include SRF in your after-life plan so we can care for the horses that have touched your lives.

MISSION STATEMENT

The Standardbred Retirement Foundation provides humane care and services for horses in need of lifetime homes, and in crisis, through rehabilitation, training, adoption, lifelong follow-up, or lifetime sanctuary; and offers therapeutic equine opportunities for children, and adults.

SRF is a 501 (c) 3 non-profit organization

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Three Decades *(cont from cover)*



So many come with injuries.



Brickyard Tom's owner found him a good home, until it wasn't a good home anymore. He has a guardian in SRF now.



Who remembers earth shoes? They don't work well on horses.

- Suspensory issues are the number one cause of lameness among the horses SRF helps.
- Horses are affected by so much that has nothing to do with them, kids growing up, divorce, illness, moving, employment, death, and new hobbies.
- Every organization is different and that is grossly misunderstood.
- The Standardbred is the ideal breed for therapy programs.
- Breaking them to the saddle takes putting the saddle on.
- Committed volunteers rock!
- Claiming races do not take into consideration the welfare of the horses. People are compelled to patch up injuries and send them back to race because they can lose them in a claim. Why invest in proper care?
- We wish folks could see the development in a horse from age 3 to 5. This would change the structure of racing.
- Horses change lives, by far for the better.
- We can always pick out an offspring of Direct Scooter by the little ears!
- Pacers are easier to train to canter than trotters, and when under saddle, we catch them snoozing.
- Many Standardbreds fall asleep when just standing around under saddle.
- Some people have traded their heart for money, some their money for their heart, SRF has proof.
- Standardbreds coming from the rural communities tell us that few, if any, know anything about hoof care. Most of their horses, if not all, are standing high heels like Stilettos or are stuck in earth shoes from the 1960's.
- When one is struggling to put weight on a horse it is almost always because the horse just needs more groceries.
- It takes about a month for a horse coming from a bad situation to recover their personality, and it is so cool to watch.
- A horse desperate to get out of somewhere will bow it's head to fit on a small trailer.
- There are 10 sides to every story so go directly to the horse and his veterinarian for the truth.
- Standardbreds coming from the rural communities indicate that few, if any, know a thing about oral care.
- Too many people think it is okay to fudge the truth, and some people believe themselves.
- Generally if you are a "cow" person you see horses as hay burners.
- We all should have been designed with several ears, two are not enough.
- Standardbreds off the track and training centers will rarely go on to the show ring due to injuries limiting use, but the few that do shine as brightly as other breeds.

SRF has its own policies and procedures based on these 30 years. Experience is so valuable and that contributes widely to its stellar program. Only 8% of SRF's financial support comes from harness racing organizations, it's the kindness of individuals that changes the lives of these majestic animals.



This is what stoic looks like, as disturbing as seeing a horse physically injured.



Standardbreds love the water!



The perfect home, they are ideal police mounts!



Did You Know

Anyone can find a horse a home, but that doesn't mean the horse won't need several more or won't be at risk for slaughter at a later time. Based on the data SRF compiled from January 1, 1992 - March 11, 2019 only 8.5% of the horses will live out their lives in their first home.

Omitted from the data are:

- Horses that were never adopted, likely due to age or injury and were retired with SRF until deceased;
- Horses presently under the expense of SRF, not likely to be adopted;
- Horses presently available for adoption.

The number of horses this data is based on is 1692.

91.5% needed more than one home.

49.0% had 2 homes

20.0% had 3 homes

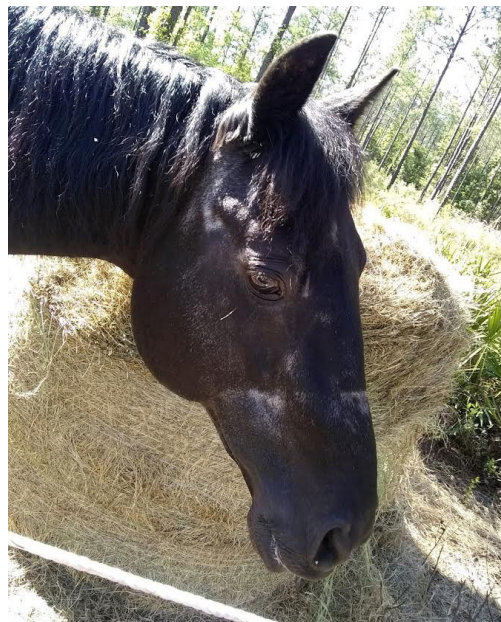
10.5% had 4 homes

A few had as many as 11 homes.

So what is really being accomplished when a person or a charity finds a home for a horse? Without guardianship, it's a sideways move, the horse is safe for now but likely that will come to an end and then what? Guardianship is the greatest need of these animals.

SRF estimates that about 8% of the Standardbreds they find in kill pens had the good fortune of their owner or trainer finding them a home, but guardianship was not attached. It also finds about 5% of the Standardbred horses found in kill pens were once adopted out by charities that also did not attach guardianship, some just offered "first right of refusal," some relinquished ownership. Every home is different, every charity is different.

SRF will never stop needing you behind them, it's how it can get help to horses in need quickly; it can provide for those passed over by adopters due to age or injury; can follow-up every adopted horse semi-annually; and is able to be there should an adopted horse need a new home. We have it all covered and your support is what makes it all happen.



Trial Victory, one of the last by the great Valley Victory, still a stud, was found on the slaughter line. Through the help of donors, the 27 year old little guy was pulled from that horrific destiny, rehabilitated, quarantined, and homed in Georgia with a wonderful lady set up for an intact horse needing some love.

Two Lucky Guys

These two geldings, Star Recruit and Aliquippa, on their freedom ride to SRF from the slaughter pipeline, made nearly three-quarters of a million dollars while racing. Star Recruit's past owner stepped up like lightning to help him and understood that finding a home was the biggest roadblock. That concern was short lived when Kesmarc, KENTUCKY EQUINE SPORTS MEDICINE AND REHABILITATION CENTER, known as the finest and most complete equine therapy center in the world, said, "We'll take him, rehabilitate him and give him a home". Lucky Star will get some state-of-the-art rehab and with a whole lot of loving!

Aliquippa, unfortunately has no one. He remains with SRF in need of a home, a sponsor, a foster, a little TLC as he appeared to have spent his last seven years as a work horse, likely as farm machinery. He is looking bright eyed today and happy at SRF after rest, rehabilitation, a few sunny days under saddle and lots of lovin'!

RECENT ADOPTIONS

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Revenge Again	Sprinter	TOE TAPPIN
Rip And Roar NZ	Stormin Rob	Townline Roll On
Rock N Ride	Sweet Pea	Trial Victory
Rose Run Daisy	Swiss Snapper	Trusty Toddy
Royal Flag T	Wade (Tag 2702)	TSM T Top Tam
Runnin The Roads	Tag 3669	Unalii
Scat Meister	Tagaboo	V P Britt
Smashing Art	Tagliarone	Vernazza A
Snooz Attack	Taylor's Design	Walk Of Shame
Southern Pursuit N	Teagan Smiles	Wizzard Man
Spartan Justice	Terro Franco N	Yo Apollo Creed





Thank you ~ 27 Years of Golf!

The course was beautiful, private and competitive, the food was delicious, the prizes were awesome, and the guests were the best once again! Thank you to all who made it fabulous. The Meadowlands Racing and Entertaining drove the day with their Presenting Sponsorship, Fargo Trading as Event Sponsor and the Weaver Family put our friend Bill on the course with us in spirit; Bill was SRF's #1 supporter of this event during his life. We thank every sponsor, every donor, and every golfer. We couldn't do what we do without you.



A few familiar golfers we love!

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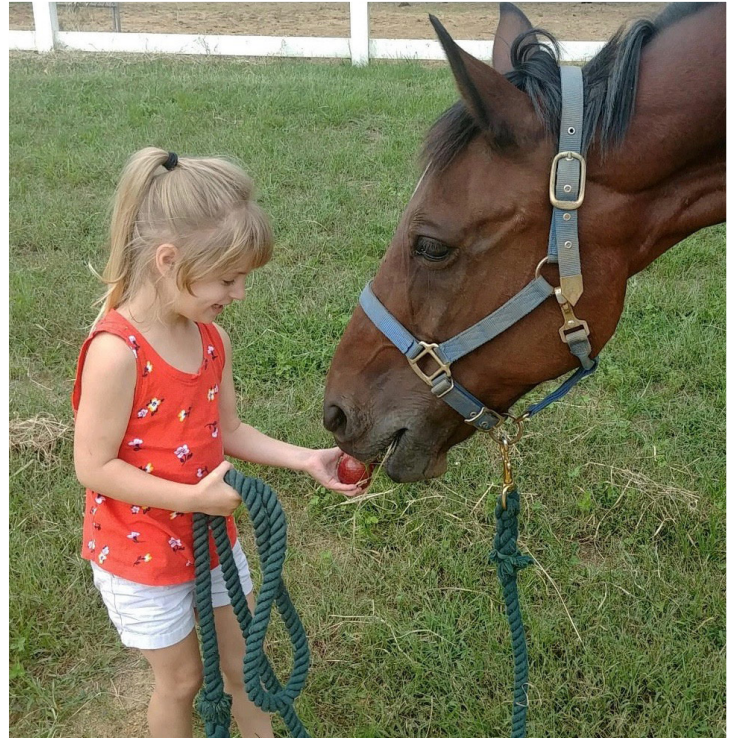


Wonderful Support!

Mid-Atlantic Equine Medical Center in Ringoes, NJ cares for many Standardbreds racehorses. This group knows how to give back just like McCauley's Feed/Alltech. Annually they host an event to benefit a charity while seeing off the year's Veterinary interns, and welcoming new ones. SRF was their choice in 2019 and what a fabulous event it was. Their staff ran it from A-Z, sought out the sponsors, gifts for the raffle and auction, and it raised awareness of the magnitude of SRF's work among those in the equine community.

Tina and George Dennis run the annual Ben Stafford Memorial Golf outing in Delaware to benefit SRF, and these two very special people have it all covered from sponsors to prizes! Tina and George tell us "No worries, no need to come, we have plenty of help, take care of the horses."

How grateful are we all at SRF, exceptionally! Events such as these two help SRF keep its staff directed to the actual mission, the needs of the horses. We are honored to have this support, thank you.



Heather Dyer adopted this big lovable guy, 15 year old Suepervision. Here is her daughter spoiling him. She wrote, "My Superman loving life. Thank you SRF for my beautiful friend I love him to the moon and back!"

Great New Ways to Make a Difference

Here are two new, simple and tax-deductible ways to join SRF in helping these majestic animals in need.

ROUND-UP- You can round up your purchase and donate your change, take a tax-deduction and feed a horse by using the app RoundUp. You can choose a limit and stop at any time. Once you sign up it securely links your credit card or cards with payment through Stripe-the same payment processor used by Amazon, Facebook, Lyft and others. The average yearly contribution equates to \$15-20 annually. Once signed on you never have to do another thing, it's all automatic. Use the Apple App Store, or Google Play to locate the App.

DONATE YOUR CAR, HORSE TRAILER, BOAT OR AV - Just like Kars for Kids, SRF is set up to receive your car, RV, trailer, and boat and offer you a tax-deduction, all you need to do is call us, then sit back and wait for your tax-deductible receipt.

Other ways to help include: • Amazon Smile • iGive • Employer Matches • eBay for Charities • Good Search (Search engine) • Details Jewelry • Red Top Fly Traps

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help SRF help a horse.*

SRF Elitlopp Trip Winner

Mr. and Mrs. Dively, race horse owners from Illinois were SRF's lucky winners of the raffle to win the Elitlopp/Ireland trip and wow can't explain the excitement. The Dively's chose to go to Ireland and have their son join them. So off to the castle and spa, the thousand miles of trails, a little golf, and more.

Thank you to Marc and Marcia Goldberg of the Arch Madness fame for their generous sponsorship of this important fundraiser.

SRF appreciates all the support of this annual fundraising raffle it is instrumental in getting these beautiful animals cared for, fed, and into loving homes.

SRF Online Auction - Unique "Stuff"

What was the most unique item in SRF's online auction? How about soil enrichment from the Hambletonian winners Atlanta, and Dosorduro Hanover! Both will be fertilizing someone's tomato plants very soon.

A few other items this year included the popular equine garden weather vane, "Struggle in the Stretch" by Robert L. Dickey, a Houghton sulky, and a Mariano Rivera autographed baseball and over 100 more items. Thank you to all who donated to the auction, and to all those who participated, your generous contributions and support have truly made a difference.



~ Please Be a Friend ~

With nearly 400 trotters and pacers under SRF's care and expense, it is alarming when we think of what it takes to provide for their needs: hay, grain, a piece of land to graze on, keeping their feet trimmed, their teeth in check, worming and medical care. Some will find homes, but well over 200 will likely remain with SRF for life, as they are unattractive to adopters due to age or injury. Please sponsor one who needs a friend. Any amount, as often as you wish, and for any horse or one that may reach out to you from the list below or on SRF's website, AdoptaHorse.org. Thank you so very much, our sponsors change the lives of these horses and are so very special. Here are a few:

Name - Age	Name - Age	Name - Age	Name - Age
Aliquippa 18	Harmony Nash 15	Not Arthur 13	Shark Claws 18
Apocalypse Hanover 15	Hummer Boy 16	Peace Rules 16	Sir Gawain 13
Big Run 23	Ikester Lavec 12	Premier Luck 15	Smokey Song 17
Cheryl's Dream 7	King Boogaloo 16	Rader Detector 13	Swingin Glory 25
Dex Appeal 24	Lainies Choice 19	Rathers Storm 25	The Lighter Side 16
Fedorov 26	Lantern's Law 18	Red Leader 31	The Spaniard 9
Final Armour 15	Legal In Nevada 9	Riklees Cash Deal 21	Trooper Bob 20
Good Feeling 16	Miss Bonnie Nicol 23	Royalton Star 15	Velvet Glove 17
Goodgolly Miss Holly 12	My Pal 12	Rubis Du Faubourg 20	Windy Notch Hammer 19
Grampa's Grounded 22	Mystical Deal 19	Royalton Star 15	Wynsum Princess 14

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Visit our website at www.AdoptaHorse.org to see ways to help.

How Beautiful!

SRF's partner volunteers from the Facebook page, *Save Our Standardbreds From Slaughter (SOSS)*, found Famous Mark in a kill pen in Kansas. He must have looked rough then, but here he is in a loving home in Texas. Thanks to SRF, SOSS, Nikol Sullivan, and his past owners - Kim & Jay Sears for stepping up for this now very handsome guy!

TREMENDOUS THANKS!

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Thanks to McCauley's Feed for their gift of grain at their cost for all the horses we are boarding at Walnridge Farm. And a thank you to Reynolds Hay and Straw for their gift of getting it all to us when needed.

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A True Delight~ The Gaming Queen!

Why is it so tough to find this immensely talented mare a home? Fifteen-year-old Cannae Delight is trained for barrel racing, pole bending, competition and can compete against the best. She was rescued from a kill lot six months ago. This mare supports our data and experience that Standardbreds are not well sought after for competition, just yet, and finding a home doesn't mean a horse will be safe. Cannae Delight obviously had a home somewhere, with someone. She has SRF hugging her now, she is safe, long term.

Someone please come check out this girl, she will knock your britches off!

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