

Northern Nevada Correctional Center Saddle-trained Wild Horses & Burro Adoption



Date: Friday/Saturday, August 18-19, 2017

Location: White Pine County Fairgrounds
78 North McGill Highway, Ely, NV

August 18-19: - BLM Exhibit & Information Booth
- Preview of offered Wild Horses & Burro
- Adoption Application Approvals

Adoption Pre-approval: Download a BLM adoption application from the web at <https://www.blm.gov/whb> and email it to: Ruth Thompson at rthomps@blm.gov or call (775) 289-1800

August 19: Immediately following the last horse race, in the Main Arena, there will be a Wild Horse and Burro Demonstration followed by the Competitive Bid Adoption.

Adopters must meet qualifications to bid and bids start at \$150



Clifford #1176



Age: 8
Sex: Gelding
Height: 15.1 hands
Weight: 1,100 pounds
HMA: Triple B
(NV0417)

Clifford is a stout sorrel gelding with an incredible work ethic. He's got a great foundation on the ground; easy to trim, loads in a trailer and has all the ground work basics down from gaits to side passes to maneuvering obstacles. He's even helped gather cows – he'll be a great addition to any ranch or just a great addition to a family's herd.

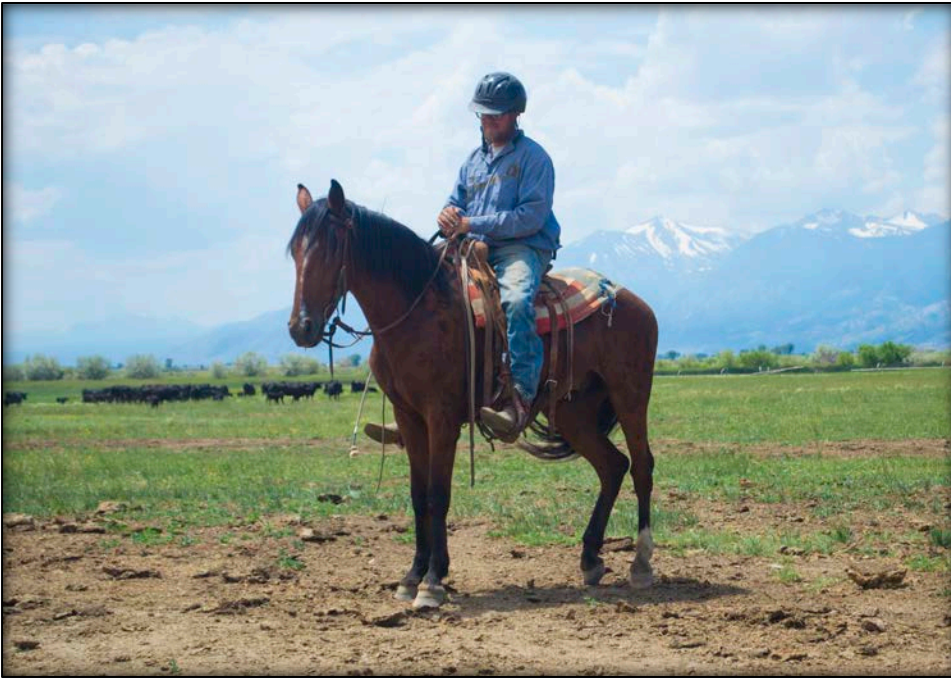
Bishop #6552



Age: 7
Sex: Gelding
Height: 15 hands
Weight: 1,025 pounds
HMA: Warm Springs
Canyon (NV0226)

Bishop is a handsome gelding with lots of chrome! He is a quick-stepping traveler and has a really smooth lope. He has all the basics down and although stout, he rides like a Cadillac. He would suit a confident, experienced rider, as he's ready for the ranch or the mountains!

Scooter #1348



Age: 3
Sex: Gelding
Height: 15.1 hands
Weight: 1,000 pounds
HMA: Humboldt (NV0224)

Scooter is a nice bay gelding with really good confirmation and a “can do” attitude! Although young, this colt has many hours working cattle, always keeping a level and cool head. He’s still got some learning to do but if you’re looking for a horse with a lot of “try”, this guy is for you – don’t miss this opportunity to get a well started machine.

Juanito #4679



Age: 3
Sex: Jack (Male)
Height: 12.2 hands
Weight: 450 pounds
HMA: Twin Peaks (CA0242)

This handsome jack burro easily leads, picks up all 4 feet and has been started on a cart. He has a great attitude and would make a fine companion for a horse or work well as a guard animal for sheep or other small animals. Be warned, once you see him, you’ll be hooked!

About the Northern Nevada Correctional Center program



"Scooter, "Clifford" and "Bishop" gathering cows

The Northern Nevada Correctional Center (NNCC) / Stewart Conservation Camp Saddle Horse and Burro Inmate Training Program began in October 2000 as a cooperative effort between the Nevada Department of Corrections – Silver State Industries and the Nevada Department of Agriculture to train Nevada estray horses. In 2004, the Bureau of Land Management (BLM) joined the partnership and by 2007 entered into an exclusive cooperative partnership with the Nevada Department of Corrections-Silver State Industries.

The NNCC is not only a training program where they utilize inmates to train wild horses to make available to the public for adoption but it also is a contract holding facility with a capacity of 1,500 animals. Because the facility is a correctional center, it is a closed facility yet does opens to the public during their adoption events held 3-4 times a year.

Through its training program, wild horses and burros are gentled and trained before being adopted. Nearly 300 inmates have been through the wild horse and burro gentling and saddle training program, often with little to no experience with horses. About 60-80 wild horses and burros are trained and adopted at the facility each year; each wild horse or burro receives approximately 120 days of training. The animals trained at the facility are considered "green-broke" and will need daily handling and continued training, by an experienced rider, when they arrive at their new home. Since the beginning of the BLM and NNCC partnership, over 1,100 horses have found new homes.

The program holds 3-4 adoptions each year and all wild horses and burros are offered through a competitive-bid adoption conducted by an auctioneer. There is plenty of time to preview the wild horses and burros and talk to their trainers before each adoption starts. Each wild horse or burro is only offered for adoption once during each event. This is an adoption, not a sale. The adopter must take proper care of the wild horse or burro for one year and at that time can apply for title. Once the title is issued the wild horse or burro will then belong to the adopter.

To be qualified to bid, each potential adopter must fill out an adoption application prior to bidding. You must complete all the required fields and bring it with you on the day of the adoption, or you can fill out the adoption application the morning of the event. Once your adoption application has been reviewed and approved by a BLM staff person, you will be issued a bidder card and be eligible to bid.

The next Northern Nevada Correctional Center Adoption is scheduled for October 14, 2017 in Carson City, NV

Adoption Requirements and Information

Adoption Requirements at a Glance

- Must be 18 years old. Parents or guardians may adopt and allow a younger family member to care for the animal.
- Have no prior conviction for inhumane treatment of animals or for violating the Wild Free-Roaming Horse and Burro Act.
- Have adequate feed, water and facilities (at least 400 square feet for each animal) to provide humane care for the number of animals requested.
- Provide a home for the animal in the United States until you receive Certificate of Title from the BLM.

What are the facility requirements?

- The minimum size corral is 20' x 20' which is also the recommended size until the adopted horse becomes easy to catch. Even though these horses are green broke, they may still startle easily and attempt to jump over the corral, therefore a corral height of a minimum of 5' is required and be made from heavy duty construction materials using poles, pipes, or planks with at least 1 ½ inch thickness, without dangerous protrusions. Barbed wire, large-mesh-woven, stranded, and electric materials are unacceptable for fencing.
- Some form of shelter must be available, within the corral area, to mitigate the effects of inclement weather and temperature extremes; examples of acceptable shelter may be of natural cover (tree, etc.) or man-made structure.

What are the BLM's trailer requirements for hauling my horse home?

- The BLM recommends stock type trailers; three horse slant load trailers are acceptable. Other types of trailers will be evaluated on a case-by-case basis. BLM requires trailers meet the following minimum requirements:
 - a. Covered top, sturdy walls and floors, and a smooth interior, free from any sharp protrusions.
 - b. Ample head room, adequate ventilation and floors covered with a non-skid material.
 - c. Removable partitions or compartments to separate animals by size and sex, if necessary.
- BLM personnel will inspect the safety of each trailer and reserve the right to refuse loading if the trailer is unacceptable.

Does BLM accept personal checks? What other types of payment are accepted?

- The BLM accepts personal checks, money orders, American Express, Discover, VISA, MasterCard, travelers' checks, and cash as payment for adoption fees.

Can I get a refund or exchange my adopted horse for another in the future?

- In spite of efforts to provide adopters with healthy animals, situations arise where unrecognized lameness or health problems surface following adoption. Upon request, an adopter may receive a credit for the amount of the original adoption toward the adoption fee for a replacement animal if the following conditions apply:
 - a. Within six months of the original adoption, the adopter provides a signed statement from a veterinarian that the animal died, had to be euthanized, or was diagnosed with an incurable illness or lameness attributable to a condition that already existed at the time of adoption.
 - b. The death, development of the illness, or lameness of the animal must not have been preventable by proper care from the adopter.
 - c. The request for replacement, with the substantiating veterinarian's statement, is received by the BLM no later than 30 days after the animal's death or diagnosis.
 - d. Adopters shall return live animals to the BLM; should the animal have been euthanized or succumbed, the adopter is responsible for the disposal of the carcass.