

Wild and Free

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SPECIAL POINTS OF INTEREST:

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- Wild Horse Days A Success
- New Sponsorship Program Announced
- CWHF Recognized as a Keeper of the Flame

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How Much Land is Left for Me?



*“How much land is left for me?
How much longer will I be free?
I have lived here for centuries
but have no voice – please speak
for me . . . My Spanish blood
runs deep and royal. Those gone
before, part of this soil. Their
spirits rise with each new moon,
and carry me on sea oat dunes. .
My will to live is strong as steel.
Storm winds have howled, I
persevered. Now houses cars and
crowds I fear, will take the land -
and I’ll disappear. . .”*

(“Speak for Me” Lyrics by Karen McCalpin Music by Sara Baron)
Until 1985, the paved road (RT 12) came to an end at what is now the Sanderling Resort in Duck. Only 4 wheel drive vehicles could access the next 25 miles to the North Carolina Virginia border. A guard gate ensured that only the few permanent residents or their guests went any further. At that time, the wild horses had a territory encompassing nearly 13,000 acres.

The road from Duck to Corolla was paved in 1985 and what was once a remote and rugged wild horse sanctuary with a handful of residents, exploded with new development. Almost impossible to see during the

dark Outer Banks’ nights, wild horses began to be hit by cars. In addition, more and more visitors began to try to get close to the horses to pet and feed them, making them even more

likely to stay by the road to be struck by passing vehicles. After much time, effort, and tears, the twenty or so wild horses left in Corolla were rounded up in 1997 and moved to the only remaining area left with no paved roads - the off road beaches north of Corolla.

The wild horses that once called the entire 175 miles of this barrier island their home, are now confined to an 11 mile stretch that amounts to about 7,544 acres of the north beach. Almost 70% of the land they roam is privately owned and therefore may be subject to development.

In the past, they shared their land only with other wildlife, birds, and a handful of humans. Now, there are a total of 3,150 platted lots and 660 approved structures, including one exceeding 20 bedrooms and bathrooms, as well as thousands of vehicles and people. Currently the north beach is 20.9% built out.

The Corolla Wild Horse Fund must plan for the future of the horses. Their fate is no longer their own. The best, and really the only solution is for land to be set aside in permanent conser-

vation easements. This not only benefits the wild horses but all the wildlife calling the 4X4 beach their home. In order for that to happen, land must be purchased or donated.

To that end, CWHF has created the “Freedom Fund.” Designated for the purchase of land acquisition and the associated costs of placing it in conservation easements, contributions to the Freedom Fund are tax deductible.

With the help of local realtor JP Peron, several tracts of land have been identified for sale that would constitute viable habitat for several harems of wild horses.

As a small nonprofit, we must come up with ways to either encourage owners to donate land (there are federal, estate, and state tax credit benefits to donation) as well as find ways to generate significant funds for the purchase of land. The Freedom Fund is a repository for such funds. If you would like to be a part of preserving the land roamed by the wild horses for centuries, please consider a generous donation to the Freedom Fund. If you are a land owner and would consider donation, or know someone who might be interested in helping us build this Fund, please contact Karen McCalpin at 252-453-8002.

“Save marsh and dune not just for me. So that your young watch mine run free. You must act now – can’t hesitate. Without my land, you’ve sealed my fate.”

Thank you to our Wild Horse Days Sponsors and Volunteers

NEEDS LIST

DONATED LAND IN THE NORTH BEACH

HAY

LUMBER

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LOUNGE LINE

LONG LINES

SURCINGLE

HARNESS

SNAFFLE BITS

HEAD STALLS

WESTERN SADDLE PADS

VISA CARDS FOR GAS

WESTERN SADDLE FOR A SMALL HORSE

BOSAL

The 8th Annual Wild Horse Days was another success thanks to our wonderful volunteers and sponsors. Advertising valued at over \$2,000 was donated by the North Beach Sun. Twiddy and Co. sponsored at the **\$1,000** level for the 8th year in a row and Scarborough Faire and Kitty Dunes Rentals were new **\$1,000** dollar sponsors for the “Dusty



and Rawhide Show.”

Other sponsors were: **\$500:** Bob’s Wild Horse Tours; Beach Jeeps; TowneBank of Currituck; Corolla Classic Vacations; Brindley Beach. **\$250:** Back

Country Outfitters; Distinctive Landscaping; Corolla Light Community Assoc; Moss & Associates; Resort Realty; Sun Realty; CBIC LLC; & Kimberlee Hoey.

Our silent auction is always one of the best around due to the outstanding generosity of area businesses. The auction generated over \$5,000!

Donations were received from: Harris Teeter and Food Lion; Mary Kolliner; Super Wings; Gold-N-Gifts; Birthday Suits; Corolla Bait & Tackle; Sheri Carle; Lynne Wilson; Holistic Pet Store; Trio; Carol Blachly; Bruce Lorenz; Hilton Garden Inn; Ramada Inn; Hampton Inn; RT 12 Steak & Seafood; The Grill Room; La Dolce Vita; Steamers; Metropolis; The Currituck Club; Pasquales Pizza; Kelly Hospitality Group; Giovanni’s; Sundogs; North Banks; Fred Goebel; Just for the Beach; Sound Feet Shoes; Farmer’s Daughter; Corolla Raceway; Kitty Hawk

Kites; Whalehead Club; Outer Banks Conservationists; B Decker; Duck Donuts; Ace Hardware; Cotton Gin; Corolla Book & Card; Corolla Wine, Cigar, & Gourmet; Alice’s Craft Gallery; TW’s Bait & Tackle; Roanoke Island Animal Clinic; Bacchus Wine & Cheese; Dolphin Watch Gallery; Mystic Jewel; Seaside Art Gallery; Designs by Holly; Island Bookstore; Country Charm; Crumbles; Nags Head Hammocks; Flying Smiles Kites; Village Fisherman; Lita Frankel; Eden Salon & Day Spa; Beach Nails; Grandy Market; Ghost Fleet Gallery; Greener Shade of You; Outer Banks Coffee; Lighthouse Garden; Old Corolla Trading Co; Outer Banks Cheese Steak; Currituck Co. Travel & Tourism; Just for the Beach; Michael’s Gems; Lovie’s; Constellation Wines U.S.; Wild Horse Safari; North Banks; Outer Banks Kettle Corn; Grammy B’s; Ocean Atlantic Rentals

Sponsor a Mustang for Christmas (or anytime!) This Year

Would you like to be an important part of helping to protect and conserve the wild horses of the Currituck Outer Banks? Give a gift with meaning? Involve your classroom or organization in a worthwhile project? CWHF is offering an exciting new program that benefits the wild horses and gives you the opportunity to be a “wild horse hero.”

There are two ways to participate: 1.) Sponsor a wild horse for \$45. You can choose your favorite wild stallion from the list and photos we provide.

2.) Sponsor a horses like Noel and Freedom who are awaiting adoption for \$50. Horses with life-threatening injuries or illnesses are captured and removed from the beach for treatment. Once exposed to domestic horses, they cannot return to the wild, as domestic horses carry diseases for which the wild horses have no immunity. It then becomes our responsibility to gentle them and find them a loving, forever home.

All Sponsors will receive a beautifully embossed presentation folder complete with a color photo of the horse, an official adoption certificate and information about his or her life. Sponsors will receive quarterly updates on the activities and location of their horse.

If you would like to be a wild horse hero, contact CWHF Program Coordinator, Abby Marble at: programs@corollawildhorses.com or call her at 252-453-8002.

With your help, we can continue to provide the best care possible for every horse in the wild or awaiting a new home. Watch for more information soon.



Members Joining or Renewing April through July

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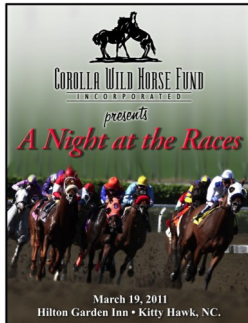
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