Corolla Wild Horse Fund

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WILD AND FREE

Summer 2021

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The Mission of the Corolla Wild Horse Fund is to protect, conserve, and responsibly manage the herd of wild Colonial Spanish Mustangs roaming freely on the northernmost Currituck Outer Banks, and to promote the continued preservation of this land as a permanent sanctuary for horses designated as the State Horse and defined as a cultural treasure by the state of North Carolina.

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Meet the 2021 Babies...so far



2021 has seen eight births. All mothers and foals are strong and healthy. We anticipate that there could be a few more foals before the end of the season.

To help them thrive, please give them the space they need to bond. They are all at a critical stage of their development and being too close can be detrimental to them as well as dangerous to you. You may be putting yourself at risk of being attacked by a protective stallion or mare. It is unlawful to be within 50 feet of a wild horse. It is also illegal to feed or attempt to lure them in any way. Each infraction carries up to a \$500 fine. Please admire from afar.



Three colts, four fillies, and Bee is keeping us in suspense!

Junior Is Doing Well!



Amadeo Jr. was recently removed from the wild in an emergency rescue situation. He had an obstruction in his throat and was in life-threating distress.

He is adjusting nicely to retirement at the CWHF recue farm on the mainland in Grandy.

Junior looks so much like his father! It's only fitting that he resides in Amadeo's pasture. When we see him across the field, we often do a double take. He truly is a chip off the block. As he is making friends with other there, we are gaining his trust more each day.

Through your support, Junior and the other 15 rescues on the farm have a home when the wild is no longer a viable option.

Sweet Support



These sweet faces set up a lemonade stand to benefit the mustangs. We had the pleasure of meeting them in person when they came to the rescue farm during Mustang Mornings to deliver their donation.

Stavi, Ari, Liam, and Eliana raised \$1,100! They touched our hearts deeply. Thank you for caring and supporting the horses and please come visit with us again soon! You are all so special!

By the Numbers: Summer 2021

47	The DNA project is advancing . 47 DNA samples from the wild herd have been collected and nearly all of the horses that are at our rehab facility have also contributed. This vital work is an ongoing project.
8	Foals born so far for the 2021 season: Bee, Billie, Betsy, Benjamin, Bridget, Bramble, Beatrice and Brio.
1	The Corolla Wild Horse Fund is one of only two non-profits in the country that manages a herd of wild horses. All other herds are managed by government agencies, or not at all.
24	New this summer: we have 24 exhibit panels in our museum and gift shop in the Corolla Historic Village.
21	The number of new permanent signs on the beach citing the local wild horse ordinances as well as contact information for the Currituck County Sheriff Department and CWHF.
36	The lifespan of a wild feral mustangs can vary greatly. Some, not necessarily Bankers, have been recorded as living up to 36 years in the wild.
55 to 33,500	Humans with good hearing perceive sound in the frequency range of 20 Hertz to as high as 20,000 Hertz, while the range of frequencies for horse hearing is reported as 55 to 33,500 Hertz with their best sensitivity between 1,000 and 16,000 Hertz.

Activities at the Rescue Farm



The rescue farm is where injured or ill mustangs come to decompress and heal. In addition to being a safe haven to previously wild mustangs, the Betsy Dowdy Equine Center is also a center for education and training.

This summer, CWHF offered a two sessions of training camps for children in tiered age divisions. At camp, the kids learn barn basics, proper handling and grooming, and Banker history. It's hands-on work, while supervised by the CWHF Trainer and Herd Manager, and the mustangs love the kids and attention!

Mustang Mornings is in Full Swing

The rescue farm is open to the public every Wednesday now through September 15th from 10 am to 2pm. There is a \$10 suggested donation at the gate.

Come meet the mustangs and Ray-



mond, too. Learn their history and hear their stories. Check our website or Facebook page before you head out just in case we need to cancel due to an emergency. We would love to meet more of our members and those interested in our cause in person. We can't thank you enough for your ongoing support. Without you, we couldn't continue our work as the Corolla Wild Horse Fund.