

American Standardbred Adoption Program

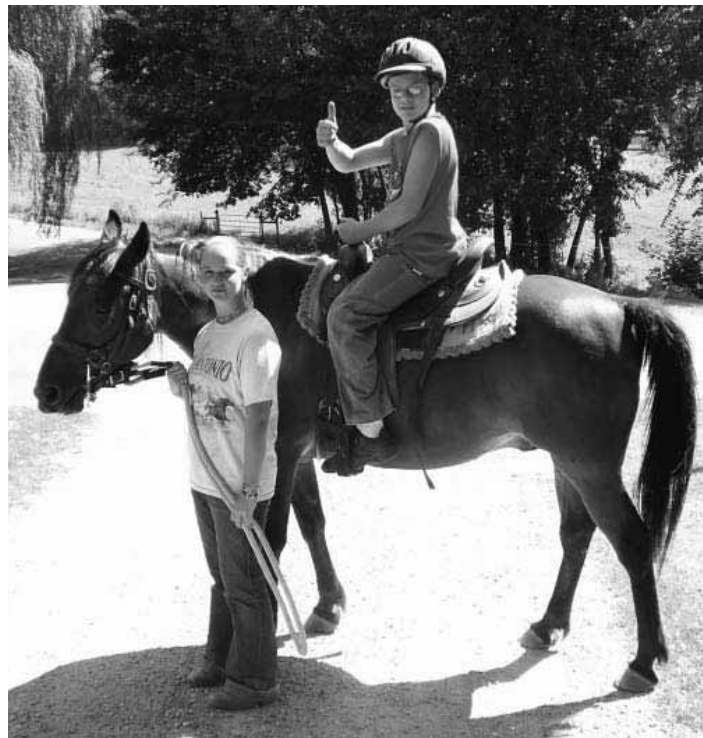
The **American Standardbred Adoption Program, Inc.** (ASAP) was established in 1994 and is a 501 c 3 non profit organization. ASAP, Inc. serves the harness racing industry across the Midwest by finding qualified adoptive homes for non-racing Standardbreds and other breeds once they are no longer racing. Owners receive a tax write-off for donating a horse to ASAP's organization. The average age of sound, healthy horses entering the program is three to five years. Standardbreds are retrained to saddle and used in 4-H, on trails, dressage and eventing, and any other form of riding or driving discipline you can think of! Standardbreds are truly a versatile breed and they are noted for their gentle temperaments.

Many Standardbreds are used for therapeutic riding programs, and the ASAP farm operates Impact Ranch, where children with physical, emotional, or cognitive challenges come to learn core values of empathy, responsibility, and selflessness while spending time with the horses.

Other breeds that ASAP, Inc. regularly accommodates as time and space allow include Thoroughbreds, Quarter horses, Warmbloods, and even ponies!

ASAP Inc. adopts horses nation wide, and is always looking for foster families and adoptive families.

Find out how you can be a part of this much-needed service to the racing industry. Go to www.4thehorses.com or call Susan at 608-689-2399 for more details.



ASAP - GARRETT & AMY - "Lakehills Texas," a retired pacer from Chicago, made over \$250,000 before coming to the ASAP farm. For over a decade Tex has been used in day camp program and also therapeutic riding programs, and is also a GREAT trail horse.

ASAP is hosting a John Lyons Clinic! Please see their ad on page 36 of this issue.

Madrid Friends of the Trail Work Day

LEFT: Workers recharge on pizza and soda after a big morning of trail cleanup.

Below: SOME of the trash that we picked up during the Madrid Friends of the Trail Work Day. Horseback riders, bicyclists, and folks that care about the environment all took part. We walked miles, got lots of fresh air, and picked up loads of garbage. I'm looking forward to admiring the results from horseback!

Jenny Mlocek

