

Bitless Story Contest

When we as humans set aside our expectations of performance and don the behavior of a compassionate herd leader, suddenly the horse steps into a trusting awareness where the invisible tether is able to intertwine between human and horse. Sure, we can train our horses to mimic our movements, perform particular behaviors through means of reward or discipline, but to BE together, truly intertwined in a communication that transcends words and cues is a moment of energetic beings sharing thought and emotion. – Missy Wryn • missywryn.com

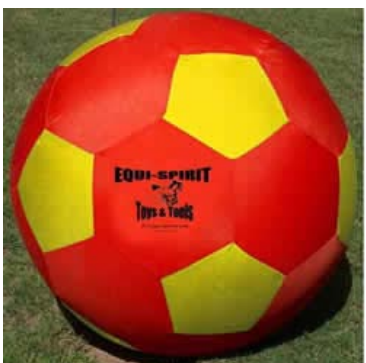
What's YOUR Bitless story? Have you gone bitless with your horse? What were the challenges, and what have you accomplished? We'd LOVE to hear! Send in your story for a chance to win **YOUR CHOICE*** of these great prizes:



Star Wheel Hackamore (includes 2 metal wheels, noseband and chinstrap) from The Horse's Hoof Store. Choose Brown Leather Fleece or Black Leather Neoprene. Value \$64.95. View here: http://thehorse-shoof.com/bitless_star.html



Missy Wryn All-In-One Bitless Bridle, standard size, black. Training halter AND bitless bridle including headstall, browband, 12 foot lead rope, attachable reins combo with 4 Missy Wryn training DVD's. Value \$189.95. View here: <https://www.missywryn.com> "It is a myth to believe you need a bit to control your horse!"



40" Equi-Spirit™ Ultimate Cordura Ball from Equi-Spirit Toys. Extra Heavy-Duty Ultimate ball features a durable PVC bladder and 1000 denier domestic Cordura cover. Value \$185.00. View here: <http://www.equi-spirit-toys.com>



LightRider Bitless Noseband, Leather. Value approx. \$55.00. Choose from any leather style here: <https://www.naturalhorse-worldstore.com/lightrider-bitless-noseband>

***Prizes:** **1st Place** will receive their choice of 2 prizes from above! **2nd Place** will receive their choice of the 2 remaining prizes, and **3rd place** receives the final prize. All 3 receive a 2-year subscription to *The Horse's Hoof Magazine*, and their story published in next issue!



Contest Instructions: Write up your own personal true bitless story. Suggested story length: between 600-2000 words, and include at least 2 photos. Story can be text or a doc file. Save photos as jpeg and email all to: editor@thehorsehoof.com - include your full name, contact info, and your horse's name. By entering this contest, you agree to give permission to *The Horse's Hoof* to publish your material. Thank you for supporting bitless horses!

Hurry, deadline for Contest submissions is August 31, 2018!

All winners will be announced in our next issue, Fall #72.