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"Since going through the Worm Aneurysm treatment I have noticed a number of wonderful changes in my horse Romeo. The first, very obvious change was his ability to lift the base of his neck and his back. I was absolutely amazed at how different he felt underneath me. I have noticed quite a big change in his appearance and his attitude as well. I worried about the protocol at first, but once it was explained to me I made the decision to go ahead and do it and I'm so glad I did. Once the deworming treatment was finished, he was re-checked and was clear of the worm problem which was a relief. Then he had his first osteopathic treatment. Since then, he feels 100% better – actually he feels so good that at times he's quite full of himself!! His movement is free and quite elevated for a quarter horse and he is so willing to move forward and try new things that I ask of him. I'm absolutely delighted with the changes and am convinced that most if not all the changes are due to the deworming protocol coupled with the osteopathic work. Thank you Dr. Laura!"

—Angie Payne, Calgary, Alberta

"We have followed the worm aneurysm protocol and treated over a dozen horses on our place, some of our own and several boarders. We started doing these in 2006 when Janek Vluggen (the osteopath) first came to our farm. Some cases did not look like 'worm' cases but were discovered after osteopathic exams by Janek or Dr. Laura. Others were horses that you knew something was off but did not know what. We have always followed a conventional worming program – every 3 months... rotating dewormers etc.

My understanding is that if a horse has a worm aneurysm any osteopathic or chiropractic treatment does not hold so horses should be checked and treated if necessary before any spinal adjustments are done. The results we have seen from the osteopathic treatments are unbelievable! Some horses are certainly more dramatic than others but there is always an improvement – physically and in some cases emotionally too. In several of the horses just treating them for the worm aneurysm made a huge difference.

One of them was my daughter's new horse. She was a nice horse but never just looked right almost to the point where you would say she looked homely – something was missing. Physically she was great, athletically good and emotionally ok– a little rushy. With just the deworming alone the horse was transformed! Now I know this sounds funny but you would hardly recognize her as the same horse. She no longer looked homely, she was far more relaxed and although she was athletic before, her performance improved even more! We were so excited. After her osteopathic treatment and an equine dentist she is even better....."

"Since our horses have been treated with the worm aneurysm protocol by Dr. Laura Taylor, the outcome has been beyond my expectations. Both horses experienced extreme stiffness to the right with limited mobility. My 5 year old horse had a pot-belly and poor coat and was having trouble gaining weight. He felt like I was riding a plywood board with limited flexibility to the right.

The treatment they both received has had a large impact on them. My horse's potbelly has disappeared, his coat is shiny, he has put on weight. He is soft and supple to the right and moves with ease. It is like riding a new horse. My daughter's horse does lead changes more easily and has stopped bucking. She cannot believe she is riding the same horse.

I highly recommend the treatment for your horses...you will not believe the results. Thank you Dr. Taylor for giving us new horses."

## -Karen Gramzow, Calgary, Alberta

"Ok...we have just completed the deworming protocol.....and... gotta say...Max has shown a HUGE improvement in terms of his energy level and his disposition. Now he is back to his old shenanigans which is great!! Forward movement of that hind leg has improved significantly as you noted with your release of the gelding scar he had. Thank you and you can add me to your list of 'believers'!"

## —Julie Canning, Golden, B.C.

"I just wanted to send you a quick email about the wonderful changes I have seen in my horse since you worked on him at the end of May. His name is "Jake" and he is a 6 year old 14.2 chestnut quarter horse cross. I have had him for three years now and was seriously considering selling him before you osteopathed him! My issue with Jake was that he was so spooky I could barely handle him and he wasn't fun to ride anymore. Who likes riding an unpredictable, nervous spook who will throw in a buck when you ask for the canter. You worked on him and discovered the common "gelding scar" scenario which you quickly corrected. I have to say that even before you physically worked on him his attitude had changed and he was more relaxed and less spooky which you had said was probably due to the deworming protocol we had done the month prior to you working on him. It's been four months now and he is wonderful!!! I love riding him and can do anything with him. We jump, trail ride, haul in for lessons and he just goes with the flow. Last year I couldn't hack him in our arena at home without a buddy for him (even with a buddy he wouldn't go down to the far end). He acts like a well seasoned lesson horse now and I LOVE it!!! Thank you for your help with Jake, I am sure I will have many many years of enjoyment with him. I will see you in a few months for his check-up! "

-Leslie Rye & "Jake", Stony Plain, Alberta

"good news from Germany... The horse that I treated with your deworming protocol is doing very well.

After the completed protocol, I added another treatment of acupuncture and osteopathy, and now the horse is sound and moving very well, and what is very special: he is able now to work with a western saddle. During the last years the owner always had to use a short english saddle, even if she would have preferred a western saddle, because the horse was immediately lame after using even a perfectly fitted western saddle.

Also when she is grooming the horse, he is not showing any pain in the back anymore, which the horse did during all the years, even if there were treatments with acupuncture or osteopathy.

Please keep me informed about your work with this subject..... I would be very happy to hear about it!!"

—Susanne Koch, (German veterinarian)

"My daughter has been free jumping her horse, Montego – he is jumping like a deer – before your treatment he would avoid jumping at all costs. Wow!! Thank you. (this horse's main issue was the worm aneurysm/verminous arteritis)

—Judy Becker, Calgary, Alberta

"I can't say enough about the changes in my horse Katie. Before the worm aneurysm treatment she was sluggish, apathetic, listless, she did not have an interest in her surroundings. After the deworming she has a beautiful shiny coat, her pot-belly went away and she has lots more energy.

She has a bright attitude, is perky and just enjoys being ridden much more. She loves to go on trails again. The deworming changed everything..... Katie is back to being the horse I had years ago! Thank you for giving me my horse back!

—Linda Webster, Calgary, Alberta

"I just wanted to let you know the difference I have seen in my 4 year old Quarter Horse gelding since completing the specialized deworming program. From the time I started my horse, at two, he has always had issues with his right lead...on the lunge line and under saddle. While very flexible to the left, his right bend has also always been a struggle. Since completing the protocol he is picking up his right lead effortlessly, his trot is more fluid, he bends equally well both ways, and he is able to hold himself in a slow western pleasure lope. He can also now hold a counter-canter on the right lead where before he would pop out after a couple of strides. We have not even done an osteopathic treatment yet; this is just from the deworming. I am truly amazed by the changes. Thank you!"

—Lisa Wieben and Itsa Rio Snazzy Zip (Reno),Didsbury, Alberta

## **A Humorous Testimonial**

"I am writing to you this morning to request a refund of the fees I paid you for the osteopathic procedures you performed on my horse earlier this year. I'm not sure what your expectations of these procedures were, but I know mine were not met.

I have, well had, a wonderful 6 year old off-the-track thoroughbred mare who was VERY calm, quiet and easy to handle. I got her directly from the track and picked her because she stood still calmly waiting as we checked her out, and never once pulled on her lead. She was very "un-thoroughbred" and everyone joked that it was obvious why she was "off-the-track". At home she fit right in and would trot around the pastures. Once I started working her, I had to wear spurs and sometimes use a dressage whip to keep her moving forward.

I decided to have you treat her because she was very stiff laterally and would not use her back. We had worked on getting her more supple and on toning the muscles required but had hit a road block so decided we would give this osteo stuff a try. It became apparent right after the deworming protocol that your treatments would have an incredible affect on my mare.

As we proceeded through the deworming protocol I saw a changes in my mare's behaviour. I would see her out in the pasture galloping and bucking twisting her body as she went, something I rarely saw before, and everyday she got harder to catch as we would have to play a game of "tag" before she would stop and stand to be haltered. Then you performed your osteopathic procedure on her....

She received extensive work on most of her body including returning her ovaries and bladder to their proper positions. After her three days of rest we put her back to work. After playing an unusually long game of tag I caught and saddled her

then got on. I thought I had gotten on the wrong horse!! Her back was up, she was energetic and bouncy, and I was easily able to get her collected and she was able to hold the collection!! We had never been able to do this before the treatment. I had been able to get her together but she could only keep it for a few strides now we were keeping it 2 and 3 times around the arena! My calm quiet un-thoroughbred had actually been all along an energetic free moving beauty who was in incredible pain. Now her back is so free we bend laterally and I no longer feel like I'm riding a railroad tie.

The reason I'm requesting a refund is that I'm not ready for this super horse!! I could easily ride the flat- in-pain-un-thoroughbred. This new energetic free moving super horse is almost too much horse for me!

Keep up the great work and I hope many more people have the same problems I now have!"

—Catherine D. Stony Plain, Alberta