



Empire Farm Days: August 7-9, 2018
Rodman Lott & Son Farms, Seneca Falls, NY
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This 9-year-old chestnut mare, Hillbilly Hula Girl, was adopted out through the Fingers Lakes Thoroughbred Adoption Program. The Program will be a featured presenter at Empire Farm Days in August 2018. Watch www.empirefarmdays.com for details.

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Retired, Rescued, Retrained Horses to Headline at 2018 Empire Farm Days Equine Center

Seneca Falls, NY. Empire Farm Days has announced two of its three Equine Center Round Pen presenters for the August 7-9, 2018 event at Rodman Lott and Son Farms in Seneca Falls, NY. Wild American Mustangs in need of a second chance and Thoroughbreds ready for a second career after racing will each have a featured day at the show. The demonstrations are held twice daily, at 11 am and 2 pm, with live horses. A third day of Equine Center programming for the 2018 show is in development. Days and details will be posted at www.empirefarmdays.com.

Presenters for one of the 2018 Empire Farm Days Equine Center Round Pen Programs will answer the question is there life after horse racing? For horses accepted by the Finger Lakes Thoroughbred Adoption Program, there is. More than 400 horses have been retrained for life off the track by the Program that is the only Thoroughbred adoption program based at a racetrack in the US.

The Finger Lakes Thoroughbred Adoption Program opened its 16-stall barn center in November 2006 at the Finger Lake Gaming and Race Track in Farmington, NY. The facility includes a turnout area and riding arena where the horses are retrained for a diversity of equine endeavors, including trail riding, jumping, and showing.

Can a wild horse be tamed? Yes, and Jack and Emma Minter of Rose Hill Ranch in Naples, NY, will be at the 2018 Empire Farm Days Equine Center to show just how well the horses once wild in the American West can be trained. The Minters have taken the

animals rounded up on federal lands and trained them in just 100 days to successfully compete at such events at Mustang Magic and Extreme Mustang Makeover.

The Minteers use natural horsemanship techniques to help these wild horses adjust to new life with human companions. Emma and her Mustang Ginger Snap won the 2017 Extreme Mustang Makeover Challenge competition in Massachusetts. Jack, a 30-plus-year bull rider, also competes in Reined Cow Horse events.

The live horse Round Pen demonstrations take place daily at 11 am and 2 pm at the event that is the largest outdoor agricultural trade show in the northeastern U.S. with farming equipment, products, and demonstrations that attract more than 60,000 visitors annually to the three-day event. Find details at www.empirefarmdays.com.

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