

# UNSUNG HEROES

## *Of The Industry*

# BAXTER



### HOW DID BAXTER BECOME A PART OF YOUR LESSON PROGRAM?

Bred by Charles Goodman, Baxter became available after being shown lightly as a 3-year-old. His barn name was 'Hellion' when we went to try him, from his habit of opening gates and letting all his young friends out of their pastures.

### DESCRIBE A TYPICAL WEEK IN THE LIFE OF BAXTER:

Every day is a good day to be Baxter. Baxter occupies a corner office with 2 windows, and greets everyone who comes into the barn. He's the welcoming committee for every tour of Knollwood and greets each prospective new rider at his stall door with his expensive eyes and ears.

Baxter gives around 12 lessons a week, and is among the most useful of our lesson string. He can tone down his enthusiasm to build confidence in riders new to high headed horses, or beat everyone down the rail when his rider is ready for the wind in their hair. Baxter is the best.

### WHAT ARE HIS GREATEST ATTRIBUTES FOR BEING AN UNSUNG HERO IN YOUR PROGRAM?

Baxter builds confidence. Precise in his patterns, happy in everything he does (except having his ears trimmed), Baxter makes riders know they can do great things. He is the backbone of our academy show string. He LOVES to go to shows, and always enters the ring like the champion he was bred to be. He has taught our last two Triple Crown winners, Nick Maupin, and Haley Berget, the ways of the show ring and has brought joy and knowledge to countless other riders. Many riders have enjoyed their first trip down the rail with Baxter, ears up, tail flying, and beating everyone else down the rail.

### ANY OTHER COMMENTS?

The ultimate American Saddlebred ambassador, we can't imagine Baxter being happy doing anything else. He loves his kids!

**HOME BARN**  
Knollwood Farm LTD  
**TRAINER/  
INSTRUCTOR**  
Team Knollwood  
**REGISTERED NAME**  
A Champagne Toast

**BREEDING**  
CH Heir To  
Champagne x CH  
Lady Luck  
**AGE**  
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