UNSUNG HEROES Of The Industry

CAPTAIN



HOME BARN

Hanrahan Stables, LLC

TRAINERS

Jimmy and Brandi Bushard

REGISTERED NAME

Callaway's Captain Bacardi

BREEDING

Callaway's The Gipper x Callaway's Wild Irish Rose

AGE

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HOW DID CAPTAIN BECOME A PART OF YOUR LESSON PROGRAM?

BRANDI: We bought him as a two-year-old prospect at Tattersalls. Tim Starck told us at the time that he would turn out to be a great lesson horse and we thought he was crazy but as it turned out he was absolutely right. When Captain was four, we leased him to one of our 4-H kids and that turned out to be a great experience. He's been in our lesson program ever since.

DESCRIBE A TYPICAL WEEK IN THE LIFE OF CAPTAIN:

He does lessons four days a week and I can use him for a beginner rider all the way to an advanced rider. My four-year-old son Will can show him in lead line and he also challenges my advanced riders.

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

I'm pretty sure he is the definition of "perfect." He can do it all. He just always knows what his rider is capable of and what they want and need him to do. He can be a show horse or a lesson horse depending on who is sitting on him.

ANY OTHER COMMENTS?

He and I have done the Western Pleasure demonstrations at the Midwest Horse Fair, he's worn every type of tack at a horse show; saddle seat, hunt seat, and western. He showed in a grooms class, a model class and single bit walk and trot pleasure classes last year. He is a true ambassador of the breed.