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**FOALED:** August 6<sup>th</sup>, 2005  
**COLOR:** Red Roan Pinto  
**MARKINGS:** Tobiano; Star, Strip, Snip, Left Nostril  
**BREED:** Gypsy Vanner/Appendix  
**SEX:** Gelding



<b>REGISTRATION:</b> N/A	<b>TATTOO:</b> N/A
<b>BRAND:</b> N/A	<b>MICROCHIP ID:</b> OA01317513
<b>OWNER:</b> Ruby Ranch Horse Rescue 501(c)3	<b>STATUS:</b> Training and Foster at Deseos Arabians

Training Report for RRHR Brody:

Trainer	Ridden By	Date	Description
Lori Torrini	Lori Torrini	5-Sept-2011 <b>Ride 23</b> <b>1<sup>st</sup> Trail Ride</b>	  <p>Brody and Copper were loaded in the trailer to head to my riding lesson with Simone when we got a flat tire before we made it off our road. We unloaded the horses, changed the flat, borrowed a spare off the flatbed, loaded the horses again, and ended up going on a trail ride at Homestead in Peyton. Brody was outstanding! No problems loading or unloading, stood well tied to the trailer, did great on his 1st trail ride away from the ranch, moved out at the walk nicely and was relaxed. I was able to ride on the buckle for most of the ride. His biggest problem is not wanting to stop and stand still or turn around and go back the way we came. He definitely likes to keep moving forward. He is brave and level headed. He likes to be out front and does not care if there is another horse with him or not. He is happy to go out alone and when there is another horse with him he ignores them anyway. I rode in Brody's normal dressage saddle but wish I had taken a jumping saddle or all-purpose saddle because I found it a bit challenging to go up steep hills in he dressage saddle. It should be noted that before mounting up I stuck to Brody's normal routine of 5-7 minutes of in-hand work and lunging first.</p> 
Lori Torrini	n/a	2-Sept-2011	<p>Brody has learned (from Bey?) how to use his mouth to get the chain off of his gate and open his pen. Not only did he break himself out early this morning but he broke out his friend Oliver too. They were roaming around the yard and house, eating hay out of the back of the truck, and apparently had fun scattering tack items around that I had already laid out for tomorrow's tack sale.</p>   
Lori Torrini	Lori Torrini	1-Sept-2011 <b>Ride 22</b>	<p>Late this evening, about 30 minutes before dark, Brody and I rode down the road, across the Hahn's field and over to Rick and Gail's house where Jim was filling buckets</p>

		<b>4<sup>th</sup> Hack</b>	and the camper up with water. Brody really moved out but stayed at a walk and was excited but behaving.
Lori Torrini	n/a	31-Aug-2011	Got home this evening and Bey had taken the chain off and pushed opened Brody's paddock gate letting him out, they were hanging out together in the pasture around the house having a fun time. I forgot Bey knows how to open gates!
Lori Torrini	Lori Torrini	28-Aug-2011 <b>Ride 21 3<sup>rd</sup> Hack</b>	For one of the many riding lessons I taught today, I saddled Brody and escorted the student, Jenna Ryan (and horse Sueño), off property for a ride down the road and back. Brody was excellent, no problems. He remained at a walk and completed circles when asked. He did slow down a bit when we turned to come home but was very enthusiastic riding out. Sueño acted up but Brody ignored this and maintained a nice steady pace and good attitude.
Lori Torrini	n/a	27-Aug-2011	Brody was brought into the barn after breakfast and tied for a full grooming. He was filthy after being out yesterday in a rainstorm during which he lost his fly mask. Brody was excellent about everything: currying (he is really shedding!), brushing, mane & tail combing, face, hooves, fly spray, and swat. Brody was dewormed with Pyrantel Pamoate Paste, no problems. After he was turned out Jim and I walked Brody's entire pasture perimeter searching for his fly mask, Brody followed us the whole way! We found his mask and Brody stood nicely while I put it on him, then he followed me in from pasture to his paddock and stayed there while we cleaned and filled the water tank, he drank and didn't go back out to pasture until we came inside the house. This evening, after a late rainstorm, he is filthy again but had his fly mask still on.
Lori Torrini	n/a	24-Aug-2011	Brody was let out to pasture this morning by a helper before getting his fly repellant on. Brody saw me and came up to the gate so I opened it and he followed me out as if wearing an invisible halter and lead. He came with me to my car where I had some SWAT that I just bought and stood there while I put it on his abdomen where the flies were already biting him. He then followed me back to the pasture, along the way we practiced leading exercises (walk, halt, and backing up) which he did without flaw even though he actually didn't have a halter and lead on. I walked him back to turnout and he joined his herd.
Lori Torrini	n/a	23-Aug-2011	 <p><b>EQUIPMENT UPDATE:</b> Brody wears either a flat nylon halter or soft rope halter when being led and tied for grooming. For lunging a rope halter is used. For riding Brody wears a very soft leather Harwich Event bridle with the flash removed, narrow noseband which is kept loose, 6" Pelham bit with curved mullen barrel, and flat smooth leather reins. The bridle is light brown in color. His saddle is a brown Bates Isabell Dressage Saddle, seat size 17 1/2 inch with CAIR panels, and currently installed with a red (wide) gullet. His girth is a brown Thorowgood Airoform dressage girth size 26". Under the saddle he uses a black Stefan Peters dressage pad. During schooling I carry a long (46") dressage whip that I only have to use on occasion to back up a leg cue or</p> <p>encourage more forward. During hacking out I do not carry a whip at all with Brody as he easily moves forward with courage, boldness, and curiosity.</p> <p><b>CONDITION UPDATE:</b> Brody was slightly under weight when he arrived (only by about 50 pounds), lacked muscle, especially in the hindquarters and had low endurance/lack of stamina. At that time Brody was weak and would get winded being led in from the back pasture and could not run up and down the steep pasture hills. We limited him initially to 20 minute rides, mostly walking, every other day or every third day. The below routine of feed and turnout has strengthened him</p> 

and Brody is now at full weight, strong and energetic. He runs the hills in turnout and is powerful when ridden under saddle. It seems we feed him a lot but he is at a good weight and not getting too heavy, his ribs can be easily felt but not seen and his hip bones are less prominent. His riding routine has been increased to daily if time permits or every other day and longer rides. Brody can easily work for 1 hour with frequent breaks schooling in the arena and can hack out for up to 3 hours without fatigue.

**DAILY ROUTINE UPDATE:** Brody is easy to manage and laid back in general. Brody gets along with and gets turnout with Brisa's herd (Brisa, Illyria, Juliet, Oliver, and sometimes Danny). He tends to hang out more with the geldings than the mares but gets along with all. At night Brody has been staying in a pen adjacent to Oliver where he eats his dinner and breakfast and then after breakfast he and Oliver get turned out with Brisa's herd. In bad weather Brody can remain in the paddock with Brisa and her group and they allow him in the loafing shelter with them, so he has options for where he sleeps at night. Brody gets groomed and his hooves picked out twice daily, once in the morning when he also gets fly sprayed and has Swat applied to his abdomen where he gets bitten by flies, and once in the evening. Brody stand great tied and is patient; he does not paw or move around when left there for several minutes at a time. It should be noted that Brody gets along in general, very well with other horses, especially geldings. He has been turned out with Apache and Pfaser a few times with no problems. He is nice to new horses coming and going. Despite this, he is not herd bound, will ride out alone, and engages well with people. If he sees me he will leave his herd to walk up to me and remains focused on me the whole time I am with him whether grooming, leading or riding.






**FEED SCHEDULE:** Brody is fed 2 - 3 times a day. Brody eats slowly and we normally feed him by himself in his pen or tied in the barn so that he has time to finish his meal. He gets a large quantity of food compared to some horses here but takes his time eating it, munching it slowly over a couple of hours - even his grain. In the morning he gets Nutrena Safe Choice or Manna Safe Performance grain (5 quarts dry) mixed with soaked Beet Pulp pellets (15 pints/30 cups of wet mush) and his supplements (U-Gard Powder, CW or Strongid C2X Daily Wormer pellets, BL Pellets, and Smart Omega). Brody also gets 2-3 flakes of grass hay. Late afternoon if Brody has wondered to his paddock from turnout he gets a snack of grass hay. At night he gets Nutrena Safe Choice or Manna Safe Performance grain (5 quarts dry) mixed with soaked Beet Pulp pellets (15 pints or about 30 cups of wet mush) and his supplements (U-Gard and Flex-Max) and 2-3 flakes of grass hay. Brody also gets a Majesty Wafer every night before bed. Brody is a good drinker and visits the trough for fresh water several times a day. When in his pen he has a habit of playing in his water and with the bucket. He grabs it with his mouth and flips it over and sometimes knocks it over with is hoof or sticks his hoof and leg in the water, currently the water bucket in his pen is tied to a panel.





Brody was brought in from pasture, tied, groomed, tacked up, lunged briefly and walked in-hand. It should be noted that for the first time these warm up activities were done outside of the arena. I lunged Brody in the open space in front of the temporary pens for horses in training; hand walked and trotted him around this same area and the barn, and then mounted him in front of his pen using the wooden platform that belongs under the camper steps. Brody and I hacked out down the road

Lori Torrini	Lori Torrini	21-Aug-2011 <b>Ride 20 2<sup>nd</sup> Hack</b>
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			and back, he spooked at some big rocks in the ditch on our way back but settled down quickly. During our first hack out Brody spooked at these same rocks when heading out and seeing them out of his left eye, during that ride we did not come home the same route. Today Brody did NOT spook at the rocks going, only coming back when he saw them out of his right eye for the first time. We circled back and walked by then again after the spook and he was fine. Nice time, I kept him to a relaxed walk, encouraging his head down and neck stretched out and he listened well. When we got back home I dismounted to open the gate and once through mounted for the first time from the ground without using a platform, mounting block or elevated piece of land. No problems, Brody stood just fine.
Anna Blake	Lori Torrini	20-Aug-2011 <b>Ride 19</b>	Private riding lesson at Deseos Arabians. We worked on lengthening and shortening stride at the walk and trot, circles, teardrops, and spirals. Work was on a long rein as much as possible teaching Brody to lengthen and shorten in response to leg and seat cues. Brody did great! Great lesson.
Lori Torrini	n/a	18-Aug-2011	Same as yesterday: Brody was brought into the barn after breakfast and tied for grooming and hoof cleaning. He was excellent for both and was then fly sprayed and had SWAT applied to his stomach where he cannot reach to keep flies off of him. He was a good boy! When finished he was led to turnout.
Lori Torrini	n/a	17-Aug-2011	Brody was brought into the barn after breakfast and tied for grooming and hoof cleaning. He was excellent for both and was then fly sprayed and had SWAT applied to his stomach where he cannot reach to keep flies off of him. He was a good boy! When finished he was led to turnout.
Lori Torrini	n/a	16-Aug-2011	Brody was haltered and brought into the barn tonight to eat due to a heavy rain storm. Brody was safely tied and his grain and hay placed in a feeder on the ground. Brody was calm and ate normally. He was not bothered by the activity of chores and feeding around him which included other horses, music playing, water hose in use, grain bags, carts, truck backing up to barn, and trash being gathered and taken out. Brody also received a complete grooming to include complete combing out of his mane and tail. He was great! Brody is now picking up his feet on cue for hoof cleaning. When finished eating and grooming Brody was led back to turnout and had no problems walking through water puddles on the way.
Lori Torrini	Lori Torrini	15-Aug-2011 <b>Ride 18</b>	<p>Brody was groomed and tacked up after breakfast and before being turned out. He was ridden in the arena at the walk and trot performing circles, serpentines, weaving through cones, practicing changes of direction, halts, and was introduced to the aids for the canter. He cantered right off going to the right and was able to maintain the canter for a partial lap around the arena and during one large circle. Going to the left Brody did not pick up his canter right away and once he did, maintained it for only a few strides, about the length of one side of the arena. He was calm cantering and did not offer to buck at all. His trot today was energetic and fast, he seemed to rush at times but settled into a nice rhythm once we started circles. I did have to stay 100% focused with my mind and aids to maintain control of him and help him maintain his rhythm. He does have a mind of his own and he is getting quick and strong. He shows a predisposition for jumping; he always tries to head toward the caveletti and does not hesitate to jump them when allowed. After our work I rode Brody to the end of the driveway to close the driveway gate that a student had earlier left open. I dismounted to close the gate, Brody stood excellent for me to mount up again and we rode back to the barn where I dismounted and Brody was groomed, fly sprayed, and turned out to pasture.</p> 

Lori Torrini	Lori Torrini	13-Aug-2011 <b>Ride 17 First Hack</b>	<p>Brody was brought in from turnout, tied, groomed, had hooves picked out, fly sprayed, and tacked up for riding. Brody is ridden in a 17.5" Bates Isabell saddle (brown), a 26" Thorowgood dressage girth (brown), and a Harwich Event Bridle with the flash noseband removed (brown) and 6" Pelham bit with mullen barrel. Brody was warmed up in the arena in-hand and under saddle at the walk and trot. Warm up included lunging, leading, obstacles, circles, serpentines, and halts. After a warm up Brody was ridden out on is first hack. We went down Hahn Rd to the field adjacent to our property where Brody walked and trotted in open fields, up and down ravines, over ditches, and through some trees. We encountered a dump truck and tractor doing road work on our way back, this did not bother him. He spooked at the large rocks and culverts in the ditch northeast of our property but stuck it out and did not spook at these same things on the way back. Brody was energetic. He felt powerful and strong. He was bold and behaved like a leader. He went his own way with no thought of where the other horse (Copper, ridden by Jim) was. Several times Brody broke into a fast trot on his own and felt as though he would gallop off if allowed to. I resisted the typical human reaction of grabbing and pulling at the reins to slow him down and instead let him trot out a little and then had him do some large circles and transitions, riding him with the same focus and in the same manner as in the arena. Although he was a handful this worked to keep his attention on me and he was obedient. Brody showed a willingness to trust me as the rider even when nervous and uncertain, he responded to the same cues and evercises we use in the arena, and had a natural tendency to want to gallop and jump over things boldy. He wanted to not only run up hills but also down them and I did my best to keep him at a walk using seat and leg cues with minimal use of reins. I dismounted twice to open and close gates and Brody stood perfectly for me to mount up again. Once back home I rode him back into the arena to and gave him the opportunity to gallop if he wanted but he just gave a very extended trot and we called it a day. He was good for untacking and grooming, and then was turned back out.</p> 
Lori Torrini	Lori Torrini	12-Aug-2011 <b>Ride 16</b>	 <p>Brody was brought in from pasture and tied for grooming and tacking up. He was worked in the riding arena in-hand and then under saddle at the walk and trot. He was great! He gets better every ride. He completed several nice laps around the arena at walk and trot and halted very well on cue. He completed circles and turns at the walk and trot, negotiated the logs, and bridge. No problems. He stood well for mounting and dismounting. At the end of our ride I was able to open the arena gate while riding Brody and walk him down the driveway and back up to the house, then barn where I dismounted, tied and groomed him. He was steady and calm; this is Brody's first time ridden out of the arena! Hannah was riding Josie, and Cassie was at liberty messing around which did not bother Brody at all, he kept a steady even walk going the whole time. While tied after grooming and waiting to be led to turn out his lead rope became caught on a gate hinge and got stuck, Brody pulled back and broke his halter and the lead rope, and he is ok and did not seem shaken up. He stood nicely again after this and was later led out to turnout.</p>
Lori Torrini	n/a	11-Aug-2011	<p>Brody was haltered and led into the barn where he was tied by himself and groomed, fly sprayed, had SWAT applied to his belly, hooves cleaned. He was excellent and when finished was led to turnout. No problems. He stood excellent for fly spraying all over, didn't move at all.</p>

Lori Torrini	Lori Torrini	9-Aug-2011 <b>Ride 15</b>	<p>Brody was brought in from turnout and tied for grooming and tacking up. Brody is concerned about saddling. He raises his head in the air with wide eyes and moves away as though expecting the saddle to be slammed down onto his back which he has NEVER experienced here. It is possible he has had a negative experience with this when someone attempted to start him elsewhere. Once the saddle is gently and slowly placed on his back he relaxes and licks/chews. He is fairly good about bridling but does raise his head a little at first, then lowers it and accepts the bit quietly. Brody was walked and trotted in-hand for a minute or so and lunged about 2 laps both directions prior to being mounted. He also negotiated logs and the bridge in-hand. He stood perfect for mounting and did not walk off until asked to. He did beautifully this evening under saddle completing several laps around the arena at the walk and trot, and completing both 20 meter and 15 meter circles both directions at the walk, then 20 meter circles at that trot. His halts were solid and he was good for dismounting. Brody was good for untacking, we are still giving him a treat as he is unbridled to encourage him to keep his head down and down fling it up in the air, he was great this evening. Nice boy!</p> 
Lori Torrini	Lori Torrini	5-Aug-2011 <b>Ride 14</b>	<p>Led in from paddock, tied, groomed, and tacked up. This evening I lunged Brody about 3 times around each direction at walk and trot with his saddle on and then went back and bridled him. Once in the arena I worked at the walk and at the trot in-hand before mounting. We negotiated the logs and bridge and worked on leading exercises: walk, trot, walk, halt, and back up. Brody did great. He stood well for mounting and waited for me to signal him before he walked forward. There was no bucking or kicking out behind this evening, Brody moved out well from the beginning and seemed willing. We worked on circles at the walk and practiced staying on the rail without falling in at the trot; we also did some large trot circles. Brody bends naturally better to the right than to the left and so tends to fall in off the rail more to the left but by the end of the session was trying hard and doing much better. GREAT job this evening!</p>
Lori Torrini	Lori Torrini	1-Aug-2011 <b>Ride 13</b>	<p>Led in from pasture, tied and groomed, tacked up and ridden in the arena. Did not want to move forward at first, attempted some bucks but after the first 10 minutes, settled into the work. Walk and trot around arena and walk/trot circles, changes of direction, bridge obstacle. Bends better when going to the right. No problems with anything other than his behavior the first few minutes under saddle.</p>
Lori Torrini	N/A	31-Jul-2011	<p>Brought in from pasture, tied and groomed by Hannah, then led to arena for ground work - mostly obstacles in hand. Worked with by Hannah supervised by Lori. No problems.</p>
Lori Torrini	Lori Torrini	18-Jul-2011 <b>Ride 12</b>	<p>Ridden for 20 minutes at the walk. Was fussy for the first 7 minutes (hopping up with back end, not moving forward, tail twitching, attempted to break into trot, tried to run out on circles). Was nice and relaxed, well behaved and had a nice walk once he settled in. Was great for grooming, leading, mounting, dismounting, bridge, and "hooking on" at liberty. Videotaped ride.</p>
Lori Torrini	Lori Torrini	12-Jul-2011 <b>Ride 11</b>	<p>Brought in from pasture, tied, thoroughly groomed, and tacked up with Bates Isabell Dressage saddle with CAIR panels and Pelham mullen mouth bridle/bit. Practiced walk, trot, halt, and back up in-hand in the arena then mounted up and rode for about 20 minutes. I had to spend a little time teaching him to stand at the mounting block, then started right away doing circles, figure eight's and walk/halt transitions to keep him occupied and focused. I also did some obstacles with him such as wooden bridge and ground poles. He was contemplating bucking, almost as if trying to pick a fight with me the first few minutes but I didn't fall for it. After a few minutes Brody was relaxed and listening nicely. Walk and halt only today, no trotting.</p>
Simone Windeler	Lori Torrini	1-Jul-2011 <b>Ride 10</b>	<p>Trailered Brody along with Apache up to Lonesome Hills Ranch Equestrian Center in Larkspur, CO for a private training session with Simone Windeler. Brody was excellent loading and riding in the trailer. He was excellent while standing tied for grooming and tacking up. He was well behaved in a holding pen while waiting for his lesson. The lesson was in the indoor arena, I walked him in-hand and practiced "walk-on", "slow",</p>

			<p>"fast", "trot", "ho", and "back". He did very well. He stood well for mounting, was a little nervous at first in the new place. I walked him around both directions, he started feeling antsy so I started circle exercises with him and we introduced more leg yield. Brody became confused and agitated leg yielding and reared up unexpectedly and very high up. Simone had to let go of the bridle because he got so tall and I came off his right side. I got back on and we proceeded from where we left off. Brody was much more subdued and we got several steps of leg yield both directions then let him have a long rein. We then worked on circles and changes of direction both at walk and trot. Brody did very well, really good lesson. He was excellent standing tied for untacking and grooming, loaded fine and traveled home with no problem in the trailer. He rode in the rear of the trailer both going and coming home; he loaded on the first try and stood quietly while I closed the door without help. When he unloads facing out he jumps out of the trailer but in a calm and controlled way. He was ridden today in a Bates Isabell Dressage Saddle with CAIR panels and Pelham Bridle with mullen barrel. He did much better in this than in the Myler Comfort Snaffle I used on him yesterday and in the past. Very little fussing today with the bit, quiet mouth and was not a problem to bridle or unbridle. We are working on him keeping his head lowered while removing the bridle, today a treat held low helped the process. Once back home Brody rejoined the herd he has adopted (the one that tolerates him) and was happy to be with them again, whinnying and running to them right away. His herd members are: Brisa (Andalusian/Appendix), Illyria (Arabian), Libby (Arabian cross), Trance (Arabian cross), and Juliet (Arabian cross), and sometimes Apache (Paint) and Pfaser (Arabian).</p>
Lori Torrini	Lori Torrini	30-Jun-2011 <b>Ride 9</b>	<p>Brody was haltered and led in from pasture, tied in barn, groomed; hooves picked out and tacked up with Bates Isabell dressage saddle and bridle with Myler Comfort full cheek snaffle. I lead him to the arena practicing his leading exercises and voice commands as we went. I continued this in the arena on the outside rail and also had him back up and trot next to me in-hand. I walked him over the bridge, logs, and poles in - hand. Brody did great, no problems. He stood well for mounting and dismounting. Under saddle he was hesitant to go forward and bucked his hind end up when I insisted he move forward. I ignored his behavior and kept asking for more walk and we commenced doing some large circles, and changes of direction at the walk. I asked for some trot and ultimately rode Brody through CHA level one ring test which he completed correctly but was fussy and required my constant management. He was fussy in general under saddle tonight with common signs being fiddling with bit and gaping mouth, falling on one shoulder or the other, speeding up, and bucking the hind end up. There was a storm rolling in that had all the horses wound up. Acceptable training session for young, inexperienced, juvenile male horse with little training and age 5 years. When he did focus and listen he did very well but tonight he was more often not behaving well. NOTE: Brody was excellent about being fly sprayed. He is still throwing his head up in the air during removal of the bridle, I take it off in portions and if his head is not down, I do not remove the bit until his head is down.</p> 
Lori Torrini	n/a	28-Jun-2011	<p>Brody was haltered and led in from pasture for some visitors to meet him. He was tied in the barn and later tied in the carport with run. He was thoroughly groomed and handled. His feet were picked out and his mane and tail were completely combed out. Brody behaved very well and stood quietly for his guests to meet him and spend time brushing and cleaning him. Afterwards he was led back out to turn out. Very well behaved, a gentleman, no problems.</p>
Lori Torrini	n/a	24 -Jun-2011	<p>Brody was brought in from pasture and tied in the barn. He was left tied (on Clip) for 5 minutes then was groomed, hooves picked out and mane and tail completely combed out. He was antsy and moved around a lot when left tied alone but was GREAT for grooming and became more relaxed the more he got brushed. He was turned back out to pasture when finished. Leading exercises to and from turnout - did well.</p>
Lori Torrini	n/a	20-Jun-2011	<p>Practiced leading and tying, picking up hooves, backing up in-hand. Brody was tied and stood well for grooming and hoof cleaning!</p>
Lori Torrini	n/a	19-Jun-2011	<p>Visit by potential adopters. Brody was brought in from pasture, tied to rail with Clip,</p>

			groomed, had feet picked out, was handled by 7 year old Karly and her stepmom, Jenna. Was fed some carrots and petted. No problems, behaved perfectly. Calm, well mannered, gentle when taking carrots. Picked up all four hooves perfectly. Was turned back out to pasture after visit.
Simone Windeler	Lori Torrini	18-Jun-2011 <b>Ride 8</b>	Private lesson at Deseos Arabians with Simone Windeler. Brody did well standing tied while being groomed and tacked up. Stood nicely for mounting. Brody was worked mostly at the walk doing straight lines, circles, and changes of direction. His walk was nice and active. Briefly trotted both directions and was forward and willing. Introduced leg yield under saddle. Brody was confused but trusting and gave it a try for a few good steps. Simone's assessment of Brody was that he was a really nice horse, good conformation, naturally reaches under well, has a good mind, willing and easy going. He has potential to do some really nice work in dressage in 2 or 3 years under the guidance of a skilled rider who will ride and train him in the classical method.
Lori Torrini	Lori Torrini	17-Jun-2011 <b>Ride 7</b>	A potential adopter came to meet Brody today. Brody was lunged and was put through some ground exercises with good response to moving away from pressure. He was not good about picking up his feet and standing still for the visitor, this was unusual as I have had no problems with this. Brody was observed at liberty and under saddle ridden at the walk on straight lines, turns, and circles. At first he gave some small bucks and did not want to move forward but after a few minutes he settled into a nice walk and made some nice circles. He was trotted briefly and is still unbalanced. He goes better to the right than to the left at both walk and trot at this point. He still resists and is confused about the bit, he responds very well to super light bit contact/pressure and responds more to use of careful seat and leg cues. Brody was measured and was just over 15.2 hands. Brody was excellent standing tied and being groomed by me after his ride to include total combing out of mane and tail. Rabies vaccination was given IM in the left neck – no problems, behaved very well.
Lori Torrini	n/a	15-Jun-2011	Brody was dewormed with Equimax Paste (Ivermectin/Praziquantel). No problems, behaved very well.
Lori Torrini	Lori Torrini	13-Jun-2011 <b>Ride 6</b>	Jim worked with Brody in-hand leading and performing obstacles while I worked with Hunter. Brody was tied in the barn and groomed, and then he was worked in the arena doing leading exercises in hand and doing obstacles in hand while Hunter was being ridden under saddle. Once finished with Hunter, I saddled Brody, lunged him at walk and trot both directions about 3 laps, then rode him at walk and trot. I did not have a dressage whip and he was reluctant to move forward at the trot, but no problems turning or halting. He is still displaying confusion over the bit and bridle cues but responds well to seat and leg cues for the most part.
Lori Torrini	Lori Torrini	11-Jun-2011 <b>Ride 5</b>	Fussy this evening while tied, distracted and unfocused under saddle. More resistant to working than yesterday or last week. There was a lot going on around the ranch, maintenance and moving panels, etc. It was very windy and this was only his second day here and two days of riding in a row which he is not used to. He was obedient but a little difficult and noticeably his mind was not on me or the work. Attempted some canter steps but he is clearly not ready for this yet.
Lori Torrini	Lori Torrini	10-Jun-2011 <b>Ride 4</b>	Rode in the arena at walk and trot, trained circles under saddle and leg-yielding in-hand. Stood fairly well for grooming before and after training. Used Pelham bit, no fussing, did very well.
Lori Torrini	Lori Torrini	05-Jun-2011 <b>Ride 3</b>	Rode Brody at walk, trot, and tried first canter steps. Bucked a little but nothing big. Rode in Myler Comfort snaffle bit with full cheeks and hooks, did fairly well. Better at steering, really responds to seat and leg cues. Practiced CHA Level 1 test pattern and would have passed test. No problem with obstacles. Seems to know how to back up, reined back well.
Lori Torrini	Lori Torrini and Nicky Adams	18-Mar-2011 <b>Ride 2</b>	Brody was trailered over by Pat to show to prospective adopter. I rode him first and then Nicky tried him out. Brody responded reasonably for me under saddle ridden with rope halter and reins, he would not accept the bit without major fussing and refused to moved forward. Nicky had difficulty getting Brody to do what she wanted, even to go forward or turn. She was not comfortable with him. He is barely started under saddle and although she has ridden a lot in her life, she is not a rider skilled to train an unstarted horse. Not a good match.

Lori Torrini	Lori Torrini	11-Mar-2011 <b>Ride 1</b>	Riding Assessment. Pat from RRHR trailered Brody and Stoney to Deseos Arabians for Riding Assessments. Brody was reluctant at first to move forward and resisted, thought about bucking, but with a confident and knowledgeable rider he moved out very nicely at the walk and trot, seemed rusty on turning, and had good halts, no problem over obstacles including plastic tarp, wooden bridge, poles, and logs. Lunged well at walk and trot both directions and jumped small Cavalettis in-hand and mounted. Confused about bit and fussed so much we took it off and I rode him in a rope halter with reins, he did better. Good ground work and seems to have been started under saddle, I doubt he has had any bridle work or worn a bit. My assessment is that Brody has had a history of groundwork and has been backed. He is comfortable with a rider on his back but does not seem to understand riding cues so may have been backed but never actually ridden, or perhaps a rider was led on his back by a handler. My opinion is that he has never had a bit in his mouth before or learned any bridle or rein cues.
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