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It is with incredible sadness we tell you that our wonderful Toesis - the 12 year old Doberman in our care - crossed to the Rainbow Bridge on December 29th. Toesis had quit eating, lost around 10 pounds, and generally was not himself. A doctor visit was scheduled with the results of the testing being cancer of the lymph nodes. After very thorough discussion with Dr. Stone regarding options, treatments, life expectancy and quality of life, we chose to end his suffering. We sat with him and cuddled him at his time of leaving. Toesis will be cremated and brought home to Misfit Acres. He leaves behind his best canine buddy, Acura - who is just as grief stricken as we are. We cannot possibly describe how empty the house feels for all three of us.



Winter trudges on in Minnesota. With the record or near record snowfall for December, the skid loader gets a near daily work out it seems as does Bruce pushing snow making room for more to come. Who would have ever thought we could get so much snow in December. As of the writing of this column, looks like we are getting a break from the snow fall.

BJ is really becoming his old self again as far as his anemia goes, now if we could only get more weight on him. He is still having trouble with hay so we have slowly increased the amount of soaked hay cubes he get being careful to not overload his system. He is still on Red Cell and takes it quite well. Montana isn't able to be such a thief when it comes to food now that BJ is spryer!



We are very thankful that throughout this icy season, we have stock of sand to put down in the pastures on the heavily traveled spots. We get very nervous watching the horses slide.

Dixie hurt her leg somehow and for a while was sporting a vet wrap to give her more support. It is still not up to par so she and Faith are in the corral in the arena. Neither of them like being inside so we keep the big door open as much as we can so they can see everyone else and get fresh air.

Saving one horse may not make a difference in the whole world, but it will make a world of difference to that one horse ~ unknown author



Augie and Magic are not bothered by anything as long as there is plenty of hay. Wow can those guys eat! Lucky and April are keeping a close second to the boys though. Abbey, Shadow, Little Boy, and Peanut don't seem to mind the cold or not having their two other pasture mates with them for now.

This time of year is very slow for us to be out and about with our merchandise. The next scheduled event is the Wells Gun Show, the third weekend in March. This used to be just guns and knives but has expanded into quite a fun shopping day with a wide variety of items for sale by hundreds of vendors. We will get the exact dates to you as this gets a little closer.

As always, visitors are welcome with just a phone call to schedule. The horses love company!

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