



June 2025

A promotional banner for the 'Hayday for Horses' event. The banner is split into two main sections. The left section has a green background and features a white horse running in a field. The right section shows a person wearing a helmet and safety glasses riding a horse. Overlaid on the banner are three small square images of different horses, each with a yellow question mark in the top left corner. The text 'Hayday for Horses' is written in large, bold, yellow letters. Below it, in smaller white text, is 'The race is on for Horse of the Year!'. At the bottom left, the text 'WHO WILL CLAIM THE TITLE?' is written in yellow, slanted, uppercase letters. A blue and yellow geometric shape is in the bottom right corner.

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# Current Leader Board



**Tawny**

Currently in first place, relative newcomer Tawny has taken to this challenge like she took to her work at We Can Ride - like a duck to water!



**Romeo**

Second place challenger Romeo proves that good looks can get you far in this race. Short in stature, but big in dreams - can he claim the lead?



**Billy**

Mule Man Billy earned his place on the leader board with a boost from his social media manager Tabea (WCR Equine Operations Manager). Can he hold on to the end?

Join the Hayday for Horses Campaign!

## Add to our Herd!



### We Need Horses!

Do you have or know of a horse that might be a good fit for our programs?

Horses serve in our programs in a variety of ways:

- Horses can be donated to us. We are a 501c3 and the value of your donation is tax-deductible.
- Horses can be leased to us as a "free lease". You retain ownership while your horse is with us. All cares are paid for by us.

We take great pride in the standard of care our equines receive, including:

- Veterinary care, both routine and

emergency, through our partnership with the University of Minnesota

- Proper nutrition, medication and supplementation, continuously reviewed
- Tack fitting 4x annually
- Regular conditioning outside of class and monitoring “stress scores” to adjust workload as needed
- Daily turnout, well-maintained summer pasture, and heated stalls as needed

**We are currently in need of horses 12-17 years of age and 15+ hands, but we have flexibility in these areas.**

We are proud of the work we do to serve our community. Feel free to spread the word! **Who knows...your horse may end up a future Horse of the Year!**

[Fill out an interest form to lease or donate a horse](#)

[Email Tabea, our Equine Operations Manager](#)

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## Derby Dash 2025!

September 14th

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### Early Registration is open for Derby Dash 2025!

Last year at our inaugural race we hosted 126 walkers and runners and 11 teams. We are very excited to grow this event this year!

- Register to run or walk
- Off-road scenic trail at Lake Rebecca
- Professionally organized
- Accessible for mobility devices, wagons and strollers
- Leashed dogs are welcome and encouraged!



[Register for the Derby Dash](#)



## Read about us in the Current Issue of Maple Grove Magazine!

What an honor to be profiled in the current issue of local publication Maple Grove Magazine! Months in the works and well worth the wait, this article beautifully captures not only our mission, but the various and eclectic ways that We Can Ride brings people together through the unique power of horses.

[Read the full article](#)

We are currently looking for new Board Members to join our existing team!

[Read about our current Board on our website](#)



### Role Description and Key Responsibilities:

Board members attend monthly virtual meetings, in-person local board retreats (up to 3 half-days), and participate in major activities such as fundraising events.

- Understand, support and advocate for the WCR mission and programs
- Develop relationships and identify opportunities for We Can Ride such as funding and partnerships
- Maintain organizational direction to align with mission and values
- Support and assist the Executive Director as needed
- Participate in developing the strategic plan and



goals for Board & Executive Director

- Review and approval of annual budget
- Ensure fiscal accountability through reviews of process & controls

Terms: Two or three years, renewable.

**Application Process:** To apply, please email a brief letter of interest and your resume directly to [boardofdirectors@wecanride.org](mailto:boardofdirectors@wecanride.org)



Are you interested in becoming a new volunteer? Sign up for a New Volunteer Orientation Session to learn all about what we do, what roles we are looking to fill, and what might be a good fit for YOU!

[Sign up for New Volunteer Orientation](#)



Are you a current volunteer looking to change your role? Sign up for a role-specific training session for leading, side walking, or barn aid positions.

[Sign up for a Training Session](#)



We Can Ride participates in several community events and partnerships throughout the year. These are single day commitments in which volunteers represent WCR and chat with participants.

[Sign up for an Event](#)



## THANK YOU

Your generosity and commitment enables us to continue providing life-changing experiences for our riders.

Thanks to you, we are able to offer therapeutic sessions that enhance physical, emotional, and mental well-being. Your contributions make a profound difference in the lives of those we serve.

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