

# Suicidal Squirrels

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I went out to \_\_\_\_\_<sup>Verb</sup> yesterday afternoon and was getting out of my \_\_\_\_\_<sup>Noun</sup> just as the vet's \_\_\_\_\_<sup>Noun</sup> zoomed past the \_\_\_\_\_<sup>Noun</sup>. When I arrived at the \_\_\_\_\_<sup>Plural noun</sup> the vet, the farrier, the \_\_\_\_\_<sup>Noun</sup> manager, and several other volunteers and boarders were doing their best to get Bella up. She went down about an hour before I got there, and the farrier and \_\_\_\_\_<sup>Noun</sup> manager were right there and at her side instantly. Bella suffered nerve damage in her \_\_\_\_\_<sup>Body part</sup> from West Nile, and then, a year later, managed to survive EPM but not without lingering severe neurological problems. Two other rescues rejected her before she made it to us, and I guess we have a weakness for retired, damaged \_\_\_\_\_<sup>Plural noun</sup>. She had a lot of trouble \_\_\_\_\_<sup>Verb ending in ing</sup> but, through massages and physical \_\_\_\_\_<sup>Verb ending in ing</sup> was sound enough to enjoy many years at the rescue \_\_\_\_\_<sup>Verb ending in ing</sup> with the other mares in pasture and getting love from all her \_\_\_\_\_<sup>Adjective</sup> friends. Often she would roll and need help moving her hind legs into position to stand up again, but she always got up on the first or second try!

Yesterday, however, was very different. It looked and felt as if her legs were petrified- we could not move them into position for her, and after a couple attempts she stopped putting much \_\_\_\_\_<sup>Plural noun</sup> into it. By the time got there, she looked completely \_\_\_\_\_<sup>Adjective</sup> and was barely lifting her head. The decision was made to put her down, and it was a \_\_\_\_\_<sup>Adjective</sup> one to be present for. Always a fighter, Bella was on her side, whinnying

to her friends, 'running' with her front legs, and looked each of us in the eye before she calmed down, took a few \_\_\_\_\_ Adjective breathes, and was still as the last dose was administered. As the vet said, not many \_\_\_\_\_ Plural noun can survive West Nile AND EPM, then live a happily into their late teens with the severe neurological damage Bella willfully pushed through!

2009 has been a hard year for many, and the \_\_\_\_\_ Noun was no exception. In addition to three of our 33+ year olds, our 29 year old \_\_\_\_\_ Noun and Bella all passing on, we saw four horses return to the rescue after their owners could no longer afford their \_\_\_\_\_ Noun two of whom came back sick but thankfully in good weight. This year, we have had so many horses in need that we perpetually had horses in iso pens, boarding spaces, and even turned out with boarders' horses.

On the plus side, we participated in a nation-wide effort to save 300 starving \_\_\_\_\_ Plural noun and our two boys are looking \_\_\_\_\_ Adjective and have started groundwork training with a professional who has volunteered his time! The downturn in the economy left us with some very nice \_\_\_\_\_ Verb ending in ing \_\_\_\_\_ Plural noun who were adopted before they left iso, and many volunteers finally had the chance to adopt a \_\_\_\_\_ Noun that met

their \_\_\_\_\_  
Verb ending in ing needs. We took in a \_\_\_\_\_  
Noun from a kill pen who, at four years old, has grown  
more than 6' now that she's being properly \_\_\_\_\_  
Past tense verb. We took in a horse who had been  
\_\_\_\_\_  
Past tense verb along the highway and was severely underweight, but clearly well-trained, and watched him  
transform into a \_\_\_\_\_  
Adjective sound gelding who will make someone a very \_\_\_\_\_  
Adjective  
\_\_\_\_\_  
Verb ending in ing Noun. And, thanks to the \_\_\_\_\_  
Adjective spring, \_\_\_\_\_  
Noun prices went  
down enough that we could still afford to take in all the extra \_\_\_\_\_  
Plural noun in need :-).