

# THE CLOUD CHRONICLE

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## Pryor Knowledge

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Wizard on Sykes! Feb. 2022



Firestorm October 2022



Filly Firestorm October 2005



## Pryor Profile

### MARCH MEET & GREET: FIRESTORM

Our wild horse highlight was chosen by Erin Phillips!

### Where There's SMOKE, There's FIRESTORM!

Firestorm is the daughter of Cloud and Velvet. This striking sorrel/red roan mare with a flaxen mane is Cloud's first surviving daughter with Velvet. From a fiery-colored newborn, look how her color has changed as she matured!

Formerly a long-time lead mare in both Jackson and Doc's bands, she is now with Missoula and has 2 foals still on the range - both fathered by Jackson: Niobrara, is a 10-year-old bay roan, and Okomi, is a 9-year-old dun roan. Firestorm was born in 2005 and will be 18 this year.

Isn't she beautiful?

Would **you** like to suggest our next **Pryor Profile**?

How about a sweet foal? A magnificent mare? Maybe a stunning stallion?

Submit your suggestion here:

[PRYOR PROFILE  
SUGGESTION BOX](#)

# ON THE HORIZON: Upcoming Events

Guest Speaker:  
**Ginger Kathrens with  
The Cloud Foundation:**  
Ginger is the founder and Executive Director of The Cloud Foundation, a 501(c)(3) dedicated to the preservation of wild horses on our public lands. Ginger is an Emmy award-winning producer, cinematographer, writer and editor as well as an award-winning author. She filmed and produced the acclaimed Cloud: Wild Stallion of the Rockies and Cloud's Legacy: The Wild Stallion Returns and Cloud Challenge of the Stallions for WNET's Nature series on PBS. [thecloudfoundation.org](http://thecloudfoundation.org)



**DC Conference**  
April 23-25, 2023  
at Yotel DC

*Save Our Wild Horses*



Rally  
on the  
National Mall  
4/22

Wild Horse  
Lobby Day  
4/26

Please visit [saveourwildhorses.net](http://saveourwildhorses.net)  
for more information & conference tickets

## **SAVE OUR WILD HORSES CONFERENCE**

Washington DC, April 22-26, 2023

Join WH&B advocates from across the nation to learn about the issues facing our wild native horses and burros, wildlife, and protecting public lands.

Along with Ginger, TCF Board Member Cynthia Smoot and TCF friend, Ginger Fedak, will also be giving presentations!

Tickets are available through the Eventbrite page! If you can't or don't want to pay with a credit card, please email [heather@saveourwildhorses.net](mailto:heather@saveourwildhorses.net) for alternate payment options.

Tickets are \$200 for the 2023 conference.

Ticket price covers all 3 days of speakers and 2 luncheons.

# Ginger Is in the News!

In February, the TCF team traveled to Billings to meet with our partners at the BLM office. We had a great meeting with State Director, Sonya Germann, Billings Field Officer, Nathan Agave, and their wonderful team.

While in Billings, Ginger was a guest on "Our Montana" with host and longtime friend, Mike Penfold.

We'd like to share that interview with you! Enjoy!

Click the blue button below:

## Our Montana TV Show



## **VISIT THE CLOUD STORE**





**HERD HIGHLIGHT:**  
**Cumberland Island Horses**  
 by Erin Phillips



Unknown to many, wild horses inhabit an island in southeast Georgia called, Cumberland Island. The island is 36,420 acres and it is believed that between 150-200 wild horses live on this island. The wild horses are unmanaged, so there is no way of knowing their actual population numbers.

Cumberland Island is filled with history. The First African Baptist Church, Plum Orchard Mansion, Greyfield Inn, and the Dungeness are a few of the historical sites on the island. Undoubtedly, the Dungeness is the most famous after mysteriously burning down many years after it was vacated. The wild horses on Cumberland are descendants of Spanish horses brought to the island and other domestic horses the Carnegie Family owned.



*Erin with her adopted Utah mustang, Alamo. See the video chronicling their first year together here or click on their picture!*



Young Tescher and his family in the TRNP in 20201, Photo Credit: North Dakota Badlands Horses @NDBH

**A WALK ON THE WILD SIDE:**  
**UPDATES ON WHB NEWS**



**IS IT THE CHOPPING BLOCK FOR THE TRNP WILD HORSES?**

In January, Wild Horse advocacy groups from around the country weighed in on the National Park Services' environmental action plans to re-evaluate the livestock plan for the wild horses in the Theodore Roosevelt National Park. A few of the options for the proposed plan included: immediate removal of the wild horses, a gradual reduction of the horses over time to a population of zero, and an option of reducing the herd to a population of 30-70 animals (currently there are almost 200).

The park service held an online virtual Q&A on January 12, where the public was invited to submit questions to be addressed. The transcript of that meeting, along with an analysis of the comments and questions submitted may be found here: [TRNP Livestock Plan](#).

It was wonderful to see so many people RALLY TOGETHER to support the preservation of the Teddy Roosevelt Horses! Many government officials joined in to urge the NPS to not only keep the TR horses, but to keep a genetically viable number of horses in the park! TCF was thrilled to watch this press conference from ND Governor Doug Burgum in support of the horses: [Gov. Doug Burgum TR Wild Horses Press Conference](#).

The NEPA Scoping Period closed on January 31, 2023. The NPS is now formulating final alternatives and preparing their EA. They will release the EA for public comment this summer, and the final NEPA Decision Document will be released this Fall. Will all of this fantastic support sway the Park Service from its original mission to eradicate the TR Wild Horses?

STAY TUNED!

In the meantime, our friends with the North Dakota Badlands Horses advocacy group have come up with this great T-SHIRT for us to show our support and let everyone know that we are HERE FOR the Teddy Roosevelt Wild HORSES! Check it out and get yours today!  
<https://www.bonfire.com/here-for-the-horses/>



# Pryor Pictures:

## A February Visit.



The "Greeters at the Gate"  
Seneca, Kitalpha, & Ursula.



Ginger photographs Titania,  
Wizard, and Inniq on a side slope.



Encore, WindSong, & Chief Joseph  
Can you find them?



Encore's son Tor roams  
Sykes Ridge.

# KIDS KORNER

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FIND: Cloud, Encore, Firestorm, Forage, Gallop, Mare, Protect, Pryor, Range, Roan, Wild!