

## *April Fool's Joke by Pathfinder*



*April 1, I decided it's time to get out there and start my spring jogging. After all I have a physically fitness test for the Army in May I'd better start tuning up my body. Well, Pathfinder has an event on Mother's day, the Parade of Stallions which he has to get tuned up for too, soooooo I decided that since I like a running partner, I'd take him jogging with me. (I tried to get him to do the pushups and sits ups but he preferred the hay eating exercise).*

*Six AM rolls around, I get all the horses fed and by 7am its light enough for Path, me, and the dogs (of course) to get out on the road and do our little jog. I figure to jog for about 25-30 minutes, cover a little over 2 miles with hills. I knew that wasn't a very fast past but some of the hills are BIG (Especially if you are running up them instead of riding up them). So Path and I set off. He's doing a nice little flat-walk behind me and the dogs are off doing their thing. We go down the road a mile or so and then come back. It was a cool morning, about 14 degrees but I figured if we kept moving, I'd stay warm enough and I was right. We made it back and I tie Path up to clean his feet and brush him. I run into the tack room, grab the hoof pick and started with his right front foot. Now Path is very well manner horse and I never have any problem cleaning his feet. So when he leaned on me kind of heavy and started lifting his left rear foot I was surprised. I put his foot down before he fell and then received another shock, Pathfinder was Shivering!!!! All Over. I guess he was saying my run was too slow; he was cold when we quit. Now it's pretty bad when you run so slow your partner gets cold!!!*

*I put a wool blanket and then a nylon winter blanket on Path and he warmed up nicely. When I went to remove them about an hour later, he was almost sweating under it. Just shows, you never know about horses. Why would he got cold I don't know but he sure was miserable for a few minutes until I got the blanket on him. So that was his April Fool Joke, he said I need to run faster!!! to get his blood flowing!*

*And Here's  
Shelby  
Smirking at Us!*

