

Admit Nothing

Horses are many different things; teachers, athletic partners, and first loves. My Mom, Edie Urbasik has loved horses her entire life and I got hooked when I was about 7 years old. I took riding lessons and in January of 2008, my Mom adopted Tall Glass from LongRun Thoroughbred Retirement Society. That was when the journey began.

It was a cold winter day and I was just eight years old the first time I met him. I remember looking up at him thinking 'he's so big', but what struck me was that he had the kindest eyes I had ever seen. I knew there was something special about him.

Tall Glass was quite unsuccessful on the track. He had the speed, but not the heart for racing. After we adopted him, countless dinner conversations were dedicated to picking out a barn name for this handsome boy. We decided to name him Kadin, which is Arabic for the word 'friend'.

Kadin is a 16hh bay thoroughbred gelding who is very muscular and his powerful stride is to die for. He began showing the 1 meter Trillium jumpers under the show name 'Admit Nothing' in 2010 with another rider. After she stopped riding him in January 2012, I decided I was going to make him a hunter now that I was older and had much more experience with horses. When I started riding him to become a hunter, he had gone from a crazy, hot jumper to a quiet, responsive hunter. We worked both on the flat and over fences. He completely transformed into a different horse. We went from flying over little cross rails to beautifully jumping 3 feet fences without any issues. Sure, there were some bumps in the road, but that made the triumphs that much sweeter.

Kadin and I had our first show together in the hunter ring May 27, 2012. We did an Open Green Hunter flat class and out of 10 riders, we pinned 5th.

In 2012, LongRun and the Canadian Thoroughbred Horse Society (CTHS) asked us to take Kadin to the Royal and partake in the Spirit Of The Horse. It was an amazing experience filled with lots of wonderful people. LongRun is a great Thoroughbred breed ambassador. We would have never gone to the Royal without Sheri, Vicki and Morgan from LongRun. We felt so welcome and it was such a friendly atmosphere.

We adopted Kadin over 6 ½ years ago and we still keep in touch with LongRun. Not only did we gain a 4-legged best friend, we also gained many human friends. I will always be grateful to LongRun for finding Kadin for us and featuring him in newsletters and calendars. I hope LongRun is proud of Kadin and all the things he has accomplished. We have given Kadin a forever home, and he has given us a forever friend.

Kayla Urbasik

“There are many things in life that will catch your eye, but only a few will catch your heart.”

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