

Help us stop suffering before it starts...

As one of the UK's leading horse welfare charities, The British Horse Society takes the view that most of the equestrian welfare problems in this country can be traced back to one cause: we simply have more horses and ponies than we have experienced and knowledgeable people to



care for them. In recent years there have been great efforts to address similar problems in our cat and dog populations and now The British Horse Society believes it is time to take action and tackle the problem with horse numbers.

We have launched a long-term campaign to encourage horse owners to 'Think Before You Breed'. Our aim is to ensure that, through increased awareness and castration programmes, fewer poor quality foals are born and subjected to an uncertain, and often unpleasant, future. We feel strongly that taking preventative action now is far better than waiting to pick up the pieces.

For this however, we need funding, and this is where you come in. Over the last year we have been asking celebrities and famous faces to draw a picture, or donate an item or experience to The British Horse Society which we can auction. Our 'Drawing the Line on Indiscriminate Breeding' campaign has had tremendous support from show business and equestrian celebrities as well as some of the country's best-known equestrian artists and we now have a fantastic selection of donations to hand over to the highest bidders.

Donations of art and money can't buy experiences have come from the likes of Malcolm Coward, Alan Titchmarsh, Sir Paul McCartney, Martin Clunes and world carriage driving champion Boyd Excell, you won't want to miss out! Check out the donations now at www.bhs.org.uk.

You can make your bid on any of the Drawing the Line donations now by calling Cheffins on 01223 213343. You can leave your maximum bid for any item or request a call during the auction to make a live telephone bid or bid live on their website. The donations will also be viewable at www.cheffins.co.uk from late September.