

# Spotlight

## West Region



### Organization Profile

**Neigh Savers  
Foundation**

**Location:**

**Walnut Creek, CA**

**Founded: 2007**

**TAA Accredited: 2013**

**Aftercare Services:**

**Rehab, Retraining,  
Adoptions**

**Idle No More** is a 2004 Kentucky-bred gelding who began his racing career in England, starting three times in that country before being transferred to California. The handsome chestnut gelding trained under the late great trainer **Bobby Frankel**, finishing out his career with one win from seven starts. During his racing days, he garnered the attention of jockey **Gary Stevens** who contacted Karin Wagner, founder of **Neigh Savers Foundation**, at the end of Indy's racing career. Stevens "was very fond of him and wanted him to have another career," which Neigh Savers was more than happy to provide.

#### **BIG RED PONY**

After some extensive re-training at Neigh Savers, "Indy" found his new partner in sport and life with Christina J. of California who received the gelding as a present upon her graduation from UC Davis. The pair now successfully compete in eventing with the "big red pony" enjoying his new career and life immensely.

### **TAA Profile**

#### Who we are:

The Thoroughbred Aftercare Alliance (TAA) is a 501 (c)(3) non-profit organization who **accredits** and **funds** organizations that provide aftercare for Thoroughbreds.

#### What we do:

Our goal is to unite the Thoroughbred community to establish an **industry-wide funding** mechanism at every touch point in a Thoroughbred's life. The funds raised will provide **support** to accredited aftercare organizations to retire, retrain and place former racehorses. Since 2012, TAA has accredited 42 organizations and provided 3.4 million dollars in funding. The TAA is a shared **responsibility** of many Thoroughbred entities including: The Jockey Club, Breeders' Cup, Keeneland, sales companies, horsemen groups, stallion farms, racetracks, trainers and others.

#### How organizations receive accreditation and funding:

- Required to complete an in-depth application and agree to site visits of all facilities caring for their horses.
- Must have been in operation for a minimum of **three** years with a current 501 (c)(3) tax-exempt status.
- Must have an official euthanasia policy consistent with the AAEP.

#### How you can help:

- **Keeneland, Fasig-Tipton, OBS, and Barretts** enable buyers and consignors to contribute \$50 per \$100,000 transaction to the TAA. All four sales companies contribute an additional match.
- **Stallion farms & owners** are able to commit the equivalent of 25% of advertised stallion fee(s).
- **Individuals, corporations and foundations** are invited to send their contributions to the TAA.