AC Equine

RETRAINING SPECIALISTS

APPROVED RETRAINER

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Retraining of Racehorses©

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RETRAINING FOR THE NEXT CHAPTER

ABOUT US

About AC Equine

We specialise in retraining retired racehorses.

Based in the beautiful Warwickshire countryside at our peaceful home, all the horses are treated as our own. We understand that every horse has individual needs, so we provide a bespoke package. Each horse is assessed properly, cared for consistently, and given every chance to thrive in their next career.

Retirement from racing doesn't mean the end of their careers. In fact, it can be just the beginning, because thoroughbreds are so trainable, they go on to show real talent in many other disciplines.







THE PERSON BEHIND AC EQUINE

Meet Aimée Cayless BA Hons SMS MSF



Aimée holds a BA Hons in Equine and Business and is a Society of Master Saddlers Master Saddle Fitter, with over 25 years' experience working with horses across many disciplines. Her passion is racehorses, and she has built a wealth of knowledge over the years having spent her early career working within the UK and Ireland both on the bloodstock side in yearling prep, and on the training side as a work rider for dual purpose trainers.

Aimee has retrained many racehorses including her own. She now competes in Dressage and currently has three competition Thoroughbreds working up to Medium Level.









OUR APPROACH

Bespoke Care For Every Horse



ON ARRIVAL

Every horse is given a full assessment as soon as they arrive. We understand that each one has individual needs, so we build a bespoke package around them rather than a one-size-fits-all programme.

A LONG-STANDING PROFESSIONAL NETWORK

We have built relationships over many years and have an outstanding team of professionals to support us. They include vets, farriers, equine dental technicians and physiotherapists who work with us on a daily basis to maintain our second-to-none standards.

A FULL PORTFOLIO

By the time a horse is ready to be rehomed, they'll have a complete portfolio of reports outlining their care and treatment throughout their time with us. This gives new owners the most comprehensive background possible to their new companion and sets a standard of care that we believe should be upheld across the entire industry.

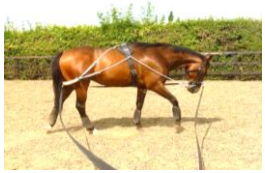
FOR TRAINERS & OWNERS

A Professional Package



Our aim is to give trainers a professional package: around six months with each horse, covering lay-off and every aspect of their care, so that when we find their new home, they arrive with a full package of information and reports...

Back and Foot Radiographs	***Gastroscope***	***Shoeing***	***Saddle fit***	***Dental***



...and every other aspect of care required, before matching each horse with the right long-term home.



We ask that horses come to us with a retraining bursary, which will help fund this process from arrival through to their new long-term home.

THE RETRAINING PROGRAMME

A Typical Rehoming Journey

1

Arrival

Horses wind down and settle in lay-off for at least 6 weeks.

2

Retraining

Schooling, hacking, pole work and jumping. Up to 16 weeks.

3

Applications

Prospective owners are matched on suitability, not on a waiting-list order.



4

Selection

The applicant grooms, tacks up and rides the horse in the school and then on a hack.

5

Your horse

A purchase or loan agreement is put in place, with provisions for the horse's welfare.

6

Keeping in touch

Regular visits ensure horse and rider continue to be supported.

OUR STANDARDS

Fully vaccinated

All horses are kept fully up-to-date with vaccinations throughout their time with us.

Nothing hidden

Any vices and previous injuries are honestly and fully disclosed to prospective owners.

Open to vetting

All horses are open to a two or five stage vetting, giving new owners complete confidence.

REHOMING PHILOSOPHY

Finding the Right Home

A CAREFUL MATCH

Once a horse is ready, we actively look to match them with the right loaner or new owner, not just the first available home.

A RELATIONSHIP, NOT A TRANSACTION

We forge a long-term relationship with every new owner, offering advice and support wherever it's needed.

A SAFETY NET

If a horse isn't settled or suited, we take them back, make sure they're in good order, and begin the rehoming programme again.

LIFETIME LOAN, BY PREFERENCE

We prefer lifetime loan agreements, so the duty of care stays with us for the horse's whole life. As such, we retain the right to repossess if standards of care aren't met.



“In a time when protecting the social license for horseracing matters more than ever, owners and trainers can be confident that under our guardianship, their horses will be receiving the gold standard of care for the rest of their lives.”

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