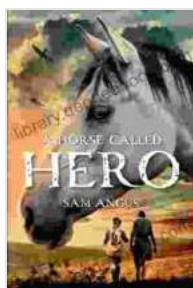


# Hero Sam Angus: The Unforgettable Horse Who Defined Durability and Success

In the vast and captivating world of equestrian sports, the name Hero Sam Angus stands as a beacon of excellence, resilience, and enduring legacy. This remarkable Quarter Horse, foaled in 1982, epitomized the unwavering spirit and athleticism that has made the breed renowned worldwide.



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Hero Sam Angus, affectionately known as "Angus," emerged from humble origins in Roswell, New Mexico. Bred by Sam and Prissy Angus, he was initially intended to become a racehorse. However, as fate would have it, Angus displayed exceptional versatility that would ultimately lead him down a different path. In the capable hands of legendary trainer Dale Wilkinson, Angus embarked on a journey that would forever etch his name in the annals of equestrian history.

## A National Champion in Multiple Disciplines

Angus's innate talent and unwavering determination became apparent at an early age. In 1986, he captured the National Cutting Horse Association (NCHA) Futurity Open Championship, a prestigious event that showcases the finest cutting horses in the nation. This remarkable achievement marked the beginning of Angus's legendary status.

Angus's versatility extended far beyond cutting. In 1987, he added the American Quarter Horse Association (AQHA) World Championship in Heeling to his growing list of accolades. His ability to excel in multiple disciplines, including roping and reining, further cemented his reputation as an all-around equine athlete.

### **A Record-Breaking Champion with Unmatched Longevity**

Angus's career was characterized by an extraordinary level of consistency and longevity. He consistently placed among the top competitors in NCHA events, earning numerous Futurity, Derby, and Super Stakes championships. In 1991, he made history by becoming the first horse to win the NCHA Triple Crown, an unprecedented feat that showcased his exceptional athleticism and unwavering determination.

Angus's dominance continued throughout his career. He retired in 1996 with an astonishing 25 major event championships and earnings of over \$1 million. However, his impact extended far beyond his impressive record. Angus served as a symbol of excellence and inspiration for countless aspiring horsemen and women.

### **A Legacy that Continues to Inspire**

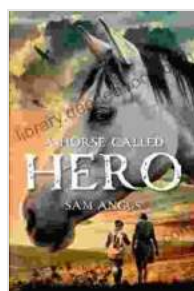
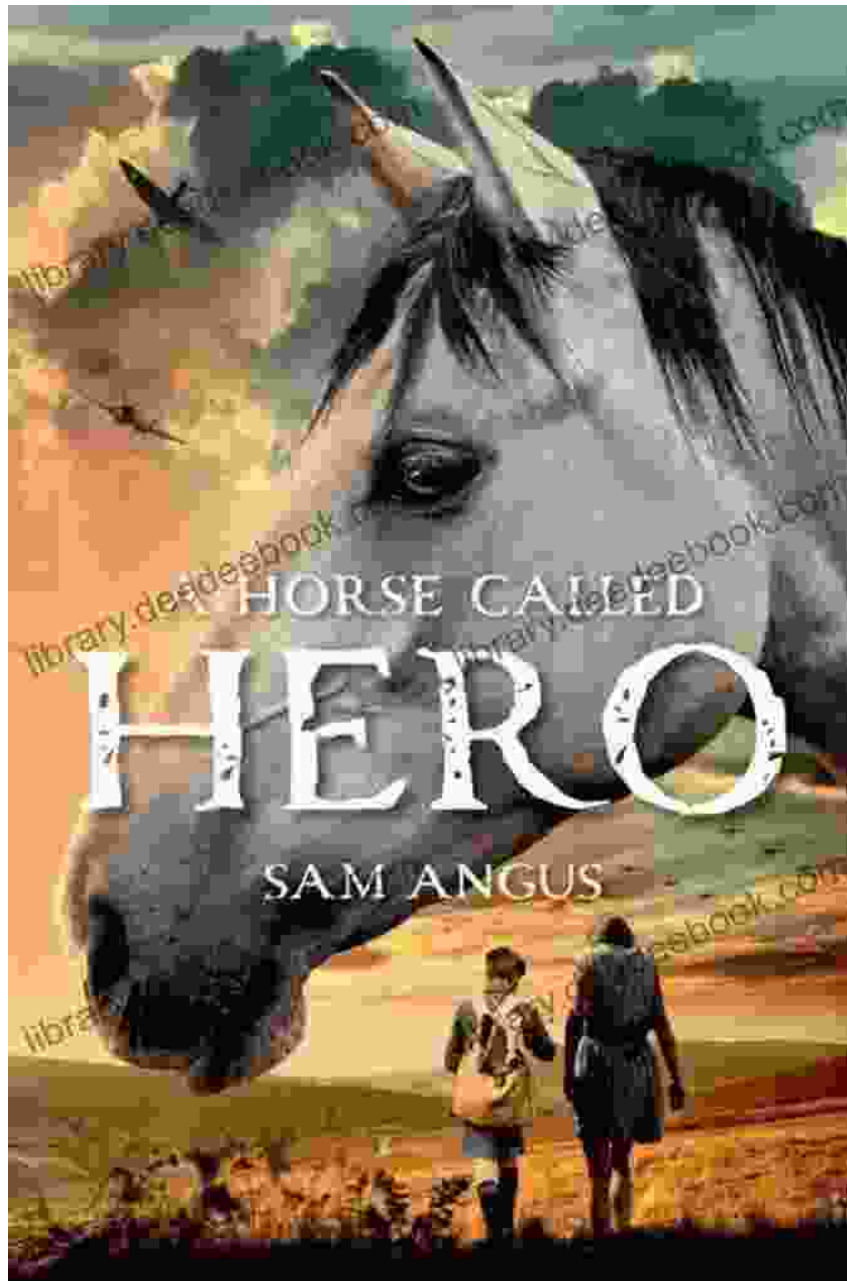
Hero Sam Angus's legacy extends far beyond his own remarkable achievements. His exceptional versatility and durability have become a

benchmark for equine athletes, while his unwavering spirit has inspired generations of horsemen and women to strive for excellence.

Angus's legacy is further preserved through the Hero Sam Angus AQHA Award, an annual award presented to a Quarter Horse that exemplifies the qualities of versatility, athleticism, and toughness that defined Angus's illustrious career.

### **The Enduring Spirit of a Champion**

Hero Sam Angus passed away in 2009 at the age of 27, but his memory lives on. His contributions to the equestrian world and his unwavering spirit continue to inspire horsemen and women around the globe. Hero Sam Angus represents the essence of what it means to be a true champion, both on and off the field. He will forever hold a special place in the hearts of those who witnessed his greatness and his legacy will continue to inspire and motivate generations to come.



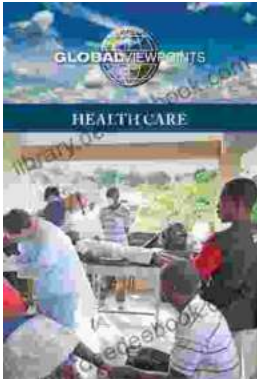
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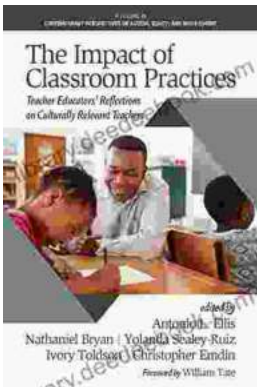
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