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## Answers To Your Mule Questions by Cindy K (McKinnon) Roberts

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### GIRTHING/GALLS

I HAVE SEVERAL MULES SMALL 12.5H OLDER (1) ABOUT 30 SOMETHING. STILL IN GOOD CONDITION AND WE RIDE HIM TRAIL RIDING. MY MOM RIDES HIM AND SHE IS 76. HIS CONFIRMATION IS NOT FOR RIDING HE PULLS A LOT NICER BUT SHE RATHER RIDE. ANY WAY, HE GALLS UP AND I HAVE TRIED ALMOST EVERYTHING, BUT I AM SURE I AM FIXING TO GET SET STRAIGHT. I HOPE!!!! I AM CONSIDERING THE MOHAIR GIRTHS, AGAIN. PLEASE AND THANKS LYNN

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Hello Lynn,

I am glad that you are using your senior mules. If you are not already doing so, try using a crupper to keep the saddle in place. As far as the girthing there are a couple of things that you can do. First try using a slick neoprene girth. I like to sprinkle baby powder on the girth before cinching up (slowly). Cornstarch works well too - this seems to work well on mules. Next, look at saddles with 3 way rigging. That way you can adjust your cinch and girth forward or back. Thank you for your email and best wishes. Cindy K. Roberts

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