## A Horsey Scandal - Episode 6: Chestnut Connection

What is the conspiracy of the Chestnut Connection?

"I can't believe this! Boss must have been there to stand guard and cover for Didi. When we called out, it must have been Boss who ran into the woods while Didi went elsewhere," Ricky said.

"All this time I had trusted her! I can't believe this," Sienna cried.

"It's okay, we'll figure this out together. But we need to have a meeting, with Head Mare Delilah and Senior Shakespeare as soon as possible. This is so weird, how could Tate have seen this, Boss, or whoever it was...in the daytime?" Ricky said.

"I don't know, it's an insider's conspiracy," Sienna said.

"I think we ought to talk to Tate. He must know something," Ricky suggested.

"Good idea," Sienna said. "But you go, I don't need anyone to see me."

"Okay, I'll be right back," Ricky said. Ricky got up and left the hiding place, he darted across the field and found Tate in his paddock.

"Frat Tate! Frat Tate!" Ricky whinnied.

"Frat Ricochez! Over here!" Tate whinnied back.

Ricky galloped over to Tate and halted in front of him.

"Frat Tate, I must talk to you," Ricky said. "Come, follow me."

Tate followed Ricky out of the paddock and into the paddock that once belonged to Maddie. They went up into the groove of willow trees and avoided the poison ivy. Sienna was standing there with an anxious look on her face.

"Tate, we must talk to you," she said.

"Tate, I have been assigned a mission by Senior Shakespeare to observe one of our own Frat Boys and discover who the Someone Stallion is. Well, it's Boss. We wanted to know what happened when you were on that trail and first spotted the Animal," Ricky said.

"Well, my rider and I went out for a trail ride by the pond and I heard a sound in the woods. I turned to look and first I saw a large thing move and stop. Then I saw a smaller thing move and stop. I figured it was the same thing, maybe crouching down or something, but my rider didn't give me much chance to look and we trotted away," Tate said.

"Tate, I must let you in on a small secret, only a few of us are involved, Sienna, Didi, Madison, you and I. This is a very top secret mission, you cannot tell anyone." Ricky warned.

"I promise to never tell anyone," Tate promised.

"Tate, if you're going to be in on this, you need to know the whole story." Sienna said. Sienna began to tell the story from when she tried to help Didi to when she heard Didi talking to Sunny.

"Oh my golden horseshoes!" Tate exclaimed. "I agree; this must be brought forth to Head Mare Delilah and Senior Shakespeare!"

"Tate, do you know anything about Madison, or what's been going on?" Ricky asked. Tate shuffled his hooves.

"I think I know what's going on...and it isn't good at all." Tate said.

"What?" Ricky asked.

"It's an organization, a group of Shakespeare's Frat Boys created a new alliance, it's called the Chestnut Connection. It started by Beau and Boss. Beau asked me to join, because I'm chestnut, of course I refused because I swore my oath of loyalty to the Fraternity. I don't know if Madison is involved, but he might be. Didi is bay so I don't know what's going on if it's romantic or not, but I think Madison is in the Chestnut Connection." Tate explained.

"Boss? But's he's dun!" Sienna exclaimed.

"I know, but it's complicated. Right now though, only male chestnuts are involved," Tate said.

"Tate, we need to know what's going on. I'm going to ask you something, and you have the choice not to do this." Ricky said.

"Okay...what?" Tate asked nervously.

Ricky looked at Sienna, then back to Tate.

"You said you were asked to join the Chestnut Connection, yes?" Ricky asked. Tate nodded.

"Well...we need you to go in as a liaison, if it is possible, Frat Tate, you must go into the Chestnut Connection. My mission to find the Animal is completed now, we know what Madison has been doing...our new issue is the Chestnut Connection. Tate, this is very important and you must go in without letting anyone know about this. So far, we don't really know if the Chestnut Connection is a negative thing. We need you...Frat Tate? Are you willing to undertake this assignment?" Ricky asked.

"Agent Ricochez, I am willing to take this on." Tate said.

"Okay, thank you," Ricky said.

"Mare...I mean Sienna, do you have any part in this?" Tate asked.

"So far, not much, but we need to have a meeting with Senior Shakey and the Head Mare, then we will see what we do. Ricky could potentially hurt himself for telling me about this...especially because I've been kicked out of the Sorority." Sienna said.

"'Okay, so when do we do this?" Tate asked.

"We'll have the meeting first, if you get permission. You'll then go ask to join the Chestnut Connection," Ricky said.

"It's best we do this ASAP, so...now," Sienna said.

"Okay, Agent Ricky and I will go get Senior Shakespeare, Sienna, you get Head Mare, we'll meet at Delilah's paddock and then go to the pond," Tate suggested.

"Okay, ten four, let's go!" Ricky said. The horses parted and went to grab their leaders for the big meeting.

Find out about the meeting in Episode 7 of Horsey Scandal, Dressage Delinquents. What will happen when the girls and boys join rebel forces?