Pony Express Clinics & Swap Meet

> Saturday, Nov. 7 from 9 am-5 pm At Horses Unlimited Barn 1131 Lucas St, Knoxville

FREE LEARNING CLINICS

Clinics will start every hour on the hour but may not be in the order shown

Check cowboy calendar.com for updates on the clinics

Evaluating the Halter Horse "Ask the Trainer" Meet the Cowgirl Queens Showmanship "What the Judge is Looking For" **Hoof Care Nutrition** "Taking Care of Your Horse" **Equine Assisted Psychotherapy** Concessions Available

Free Craft Table or Bingo for Kids

New & Used Items for Sale

- Toys
- **Jewelry**
- Horse Shoe Art
- Riding Helmets
- Show Clothes (4H & Open/Queen)
- Tack-Saddles
- **Cowboy Hats**
- Books & DVDs
- **Custom Made Chaps**
- Pampered Chef
- And Much More

Rent a 10 x 12 space for a \$15 donation to Pony Express. Bring your items & sell. The money made in sales is all yours!

Pony Express is advertising the Swap Meet & Leaning Clinics.

Call 515-681-8409 or email fisieren@iowatelecom.net to reserve a space.

Make checks payable to Pony Express: mail check to Jan Sieren 2071 30th Ave

Melcher Dallas, IA 50062.

Have items to sell but no time to sell them? Call 641-218-9177 or 641-891-8377 for options

Directions to arena:

From Pleasentville, Indianola: Take 1st exit into Knoxville on Hwy 5 &92 from Pleasantville, Indianola. Take 2nd road north which is 118th Place.

From Knoxville: Go on Hwy 5 & 92 west out of Knoxville. Graceland Cemetary will be on the south side. Take 1st road north which is 118th Place.

118th Place: Go around 4 sharp corners and right after the 4th corner you will see a street sign that says Lucas St. Turn left onto Lucas St. and go to the end of the dead end. The arena is at the end of the dead end. Lots of Parking. Call 641-891-8377 if more directions are needed.



9:00 AM Greg Powers, Equine Specialist with Kent Feeds, is going to do on clinic on basic Nutrition for your horse. The energy requirement per day for a horse is dependent on the horse's life stage, weight, and the level of work the horse is performing. Greg will give us detail on what our horses nutritional needs are for optimized health

10:00 AM Ryan Sims, trainer. Graduate of University of Findlay in Equestrian Studies, Western Riding/Training Emphasis, & Equine Business Management Major 2008 Western Individual Open Champion & also won the national Open Reining title, & was a member of Findlay's Western Intercollegiate Horse Show Association (IHSA) National Championship teams in 2007 & 2009. Ryan will be doing a clinic titled "**Ask A Trainer**". Ryan will give us an overview of what kind of training he does with horses, with an emphasis on reining & horsemanship. Ryan will show us with his horse some techniques to teach your horse, such as how to do a sliding stop, spin, & lead changes. He will also emphasize the horsemanship class & will give us techniques on how to teach your horse to back, pivot, & transition. The clinic will also have a question/answer session so feel free to ask questions.

11:00 AM Cindy Esbeck-Axler retired judge, comes to us with 20+ years of judging, was married to a judge/trainer & has 25 years of experience in the horse business. She was certified in several breeds & attended Color Breed Seminars & certification classes as an effort to continue her judging education & stay current for the benefit of her exhibitors. She has judged the POA World & several other large shows in breeds including the IBHA & PtHA. She no longer judges with the exception of an occasional "charity" cause, such as the Pony Express &/or 4-H events, where she donates her time. Cindy will discuss the different aspects of showing & how your actions, or lack of can be a direct reflection on your placing in the class. This will be very informal & Ms. Esbeck really doesn't mind if you jump in & ask questions at any time. She will discuss her feelings on the importance of pattern class (horsemanship & showmanship), participation & how pattern classes can make you a better rail class rider. Bring your questions, toss them out there for a group discussion & Cindy will offer her perspective from the center of the arena in an effort to help you better understand "What Judges are Looking For."

12:00 . Deb Hoyt is a long time horse professional & an accredited Level 1 instructor, certified by EAGALA (Equine Assisted Growth & Learning Association) & Level 1 trainer for the OK Corral Series. . **Equine Assisted Psychotherapy** She founded & is director of Healing Hearts With Horses & Horse Heaven Rescue & works tirelessly helping children, adolescents & families build healthier, happier lives in the central lowa area. She rescues & rehabs abused, unwanted, or neglected horses & ponies & works hard to find the best adoptive homes for them or uses them for her programs. Her clinic will be a fun demonstration with participation from the crowd

1:00 PM Kelly Schuring is a judge & has been training horses for over 15 years. She graduated from college with a degree in Equine Business Management/Training. She is also ASEA Equine Appraisal certified. Evaluating The Halter Horse - What does a judge look for in a halter horse. Kelly Schuring will show us in detail by pointing out on an actual horse what a judge is looking for in a halter horse. She will also answer questions such as: What is the most important part of the halter horse to a judge? Balance? Topline? Muscling? Does it count against you if your horse won't set up? Can you touch you horse in halter? How important is it to have a show halter (in 4H) (in Open Shows)? Should the horse st& with his head up or level? Does it count against you if your horse's ears are back? How important is it the way your horse moves in halter? (When they ask you to walk & trot your horse?) How important is body condition, fake tail, grooming/shining, clipping of ears-face-legs? Does it count against you if the tail moves? What can an owner do to improve his halter horse? (neck sweat, body condition, anything else)? Does it count against you if you don't have your horse's mane braided or cut short? Does it count against you if your horse has scars or blemishes? What blemishes or conformation issues would count against you?

2:00 PM Marlene DuVall, long time barrel horse trainer & riding instructor with over 50 years experience. Barrel Racing She has background in many disciplines but her passion & specialty is barrel racing. Marlene has been competing in barrel racing since 1956 starting with horse shows & her competitions now include National Barrel Horse Association (12 X World Qualifier), Interstates Rodeo Association, & Iowa Rodeo Cowboy Association (14 X Finals qualifier). Some of her more recent accomplishments include, NBHA District Sr. 1D Champion '04, '05, '06; NBHA District Open 1D Champion '06; Heartland National Sr. 2D Champion '08 (Tulsa, OK); IRA Reserve Champion '08, IRA Finals Go-Round winner & Average Champion '09. Many of Marlene's past & present students & horses have won numerous awards as well. (Marlene will use her horse to demonstrate, if time & space permits)...She will talk about how barrel racing has changed (replace 'yee-haw' with 'finesse'); building a good foundation for your barrel racing horse (get him "broke"), importance of positive attitude as a competitor (don't defeat yourself); good horsemanship (help your horse, don't hinder him); equipment choices (sometimes less is more); practice methods (you don't always need 3 barrels) & how to recognize soreness (listen to your horse). Throughout her session will be Q & A, & she will be available throughout the day to answer questions as well.

3:00 PM Dr. Brian Veldhuizen, DVM will be conducting the "<u>Taking Care of Your Horse</u>" clinic. Watch Brian perform a chiropractic treatment on a horse. Learn more about chiropractic such as how do you know when your horse needs chiropractic, how will your horse react to it, & how long does it typically take. Brian will be performing chiropractic on a horse but feel free to ask questions about anything, perhaps immunizations, emergency care, specific diseases, etc. Brian is a veterinarian in Marion County for large animals.

4:00 PM <u>"Meet the Cowgirl Queens"</u> will be a clinic conducted by several of the cowgirl queens, kings, princes, & princesses from this area. They will tell you what they had to do to become royalty & what they had to do once they did become royalty. Talk to the Cowgirl Queens that competed at the Iowa State Fair including the 2009 Iowa State Fair Junior Cowgirl Queen. Find out what happens at the Iowa State Fair competition. You will see some of the beautiful outfits that the Queens competed in at the Iowa State Fair & feel free to ask them what they do to prepare for royalty competition.

Showmanship Amy Turner, 2009 Marion County 4H Master Showman, will conduct the clinic. She will explain what a showmanship class is judged on such as grooming, working the pattern, tack, etc. & will explain what is important in the showmanship class. Then she will demonstrate how to teach your horse to pivot, back, set up, stop & stay with you when you move. This clinic will be open to questions/answers so bring questions.