



Unique Horsemanship Clinic

Presented by Mark Bolender

Objectives

Each participant will learn the basics of training their horse for Mountain Trail and Extreme Trail. This is a hands-on experience where the rider will understand how horses think and apply that to developing a working partnership with their horse.

Oral Presentations and Demonstrations

Getting into the horse's mind and learning how it thinks forms the basis of how we train for a partnership with our horse. Mark outlines this most crucial concept, and demonstrates how it's applied to training.

Applications

Each participant will work through the training process with their horse under Mark's personal direction. Each participant will apply their new skills to ground work and riding.

Obstacles

Some of the obstacles we will train on include the balance beam, suspension bridge, logs, rocks, water, scramble puzzle, Windom Peak, switchbacks, bridges over water, trenches, Bolender Wall & Bolender Face.

Schedule

Clinic Day 1

9:00 am - An Introduction to "How Horses Think".

10:00 am - "Understanding the Mind of the Horse" and applying that to ground work

12:00 pm - Lunch Break

1:00 pm - Presenting trail obstacles to the horse (in-hand)

3:00 pm - Conclusions

Clinic Day 2

9:00 am - Reviewing first day's progress and work on new obstacles

12:00 pm - Lunch Break

1:00 pm - Riding over obstacles, which is tailored to each rider's skills.

3:00 pm - Conclusions

Clinic Day 3

9:00 am - Reviewing previous day's progress, and ride over new obstacles.

12:00 pm - Lunch Break

1:00 - Mark performs individual assessment for each rider

3:00 pm - Conclusions

Please Note: Each rider must bring his/her own halter, a 12-14 inch lead rope, and leg protection for their horse. Helmets are recommended.

For more information, phone Lee Sampson at Bolender Horse Park at 360-269-6156
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