



Newsletter

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Lesson Etiquette

It is important to know and understand proper etiquette for your lessons. Here are some guidelines to help you understand what is expected of you in every lesson. These also apply when you are riding in a clinic.

1- Don't be late! It is discourteous and disrespectful to your trainer and the people you are riding with to be late to your lesson. It is hard for your trainer to play "catch up" and not fair to your horse to not have proper flat work before jumping. If you or your horse need to warm-up before your lesson, get on early so you are ready at your lesson time.

2 - Keep your spacing! Stay away from other riders and keep proper distance between each horse. If you need to take a break because you are tired, need water or for other reasons, go into the middle of the ring or stay close to the rail where you will be out of the way.

3 - Line up! When we are ready to jump, find a place to line up where you can watch the riders and hear your trainer's critique. It is important to watch and learn from the other riders. Line up straight (shoulder to shoulder), in a straight line (head

The Website

The website is up!! Check it out at patriotfarms.org.

Events

Our upcoming events are:
Sep. 30 Shandoni with Haley & Emily
Oct. 10-14 NorCal Finals, Brksd (A)
Oct. 21 Halloween Party at 2pm
Oct. 24-28 Let's Show, MEC (B)
Nov. 14-18 Onadarka Finals, L.A. (A)
Nov. 18 Leone with Haley
Nov. 27 -28 George Morris Clinic

to tail) or in a half circle. Talking while someone is on course is discourteous to them and your trainer.

4 - Pay attention! Decide what order you will be jumping in and stick to that order. Be ready to go when it's your turn. It isn't fair to anyone if we have to wait for you to get ready. You can be standing ready or walk in a circle while the person before you is going. Pick up your lead and start your course when it's your turn. It wastes everyone's lesson time when we spend time waiting.

5 - Sit up! During your lesson you need to sit up straight. You show respect in your body language. For your one hour lesson, you are expected to sit up while riding and while your waiting for your turn.

Crowded Arena

I know the lower arena has been crowded with Haley, Emily and I sharing the arena. We are hoping that the indoor arena will be up some time in December. When the indoor arena is done, we will no longer have to share arenas.

Blankets

Starting October 1st all horses will need to be blanketed at night. Please bring out your blankets and hang them on stall doors. Also, fans are no longer necessary, please take them home.

Cute Pic!

This picture is of our amateur riders. Anna Marie Cumming, Ann Bittaker, Gretchen Levine, Michelle Waters and Alison Fehlman.



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