

Clinic Synopsis

For C. J. Farmers August Clinic

Day One: Round Pen Reasoning

Many people can get some really great stuff going on with their horse but lack a real communication and relationship with the horse. The class on round penning will cause the student to realize where they are lacking in either or both. Through use of the round pen we can also take necessary steps to getting our horse “hooked” on to us, and develop a trust from the horse to us.

The round pen is where the communication between both horse, and human come to life. You will see the effect of positive communication and begin the relationship with your horse that you always wanted.

We will set two round pens up and Mike will coach two students at a time after he has completed a demonstration and explanation of the communication points.

Come ready to experience and learn.

Day Two: Forward Motion and Flexion

We will begin day two discovering the major body parts of the horse required for “bending” and “flexion” and forward motion. Once we can obtain forward motion and flexion we will mount our horses and begin some really nice forward exercises for:

1. Flexion
2. Lengthening the neck
3. Shoulder yielding
4. Side passing
5. Turn on the haunches
6. Turn on the forehand ... etc.

We will work on some great exercises for body control, and weather permitting take our skills on the trail and work on how well we have our horse’s body parts under control in a real setting. If the weather is not conducive to the trail we will do the exercises in the arena.