

Weekend Horse Rides

HORSE RIDING BUILDS CHARACTER IN SURPRISING WAYS

The benefits of horseback riding are innumerable and are shared amongst all horseback riders. Horseback riding teaches responsibility to those who ride and even more so to those who take care of horses. Horse caretakers must know how to care for the horse during times of health and illness. Learning all about horse health, along with tack and farm care, involves a lot of time and responsibility in order to put that knowledge into practice every single day for the benefit of the horse. In



addition, horseback riding teaches patience, discipline, understanding, empathy, compassion, self-control, and dedication. Without these traits, the rider will not go far in their horsemanship studies.

Come ride with us. You will see growth in some of these ways:



Physical Fitness Discipline Problem Solving Positive Mental Health Kindness and Companionship Teamwork/ Trust Patience Connection to Nature

Horse rides:

On most weekends from September through April, horse rides are available for Scouting units and other groups. Rides are in and around the vast, beautiful property of Butte Creek Scout Ranch. Lunch is not included, bring your own lunch.

For ages Webelos 2 (10 years old) and older a 1 adult to 1 youth ratio is required.Older than Webelos require the national standard of 2-deep leadership.

Make sure you where sturdy pants (Jeans) and shoes. Also, dress for the weather. Bring a Day pack with a change of clothes, snack, and water bottle.



There are 3 ride options, AM 1/2 day ride, PM 1/2 day ride, and a full-day ride.

-	1/2 day AM is from 9am to 12pm	\$60.00
-	1/2 day PM is from 1pm to 4pm	\$60.00
-	Full day will sign up for Morning and Afternoon Rides	\$120.00

Little Buckaroos:

A FUN AND INSTRUCTIVE INTRODUCTION TO HORSEMANSHIP FOR CUB SCOUTS, AGES 6 TO 9!

Cub Scouts will learn about the history and nature of horses; how to be around horses safely, horse care and grooming; basic riding skills; and cowboy/cowgirl gear.

The two-hour classes will be held in a covered riding arena. Classes will run most weekends from January to May. Morning class is 10am to 12pm and the Afternoon class is 2pm to 4pm. Classes will only run with 7 to 10 scouts.

Cost is \$30 per scout and includes instruction, a wrangler-led horseback ride, a snack and a Lil' Buckaroo patch!



All riding conducted by the Butte Creek Wrangler Association, a Venture Crew dedicated to Horsemanship and Equine education. Program led by Council Head Wrangler and Cowboy Poet Scott DePaolo.

Lodging:

Lodging is facility reservation, a separate reservation from the horse program. By the horse corals there are 8 larger Adirondacks (3 sided structures), each sleeping 10. And on the camp side by the old town façade we have sites available.

RULES OF THE ROAD

1. All units MUST CHECK-IN with the Campmaster or Ranger upon arrival.

- 2. All units **MUST CHECK-OUT** with the Campmaster or Ranger before leaving camp.
- 3. ALL vehicles must remain in designated parking lot.
- 4. NO standing timber is to be cut without permission.
- 5. NO conifers or brush is to be cut.

6. Units **RESPONSIBLE FOR DAMAGE** will be billed for repair or replacement.

7. **NO** swimming/boating in any lake allowed without following Safe Swim defense and Safety Afloat. **No** swimming in moving water is permitted.

8. ALL open flame fires must be at least 10 feet away from any structure. (This includes charcoal.)

9. **ALL** liquid fuel cans must be left and locked in vehicles. National policy on the use of liquid fuels must be followed.

10. **ALL** garbage is to be taken out of camp.

11. ALL fires must be put out before leaving camp.

12. **NO** dish washing at water taps.

13. NO UN-AUTHORIZED WEAPONS (including pellet guns) of any type are allowed in camp.

14. As stated in BSA guidelines, youth may not use tobacco products and smoking must be

done away from all participants. Scouting is a smoke-free environment.

15. Obey all camp speed limits. 5 MPH is the limit on all roads.

16. ABSOLUTELY NO PETS ARE ALLOWED TO BE BROUGHT ONTO COUNCIL PROPERTY.

17. NO ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGES ARE ALLOWED ON COUNCIL PROPERTY.

18. Be courteous and "Do A Good Turn" by doing a service project for the camp.

Refunds:

Preparation for the horse rides include, shoeing the horses, veterinarian rotations, training schedules for horses and volunteer wranglers. There are NO refunds within two weeks of your riding day. Prior to two weeks we will refund up to 50% of the fee.