



COWBOY CAMPSITE

does it again!

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Paving the way to a new, more modern industry!

IF YOU AREN'T ON THE EDGE OF YOUR SADDLE waiting to see what those guys at Cowboy Campsite are going to do next, you should be.

The Cowboy Campsite story began in late 2005 with the concept of an equine-only membership campground. In the last three years, the hugely successful Cowboy Campsite has grown to approximately 200 members at the Cascade Camp location near Sedro-Woolley, Washington and started the Clearwater River Camp in Kooskia, Idaho.

Although Cowboy Campsite is designed for folks who own horses and want a place they can always go to camp and trail ride, countless people have asked about other opportunities like rental horses, horse leasing programs, training opportunities, weekend campouts, wrangler rides, and more.

National Training Facility

In late spring of 2009, the Cowboy Campus National Training Facility (CCNTF) will open in Bellingham, Washington with programs to benefit riders, trainers and clinicians throughout the United States. Pre-enrollment is now available for horse lease and lessons memberships, a clinician training course, a wrangler weekend trail ride and campout, and much more.

Cowboy Campus will accommodate any breed, discipline, individual rider, group, or organization. Locally, the facility will provide horse boarding and leasing packages as well as all kinds of equine training and education courses with instruction by Cowboy Campsite certified trainers.

The facility features 100' x 175' indoor arena, large outdoor arena, 20-stall boarding barn, offices, an equine product display area, a

virtual training broadcast and recording center, plus much more. Under construction is a 5-acre obstacle training course that will include everything you need to train your horse for trailworthiness, safety and emergency protocols, or showing and competition.

Cowboy Campus will be available for private, club or group rental and will sponsor organizations that cater to disabled or disadvantaged children and adults.



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You can observe your own lesson from the back of your horse

On the Cutting Edge

If that isn't enough, the enclosed arena will also feature a video recorder and huge projection screen so you can observe your own lesson from the back of your horse and get a DVD of the session to study later. DVDs can be produced for anyone using the arena. There may even be a Saturday "Western Movie Night" on this huge screen for horse folks to gather around, eat popcorn and enjoy a cowboy movie!

Additionally, CCNTF will evolve to offer numerous cutting-edge educational, trainer and trainer certification

courses, most of which will be available via the Internet. CCNTF will introduce the very first "Virtual Training" for the equine industry, offering interactive, live and pre-recorded options for people to choose from.

You will be able to go online at any time and have instant access to hundreds of training courses, all kinds of equine educational resources, and broadcasts from various places throughout the U.S. You can enroll in a Virtual Training broadcast with a clinician, research nutrition products or tack, receive veterinary advice, earn farrier certifications, download and burn CDs of training materials, and so much more.

The goal of CCNTF is to be the only place to go when you are looking for any resource or education within the equine industry.

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