

Hot off the press! Don't miss the August Ride Smart Club Newsletter!



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Letter from Craig

A year ago this month we launched the Ride Smart Club and sent out our first monthly Newsletter. I am excited to see our club growing and becoming what I had envisioned for years. The Ride Smart Club is an exclusive outlet where I can share more personally what I have learned and continue to learn, a community for those dedicated to the horse and horsemanship. This club was designed for learning, growing, expanding and of course, having fun, and I have seen so much of that in the past year and look forward to more!



We spent much of September traveling to Tennessee, Washington, New Jersey and Pennsylvania. I have really enjoyed working with everyone these past few weeks and we are already making plans to return to Washington State Horse Park next year. This month we are headed off to Equidays in New Zealand and will have our week long clinic later this month here at the Double Horn Ranch.

Fall weather has been rolling in the last couple of weeks and it feels great here in Texas. This is a wonderful time of year for riding and I am looking forward to being in the saddle as much as possible.

This month we will be in full-swing for fall clinics and expos. This weekend we had the first annual Western Horseman Weekend clinic here at the Double Horn

Ranch. It was definitely an exciting weekend, I especially enjoyed the chuckwagon cooking and the Saturday night campout under the stars. If you weren't able to make it this year, keep an eye out for this clinic on the 2018 schedule.

We look forward to seeing many of you at clinics in the next few weeks. And remember a good horseman never stops adjusting to fit the horse, the situation and the circumstance.

Your Friend,
Craig Cameron

Q & A with Craig and Cole

Question:

Should I tie my horse in the trailer or not? I've heard people say to do it both ways. which way is correct?

Answer:

The correct answer is it depends on the horse and the type of trailer that I am using. If I have an inexperienced horse who has not been trailered very often, I will probably tie that horse. It is important that I tie wither high or higher, and never too long, but also never too short. I might also tie a horse that is troublesome to other horses in the trailer, like fussing or biting and causing problems while traveling in the trailer. Sometimes, I will also tie a stud to make sure he is not acting stud-y or causing problems when I trailer him. Again, let me emphasize, do not tie too long, do not tie too short and at least withers high or higher.

On the other hand, if I have an experienced or seasoned horse when it comes to trailering, I will just throw the lead line over his back and let him travel in a natural state. I think by not tying that type of horse they stay more relaxed, they are able to put their head down in a natural state and are more comfortable while being trailered. Don't forget to observe your horses and let common sense be your guide.

- Craig Cameron

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