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Shoer's Rack Closed When Rain is Predicted

What a way to start the New Year.....with a lot of rain. It has been three years since we developed an extensive Rain Event Action Plan (REAP) that is used to ensure that SCR is prepared for any rainstorm. In those three years, we have corrected and learned the best way to prepare for rain when it is predicted. Depending on the seriousness of the rain, we have different action plans that the SCR staff must implement to have the facility up to the Best Management Practices (BMPs).

For example, one of the requirements that the staff must complete is to store all tractors under a cover when rainfall has been predicted. Therefore, the shoer's rack will be closed right before and during a rain event. By storing the tractors under a cover, it reduces the chances of oil and other tractor fluids from washing away into the storm water and ending up in the creek.

We ask that you please let your farriers know that right before rain and

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during a rainfall the shoer's rack will be closed. If rainfall is predicted 4:00pm -6:30am the staff will park the tractor under the cover, and the shoer's rack is closed. In the event that a farrier arrives to SCR and the shoer's rack is closed, we are not allowed to remove the tractors from under the cover. We also do not permit farriers to shoe horses on other areas of the stable because of all the nails that can be left behind, which causes the tractors and feed carts a lot of flat tires. The only exception would be for farriers that trim barefoot horses.

Historically, SCR is one of the few stables that has a covered shoer's rack, therefore, in the past farriers were able to shoe the horses during the rain. However, for SCR to maintain the proper permits to stay open and operating, we must follow REAP guidelines. We appreciate your help informing your farriers about this rule. If you have any questions, please contact the office.

Why You Should Not Feed Other Boarder's Horse(s)



Time and time, the concern of other boarders and guests feeding other boarder's horses has been an ongoing issue at SCR. It may be tempting to go around feeding all the horses a little treat or a handful of hay. However, you may be causing a serious health complication or encouraging bad behavior by feeding them. Many horses nowadays struggle with health

SERRANO CREEK REMINDERS



Office Closed

Monday, February 20, 2023 in observance of Presidents Day.



Classic (Regular) on Back Ordered

Just a friendly reminder that at this time the Classic (Regular) shavings are on back ordered. We are expecting to received a new load on March 28th. We appreciate your patience and understanding.

Borrowing the Wheelbarrow

When borrowing the public wheelbarrow, always remember to return them to the patio, so the next boarder can use them.

Cleaning Up After Your Horse

We have all been guilty of not cleaning up after your horse when he/she is tied up to the rail and decides to go to the bathroom. I understand that sometimes we might forget. However, it is the responsibility of the person who has the horse out to clean up the manure. As a reminder, any manure from your horse should be immediately collected and put either in a muck bucket or trash can. Please do not leave a mess for your tack shed neighbors for them to clean after you.



Tack Swap Meet & Boutique

Reminder! We still have a couple of table spots available for the Tack Swap Meet & Boutique. If you are instead please contact the office to save you a spot.



issues that lead them to be on a strict dietary restriction. For example, we have seen an increase of horses with laminitis that are being treated with extremely strict diets.... that means no extra treats nor hay. Other horses might have allergic reaction to certain feeds. Depending on the treat size, some horses can even choke. Feeding treats or hay can also cause a horse to colic, and most common colic, are due to impactions or a twist in the gut. We ask that you please refrain from feeding other boarder's horse(s) without their consent. Please be respectful and obey the SCR rules, which states the following, ***“Do not feed another person’s horse anything without the owner’s permission. Some horses may be on special or restricted diets, and some horses may tend to bite.”***

If you ever see non-boarders feeding horses, please go up to them politely and respectfully let them know that feeding the horses is not allowed. The office staff does its best to let all visitors that call or stop by the office know that petting and feeding the horses is not allowed. However, some visitors visit during non-office hours or do not stop by the office, so please let them know that they are not allowed to pet or feed the horses.

RECAP OF WHY YOU SHOULD NOT FEED OTHER BOARDER'S HORSE(S)

- ⇒ **IF IT'S NOT YOUR HORSE, ITS NOT YOUR HORSE TO FEED!**
- ⇒ Hand- feeding may encourage biting
- ⇒ Horses can be allergic to a range of things
- ⇒ Strict dietary restrictions
- ⇒ Horses may have underlining health issues
- ⇒ Horse can choke or colic



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I LOVE MY HORSE





Serrano Creek Ranch
**TACK SWAP MEET &
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COME AND SELL YOUR USED TACK AND HORSE GEAR!



WHEN: Saturday, February 25th from 9:00AM - 1:00PM
WHERE: Serrano Creek Ranch Patio

This is a FREE event—All sales you make are yours!

We'll Provide you with a designated space and a table. You Set your own prices, mark and label as you like, take whatever offer you want!

Grab a friend, share a spot, the more tack the merrier!

Limited spaces available, please call or email to reserve!
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