

WEST COAST ROCKY MOUNTAIN HORSE CLUB

APRIL 22-27, 2010

INFORMATION AND DIRECTIONS TO EVENT LOCATIONS

Northcote residence – Ranchita Estates- Campground location
1500 Big Baldy, Arroyo Grande (805) 481-1905

Coming from the South or the North, take Highway 101 to Arroyo Grande, California. Get off at the exit marked Lopez Lake (also marked Highway 227) and proceed EAST through the village of Arroyo Grande to the three way **stop sign**. (It's a good idea to gas up at that exit. There are three gas stations at that exit that have good access for trucks with trailers).

At the three way stop sign just beyond the village, turn right and follow the signs that guide you to Lopez Lake. From that intersection it is 18 miles to Ranchita Estates and the Northcote's ranch.

As you arrive at the East (far) end of the lake, you will cross a large bridge. Just past the end of the bridge turn **RIGHT** onto Hi Mountain Road. Follow the Hi Mountain road signs (at the road split about a mile beyond the lake turnoff, stay to the right). You will pass through Rancho Arroyo Grande for several miles, then finally enter Ranchita Estates. Turn left at Big Baldy Road (Big Baldy Road is across from a string of mailboxes and you will see a sign that says you are entering a private road of Ranchita Estates). As you are driving on Big Baldy Road at each intersection keep to the right. You will dead end into Northcote's Paradise ranch.

There is a pool, Jacuzzi, and a bathhouse with toilets and showers. There is also an outdoor kitchen with electricity, two burners, hot water, a microwave and BBQ. These are available for use throughout the week.

Current shots and worming for your horse(s) recommended before arrival.

NEED TO HAVE SIGNED AND RETURNED:

- Sign Up Sheet Form
- Please Pre-sign up for the Trail Obstacle Course Timed Event
- Need to sign waiver. Sign, fill-out and return by April 10, 2010.
- Bring a Horse Costume for the Parade
- Bring a Western Shirt for the Ride to the Winery
- Bring money or credit cards if you want to purchase wine the winery. Wine Transportation back to the Northcotes will be provided.
- Bring a Helmet (Required to ride on the Obstacle Course)
- Print out Event Schedule before you arrive

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For RMHA Certification: This exam procedure will be available. Schedule an exam time in advance by contacting Linda Clarke at (805) 481-5332. Bring your horse's ORIGINAL registration papers, and a new, (unopened) VHS videotape. The horse must be shod on all four feet or not shod on any feet for certification to be valid. The horse must be rideable and you (or someone else you authorize) will be required to ride it while being videotaped.

Horse Stuff: Water/feed/muck buckets, horse blankets (it can be cool at night), hay, grain/feed, shavings (if you want to put them in your corral), pooper scooper, lead rope, halter, saddle, saddle blanket, bridle, breast collar, pommel pack/cante bags, long tie rope for tying to trees at the winery or at lunch on the trail. Horse water is available at camp. There may be some extra hay for sale IF you run out. However, do plan to bring enough for the time you will be away from home. Farm Supply 1079 El Camino Real Arroyo Grande, CA 93420-2518 (805) 489-5514 store is at the East end of Arroyo Grande. If you forget anything, or need to purchase hay, grain or shavings, stop there before you leave town for camp.

People Stuff: Helmets recommended; Required for riders Sunda Obstacle Course; If on a horse Juniors are required to wear helmets at all times. Folding chair, rain gear, light jacket, warm jacket, riding clothes, boots, mud shoes, warm blankets, hat, gloves, rain gear (in case of cool or rainy weather), your food (see below), snacks and bottled water/drinks. Camping gear/shower stuff, swim suit, large towel and shower shoes for the pool area. Cell phone and power cord. Cell phone coverage is not the best, however, they do work when you are at a higher location. Carry it when riding and at the top of a mountain, call home. Set of walkie-talkies handy if you have them. **Bring a bathing suit if you want to swim in pool /sit in Jacuzzi.**

FOOD: Meals are not provided with the exception of the following: Friday Night Dinner. Saturday Lunch at the Winery. Monday morning pancake breakfast. Morning coffee, tea, hot chocolate and snacks in the AM.

If you plan to participate in the potluck's, (and we hope you will), please See the Event Schedule and a serving utensil. Your side dish may be hot or cold. We will provide plates, napkins and eating utensils.

The nearest feed stores, grocery stores, restaurants and gas stations are in Arroyo Grande, 18 miles from the camping and event locations. It is recommended that you purchase or bring what you need prior to arriving at the camping location.

CAMPING ITEMS: If you are planning to plug into electricity, bring along a long, heavy duty electric extension cord. **(this would be in addition to what is already on your rig.)** You may be located a longer distance from the electric hookups than your rig cord will stretch, and an extension cord may be necessary. Check your rig book or with your RV dealer for the recommended amperage required for an extension cord. Bring hose(s) for water. Small BBQ for grilling, awning, outside table, extra camp chairs, flashlight(s), extra batteries, rubber shoes.