



CHA Regional Conference for Region 2 (MB, SK, ND, SD, eastern MT)

Friday May 13th 1:00 – 6:00 pm and Saturday May 14th 8:30 – 6:00 pm
Hosted by Tara Reimer (CHA CI and Region 2 Director) at Cloud 9 Ranch in Steinbach, MB

This conference is to help group riding instructors improve their skill set for teaching horse riding lessons! Take advantage of the various ground and riding sessions over the two days. Participants have the opportunity to teach in a safe environment, to practice and be evaluated as a means of improving. Bring your own horse to ride in sessions or lesson horses will also be available to use.

The conference is of benefit to all horse enthusiasts, whether existing CHA (Certified Horsemanship Association) certified instructors or those interested in becoming certified! Even if certification is not for you, full/part time horse professionals, 4-H Leaders, Parents, Stable/Camp Staff, Trainers, Horse Owners, etc. will all learn something of value! We also welcome attendees outside our Region 2 and CHA.

*Attendees must be 16 years or older to be a participant.

CHA PURPOSE/MISSION STATEMENT: To promote excellence in safety and education for the benefit of the entire horse industry. This is accomplished by certifying instructors, accrediting equine facilities, producing educational conferences and publishing educational resources such as horsemanship manuals, DVDs, safety video shorts, webinars, a monthly radio show, weekly blog, posters and much more. Certified Horsemanship Association is a 501(c)3 non-profit association.

CHA WHY STATEMENT: "CHA changes lives through safe experiences with horses."

Learn more about CHA at <http://cha-ahse.org> . Check out their many educational videos at http://cha-ahse.org/store/pages/212/CHA_Educational_YouTube_Video_Shots.html

CHA Conference Fee for Members: \$120 pp includes gst, use of lesson horse and lunch.

Fee for Non Members: \$200 pp includes gst, CHA 1 year membership, lesson horse and lunch.

Stall Fee: \$25/day for box stall includes 2 bags shavings, Outdoor \$15. Bring your own feed.

\$100 deposit by May 1st can be sent via mail or e transfer to *Cloud 9 Ranch* Box 20232 Steinbach, MB R5G 1R79 204-392-6308 tara@cloud9ranch.ca

CHA's Helmet Policy: CHA strongly recommends that every person, who rides a horse, wear an ASTM-/SEI certified riding helmet.



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Schedule of events:

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Register between noon and 12:30 pm

1-2:00 pm Introductions. What is CHA?

2-3:00 pm Teaching Techniques including Sports Psychology, Lesson Plans

3:15-5:00 pm KISS – Teaching the very first lesson with riding

5-6:00 pm Participant Chosen Topics for CHA Instructors to Teach

Saturday May 14th

Coffee and snacks 8-8:30 am at barn

8:30-9:00 am Facility Layout, Safety Rules

9:00-9:45 am How to maintain healthy, happy lesson horses – Connie Friesen

9:45-11:15 am Creative Ground Lessons – Participants to teach their best 15 minute lessons

11:15-12 pm Bits and Biting

12-1:00 pm Lunch

1-1:30 pm Business record keeping

1:30-2:00 pm Buying a horse for your lesson program

2:30-5:30 pm Riding Lessons – Participant Taught Practice Lessons and/or Topics chosen by Participants for CHA instructors to teach

5:30-6 pm Team Discovery and debriefing

Participants are welcome to stay another day and participate in the General Performance Show Clinic on Sunday May 15th at Cloud 9 Ranch taught by Tara Reimer 9-5 for \$160.

Driving South out of Steinbach - drive south of Steinbach 3 miles, drive east on highway #303 for 3 miles (1st mile paved and next 2 miles gravel), drive south on Ekron/Oswald Road 37E for 3/4 mile, turn left (east) down our driveway #31061. Look for Cloud 9 Ranch driveway sign.

Driving East out of Steinbach - drive east of Steinbach water tower on Main Street/Hwy #52 for 2 miles, at the PennLite building turn right (south) on Ekron/Oswald Road 37E and drive for 3 3/4 miles (3 miles to stop sign on #303, then 3/4 mile further), turn left (east) down our driveway #31061. Look for Cloud 9 Ranch driveway sign.

Driving North towards Steinbach - drive north on Hwy #12 towards Steinbach, Turn right (east) onto highway #303 and drive 3 miles (1st mile paved and next 2 miles gravel), drive south on Ekron/Oswald Road 37E for 3/4 mile, turn left (east) down our driveway #31061. Look for Cloud 9 Ranch driveway sign.

Driving West towards Steinbach from La Broquerie - drive west of La Broquerie on Hwy #52 until the PennLite building on your right, turn left (south) on Ekron/Oswald Road 37E and drive for 3 3/4 miles, turn left (east) down our driveway #31061. Look for Cloud 9 Ranch driveway sign.



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Name: _____ Contact Phone #: _____

Address: _____ Town: _____ PC: _____

Email: _____

Current CHA member: Yes ___ No ___ CHA Certified: Yes ___ No ___ Level E ___ W ___

If you will bring your own horse, do you require outdoor pen ___ or box stall ___?

Do you wish to ride one of our lesson horses? _____ English ___ Western ___ Both ___

Do you plan to attend both days? _____ Or just Friday _____ or just Saturday? _____

Please list lesson topics, ground or riding, that you would like to see taught by CHA staff that are not already on the schedule: _____

There is an opportunity on Saturday to teach your most creative ground lesson to the participants as a way to share your creativity and knowledge. It can take up to a maximum of 20 minutes and can be on any lesson topic where students are not mounted on horses. Horses may be used but are not required. We can all role play so choose the level and age range you wish to teach to. Come prepared with materials needed. What ground lesson will you teach at the conference?

Also on Saturday, there is time for participants to practice teaching. Is there a lesson topic you want practice teaching or one that you want valuable feedback on? If you are interested in CHA certification, this is a great opportunity to practice without evaluation. Learn where your strengths and weaknesses lie. Again, choose any lesson topic you wish and specify to us whether English and/or Western and age group of students. Other participants will role play for you. Lesson is maximum 20 minutes long and should include a safety check of riders, as this is standard for CHA instructors. What lesson(s) would you like to teach?:

If you have any questions please feel free to contact CHA Region 2 Director Tara Reimer at tara@cloud9ranch.ca or 204-392-6308.

We look forward to seeing you at our 3rd Region 2 Regional Conference!