

# COURSE 1 & BEYOND OVERVIEW

## - Connection & Riding Excellence -

***In any discipline, to be great you must first master the fundamentals and this course is full of them! Bringing together advanced elements of Course 1 & Course 2 topics, this course has helped both beginners and high level riders fine tune their communication, raise their connection and advance their horsemanship. By far the most important course you will take, and one to review throughout your horsemanship journey!***

- An application of the Jonathan Field Horsemanship Training Scale™ with Path, Speed, Bend & Balance
- Learn the riding/exercise circle and the 3 steps to cycle through
- Discover how to “Stretch the elastic band” both emotionally and physically
- Find relaxation in movement with the “active neutral sweet spot”
- Learn a circle program while riding to develop a comfortable canter through bend & balance
- Begin leg yielding and learn how it builds to other maneuvers
- Improve your lead departures and build a foundation for lead changes

\* *There's always a slight difference in the dynamic of each group of people and horses. Some lessons may be focused on more than others, including some not mentioned here. If one of these goals is important to you, please mention so at the beginning of the clinic.*

### **Equipment to Bring:**

Please bring all the following equipment. Any items you don't have will be available for purchase during the event (we may have some equipment you can borrow!) However, we don't have helmets for loan or purchase, so please bring your own.

- ◇ Safety Helmet (Riders under 18 MUST wear a helmet)
- ◇ Rope Halter
- ◇ 12' Lead Rope
- ◇ Horseman's Stick
- ◇ 6' Horseman's String
- ◇ Saddle Pad
- ◇ Saddle
- ◇ Snaffle-type Bridle and/or Rope Hackamore

### **Rider & Horse Requirements/Prerequisites:**

Some introductory knowledge of the Jonathan Field Horsemanship program and principles – eg: you have read “The Art of Liberty Training for Horses” book and/or have watched Ground DVD 1 from the Natural Foundation Home Study Program. You must be comfortable riding at the walk, trot and some canter. This is NOT a colt-starting clinic. Horse must be 3 years old or older, have at least 40 rides and be ride-able at the walk, trot and some canter. No Stallions permitted. Contact your host with any questions.

### **Times:**

8:00-8:30 am: Plan to arrive at location

9:00 am: Please meet in the arena WITHOUT your horse for an introductory/theory session.

10:00 am: Morning lessons with horses

12:30 pm: approximate 1-1/2 hour break each day for lunch.

2:00 pm: Afternoon lessons with horses

4:30 to 5:00 p.m approximate end time each day

### **Recording:**

Video or audio recording of any kind is not permitted during the clinic. Please pass this information on to any friends or family that may be attending to watch. You may not publish, post, or display any photos of Jonathan Field, the Jonathan Field Horsemanship Centre or any member of the Jonathan Field Horsemanship team without their written consent.

### **PAYMENT AND CANCELLATION POLICY:**

**DEPOSIT:** A \$300.00 USD deposit is required to hold your spot in the clinic. The deposit (once accepted) guarantees your spot in the clinic. CLINIC DEPOSITS ARE NON-REFUNDABLE, NON-CREDITABLE AND NON-TRANSFERRABLE. NO EXCEPTIONS.

**BALANCE:** Balance payments are due 60 Days before the first day of the clinic. This includes any amount owing for stabling. If paying your deposit by cheque, please include a credit card number OR a post-dated cheque for your balance payment. CLINIC BALANCE PAYMENTS ARE NON-REFUNDABLE AND NON-TRANSFERRABLE, AND CAN ONLY BE APPLIED TO A CREDIT.

**CANCELLATION:** If you cancel out of the clinic at any time, the \$300 USD Deposit is forfeited - NO EXCEPTIONS. If you have already made your balance payment, an additional \$50 administration fee will be charged and the remaining amount will be applied to a Jonathan Field Horsemanship Credit. Credits are valid for one calendar year and can be used to purchase Jonathan Field Horsemanship DVDs or equipment. Credits can also be applied to another clinic or camp if space allows.