

**South Carolina Horsemen's Council
Annual Meeting and Equine Expo Feb 5, 2011**

Clinicians

Some of our highlighted clinicians are:

Richard Shrake (<http://www.richardshrake.com/>)

Richard Shrake is an internationally renowned trainer, judge and clinician who created **Resistance Free® Training & Riding** methods. He makes his home with his family at their Ventana Ranch near Bend, Oregon.

- .Judge** of 16 World Championship Shows for 5 major breeds
- .Teacher** at over 4000 clinics
- .Demonstrator** at over 300 Horse Expos & Fairs nationwide
- .Author** of four best-selling equestrian books
- .Lecturer** at over 215 Universities & Colleges
- .Producer** of 29 equine educational DVDs
- .Designer** of the top quality saddles, bits & tack
- .Writer** of Bridle Wise, a monthly syndicated column
- .Originator** of Accredited Resistance Free® Trainer/Instructor Program
- .Voted** "Best of Show" clinician at 2010 FEI World Equestrian Games in Lexington, KY
- .Board Member** at top colleges and universities
- .Winner** of all-around horse rider and trainer at the Quarter Horse Congress
- .Sponsored** by only the #1 equine companies in the industry
- .Inducted** into the 2008 "Horse Expo Hall of Fame"
- .Trainer, Instructor, Showman, Owner**



PROFESSIONAL AFFIRMATION

The Resistance Free® methods have been a life-long process for me to be able to share with you the knowledge of patience, kindness and obedience when working with horses and riders. I have trained and instructed for over 40 years and my goal is to pass this on to all horse people who want a program that work for them and their horse.

Richard Shrake

Reed Edwards, will be conducting two sessions:



Session 1: Developing the High Performance Horse—The Beginning

Session 2: The High Performance Horse—Light, Confident, Responsive

Reed Edwards is a horseman who operates FoxPipe Farm in Laurens, South Carolina, who works with horses and their owners from his home farm and also with weekly trips to Aiken. He helps owners and riders of all levels and disciplines to increase both the level of performance and harmony between horse and rider. He develops horses that are light, responsive, and confident in their jobs, and teaches riders to better understand their horse and to develop a feel for the horse

which leads to greater levels of safety, confidence and performance.

Whether you are a competitive rider looking to reach the next level of performance, or a casual rider looking for more safety, confidence and enjoyment from your ride, Reed can help you realize your dreams with your horse.

Mike Kinsey, (<http://www.startemright.com/>) will be conducting sessions on the following:

Session 1 - When Love isn't enough...

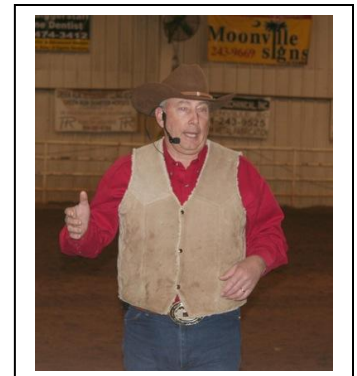
Caring for your horse's health, welfare and training based on the horse's needs, rather than the owner's feelings.

Session 2 - The Consequences of No Consequences.

Teaching the horse self-discipline and respect for authority, rather than allowing the horse to dangerously take advantage of humans.

Mike Kinsey grew up on a ranch in the Flint Hills cattle country of SE Kansas. The Kinsey ranch shipped their speedy cow bred prospects to the east coast, and Northeastern States.

Mike began a horse psychology based internship starting and training (as opposite to method based training) in 1960. By the late 60s Mike was considered 'the' go-to guy starting young horses for other ranches in the area. His understanding of horse psychology allowed him to recognize a horse's motivation, be it timid, concerned, flighty or domineering and the ability to tailor a training program that would ultimately mean a quiet but attentive and willing mount. Large ranches had no acceptance for a horse that acted like a pet, or needed compromising. A ranchers life could hang on a horse's being respectfully compliant with whatever task might be at hand.



The Kinsey's saw success with their prospects in the show arena and on the track where a steady dependable attitude allowed the horse's ability and training to consistently produce results. The program was called "Start 'em Right" almost 80 years ago. Now under Mike's experienced hand, Start 'em Right is still available to those that recognize the games and gimmicks so popular today have resulted in the flourishing of slaughter houses for dangerous horses contemptuous of human guidance.

Some personal info about Mike Kinsey:

- has a BS from Kansas State U, and a MS from the University of Missouri - Rolla.
- was the co-author of a series of 12 articles that appeared in 2003 Western Horseman that won American Horse Publication's 2003 Best Educational Series. The trail horse training articles were collectively called Back Country Basics.
- did a series of 3 articles in 2005 called Pre-Purchase Behavioral Diagnostics for the South East Equine Magazine.
- has written numerous articles at the request of AQHA, APHA, Western Horsemen, Carolina Outdoors, Equine & Bovine and other magazines.
- successfully competed in NATRC competitive trail Open Division.
- in 2001 was selected by AQHA as their representative online forum "Ask the Expert" for recreational trail horse training.
- in 2005 was the guest clinician and judge at The Great American Trail Horse Expo at the Equine Coliseum in Lexington, VA.
- In 2008 Western Horseman released their trail horse training book about Mike's training and philosophy of psychology based training called *Backcountry Basics*
- has done clinics and presentations for AQHA, SCQHA, South Carolina's Horseman Council, and 4-H groups.
- was invited to do a two day clinic in Johannesburg South Africa. At the conclusion of the clinic, the South African Quarter Horse Association offered Mike's son and primary assistant trainer, Jon, a year-long fellowship where Jon would conduct exhibitions around South Africa.
- has been the resident expert for Pony Express Horse forum, as well as contributing to other equine forums.
- won his first AQHA all-round youth trophy at age 12 in the 18 and under division.
- at age 14 won the AQHA champion trophy for judging against 19 years and under at the tri-state event for Oklahoma, Texas, and Kansas in Dewey Oklahoma.
- is a AQHA Professional Horsemen
- is a Back Country Horsemen of America Silver Spur Member
- has unique trail expertise enhanced by his military schooling and qualifications as an Army Airborne Ranger, Special Forces ("Green Beret") commander, Marine Corps Scout Swimmer, and Belgium Commando.



Brock & Leisha Griffith (<http://www.brockgriffithhorsemanship.com/>)

Nine years ago, **Brock Griffith** traded a bull riding career to pursue his dream of working with horses. He immersed himself in the study and practice of natural horsemanship, gaining valuable knowledge and skills in this methodology and confidence in its application. His unique style is inspired by a variety of influences, personal experience, and an open mind. Brock is a talented horseman, trainer and clinician with an extraordinary ability to communicate effectively with both horses and their human partners.

In 2008, Brock Griffith won the North Carolina Equine Extravaganza Trainer's Challenge and went on to win the finals at the VA Equine Extravaganza. In 2009, Brock placed 11th in the Extreme Mustang Makeover in Murfreesboro, TN.

Leisha Griffith is an accomplished horsewoman, with a long history in ranching and rodeo. She specializes in barrel racing, equitation, and performance horses. Her passion is not only to continue her development as a student of the horse, but to share her knowledge and enthusiasm with others. Leisha is an insightful,



entertaining, inspirational clinician and horsemanship instructor.

In 2010, Leisha was selected to compete in the 1st ever Women's Trainers challenge. The event was held at the Meadow Event park in Doswell, VA. It was produced in conjunction with the Equine Extravaganza. There were 3 women trainers, 3 untouched 3 yr old horses, and 1 hr each day for 3 days to start them under saddle, and take them as far as possible, ending with an obstacle course after round 3 on Wed. Leisha was declared the winner, and crowned Champion Colt starter of the East Coast for 2010.



Brock & Leisha write the following: *"We are proud to say that we can offer 2 of the best trainers at one facility on the East coast. We have a new 26 acre facility located in Denton NC. We train together and run our business as a family. We train full time and do everything from colt starts to problem horses, and Performance horses. We offer clinics, lessons, training and boarding at our facility. We also travel to do seminars, demos and clinics at your facility. To find out more about us and see our current schedules and price list, please visit our website@ www.brockgriffithhorsemanship.com Email: info@brockgriffithhorsemanship.com*

We look forward to doing our seminars at the SC Horsemen's Expo and hope to see you all there!"

Brock & Leisha Griffith

Equine Health Presentations – Coordinated by Dr. Adam C. Eichelberger, DVM, Diplomate, American College of Theriogenology, Extension and Field Veterinarian, Clemson University.

Dr. Eichelberger has assembled an impressive cadre of professional equine health instructors for the 2011 Expo. These will be going on throughout the day. Pick your favorites or attend them all. They will be very informative.

- **Lameness- Keith Stafford, DVM, Stafford Equine Veterinary Services, Pendleton, SC**
- **Diagnostic Imaging and Joint Therapy- Kate Echeverria, DVM and Jacob Harms, DVM, Southern Equine Service, Aiken, SC**
- **Foal Medicine- Sabrina Jacobs, DVM and Holly Bedford, DVM, Performance Equine Vets, Aiken, SC**
- **Dentistry- Reece Myran, DVM, Edisto Equine Clinic, Charleston, SC**
- **Colic- Canan Whitfield, DVM, Edisto Equine Clinic, Charleston, SC**
- **Nutrition- Eric Shupe, Purina Mills, USA**
- **Integrating Alternative Therapies- Keelin Redmond, DVM, Avoca Equine, Aiken, SC**

