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Easy rein, better ride

CURTIS, Neb. – Ins and outs, turns, patterns and fast feet are part of the lingo herd for horse enthusiasts at a weekend riding clinic in Curtis.

A professional horse trainer from Blair, Sherman Tegtmeier, is returning to the indoor arena of the Nebraska College of Technical Agriculture on Saturday and Sunday (Nov. 10-11).

The two-day clinic is hosted by the NCTA Ranch Horse Team, said Huntra Christensen of Lincoln, a third-year major in equine management and agribusiness management. She also manages the NCTA horse barn.

"Sherm is a certified trainer with the National Reining Horse Association and a renowned coach for nonprofessional riders," Christensen said. "Riders will have a 90-minute block of personal training time with him.

Although the training reservations are all filled, spectators are invited to come and pick up pointers, free of charge. They will see every type of riding level, from young and recently-started horses to advanced horses."

The horsemanship and reining clinic is a special event to assist students, the public and newcomers, and complements the academic courses of the NCTA equitation program, said Joanna Hergenreder, associate professor animal science and Ranch Horse Team coach.

"The indoor arena of the Livestock Teaching Center is an ideal classroom," Hergenreder said, where ranch horse students specialize in western ranch riding, trail class, stock cow work and reining.

All horses coming onto the NCTA campus must meet biosecurity requirements. Clinic details are available from Hergenreder at <u>jhergenreder2@unl.edu</u>.



NCTA Aggies received customized training in horsemanship and reining during a campus clinic in 2017. Sherman Tegtmeier, second to right, will return Nov. 10-11 to Curtis. (NCTA photo)

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