

Training Your Donkey

Instructor: Dave Freeman

Sponsored by: Horse Feathers Equine Rescue

October 2—3, 2010

9:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. each day



Dave Freeman has been training donkeys (burros) for nearly 20 years. Before, he worked with and rode horses. It wasn't until Dave got his first burro, Aerial, a BLM jenny, for a Father's Day present, did he ever consider the value of a donkey. Dave now trains donkeys for not only himself, but for other people as well. He trains them for riding, packing, log skidding, and driving. He also teaches people how to care for and train their own donkeys. Dave has given donkey clinics and demonstrations all over the Northern California area, and is now opening up his talents to other areas in the U.S. His trained donkeys are a feature in Northern California's Historical Parks for their portrayal of the Gold Rush era. The majority of both of his 2 donkey pack strings are from the BLM wild herds.

Dave is a BLM volunteer that has done many demonstrations at BLM adoptions, and at the BLM's Litchfield Holding Facility, near Susanville, CA. For 10 years, has put on packing and donkey clinics at the Western States Horse Expo in Sacramento California. For a decade, Dave and his wife, Ginny, put on "The Longear's Cele'bray'tion, a donkey and mule show, where pack clinics, driving and donkey games are the norm. Dave and his animals are also a historical feature at pack string demonstrations, old miner interpretations and historical talks on an 1850 gold rush town he has discovered at the State Historical Park in Old Sacramento, California.



Day One

Donkey Basics—health, trimming feet, teaching to lead and groundwork.



Day Two

Teaching your donkey to pack, line tie, ground driving and cart pulling.



Participant Fees

Both days \$175

One day \$125

Audit Fees

Both days \$75

One day \$50

Non-refundable

\$50 deposit

due

September 1, 2010

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