### HORSE SENSE REDEFINED

## With Chris Irwin

Friday - Monday 23-26Oct2015

Shangri-la Therapeutic Academy of Riding (STAR) Lenoir City, TN



Chris Irwin returns to STAR, Lenoir City, TN, Friday 23Oct2015, through Monday 26Oct2015, to REDEFINE HORSE SENSE. Through a series of uniquely targeted learning opportunities, internationally renowned Equestrian Coach and best-selling personal development author Chris Irwin will provide opportunities for participants to receive personal coaching with their horses. Auditors will also benefit from deeply detailed practical theory discussions, groundwork and riding demonstrations by Chris and his Gold Certified Associate Trainers.

Chris will be mic'd during all sessions. Auditors are welcome throughout the 4-days (see last page for pricing). Individuals enrolling in private lessons/class sessions may audit all other sessions at no additional charge.

General information is included on the last page regarding pricing, overnight and day stabling, and hotel accommodations in Lenoir City.



#### ABOUT CHRIS ....

Chris Irwin is most often recognized in the United States as the international best-selling author of HORSES DON'T LIE and DANCING WITH YOUR DARK HORSE. Perhaps the best-kept secret among horseman of all disciplines in North America is that Chris has coached and trained students with extreme "problem horses" that went on to win national championships in Canada, Bermuda, Ireland, The Netherlands and Belgium. Irwin first started catching the attention of American horsemen more than a few years ago when a glowing clinic review in DRESSAGE TODAY stated "Chris Irwin has an incredible ability for developing courage and confidence in nervous horses."

Chris Irwin is the only North American equestrian invited to present his training and coaching insights at the prestigious Royal Dutch Riding Academy in The Netherlands. While earning a much respected leading role in the Dutch Equestrian scene while coaching in Europe, Chris is also the only North American invited to teach advanced "Horse Behavior and Handling Skills" at the renowned School of Veterinary Medicine at the University of Utrecht in the Netherlands. Chris has been a featured presenter at major horse shows and expositions including the Spruce Meadows Masters in Calgary, all 3 the Equine Affaires in the USA, The Royal Horse Show in Toronto, Equitana, both the American National and World Pony Club Conferences, the PATH International World Conference and The Horse Event in the Netherlands.

"Chris Irwin is The Master of Awareness". ~ VVF magazine ~ Belgium

Chris Irwin offers the most evolved teaching in the world on how riders and handlers affect the bio-mechanics, physiology, behavior and performance potential of their horses. From dramatically improved lateral work, freedom of extension, flexion, softer collection, lightening horses too heavy on the forehand, softening the horse to half-halts, improved relaxation and engagement in straightness, and improving transitions, as HORSE & RIDER magazine said: "Nobody understands and explains the horse-human relationship better then Chris Irwin".

If your mind is open to **Redefining Horse Sense** (including dressage, hunter/jumper and western riding) you won't want to miss this learning opportunity. Chris Irwin truly walks the talk of "inside leg to outside rein" and delivers nothing less than miracles in motion. Angry horses become calm, distracted horses become focused, shut down horses come alive, lazy horses become engaged, hard horses become soft.

"Irwin's success is not because he is commercialized but because he is an extraordinary horseman and personal coach." PaardenSport Magazine – The Netherlands

# FRIDAY MORNING, 230CT2015 OPEN CLINIC/PRIVATE LESSONS



90 minute semi-private sessions (max 2) for \$175 each\* 45 minute private sessions available for \$165\*

\*Additional weekend sessions available at a 10% discount

9:00-9:45	
9:45-10:30	
10:30-11:15	
11:15-12:00	
12:00-1:00pm	LUNCH BREAK
	FRIDAY AFTERNOON – Schedule TBD

# **SATURDAY MORNING, 240CT2015**

### **DRESSAGE REDEFINED**

Chris' unique groundwork and under saddle techniques support the Training Scale resulting in more supple, relaxed and connected horses of any breed and discipline in addition to turning those 5's into 7's and 8's on your next dressage test!!

9:00-9:45am	RIDING DEMO: DRESSAGE REDEFINED
	Chris will work with a problem dressage horse under saddle (owner pays for the private session work with the horse). Chris will be mic'd during the session and share work and a lesson plan for the horse with the owner and all auditors
10:00-11:00am	Class 1: DRESSAGE PROBLEM SOLVING
	Session available to 2 dressage riders. The riders' problems will be resolved through an introduction to groundwork and riding techniques to enhance the relaxation and rhythm needed for successful Introductory and Level 1 work. Auditors will find the work to be helpful for all horses regardless of breed and/or discipline.
11:00am –12:00	Class 2: DRESSAGE REFINEMENT
noon	Session available to 2 dressage riders (work at Level 2 is required). Riding techniques will be refined to provide a firm foundation of suppleness and connection required for the Level 2 movements and beyond!
12:00-1:00pm	Class 3: CONFIDENCE & COURAGE IN THE DRESSAGE ARENA
	Session available to 2 dressage riders (any level). The horse and rider will learn exercises to build Confidence and Courage when riding specific dressage movements. Auditors will find the work to be helpful for all horses regardless of breed and/or discipline.

# SATURDAY AFTERNOON, 240CT2015 HUNTERS/JUMPERS REDEFINED



Jumping horses are practically encoded into the DNA of Irish riders. Ireland's Equestrian Magazine said: "Chris Irwin is more horse then human. The horses look at him as if he is a God."

2:00-2:45pm	RIDING DEMO: OVER FENCES REDEFINED  Chris will work with a problem hunter or jumper under saddle (owner pays for the private session work with the horse). Chris will be mic'd during the session and share work and a lesson plan for the horse with the owner and all auditors
3:00-4:00pm	Class 1: PROBLEM SOLVING OVER FENCES  Session available to 2 Hunter or Jumper riders (any level). The riders' problems will be resolved through an introduction to groundwork and riding techniques to enhance the relaxation and rhythm needed for successful work over fences.
4:00-5:00pm	Class 2: REFINEMENT SCHOOLING OVER FENCES  Session available to 2 intermediate to advanced Hunter or Jumper riders to refine over fences work which will benefit arena and cross country course work.

#### **SATURDAY 24Oct2015 DINNER**

# INTRODUCTION to EAPD – DARK HORSE RISING 6-9pm



6:00-6:30pm Drinks (Beer and Wine) and Social 6:30-9:00pm Dinner and Presentation

This dinner presentation is an introduction to EAPD - a full immersion experience into Chris Irwin's trademark way of personal coaching he calls Equine Assisted Personal Development (EAPD). **Dark Horse Rising** is an opportunity for truth seekers to discover meaningful insights on how horse sense can truly benefit personal coaching and the human potential.

EAPD is a paradigm shift, a new "animal psychology" for developing our ability to be congruent between our heart's intentions, our mind's agenda and our body language communication skills.

Far beyond the illusions of marketing and metaphors in the horse industry, Chris Irwin's EAPD is a practical approach to being the change we want to see in the world by applying insights from horse sense to how we respond to our own personal vulnerabilities and challenges in life and relationships.

Event is limited to 40 attendees \$40/person includes the dinner and social hour (beer and wine will be served)
For reservations please contact Alece at <a href="mailto:info@chrisirwin.com">info@chrisirwin.com</a> or phone 913-515-4850 (cell)

#### **SUNDAY MORNING, 25Oct2015**

#### **GROUNDWORK and LEADING REDEFINED**

Sunday morning's session will provide auditors/participants with groundwork and leading skills that will provide a communication base that is understandable to BOTH horse and human. In addition to Chris will provide specific insight into appropriate groundwork and leading to enhance work in a therapeutic setting (nuances specific to the therapeutic volunteer team).

Audit/Participation Fee of \$25 will allow attendance for entire day (lunch not included)



9:00-9:45am	Opening Demo: Be The Horse You Want To See and Don't Put the Therapeutic Cart Before the Horse
	An inspiring and game-changing presentation by Chris Irwin, with horses, demonstrating and explaining his paradigm shift discoveries on how best to blend the biomechanics, physiology and psychology of horses to develop a deep body-mind connection and performance bond between humans and horses.
	In addition to general horsemanship concepts, Chris will address specific techniques in the therapeutic setting to enable therapeutic volunteers and instructors to adapt horse handling and riding skills to the therapeutic human team needs.
10:00-11:00am	Groundwork Class 1: STAR Horses will be available to provide hands-on work for attendees. Therapeutic Riding Volunteers and Instructors will be provided specific tips for handling of horses in a therapeutic setting.
11:00-12:00	Groundwork Class 2: As Class 1

#### **SUNDAY AFTERNOON 25Oct2015**

#### **WESTERN RIDING REDEFINED**

Early in his career, while living in Nevada, Chris Irwin won a total of 18 U.S. National Championships with Wild Mustangs in a variety of classes ranging from Western Trail and Reining, to English Pleasure and Carriage Driving.

1:00-1:45pm	RIDING DEMO:
	REDEFINING NECK REINING – NO PULLING ALLOWED!
	Chris will work with a problem western beres under caddle (owner
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	pays for the private session work with the horse). Chris will be mic'd
	during the session and share work and a lesson plan for the horse with
	the owner and all auditors.
2:00-3:00pm	Class 1: WESTERN RIDING PROBLEM SOLVING
	Session available to 2 Western riders. The riders' problems will be resolved through an introduction to groundwork and riding techniques to enhance the relaxation and rhythm needed for successful Western riding disciplines (pleasure, reining, Western dressage, trail etc.). Auditors will find the work to be helpful for all horses regardless of breed and/or discipline.
3:00-4:00pm	Class 2: REFINEMENT SCHOOLING
	Session available to 2 intermediate to advanced Western Pleasure, reining, Western dressage, or trail horses/riders. Riding techniques will be refined to provide a firm foundation of suppleness and connection.
4:00-5:00pm	Class 3: CONFIDENCE & COURAGE FOR THE WESTERN HORSE
	Session available to 2 Western riders (any level). The horse and rider will learn exercises to build Confidence and Courage while riding in a relaxed Western frame. Auditors will find the work to be helpful for all horses regardless of breed and/or discipline.

# **MONDAY 260CT0215**

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#### CHRIS IRWIN GENERAL CLINIC INFORMATION

STAR (Shangri-la Therapeutic Academy of Riding) in Lenoir City, TN October 23-26, 2015

For more information or to register as a participant in the clinic, email <a href="mailto:info@chrisirwin.com">info@chrisirwin.com</a> or visit <a href="www.chrisirwin.com">www.chrisirwin.com</a>

#### Fees:

- Use of horse in Demo will be paid for by the owner (i.e. Chris will be working with the horse) - \$155.00\*
- Class Participation (2 riders per class) \$175.00/each\*
- Private 45-minute lesson \$165.00\*
- Semi-private 90-minute lesson \$175.00/each\*
- \*Participation in multiple sessions will qualify for a 10% discount.
- Auditors are welcome \$25 per person, per day, pay at the door
- All class and lesson participants are invited to audit all sessions at no additional charge
- Overnight stabling arrangements are available through STAR for a modest donation (see below)
- Use of a STAR horse for a lesson is available. Contact Kristen Sanders below.

Clinic Facility – Shangri-La Therapeutic Academy of Riding (STAR)
11800 Hwy. 11 E
Lenoir City, TN 37772
865-988-4711
www.rideatstar.org

For Clinic Registration Contact – Alece Ellis, Events Coordinator 913-515-4850 info@chrisirwin.com

For Stabling Information Contact – Kristen Sanders, Administrative Director at STAR (or to use a STAR horse)

865-988-4711

kristen@rideatstar.org

For Local Information Contact – Buddy Brewer, Chris Irwin Gold Certified Trainer 865-986-2690 (home) 865-719-7968 (cell) ibgreenback@aol.com

All hotels listed are easily accessible from I-75, Exit 81 and I-40, Exit 364 in Lenoir City, TN. All are approximately 4 miles from the clinic facility (STAR) and 25 miles from the Knoxville, TN (McGhee-Tyson) airport. Contact information is listed below.

#### **Hotels**

Hampton Inn 585 Fort Loudoun Medical Center Dr. Lenoir City, TN 37772 865-988-2000 1-800-426-7866 www.hamptoninn.com

Holiday Inn Express Hotel & Suites 1112 Hwy. 321 N Lenoir City, TN 37771 865-635-0070 1-800-465-4329 www.hiexpress.com

Comfort Inn 150 Interchange Park Ln. Lenoir City, TN 37772 865-988-8880 1-800-228-5150 www.comfortinn.com Days Inn 1110 Hwy. 321 N Lenoir City, TN 37771 865-986-2011 1-800-294-2113 www.daysinn.com

Ramada Limited 400 Interchange Park Ln. Lenoir City, TN 37772 865-986-9000 1-800-272-6232 www.ramada.com

Econo-Lodge 1211 Hwy. 321 N Lenoir City, TN 37771 865-986-0295 1-800-424-6423 www.econolodge.com