



SEPTEMBER 2025

News from the Ranch



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AS THE SEASONS SHIFT, WE'RE EXCITED TO WELCOME FALL. A TIME OF GROWTH, GRATITUDE, AND CONNECTION HERE AT IVEY RANCH. SEPTEMBER BRINGS OPPORTUNITIES TO CELEBRATE THE IMPACT OF OUR PROGRAMS. HIGHLIGHT OUR AMAZING COMMUNITY, AND LOOK AHEAD AT THE MONTHS TO COME.



HERE'S WHAT IS HAPPENING AROUND THE RANCH

Lessons Returned: Saturday, September 6, 2025

Grooming Gang: Weekly - Tuesdays & Thursdays

Continuing Education: Saturday, September 20, 2025

15th Annual Hoedown: Saturday, October 11, 2025

Trunk or Treat: Saturday, October 25, 2025

Volunteer Orientation: Saturday, November 1, 2025

Meet & Greet: Saturday, November 8, 2025



Program Spotlight:

Working Intern Program

Provides supported group activity for teens and young adults to expand their skills in areas that include: horse handling, barn chores, gardening, basic maintenance, and hospitality.

TEACHES:

Community inclusion

Socialization

Independent living skills

Self-help

Self-advocacy and self-determination



Volunteer Opportunities

North Island Credit Union Concerts

Grooming Gang

Lesson Aides

Service Projects

Barn Buddies

Volunteer Appreciation

A heartfelt thank you to our dedicated volunteers who keep our programs running. From assisting with riding sessions to helping with ranch upkeep, your time and energy make a difference every single day.

Volunteer

Volunteers of the Year!



Joan Bonwood / Diane Cappellano

Congratulations to Joan and Diane who have been selected as our 2025 Volunteers of the Year! There are so many terrific volunteers in our programs yet, every year, we have some that just stand out as exceptional. Joan and Diane are exceptional for sure. They are passionate about the Ivey Ranch mission, dedicated, hardworking, funny, loving, compassionate, and supportive of the clients, volunteers, and staff. They show up early, stay late, do jobs no one else has thought of or volunteered for, and always have a terrific attitude. Stay tuned as we celebrate them with a special luncheon at the barn in January.

Leaf it to this horse to steal

the show!

Sponsored and loved by Joan and Di, Color is a 23-year-old Appaloosa gelding. This sweet, snuggly boy used to be an all-around show horse, even winning a World Championship back in 2009!



These days, he enjoys his leadline lessons, Equine Assisted Learning groups, and of course, any time he gets to spend with his best buddies, Joan and Di. Color is the designated greeter on the North side, and will welcome you with a nicker if you head his way...especially if you have a carrot!

Volunteer for Hoedown



We are looking for volunteers (adults and teens) to help event prep, set up, and clean up in support of our 15th Annual Western Hoedown Fundraiser on October 11th, 2025.

EVENT PREP VOLUNTEER SHIFTS:

Volunteers will assist with event preparation projects such as: polishing silverware – folding napkins – cleaning centerpieces – ironing bandanas, napkins, table runners – and more! Shifts will be throughout September and October.

SET UP VOLUNTEER SHIFTS:

Set Up Day 1 (mornings): Fri. 10/10 from 8-11AM
Set Up Day 1 (afternoon): Fri. 10/10 from 1-4PM
Set Up Day 2 (mornings): Sat. 10/11 from 8-11AM

CLEAN UP VOLUNTEER SHIFTS:

Clean Up Day 1 (evenings): Sat. 10/11 from 7-9PM
Final Clean Up Day 2: Sun. 10/12 from 8-11AM



Scan QR code or click [HERE](#) to register online for a volunteer shift. All volunteers must individually register.

If you need assistance choosing a volunteer shift that is right for you, email our Volunteer Coordinators at volunteer@iveyranch.com

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Hoedown Volunteer

Sponsorship

Thank you!

From all of us at Ivey Ranch, thank you for being part of our community. Together, we're making this fall a season of hope and impact.

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