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Hello folks!

Well, this Highline is going to be a short one as it's been a somewhat slow, uneventful week for us here! Shayne, Randy and Dori all left for the Spanaway clinic run quite early in the week.

Wes, Roby, Erin and Colby spent the first part of the week putting some quality hours on some of the client horses we've got at the ranch. Randy gave them the latter part of the week off! Very well deserved after a long and busy season!



If you were 90 could you still get your groundwork done? Roby is demonstrating

He offered me some time off as well but there was too much to do to take too much time! In preparation for my upcoming shoulder surgery I've been getting the office all caught up, and spending time on my horse, learning to get on and off, bridle and ride without using my right arm. It's actually kind've neat because though I've worked on it before, now I have no choice but to rely almost solely on my body and legs.

Now, my former runaway of a horse is going from walk, trot, lope to trot, walk and STOP with my body only! She's even backing and doing 180 degree turns with no reins. It involves a lot more patience

because I have to give her the chance to THINK so much more than I normally do when I'm using reins. But when it works...there's no better feeling.

We had a new farrier start work this week. Nathan Konshak is joining our crew as a farrier/wrangler. Maybe some of you will meet him this winter! We will be training him to take over all of the shoeing for him as he will be leaving the ranch to take some time off, explore, cowboy...whatever his heart desires. He'll be riding in the H2 Clinic in Whitefish before he leaves, and I expect he may steal the show again this year. Last year the crowd went wild over him riding King (he's a giant of a Morgan/Percheron cross.)

Work continues on the new addition. The crew is working on some of the smaller, more particular stuff now, but it's certainly coming together!



Take care guys and we'll chat at you next week!

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