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Hello everyone!

This last week was both fun and challenging for all of us.

In the horsemanship, Richard really started learning to get on the balls of his feet when riding, for his own comfort as well as for that of the horse!

Helen grew leaps and bounds in her horsemanship while riding Amigo, despite having an awful head cold. She looked very soft and fluid on him, and successfully got both leads on him.



Richard and Dori

Cathy got quiet with her body and learned to just “let go” of constant pressure on the reins. She rode Levi and as soon as she let go, he relaxed and the two of them were able to get in sync with one another. Cathy also felt what a horse should feel like when they are backing with true weightlessness.

Mike impressed all of us and even gave Dori the chills when on Friday, he took Lucy from a slow easy trot and just rolled her into a slow, fluid lope with just a

roll of his hips. He’s worked his butt off in his horsemanship and it shows! With two more trips to McGinnis in the books for this year, I’m looking forward to seeing how much more he’s grown by the end of this summer.



Shayne on Irish trotting to weightlessness

Stephen was our only new guest this last week, and he probably had the least experience of the bunch. Of course, that’s not always a problem here—in fact sometimes it’s better that way, because there are less bad habits to break ;) Stephen



Stephen riding Roanie softly

rode Roanie and had him moving out effortlessly and balanced. Whenever Stephen would be off Roanie, he would just throw the lead over the horn and Roanie would just follow him everywhere. Stephen decided to stay a second week with us too!

It's been snowing every day here lately. Chris is out plowing all of the roads so that we can make it home tonight!

Talk to you next week guys,

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