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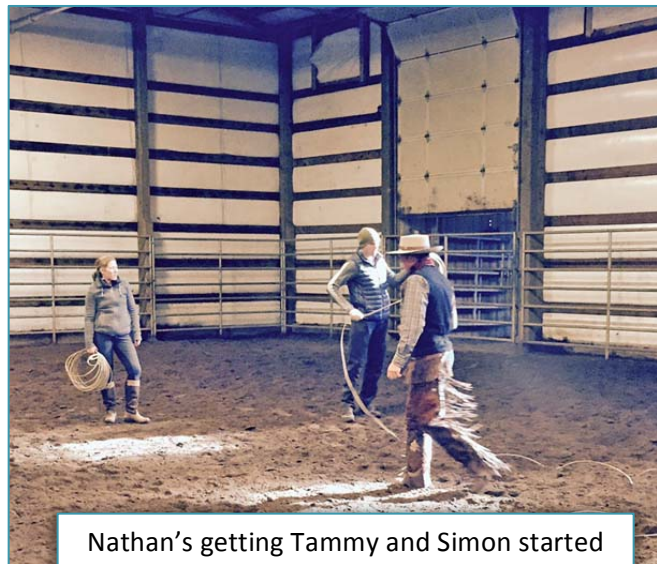
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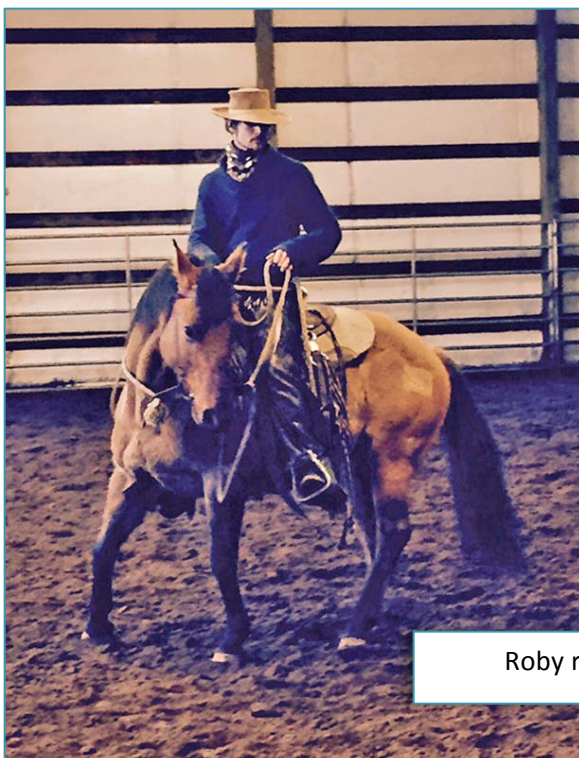
Hi folks!

Tammy and Simon had a great second week of horsemanship! Over the weekend they had gone up to Whitefish to ski and came back on Monday with some interesting news. They thought that they would have to spend quite a bit of time working on their balance and getting their ski legs back—as it turned out, their first week of horsemanship completely prepared them for their weekend of skiing! Simon said we should start promoting Winter Horsemanship weeks as ski prep weeks ;)

They really progressed over the course of this last week. By Friday, Roby had them swinging their ropes horseback while trotting on a loose rein with their legs



Nathan's getting Tammy and Simon started roping from the ground



Roby riding Master Biscuit—and turning beautifully

only. He even had them do the “rope the barrel” exercise, where they had to rope a 50 gallon barrel, then ride perfect circles around it while coiling and uncoiling their ropes—both to the left and to the right. Sheesh!

He also got them handy riding with flags in all exercises and progressing their horses on the “Teardrop” exercise. Simon rode Bob superbly, and Tammy did a great job with Georgie as well.

The boys spent some of Friday and all of today getting our remaining saddles cleaned and oiled up. They only have a handful of them left! Just in time for springtime. I know you guys back East aren't feeling it yet, but hopefully this sun and warmth out this way will make its way out to you soon enough 😊

Enjoy your weekend!

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Although they've been a bit more elusive, the elk have still been around this winter!

