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TRAIL RIDING / PACKING / TRAINING



**AN INTERACTIVE WEBINAR FOR TRAIL RIDERS,
BACKCOUNTRY TRAVELERS, HORSE GROUPS, 4H,
AND FRIENDLY GATHERINGS.**

HOSTED BY STAN WALCHUK JR (BLUE CREEK OUTFITTING)

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THE ZOOM EXPERIENCE

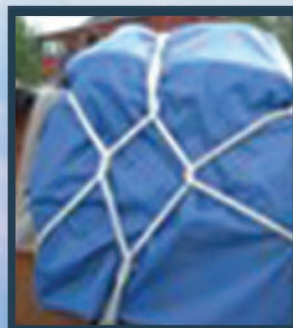
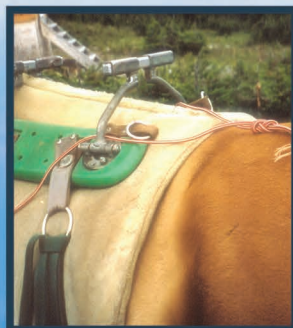
How effective can it be learning trail riding, packing, and backcountry travel skills from a webinar?

Very Effective! Consider this opening paragraph from the 'TRAIL TIPS' chapter of the Blue Creek Outfitting Trail Riding and Packing manual: "One of the big differences between a recreational trail rider/packer and a professional outfitter is that the outfitter has a long memory full of important details. The pro knows how little things can quickly become big problems. They know how to deal with these situations before they become big problems. Pros have an endless mental library, a way of doing things, that helps the trip go smoothly. Here are some of those ideas that will help your ride..."

It is this mental library, this base of knowledge, details, important ideas, tips, technique, that can be learned using images, video, discussion, and sharing thoughts. That is what this webinar offers. Lots can go sideways on trail rides. For many, sharing these details that come from years of experience will be priceless.

The webinar focusses on the main points from the chapters from Blue Creek's Outfitting's Manual and the Trail Riding/Packing DVD: **The Right Horse; Training; Riding; Packing; On The Trail; Trail Tips; Safety; Wrangling; Camping.**

Sharing ideas, thoughts, and methods is fun! It is interactive, spontaneous, and humorous – as long as you don't mind some cowboy humour!



THE PRESENTATION

1. The presentation will take 1.5 hours, plus a break to get up and stretch, have a drink, etc.
2. The presentation begins with a 5-minute introduction by Stan. He sets the table by introducing himself, the webinar content, and some interesting details about the program. The introduction is tailored appropriately for the age group.
3. The webinar begins. It will include images and video to demonstrate methods, gear, trail tips, wrangling, etc. As the webinar progresses there are always plenty of interesting questions. Stan's answers are informative, at times serious, and at times humorous. Participants get to dive into specific situations from personal experience, the video, images, or Stan's experiences.
4. There is a good amount of information to cover so there will be times when stories must be cut short order to move on. If the webinar goes on for longer than anticipated, or if some participants have questions that they feel need to be answered, Stan is generally willing to go on for longer than planned – within reason.
5. Participants who do not have the Blue Creek book or the video, and want one to preview before the program, can call Marlene at 1 250 569 7182 and she will send you what you wish. You can also visit Stan's complete works and order the goods at www.vistapublishing.net

BOOKING OR QUESTIONS

To book a webinar, or if you have any questions, please call Marlene at 1 250 569 7182, or Stan at 1 250 569 7575, or email bchorse@telus.net. You can book your webinar from mid January until the end of April, most days and at any time of day. Plan 2 hours for the presentation, breaks and final discussions. We will need the phone number and email of one contact person to coordinate setting up Zoom. We will confirm the dates requested then need payment to hold your place. The cost is \$40.00 per person from 5 to 10 participants; \$35.00 per person for more than 10 participants. The payment can be e-transferred, or made with Visa or Mastercard, to bchorse@telus.net. We are limiting webinars to only 2 per week.





STAN WALCHUK JR. BIOGRAPHY

Stan Walchuk Jr. was born in Edmonton, Alberta, Canada. He is a common man who has lived a truly uncommon life.

Stamped with a passion for wanderlust, his life was just naturally one adventure after another. Stan took his first solo wilderness trip at the age of thirteen. He left home at sixteen and hitch hiked up the Alaska Highway at the tail end of the

of the 70's hippy movement, landing his first stint with Yukon horse outfitters. He has averaged more than three wilderness horse, canoe, or hiking trips a year for more than forty years. He has been a gas jockey, car wash boy, chicken deliverer, construction labourer, surveyor, habitat improvement contractor, truck driver, teacher, writer, film maker, horse trainer, wilderness program instructor, and a student and writer of hockey.

Stan received Zoology and Education Degrees from the University of Alberta. His documentary of the rugged one-thousand-mile Cordillera! Expedition earned him Best Documentary and Best Producer Awards. The Cordillera Expedition book is a National Best Seller. Stan has given well over a hundred presentations to schools, theaters, and town halls. He has written more than fifty articles for outdoor and equine magazines. Stan has had the pleasure of teaching more than 700 participants from around the world at Blue Creek's Outfitting's Trail Riding and Wilderness Travel Program. The hockey dad of a pro hockey player, he dove into a life in hockey, first as a manager, then later, after 5 years of research, interviews, and writing, he created the 'Hockey Is Life' book – the complete guide to life in hockey.

Stan lives with his wife Marlene, their horses and dogs, near McBride, British Columbia, Canada.

