



**Craig Cameron presents Extreme Cowboy Race™**  
**Lincoln County Cowboy Symposium 2009**  
**Ruidoso Downs**  
**October 9-11, 2009**



**WHAT IS THE EXTREME COWBOY RACE™?**

Craig Cameron will not only present demonstrations at the Lincoln County Cowboy Symposium in Ruidoso, New Mexico, but will also conduct his Extreme Cowboy Association Race™ on Friday, Saturday and Sunday of the event. The Extreme Cowboy Association Race™—as seen on RFD-TV—will be a timed and judged race through an obstacle course that is designed not only to push horse and rider teams out of their traditional “comfort zones,” but also to test communication between horse and rider and the horsemanship skills and athletic abilities of each competitor. Spectators will find the competition exciting and entertaining to watch while contenders will address the challenges of the race in pursuit of **cash prizes** and the title of “Extreme Cowboy Association™ Champion.”

**THE EXTREME COWBOY ASSOCIATION RACE™**

Although the Extreme Cowboy Association Race™ at the Lincoln County Cowboy Symposium is not currently scheduled to be filmed for broadcast, the competition will include all of the same elements, excitement, and prizes associated with Craig Cameron’s televised productions in Texas. The Extreme Cowboy Association Race™ will take place at the **Ruidoso Downs in Ruidoso, New Mexico**. Entries will be accepted until 3:00 p.m. on Friday, October 9. Check in and/or sign-up at the Craig Cameron booth between 9:00 a.m. and 3:00 p.m.

The first teams will compete in the afternoon on Friday, October 9, 2009. The remaining teams will compete in the morning on Saturday, October 10, 2009. The top ten horse and rider teams plus one wild card team will advance to the Extreme Cowboy Association Race™ finals. Date & time of the finals will be announced at the race on Friday, October 9<sup>th</sup>.

**THE RACE COURSE:**

The race course will be constructed on picturesque natural terrain with a panoramic view, and will feature obstacles similar to those featured in previous races as well as several new obstacles

designed specifically for the race at the **Lincoln County Cowboy Symposium**. The course is likely to include obstacles and activities such as: saddling the horse, dragging logs, jumping obstacles, loading into a trailer, backing up through a pattern, pole bending or roll backs, navigating a log jumble, penning cattle and working gates, conquering dirt terrain, crossing water obstacles, etc.\*

## **OBJECTIVES AND JUDGING**

The Extreme Cowboy Association Race™ will be a timed event during which the performance of each horse and rider team will be judged on each obstacle for quality of horsemanship. For each obstacle, judges will award performance points on a scale of 1-10 based on the following criteria: horsemanship, cadence, control, horse's attitude, and overall execution. Horses and riders will be required to complete each obstacle within a given time in order to receive points. If an obstacle is not completed within the given timeframe, the contestant will be flagged and must move on to the next obstacle. Times will be translated into points, with the highest overall point score winning the race.

## **PRIZES**

Prizes will be awarded to the top three finishers. Prizes will be awarded at the conclusion of the final phase of the race, date and time to be announced at the race on Friday, October 9<sup>th</sup>..

## **HOW TO APPLY**

The Extreme Cowboy Association Race™ will be open to riders ages 7 years and older and horses of all breeds. Depending on the total number of entries, the payback may be based on total entries rather than by division. Points will be awarded by Division for the EXCA World Championship point tracking.

The entry fee for each horse/rider team is \$160.00. Individual riders may compete with more than one horse in the race, but they must submit a separate application and fee for each horse they wish to enter in the race. . **You may enter at the Craig Cameron booth on Friday, October 9<sup>th</sup> or e-mail us at [craigcameroninfo@lipan.net](mailto:craigcameroninfo@lipan.net) or [bhextremecowboy@gmail.com](mailto:bhextremecowboy@gmail.com) For questions, please call (254) 728-3082 or (254) 595-2198.** All participants must be a member of the Extreme Cowboy Association. Competitors can join on October 9<sup>th</sup> at the Craig Cameron booth between 9:00 a.m. and 3:00 p.m.

## **WHERE TO GO**

Enter the grounds of Ruidoso Downs through the Horseman's Gate, east of the main entrance. Stalls are in the permanent stables on the left as you proceed through the Horseman's Gate. Stabling is provided at no charge by the management of Ruidoso Downs. Bedding for stalls is provided by Roswell Livestock & Supply, also at no charge to race participants.

## **TICKETS:**

"Riders only" are to proceed to the Entertainer's Check-In where they will be issued one free 3-day pass to the Lincoln County Cowboy Symposium. All others will need to purchase tickets at the gate.

## **RACE TIME**

The race will begin at 4:00 p.m. on Friday, October 9<sup>th</sup>; 9:00 a.m. on Saturday, October 10<sup>th</sup>. The time and day of the finals will be announced at the race on Friday. Participants will gather at the Craig Cameron booth at 3:00 on Friday to draw for order of go. Following the drawing, participants will walk the course (without horses) with Craig Cameron.

## **ADDITIONAL INFORMATION ABOUT COMPETING IN THE LINCOLN COUNTY COWBOY SYMPOSIUM:**

1. Contestants must check in for the race at RUIDOSO DOWNS. Upon check-in, contestants will receive a copy of the obstacle course. No check-in allowed prior to this time. Your cooperation is appreciated.
2. Participants are responsible for bringing or purchasing their own feed.
3. The Extreme Cowboy Association Race™ at the Lincoln County Cowboy Symposium will offer a unique and exciting opportunity to test your horsemanship and compete for valuable prizes. However, applicants should be aware that the race will be conducted in an open outside area, where there are likely to be large crowds in attendance. **While there will be an arena available, as well as wide open spaces for schooling and exercising horses, opportunities to warm up or practice on the race course will not be available.** If you and/or your horse cannot function well in such an environment, we cannot encourage you to apply.
4. All horses brought to the Lincoln County Cowboy Symposium must be free of illness and infectious disease and must be accompanied by:
  - A negative test result for equine infectious anemia (Coggins Test) dated within 12 months of **October 11, 2009**.
  - A Certificate of Veterinary Inspection (health papers) dated within 30 days of **October 11, 2009**.
5. A veterinarian will be at the event, and horse owners will be required to present their horses' health papers upon check-in at Ruidoso Downs.

## **QUESTIONS ABOUT THE RACE?**

If you have additional race questions, please contact our office at phone (254) 728-3082, [doublehornd@lipan.net](mailto:doublehornd@lipan.net), or Bill Hull at C-(254) 595 2393 or [bhextremecowboy@gmail.com](mailto:bhextremecowboy@gmail.com). Should you reach our office voicemail, please contact Bill Hull.

\*Please be advised that all information is subject to change at the sole discretion of Craig Cameron.

*Good Luck and Ride Like A Champion!*

*Craig Cameron*