

YEAR END FUN AND RELAXATION!

WHO DOESN'T NEED A FUN, RELAXING VACATION AFTER A LONG SHOW SEASON? CVHS WOULD LIKE TO INVITE OUR EXHIBITORS AND THEIR FRIENDS/FAMILY ON A TRAIL RIDING TRIP TO THE **FABULOUS** OTTER CREEK HORSE TRAILS IN NEW YORK DURING THE DATES OF SEPTEMBER 15-24. COME FOR A COUPLE DAYS, OR STAY THE WHOLE WEEK! EVERYONE IS WELCOME TO JOIN US!!

Enjoy 65 miles of interconnecting trails on the western edge of the Adirondack Mountains in Glenfield, NY. Trails are comprised of woods, fields, and dirt/sand roads with some access to rivers, streams, ponds and lakes that make for some great fishing and swimming. Go out for the whole day or do a couple short trails...there is something for every level of rider. Front shoes or easy-boots are recommended for protection, as some trails are rocky.

Visit www.dec.ny.gov/outdoor/8088.html or www.friendsofottercreekhorsetrails.com for more info and trail/assembly area maps.

The main assembly area of the trailhead is comprised of three parking areas with 100 covered straight stalls in pole barns. There is also a large parking area reserved for day-use riders who aren't staying overnight. Bedding is not needed as the ground is all sand. Primitive camping is available - water in spickets by the barns and permanent bathrooms nearby, but otherwise no electricity/water hookup or shower facilities. (Many guests bring a small portable generator to power their campers/trailers/tents.) Picnic tables, fire pits, a manure bunker, and a dump station are also available in the assembly area. Cell/wireless service is spotty. There are no fees to camp and there are no reservations...its first come first served for space. Otter Creek is an extremely popular equine destination so it can get crowded, especially on the weekends. Guests are required to have proper equine health paperwork with them at all times (even on the trail) and cannot leave their horses unattended. Dogs are allowed but must be tied or contained while in the assembly area and have a current rabies tag. People do also bring well-behaved dogs out on the trail with them. September provides perfect riding weather averaging in the 70's and there are **NO BUGS!!**

For those seeking more comfortable accommodations for you and your horse and don't want to "rough it" during your stay, or if you don't have a trailer with living quarters and/or a generator, there are a few stables nearby that offer overnight stabling, camping with hookups, or cabin rentals with full amenities. I would highly recommend contacting them asap as they fill up fast. See their websites for further info on services, availability, and rates.

www.ottercreekstables.com www.manestaystables.com www.horsecampsatottercreek.com

There is also a nice motel called Ridge View Motel (www.ridge-view.com) and a Tractor Supply and Wal-Mart Supercenter 10-15 minutes away in Lowville for food/supplies.

If you have any questions about the trails or local facilities, please contact me. Otter Creek is my Disneyland ☺☺

This year I am very excited to be staying at Horse Camps At Otter Creek in their Roc-A-Hoo cabin from September 14-21 and then moving to Otter Creek Stables and Ridge View Motel for the remainder of my stay. From their website:
"New in 2011, is Camp Roc-a-Hoo! Situated in the northern portion of the Otter Creek Horse Trail System, this unique rustic retreat features a modern maple kitchen with dinette open to living room with corner stone fireplace; master suite with two extra long twin beds, modern bath with laundry facilities, built in daybed, double-sized futon in front of fireplace plus a covered porch, stone patio and fire pit overlooking three acres of pines. Roc-A-Hoo features DirecTV with premium movie channels plus unlimited internet. Horse accommodations feature large covered stalls with attached paddocks."
Fees for this cabin is \$70 per night per person or weekly at \$440 and includes one horse. Two person min, 4 person max.
A few pictures are below but visit their website for more!

From where I live in Cornwall, it is a 4-hour drive to Otter Creek.

