

CAVALLINO RANCH SCHEDULE OF EVENTS:

8:15 a.m. – Transportation departs from hotel

9:30 arrival at Ranch – Introductions by owner Bob Smith, coffee, tea, donuts, water provided.

10-11 a.m. - training demo, question and answer session

11- Noon - farrier demonstration and discussion

12-1 p.m. - lunch provided by Cavallino Ranch

1-2 p.m. - veterinarian talks about breeding, vaccinations, nutrition and feeding program

2:30 p.m. - departure for hotel

Cavallino Ranch

Bob Smith is owner of Cavallino Ranch. The ranch is located on 48 acres in Gainesville, TX. On the 48 acres is a constantly managed Coastal Bermuda hayfield in full operation providing quality hay for the Gypsy Vanner horses.

The ranch facility is home to Bob's Gypsy Vanner Horses. He has 2 generations born on the ranch and 3 generations born in America and 6 proven bloodlines with DNA. Bob shares his love for these magnificent animals with his Ranch Manager and partner Lorraine Barletta. The horses each have individual stalls, paddocks, a tack room, weighing scale, and a complete training facility.

The horses are maintained by 2 onsite Ranch hands, Veterinarian Dr. Khris Crowe, trainer Alan Rapert, and Farrier Tim Moss.

When Bob Smith first discovered the Gypsy Vanner horses in Cowboys & Indians magazine, he knew he wanted to learn more about them. Growing up on a dairy farm and ranch and riding horses, his real love and desire was to own a horse ranch. That led him to Katy, TX and then to Dennis Thompson in Ocala, FL. After visiting Dennis, Bob decided to attend the GVHS annual meeting. He then decided he wanted to find the best Gypsy Vanner horse in the world. That led him to travel extensively visiting 26 farms and ranches across America and England, Wales, and France.

His first Gypsy Vanner horse was Charlie. Charlie, purchased from El Brio Vanners, is a poster horse for Mane and Tail grooming guide. Bob then added more Vanners to his stock. Moving forward, Bob's vision is to continue breeding and showing these horses.