

INFORMATION SHEET

HORSE CAMPING AND OTHER SERVICES

EASTON, WA & CLE ELUM, WA

For those of you who are planning to arrive a few days before the start of the ride in Easton, WA and need some suggestions on where to stay with your horses, where to eat, where to get propane, empty your tanks, or just stock up on groceries, below are some suggestions that may be helpful for you in planning your stay prior to the JWPWR Ride.

EASTON, WA

Lodging:

Silver Ridge Ranch

182 Silver Ridge Ranch Road
Easton, WA 98925

Reservations: 509-656-0275 - Online Reservations (must reserve camp spot and corral separately – best to call and confirm you got the spot you reserved) www.silverridgeranch.com

(45) RV Sites with power and water - \$50.00 per night (horse corral is an additional \$10.00 per night).

(34) Tent Sites - \$40.00 per night (no hook-ups of any kind but water available for stock and people via a spigot).

Directions:

If heading Eastbound on I-90 - take Exit 70 and turn left. Cross over the freeway and then turn right at the “T”. Drive about ¼ mile and entrance will be on your left.

If heading Westbound on I-90 – take Exit 70 and turn right. At the “T” turn right. Drive about ¼ of a mile and entrance will be on your left. There is a sign that you can’t miss.

Information:

Silver Ridge Ranch changed ownership in 2021. The rates went up significantly with the new ownership. This ranch was built with the horse enthusiast in mind. There are private horse corrals at every RV site (except the open field where you can dry camp and use your portable corrals), fire pits and picnic tables. They have pull-through RV sites, with water and electrical

hook-ups, that accommodate large rigs. If you do not have an LQ, you can still rent a horse corral and stay in one of the lodge rooms (which includes a hot breakfast). The dump station has easy access. If you aren't camping there but need to dump your tanks before you start the ride, this would be a very convenient place to do so. There is a nominal fee if you're not camping at the ranch.

This facility has lots of marked trails (they provide a trail map, or you can download it from their website), right from the camping area. Many organizations use this site for prize rides throughout the riding season. It is also a popular spot for local riders for day rides.

Services/Restaurants:

Easton is a small town. Right down the road from the Silver Ridge Ranch are the following services:

- **Shell Gas** station (unleaded and diesel available) – Open 24 hrs.
- **Espresso Stand** (you can ride your horse to this stand from SRR)
- Convenience store (at the Shell station)

Restaurants/Food:

- **Mountain High Burgers** (right down the road from Silver Ridge Ranch) – great burgers and onion rings, with homemade shakes.
- **Parkside Café & Turtle Lounge** (next to the Shell station)
- **Easton Saloon** (on the main street of Easton)

CLE ELUM, WA

Lodging

Washington State Horse Park

1202 Douglas Munro Blvd.
Cle Elum, WA 98922

Website: www.wahorsepark.org

Reservations are online
(877) 635-4111

(34) RV-hookup spaces that can accommodate large rigs - \$30/day. Need to be reserved. Some have full hook-ups, others have power/water only. Bring a long hose and extension cord just in case you are hooking up to a shared electric/water post.

Dry camping available at \$10.00 per night whether in a rig or tent. No reservations needed for dry camping.

Shower building has 3 private showers with attached changing room (and plenty of hot water). The shower building is open 24 hours a day. No charge (donations appreciated)

Stall - \$25.00/night – comes with a bag of shavings. Additional bags are \$9 each – best to reserve online so you get a stall near your campsite.

Information:

This facility attracts equestrians from all over the Pacific Northwest. They hold events of all types here. They have 4 large sand arenas, 1 large, covered arena, a lunge area, hot wash racks, trails, and water crossings designed for carriage driving. This is a favorite for local trail riders. The trails are well marked with ribbons. For the adventurous rider, there are power line roads that split off the trails and can connect you (via crossing a road) to the Coal Mine Trail that takes you all the way to Roslyn, WA. This is a first-class facility, and the staff here are very friendly. The website has loads of information.

The dump station is very convenient and is included with your reservation. This is also a great place to top of your water tanks.

Services:

Near the Horse Park are the following services:

Gas stations:

Warrior's Gas (large pull through fuel islands for rigs) – unleaded and diesel
Safeway Gas station – a little tighter for the large rigs – unleaded and diesel
Storey's – can accommodate large rigs for both unleaded and diesel

Hardware, Propane, Misc:

Cle Elum Hardware (by the Safeway) They have a pretty good selection of hardware. To fill up your propane tanks you'll need to unhook your propane tanks for walk-up service. Sells Discover Passes here.

Cle Elum Farm & Home (on the main drag of Cle Elum). They have hay for sale, but you will want to call ahead to make sure they will have what you need in stock. They also have a small tack area in the store – halters, grooming supplies, headstalls, buckets, tack repair, etc. Also, a good camping gear store and you can buy Discover Passes at this location.

Dollar Tree (behind Safeway in a small strip mall). I love this store for the things I forgot I needed. Kitchen gadgets, cleaning supplies, beauty aisle, storage containers, buckets, etc.

Grocery Store:

Safeway (near the Horse Park). This is the only grocery store in Cle Elum. A typical Safeway with a deli, pharmacy, and the usual grocery items. Because they are the only grocery store in Cle Elum, you may want to just get necessities here. To do major grocery shopping, I would wait until you get to Ellensburg and go to Fred Meyer. The prices and selection are better. However, if you want the convenience over pricing – you'll find pretty much everything you'll need.

Restaurants/Eateries:

Cle Elum has some great places to eat depending on what you're looking for. Cle Elum has several fast-food restaurants like McDonald's, Taco Bell, Dairy Queen, Subway, and El Caporal Mexican. If you're looking for something a little more local, the following is a list of some of the local options available.

- **Cottage Café & Fireside Lounge** – diner style with the best cinnamon rolls. The portions are big, and I haven't had a bad meal there yet. It's a local and tourist favorite. They make a great Bloody Mary too.
- **Sunset Café** – diner style. Also, a great local favorite for breakfast. Since Cottage Café is my favorite, I haven't dined here a lot, but it is another good alternative with good variety.
- **Stella's** – great sandwiches and salads. They can make almost any sandwich as a Gluten Free option and everything they make is fresh. They will also pack your lunch into a brown bag if you want to take it with you on a hike or ride.
- **Beau's Pizza and Pasta** – Great pizza here. You can dine in or take out. They also have good salads and other entrees as well.
- **Swiftwater Cellars** (located in the Suncadia Resort) – is very casual and the menu is amazing featuring local and fresh ingredients. Their wine is good and you can try a wine

flight to sample many of the Swiftwater Cellars vintages, or buy a whole bottle. Although a little on the more expensive side, the cocktails, menu and ambience are worth it.

- **The Caboose Bar & Grill** –This is a very casual restaurant that is a favorite with locals. Nothing fancy, but good food and great atmosphere (think sports bar).
- **Gemini Fish** – sells fresh seafood
- **Owens Meats** – is the best butcher for miles. They make a meat/cheese trail mix called The Good Stuff. It is amazing and great on a trail ride or as a snack.

Near Cle Elum (and close to the Horse Park) – Roslyn has a rich coal mining history and is also known for where most of the exteriors for the 1990s TV show, *Northern Exposure*, were filmed. It's a great small town to walk around and take in the sites. Below are some restaurants to try if you visit Roslyn:

- **The Brick Saloon** – Roslyn, WA - a must see and do if you have the time. This is a historic saloon. It's a favorite year-round with locals and tourists alike. The food is great whether you are ordering a salad or a huge burger with all the trimmings. Great bartenders and lots of beer on tap – local and microbrews. People come here to gather and hang out.
- **Basecamp** – Roslyn, WA – a hotspot for hikers heading up to nearby trailheads. They have a book store/café/espresso stand/bar all in one. There are also grab & go protein bars, energy drinks. Etc. **Basecamp is one of my new favorites.** They have live country music on Friday and Saturday nights starting around 7:00. Downstairs they have a speakeasy bar where you can order appetizers or dinner and a legit homemade cocktail while you listen to music. This is one of Roslyn's best kept secrets. The food is great, and the staff are friendly.
- **Roslyn Café** - featured in the 1990s TV show – *Northern Exposure*. It serves breakfast, lunch & dinner in a cozy atmosphere.
- **Roslyn Mexican Café** – some of the best Mexican food I've had. They call it "Pre-Hispanic Cuisine". Their mole' is unbelievable as are their Cadillac Margaritas.

General Info:

Laundromat – next to Pioneer Coffee in Cle Elum. Lots of large capacity machines (\$4.50 for a wash) and large capacity dryers - .75 for 15 minutes. Each additional 5 minutes is .25). Its clean and has a change machine, as well as the soap dispensers (but I'd recommend bringing your own if you have it). A lot less expensive.

Stock Feed/Hay:

Cle Elum Farm & Home sells small quantities of hay and grain. However, they don't sell the brand of pelleted feed I like so if you need to buy feed – visit Old Mill in Ellensburg (about 30 minutes

away). Old Mill has a large selection of hay, feed, supplements, tack, saddle pads, fly spray, trail riding gear, and attire. They are super knowledgeable and helpful.

Mid-State Coop – also in Ellensburg across from the Old Mill also carries feed, hay, propane, and hardware. Their feed is a little less expensive than Old Mill so its my go-to feed store.

Silver Shoe Supply - farrier supplies – if you want a wide selection of farrier supplies go to Silver Shoe Supply in Thorp, WA. 301 Dudley Road, Thorp, WA 509-964-2971, www.silvershoesupply.com. They are only open Mon, Wed, and Friday and run their farrier supply shop out of a barn on their property. The woman who owns it is very knowledgeable and they have a large supply of just about every type of horseshoe you might need.

Dump Stations:

Silver Ridge Ranch – Easton, WA – \$10 (unless camping there)

Washington State Horse Park – Cle Elum, WA – \$5.00 (unless camping there) – sometimes has a padlock on it and you'll need to go to the office to get a key

Indian John Hill Rest Area – Mile Post 89 off I-90 4.9 miles East of Cle Elum (between Cle Elum & Thorp) – **No fee**

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