

NATRC Competitive Trail Ride!

Share The Trails

Cuyamaca Rancho State Park, Descanso, CA



May 19-20, 2017

NATRC Sanctioned

One Day "B" Ride - Open; Novice & Competitive Pleasure

Rider Chair: Margie Insko
Ride Secretary: Bob Insko
Trail Master: Lynda Sterns

Mail Entry & Waiver to: 526 Brazos St, Ramona, CA 92065

For more info call 760-315-7479 minsko2@gmail.com

The ride takes place just 40 miles east of San Diego, Ca. The scenery is beautiful with the ride starting at the staging area, and climbing up to the pine trees and meadows of the Cuyamaca Rancho State Park. The course is on trails and fire roads, with good footing. There are a few stream crossings. The trails can be rocky in some areas. You will be sharing the park area with other equestrians, hikers, bicyclists, deer and wild turkeys. There is plenty of room on the trails, but you need to be aware of your surroundings. The course is open to the public at all times and so please know your horse and be safe. We will be sharing base camp and trails with AERC. They have rides going on in conjunction with this ride. Saturday dinner is available for purchase on your registration form. NATRC hosts a Friday night potluck as well. NATRC will have a designated area for parking and camping as standards for competitive trail include trailer checks and NATRC specific procedures. Maps and ride briefing will be provided on Friday.

The base camp is in an open field next to McClintock's Saddle Works. Descanso Hay and Feed is also nearby. There is a small store with expensive gas (including diesel), and a café. The only water source will be a water trough that we will keep filled with a hose. If it is more convenient for you, you may want to bring your own horse water. There are no trees at base camp, so you may want to bring your own clouds also.

If you are new to Competitive Trail Riding, we invite you to come and ride in the Novice Division. Don't let the idea of "Competition" keep you away either. If you just want to ride to see what it's like WITHOUT the "Competition" part, try entering with the "Just **DO** it" option. The **DO (Distance Only)** option lets you ride and get credit for the miles without participating in the "competition" part. You choose to enter **DO** in just Horsemanship (with your horse still in competition), or enter **DO** for both Horse and Horsemanship.

A Competitive Trail Ride is NOT A RACE. It is a timed and measured distance-riding event. Horses of all breeds, including mules, are invited to compete in the NATRC sanctioned divisions. Each division will follow clearly marked trails with specified minimum and maximum riding times. You and your horse will be observed over the duration of the ride by experienced veterinary and horsemanship judges. You will be judged on the way you handle and care for your horse and how you negotiate trail conditions such as steep ascents and descents, and natural trail obstacles. Your horse will be

judged on condition and capability to continue. Stallions must be well mannered and ridden by an adult; double tied when left unattended. It is strongly recommended that all horses be shod due to the nature of the terrain.

Enter this ride on the NATRC Ride Management System (eRide Entry Forms) at <http://www.rms.net> Entries also accepted by regular US Mail. Pre-entry is required. To **AVOID LATE FEE** register by Friday May 12, 2017. For more information, or to print additional paper entry forms, visit our website: <http://www.natrc2.org> or email minsko2@gmail.com or see us on Facebook NATRC Region 2.

Lunch & Saturday night dinner will be provided to volunteers. You must RSVP Saturday night dinner by Thursday before the ride.

DIVISIONS

NOVICE -- Horses entered in this division must be at least 48 months of age. Mileage will be about 18 miles on Saturday with a speed of 3.5 to 4 MPH.

COMPETITIVE PLEASURE -- Horses entered in this division must be at least 48 months of age. CP riders will ride about 18 miles with a speed of 3.5 to 4 MPH and may ride with the Novice riders. CP is for any riders 10 and older. Those horses and riders not eligible to compete in the Novice division, or more seasoned horses and riders who would rather not compete in the Open division, may enter this division. CP is all in one class.

OPEN -- Horses entered in this division must be at least 60 months of age. Mileage covered will be about 25 miles on Saturday at a speed of 4.5 to 6 MPH. This division has classes for Junior, Lightweight and Heavyweight. Refer to Rule Book for details.

CLASSES

HEAVYWEIGHT -- Open and Novice rider and tack weigh 190 lbs. and over.

LIGHTWEIGHT -- Open and Novice rider and tack weigh 100 lbs. through 189 lbs.

JUNIOR -- Open and Novice, ages 10 through 17. If age 17 on January 1 of the current year, the entrant will ride as a Junior for the remainder of the year. Juniors may choose to compete with adults in the Open division if they can make the weight requirements. Juniors may not ride stallions and must have a responsible adult in camp. Juniors must wear ASTM/SEI or other approved EQUESTRIAN riding helmet while mounted.

SCHEDULE OF EVENTS:

FRIDAY May 19, 2017:

- **RIDER CHECK-IN** will begin about 2:00pm. Riders will be provided with a packet that includes their map and rider number.
- **PRE-RIDE VET CHECK** will be from about 2:00 pm until dusk Friday.
- **FRIDAY POT-LUCK DINNER:** Please bring a dish to share, and something to sit on.
- **FRIDAY NIGHT BRIEFING:** Management will provide a detailed briefing of the trails for Saturday. Bring your map and a pen for writing notes. We will start with a First-Time Rider Briefing to provide additional detailed information and answer questions. (Open to all riders.)

Saturday May 20, 2017:

- **LATE CHECK-IN 6:00AM**
- **RIDE** begins approximately 7:30 am for open and 8:15 am for Novice/CP
- **SATURDAY NIGHT DINNER:** While we wait for the judges to finish the scoring and prepare for awards, Saturday Night Dinner will be available for \$10 per person and free for volunteers. So get your friends to come with you and volunteer to help on the day of the ride. RSVP Saturday night dinners by Thursday before the ride.

AWARDS: Awards will be presented as soon as scores can be tabulated. Awards will be given to first through sixth place in all classes of each division. Sweepstakes awards and breed awards will be given as sponsored. All horses/mules and

riders are encouraged to remain for the awards presentation. Riders choosing the DO option will receive a completion award, but will not be eligible for placing in classes.

GENERAL INFO

This ride is sanctioned by North American Trail Ride Conference and will be governed by the rules thereof. The rule book is available online at <http://www.natrc.org/MEMBERS/pdf/RuleBook/Rulebook.pdf>

HOOF BOOTS: There are no shoeing restrictions. The recent rule changes provide all types of hoof boots that provide sole protection are allowed. Any attached strap, keeper, or gaiter must not extend above the pastern. The judges may request to observe the area covered by the attached strap, keeper, or gaiter. Protective devices on the legs of the horse are not allowed.

PORTABLE CORRALS ARE ALLOWED on this ride.

REGISTRATION PAPERS: This event is open to all horses, mules, and ponies and does NOT REQUIRE Registration Papers to enter or participate. Management STRONGLY requests that any horse, mule, or pony that is registered provide a copy of the Registration Papers with the entry for breed awards.

CAMP: It is best to arrive and camp on Friday afternoon. We will be camping in an open field with horse water and portapotties available. Open fires, loose dogs or other pets are FORBIDDEN. **No smoking will be permitted on the trail or in camp** (if you must smoke, it must be inside a private vehicle). Anyone caught smoking on trail will be disqualified and asked to leave. Dogs must be on leash and are not allowed on trail.

WHAT TO BRING - All food for you and your horse. MANURE can be spread. Saddle, bridle, pads, grooming equipment, buckets, hay nets and anything you need for camping out with your horse. A blanket is also suggested for your horse, even if one is not normally used at home. Your horse may be tired and the nights can still be quite cool. Rain gear is also suggested, just in case. Bring tools to clean around your stabling area. Also, bring your personal camping gear, tent or camper, sleeping bag, canteen, sun protection lotion, sunglasses, water bottles, flashlight and folding chair (for briefing), wrist watch with sweep second hand, etc.

VOLUNTEERS: **Yes** we need lots!

ENTRIES: Entries must be received by Friday May 12, 2017 **to avoid late fee**. Minimum deposit is \$25.00. The deposit is non-refundable.

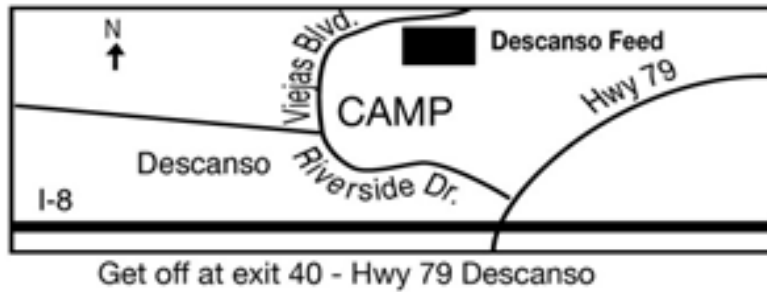
Please call if you will be arriving after 7:00 pm Friday.

Emergency Phone Number: 760-315-7479 and 760-789-0007. Cell phone coverage in camp is spotty. Verizon tends to work. ATT nearby.



NATRC Region 2

DIRECTIONS TO CAMP



DIRECTIONS:

FROM San Diego: Take Interstate 8 East, exit Hwy 79/Japatul Valley Rd. Turn Left at stop sign at bottom of off-ramp.

FROM Arizona: Take Interstate 8 West, exit Hwy 79/Descanso. Turn right at stop sign at bottom of off-ramp.

EVERYONE: Go approximately 1 mile. Take a left at Riverside Dr. Drive 1.2 miles on Riverside Dr. WATCH CAREFULLY. You will see our camp in the pasture on the right. The entrance is marked with ribbon. Be sure to leave the gate as you found it on entry. We are sharing base camp with AERC. LOOK FOR signs directing you to NATRC designated campsite area. You MUST park in this area. You can ASK where we are parked. Thanks.

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Please use separate sheet for each entry. Complete entry form and Liability form and mail with payment.
For Information, call Margie Insko 760-315-7479. Mail Entry to: RAHA, 526 Brazos St, Ramona, CA 92065

Rider: _____ Horse Name: _____

Address: _____ Breed: _____ Reg. No*: _____

City/State/Zip: _____ Color: _____ B-Day _____ Height: _____

Phone: _____ Sex: Stallion Gelding Mare Weight: _____

E-Mail: _____ Horse Owner: _____

Name of Person to Contact in Case of Emergency: _____ Phone: _____

**To be eligible for breed awards, a copy of the registration papers must accompany entry form or be presented at check in.*

Check NATRC Division and Class you wish to enter.

Novice - "B" 1 Day	Competitive Pleasure "B" One Day	Open Division - "B" 1 Day
Heavyweight ___\$90.00	C/P ___\$90.00	Heavyweight ___\$90.00
Lightweight ___\$90.00		Lightweight ___\$90.00
Junior ___\$70.00		Junior ___\$70.00

If "DO" (Distance Only) desired, select one division above and select one box below as well.

DO Horsemanship Only _____	DO Horse and Horsemanship _____
(Judged on Horse, but not on Horsemanship)	(Not judged on Horse or Horsemanship)

Basic entry fee already includes \$10 NATRC National Fee, \$5 CA Drug Fee, \$5 Regional Fee

Entry Fee from above +\$ _____

National NATRC Non-Member Fee (add \$20.00)** +\$ _____

** Add this fee if rider is not a member of NATRC

** Free NATRC Membership to new members available

Saturday Night Dinner: Qty _____ @\$10.00 +\$ _____

Saturday Night Vegetarian Meals: Qty. _____

(Volunteers get free Sat dinner)

Total Due \$ _____

Less Deposit (of which \$25.00 is Non-Deductible) -\$ _____

Balance due at Check In \$ _____

For Office Use Only:

Pre-Ride Check-in

Check # _____

Amount \$ _____ \$ _____

Dinners: \$ _____

Other: \$ _____

Registration Papers OK: _____

Please Make check payable to: RAHA and mail SIGNED Liability Waiver and Copy of Registration Papers (for registered entries) to: RAHA, 526 Brazos St, Ramona, CA 92065.

Check applicable items below:

This is my first Competitive Trail Ride

I am a current NATRC National Member Expiration Date _____

I am bringing _____ helper(s) Email OK info on future NATRC Region 2 rides

RIDE STATEMENT OF LIABILITY WAIVER

The following must be signed and dated for entry to be valid:

"I WISH to enter and participate in the **Share The Trails** Competitive Trail Ride, to be held at **Descanso, CA on May 19-20, 2017**".

"I HAVE READ the rules, conditions, and regulations of the event and will comply with them. I AGREE to abide by the rules of the North American Trail Ride Conference and the aforementioned ride. I UNDERSTAND that competitive riding is a high risk activity, which involves being in remote areas for extended periods of time, far from communications, transportation, and medical facilities; that these areas have many natural and/or man made hazards which ride management cannot anticipate, identify, modify, or eliminate; that horses can be excitable, difficult to control and unpredictable; that personal belongings can be damaged, lost, or stolen, and that accidents can happen to anyone at any time.

I AGREE to assume all risks associated with my participation in this activity, and I accept full responsibility for myself and the animal I am riding. As a condition precedent to my being allowed to participate in this activity, I agree that I WILL NOT SUE OR BRING ANY CLAIM AGAINST THE NORTH AMERICAN TRAIL RIDE CONFERENCE, ITS DIRECTORS AND/OR OFFICERS, RIDE MANAGEMENT, RIDE PERSONNEL, VOLUNTEERS, PROPERTY OWNERS WHERE EVENT TAKES PLACE, AND/OR ANY OTHER INDIVIDUAL MEMBERS THEREOF, (HEREAFTER REFERRED TO AS "THE RELEASED PARTIES") FOR ANY INJURY, ACCIDENT, DEATH AND/OR LOSS OF ANY KIND WHICH ARISES OUT OF THIS EVENT, AND WILL INDEMNIFY AND HOLD HARMLESS THE RELEASED PARTIES FROM ALL LIABILITY FOR SUCH INJURY, ACCIDENT, DEATH OR LOSS, EVEN IF SUCH INJURY, ACCIDENT, DEATH AND/OR LOSS ARISES FROM THE ALLEGED NEGLIGENCE OF THE RELEASED PARTIES. I FURTHER ACKNOWLEDGE THAT I HAVE READ AND UNDERSTAND THIS STATE'S EQUINE ACTIVITY LIABILITY ACT WARNING (IF APPLICABLE), A COPY OF WHICH IS ATTACHED HERETO AND INCORPORATED BY REFERENCE HEREIN. I HEREBY CERTIFY THAT MY HORSE IS NOT UNDER THE INFLUENCE OF MEDICATION AND WILL NOT BE TREATED WITH OR GIVEN ANY MEDICATION PROHIBITED BY NATRC™ RULES. I HEREBY GIVE PERMISSION TO THE NORTH AMERICAN TRAIL RIDE CONFERENCE OR THEIR DULY APPOINTED AGENT, TO TAKE ANY APPROPRIATE ACTION DEEMED NECESSARY TO CHECK FOR POSSIBLE ADMINISTRATION OF DRUGS TO MY HORSE."

Junior riders must wear an ASTM/SEI, Snell, or approved equal equestrian riding helmet at all times while mounted.

To the extent any dispute arises out of this agreement, the parties agree to submit said dispute to binding arbitration before a neutral arbitrator mutually selected by the parties, said arbitration to be conducted in accordance with the Rules of the American Arbitration Association. All such arbitrations shall be held in the county or district where NATRC National headquarters are located. If the prevailing party, NATRC shall be allowed to recover all costs and expenses incurred, including attorney's fees and costs. **"MY SIGNATURE BELOW CONSTITUTES ACCEPTANCE OF THE ABOVE TERMS AND CONDITIONS. I HAVE READ AND UNDERSTOOD THIS LIABILITY RELEASE AND BINDING ARBITRATION CLAUSE."**

"MY SIGNATURE BELOW CONSTITUTES ACCEPTANCE OF THE ABOVE TERMS AND CONDITIONS. I HAVE READ AND UNDERSTOOD THIS LIABILITY RELEASE."

Rider's Signature: _____ Date: _____ If

rider is under 18, Both Parents or Guardian must sign:

Date: _____

Date: _____

Signature of Horse Owner if different from rider: _____ Printed: _____

NATRC STATE LIABILITY WAIVER – CALIFORNIA

I acknowledge that I have noted the following WARNING which will also be posted at the ride sign-in location:

"WARNING: Equine activities are inherently dangerous. You are assuming the risk of injury or death by participating in this activity. NATRC will not be liable for the injury to or death of a volunteer or participant in this activity."

I also acknowledge the following:

I waive all liability of NATRC and its affiliates for any loss, injury or damage which arises from the "inherent risks" of an equine activity.

"Inherent risks of an equine activity" also means a danger or condition that is an integral part of an equine activity, including, but not limited to, any of the following:

- (a) Propensity of an equine to behave in ways that may result in injury, death, or loss to persons on or around the equine;
- (b) The unpredictability of an equine's reaction to sounds, sudden movement, unfamiliar objects, person, or other animals;
- (c) Hazards, including, but not limited to, surface or subsurface conditions;
- (d) A collision with another equine, another animal, a person, or an object;
- (e) The potential of an equine activity participant to act in a negligent manner that may contribute to injury

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(Sign & send this form with your deposit.) RAHA, 526 Brazos St, Ramona CA 92065