



NATRC Competitive Trail Ride



First of Spring

One Day Clinic & Leisure Division Ride

Los Penasquitos Preserve

East Ranch House Field

April 27, 2024

Ride Chair: Lory Walls
Ride Secretary: Bob Insko
Trail Master: Mindy Kane

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If you are new to Competitive Trail Riding, we invite you to come and ride. Don't let the idea of "Competition" keep you away either. Saturday morning will consist of a clinic, learning about competitive trail riding and practicing how to use GPS for navigation down the trails. A Leisure Division ride will be held the same day after a break for lunch. Enter just the Clinic, just the Leisure ride, or enter both and get a discount on the Leisure ride entry.

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 NATRC. You will follow marked trails using GPS and a printed map with specified minimum and maximum riding times. You and your horse will be observed over the course of the ride by an experienced Leisure Division (LeD) judge. 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. It is strongly recommended that horses be shod due to the nature of the terrain. Any type of boot is allowed.

Enter online on the NATRC Ride Management System (eRide Entry Forms) at <http://www.rms.net>. For help creating an RMS account and entering the ride refer to the [RMS Guide](#).

Entries are also accepted by regular US Mail. Pre-entry is required. Registration deadline is Tuesday April 23, 2024. For more information, or to print additional paper entry forms, visit our website: <http://www.natrc2.org> and select Events, or see us on [NATRC Region 2 Discussion Group](#)

Facebook page <https://www.facebook.com/groups/195616308210/?mibextid=oMANbw>.

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> under Resources tab.

Lunch will be in camp after the clinic and prior to the start of the LeD ride. A Sandwich Bar will be provided by Ride Management for all Clinic attendees, those entered in the Leisure Division ride, and volunteers.

AWARDS: Awards will be presented as soon as scores can be tabulated. Awards will be given to first through sixth place team of each class. All horses/mules and riders are encouraged to remain for the awards presentation.

HOOF BOOTS: There are no shoeing restrictions. All types of hoof boots that provide sole protection are allowed.

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 so NATRC can track participation by breed.

CAMP: Plan to arrive at camp on Saturday morning by 8:00 am to register for the clinic. We will be parking in an open field with horse water and porta potties 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 a leash.

WHAT TO BRING - All food for you and your horse. MANURE must be **picked up**. Saddle, bridle, pads, grooming equipment, buckets, hay nets and anything you need for your horse. Bring tools to clean around your stabling area. Also, bring your personal sun protection lotion, sunglasses, water bottles, and folding chair (for briefing), wristwatch with sweep second hand, etc.

VOLUNTEERS: Yes, we can always use volunteers!

ENTRIES: Entries must be received by Tuesday, May 23, 2024. Minimum deposit is \$25.00. The deposit is non-refundable.

Late Arrivals: Please call ahead if you will be arriving after 8:00 am for the Clinic, or after 11:00 am for the LeD Ride.

Emergency Phone Number: 760-315-7479 and 760-789-0007. Cell phone coverage in camp and on most trails is usually available.

LEISURE DIVISION – Is a one-day ride. Horses, mules, and ponies must be at least 48 months of age. Mileage will be between 8-12 miles, usually about 10 miles with a speed of 3 to 4.5 mph, usually about 3.5 mph. Horse and rider compete as a team and their combined score is used to determine placing recognition.

CLASSES (3)

EXPERIENCED—Anyone who is a judge, has more than 250 points in horsemanship, won a National Championship or obtained 1500 miles in competition must compete in Experienced. Any Rider (Adult or Junior) may compete in this class if they choose.

ADULT – Riders 18 or older. Intended for riders new to the sport. More experienced riders should consider entering the Experienced class.

JUNIOR -- Ages 8 through 17. If 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 in either the Experienced or Adult classes. Juniors must wear ASTM/SEI or other approved EQUESTRIAN riding helmet while mounted.

SCHEDULE OF EVENTS:

SATURDAY May 27, 2024:

- **CLINIC CHECK-IN** will begin about 8:00 am. Riders will be provided with a packet that includes information about the Leisure Division (LeD), NATRC, a map and rider number.
- **CLINIC DISCUSSIONS** will begin about 8:30 am.
- **LED ONLY CHECK-IN** will begin at 11:00 am.
- **SANDWICH BAR LUNCH (Included)** will begin at 11:30 am.
- **LED BRIEFING** Management will provide a detailed briefing about the LeD competition and the trails. Bring your map and a pen for writing notes.
- **RIDER TEAM CHECK-IN (WITH HORSE)** will begin at 1 pm, with the ride beginning shortly after all are checked in.
- **AWARDS** will be presented as quickly as they are tabulated.



DIRECTIONS TO CAMP

NEW LOCATION – Field BEFORE the Ranch House

I-5 Southbound: Take I-5 South to Hwy 56. Go EAST on Hwy 56 for 6.6 miles to Black Mountain Rd exit (Exit 1). Turn RIGHT onto Black Mountain Rd. to Canyonside Park Dr. Turn RIGHT on Canyonside Park Dr. Then follow the directions for “Everyone - At Canyonside Park Dr”.

I-15 Northbound: Take I-15 North to the Mercy Rd/Scripps Poway Parkway exit. Turn LEFT at the bottom of the off-ramp and go WEST on Mercy Rd.

Or I-15 Southbound: Take Interstate 15 South to the Mercy Rd/Scripps Poway Parkway exit. Turn RIGHT at the bottom of the off-ramp and go WEST on Mercy Rd.

Both I-15 - At Mercy Rd: Go WEST on Mercy Rd ~1.5 miles to the signal light at the T-intersection with Black Mountain Rd. Turn RIGHT on Black Mountain Rd. and go to the first signal at Canyonside Park Dr. Turn LEFT on Canyonside Park Dr. Then follow the directions for “Everyone - At Canyonside Park Dr”.

Everyone - At Canyonside Park Dr.: Continue past the Canyonside Recreational Facility until just before you get to the Los Peñasquitos Ranch House. The camp will be in the field before the Ranch House. Look for a parking director.



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Please use a separate sheet for each entry. Complete entry form and mail with payment.

For Information, call Bob Insko 760-789-0007. Mail Entry to: First of Spring, 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 the entry form or be presented at check in.*

Check NATRC Class you wish to enter.

Clinic Only - Saturday Morning	Clinic & LeD - Combined	LeD Only – Saturday Afternoon
Adult _____ \$40	Experienced _____ \$90	Experienced _____ \$75
	Adult _____ \$90	Adult _____ \$75
Junior _____ \$25	Junior _____ \$65	Junior _____ \$60

Basic entry fee already includes NATRC Member National Fee, CA Drug Fee, NATRC Region Fee, Park Fee

Entry Fee from above +\$ _____

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

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

** Free NATRC Membership to new members available

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 \$ _____ \$ _____

Other: \$ _____

Registration Papers OK: _____

Please Make a check payable to: NATRC Region 2 and mail to: First of Spring, 526 Brazos St, Ramona, CA 92065.

