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## Competitive Trail Rides

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Note: Type A rides may offer one and two day Distance Only (DO) entries. Some rides allow for one day DO to ride Sunday instead of the usual Saturday. Contact ride management to confirm.

**To enter Region 3 rides, go to rms.natrc.net and either log on with your User ID and Password or create an account. Questions on RMS System? Contact Region 3 RMS Administrator Diane Wingle, diane.wingle@gmail.com.
**The NATRC Mission Statement**

The North American Trail Ride Conference (NATRC) promotes horsemanship and horse care as they apply to the sport of distance riding by offering a variety of challenging and educational experiences designed to strengthen horse and rider partnerships.

**Nature of our Sport**

The North American Trail Ride Conference (NATRC) provides long distance competitive trail rides for riders of all equine breeds and from all disciplines. We promote safety, sportsmanship, education, and trail horse advocacy through qualified evaluation of horse and rider by veterinary and horsemanship judges, in a fun, responsible environment for the whole family.

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- One-year free NATRC membership available to all new riders. Discount Coupons available to new riders and junior riders. Please go to [http://natre3.org/documents.html](http://natre3.org/documents.html) for more information.
- All Entry deposits sent after June 18th, add $10.
- Rider/Horse combo entering “DO” (Distance Only) may subtract $5 (use additional fees on RMS).
- ADDITIONAL FEE: Trailer-in/Facility Use Fee for the weekend is $15 per HORSE (A ride and Leisure if camping) or $10 per HORSE if not camping. Please add that by using the “additional fees” drop down list on RMS. Those boarding at the Academy are exempt (Please mention that in the RMS comments).

DEPOSIT: $50, refundable, less $15 admin fee, only if canceling before June 30th. Your entry is not complete until we receive your deposit, which holds your place on the entry list if the ride fills. In the event the ride fills and you are on the wait list, your deposit will be held until you get in. Please register using RMS or request a special AFA paper entry form from the ride secretary. Please make checks payable to: “Linda Johnson-Conne”, mail to: Susan Haltermann, PO BOX 1030 Cripple Creek, CO 80813.
What is NATRC?

The North American Trail Ride Conference (NATRC) was formed in 1961. This organization has played an important role in making competitive trail riding one of the nation’s most popular horse activities. Today, NATRC sanctions rides from Alaska to the southern borders of the continental United States and from the Atlantic to the Pacific coasts, justifying its all-inclusive name.

NATRC has developed a philosophy of competitive trail riding with uniform judging being of paramount importance. Rides are conducted under a set of uniform rules developed to make it possible for judges to evaluate horses and riders on a more objective basis. The philosophies of NATRC are:

1. To stimulate greater interest in the breeding, selection, and use of horses possessed of the qualities of stamina, hardiness, and sensibility as mounts for safe trail riding.
2. To demonstrate the value of type and soundness in the proper selection of horses for competitive trail riding.
3. To learn and demonstrate the proper methods of training and conditioning horses for competitive trail riding.
4. To encourage good horsemanship practices as related to trail riding.
5. To demonstrate the best methods of caring for horses before, during, and after long rides without the aid of artificial methods or stimulants.

Types of rides:

NATRC provides for one-day (Type B), two-day (Type A), three-day (Type AA) rides and a shortened format one day (Type B2). The main objective is to work the horses in each Division over an identical trail in the same length of time, thereby having a basis of fair competition for determining the horses’ soundness, condition, and trail manners. While this is not a race, judgment in timing and pacing is important; the winner is usually the one who rode at a consistent pace throughout the ride.

DIVISIONS: The following divisions and weight classes apply to all rides listed in this book.

Leisure (LeD) – For horses 4 years or older. Leisure Division travels mostly at a walk, with periodic trotting. Total mileage in this division is 8-12 miles for a B ride. This division, for less experienced horses and riders, or for newcomers to the sport of competitive trail riding, is divided into Adult and Junior (for riders under 18 years of age) classes and is judged on the horse and rider team.

Novice (N) – For horses 4 years or older. Novice Division travels mostly at a walk, with periodic trotting. Total mileage in this division is 30-40 miles for an A ride and 15-24 miles for a B ride. This division, for less experienced horses and riders, or for newcomers to the sport of competitive trail riding, is divided into Heavyweight, Lightweight, and Junior (for riders under 18 years of age) classes.

Competitive Pleasure (CP) – For horses 4 years or older. The Competitive Pleasure Division travels the same distance at the same speed as the Novice Division. This division is for more advanced horses and/or competitors. It is normally composed of contestants who do not wish to ride at an Open Division’s pace or distance. This is also divided into Heavyweight, Lightweight, and Junior (for riders under 18 years of age) classes.
**Open (O)** – For horses 5 years or older. The Open Division travels mostly at a trot. Mileage in this division is 80-90 miles for a AA ride, 50-60 miles for an A ride, and 25-35 miles for a B ride. The other divisions ride fewer miles at a slower pace. This division is for experienced and very fit horses and riders. It is divided into Heavyweight, Lightweight, and Junior classes.

**Distance Only (DO)** – Riders and/or their horses may enter the Distance Only Class (ride for mileage credit only, and not compete) for any of the above Divisions. Distance Only riders may choose to ride only one day at a two-day ride or ride both days. For further information, see the NATRC Rule Book, Section 4-3(C). The entire NATRC Rule Book can be read and is downloadable at the NATRC National website www.natrc.org.

**Rider Weight:** Rider weight classification must be maintained throughout the ride. Management may re-weigh any rider at any time during the ride to verify weight class. A deviation of +/- five pounds is allowed for reweigh only. Failing to maintain weight will result in completion only points for horse and rider. Heavyweight (190 lbs. and over) and Lightweight (less than 190 lbs.) are applicable classes for Open, Competitive Pleasure (CP), and Novice Divisions. Weight includes the rider, tack, and everything the horse carries over the course of the ride. Riders may not use disposable weight (i.e. water bottles, food, etc.) to make weight. It is advisable to weigh yourself with tack prior to selecting a class within a division. There are no weight requirements in Junior classes.

**Junior Classes:** The Junior class (Novice, Competitive Pleasure, and Open Division) is for riders who are aged 10 to 17. If a rider is 17 on January 1 of the ride year, he or she may compete in Junior class for the remainder of year even if they attain age 18 during the ride season. Juniors may not ride stallions and must have a responsible adult (not necessarily a rider) in camp or on the trail during the ride. Juniors may compete in a weight class (heavyweight or lightweight) and must maintain their weight throughout the ride as if they were an adult competitor.

ALL RIDERS UNDER 18 YEARS OF AGE MUST WEAR A SAFETY HELMET WHEN RIDING WHETHER COMPETING OR NOT.

**How are rides judged?**

NATRC uses time, distance, and stress, not speed, as judging criteria. Equines of any breed, type, or conformation may be ridden in NATRC rides as long as the animal performs satisfactorily. Type and conformation will be reflected in the animal’s performance.

Riders condition their horses by following a well-planned training schedule. Working their horses over all types of terrain, straight-away trotting, walking up and down progressively steeper hills, and walking in soft sand are a few of the methods used to develop muscle strength and stamina to the utmost.

Type A and B Rides: The rides are judged by at least two judges: one veterinarian, one horsemanship. Each horse starts the ride with a score of 100 points and is evaluated over the course of the ride as follows: Condition – 40%, Soundness – 45%, Trail Ability/Manners – 15%. Riders also begin a ride with 100 points and are judged throughout the ride on how they ride and care for their horses, both in camp and on the trail. Judging begins at check-in before the ride and ends at check-out at the end of the ride. Leisure Rides: Judged as a team by a single judge.
Riding and judging basics

Riders are advised not to bunch up with other riders during a ride. Keep at least one horse length's distance between you and other riders at all times. When going downhill, do not lean back in your saddle or your horse will be unable to use his hindquarters to best advantage. Avoid body sway from side to side as it can throw your horse off-balance as he descends. When going uphill, go light in the saddle and don't lean over the horse's neck but do rise slightly from your saddle to free his hindquarters from excess weight as he needs the impulsion. Over logs or water crossings, riders should be slightly out of the saddle but balanced over the horse's center of gravity to aid him in negotiating the obstacle. Forward motion means go forward on your horse unless instructed to dismount and lead him at a judge's request. You may dismount and rest at any time during the ride except when instructed by signage or a judge or within the designated “two-mile” ending segment of the trail. See the Rule book for more complete descriptions of what is permitted under NATRC Rules.

Rider Etiquette: Be polite and use common sense. Pull off the trail when you stop. Wait on other riders after obstacles (unless instructed not to do so by the judge), at water stops, and P&R stops. Don't ride off until the horse next to you has had his P&R taken, and when other riders are mounting. Ask permission to pass other riders on the trail and do so quietly so as not to upset their horses.

Manners of Horses: Your horse should be alert, watchful, and willing. Obstacles should be negotiated safely by the horse, so practice at home on opening and closing gates, standing while being mounted and dismounted, sidepassing, backing, crossing water, and other tasks that you may be asked to complete during a ride. Teach him to stand quietly during a veterinary examination. Teach him to trot in-hand at your side, to lunge at a trot in a circle in both directions, to stand quietly while you reach for an item, or to put on a slicker while in the saddle.

For Further Information:

Please refer to the website for Region 3 at www.natrc3.org or the National website at www.natrc.org throughout the ride season for updates on rides, judges, and other information. The website has a wealth of information at https://www.natrc.org/start-riding.

Other features available on the websites – enter rides online through the RMS system, find updated information on rides, learn more about the one-day or two-day Distance Only (DO) option for mileage only, find contact information for the Region 3 Board and committee chairs, and recent rule changes.

NATRC allows all types of hoof boots for sole protection as long as any attached strap, keeper, or gaiter does not extend above the pastern. Judges may request to examine the area covered by the attached strap, keeper, or gaiter. Protective devices on the legs of the horses are not allowed except in the Leisure Division. (See Section 5.E.2 and 5.E.3 NATRC Rule Book downloadable at www.natrc.org.)

NATRC rules provide for the use of portable panels if they can be securely anchored to a tree or trailer. Their use and size is at the discretion of ride management so riders need to read the ride description for details. (See Section 5.B. in the NATRC Rule Book.)
NATRC Rider Mileage Award and 1000 Mile Horse programs

If you are an NATRC member, your miles in competition count and are automatically figured for both you and your horse(s). Rider mileage program and 1000 Mile Horse Program are both available. The Rider Mileage Program gives chevrons for each 250 miles of competitive trail riding completed. The 1000 Mile Horse Program is designed to recognize all the great enduring horses who ride towards this tremendous achievement. An engraved plaque is awarded at the annual National Convention Awards Banquet for the first 1000 miles in competition. Each additional 1000 miles earns a step-plaque which is attached to the original plaque awarded.

The medallion program recognizes high mileage horses and riders who have reached plateaus of mileage out of the ordinary. Special medallions are awarded to horses and riders qualifying as follows:
- Bronze Medallion - 4,000 mile achievement
- Silver Medallion - 7,000 mile achievement
- Gold Medallion - 10,000 mile achievement
- Diamond Medallion - 15,000 mile achievement
Winners receive beautiful medallions at the NATRC National Convention. All medallions will be engraved with the horse's and rider's names and presented on red, white, and blue ribbons.

Other NATRC awards (See the current NATRC rulebook)
- NATRC National Championships for Open and Competitive Pleasure Horses, High Point and High Average Open Horse and Horsemanship, High Point and High Average Competitive Pleasure Horse and Horsemanship, and Regional awards (1st through 6th places) for the top riders and horses in all divisions and classes.

Region 3 Special Awards

Each year at its annual seminar, Region 3 presents awards for which all members are eligible.

1. Worker - Region 3 recognizes the people who take part in the work involved in staging a competitive ride and/or who serve in other volunteer positions within the Region 3 NATRC organization. Workers do not have to be members of NATRC to qualify for these awards.

2. 100% Club - A person who either competes and/or volunteers at every ride during the 2018 ride season shall become recognized as a member of the 100% Club. Those who receive this award will receive a beautiful fleece jacket embroidered with NATRC Region 3 100% Club 2018 and his/her name.

3. Horse and Rider Mileage - Horses and riders are recognized by Region 3 with awards given for incremental mileage achievements.

4. Year-End High Point Eligibility for Leisure, Novice, Competitive Pleasure & Open Division - horses and riders must enter a minimum of three rides per season to be eligible for yearend high point placings.

5. High Average Horse/Rider Eligibility for Novice – Novice horses and riders must enter a minimum of 50% of the rides per season to be eligible for the Dr. Joe Quintana High Average Novice Horse and Pat Jubb High Average Novice Horsemanship Awards. All rides started will be counted. As of this printing in 2019, four rides need to be started.
6. High Average Horse/Rider Eligibility for Competitive Pleasure and Open – CP and Open horses and riders must enter a minimum of 75% of the rides per season to be eligible for the year-end CP's High Average Horse/Rider Awards, Open's Ruth Tyree High Average Horsemanship and Open's Ken Burkdoll Combined High Average Horse/Rider Awards. All rides started will be counted. As of this printing in 2019, six rides need to be started.

7. Region 3 NATRC Novice Champion Horse - Horses will be eligible for this honor when all the following requirements are met: (1) Horse is awarded at least one 1st place and one 2nd place (or two first places) in the Novice division*; (2) Horse accumulates a minimum of 55 points in Novice division; and (3) only Region 3 rides count toward.

8. Region 3 NATRC CP Champion Horse - Horses will be eligible for this honor when all the following requirements are met: (1) Horse is awarded at least one 1st place and one 2nd place (or two first places) in the CP division*; (2) Horse accumulates a minimum of 65 points in CP division; (3) only Region 3 rides count toward this award; and (4) if a CP horse is declared a National Champion in the same year, they will be ineligible for this regional award.

Note: a 1st place in a B ride counts as 1/2. To verify points, mileage, or total number of rides needed for special awards, contact the Region 3 Awards Chair.

**High Point First Year Novice Horse Award**

A special year-end award will be given to the high point Novice Horse in its first year of competition in NATRC. To be eligible, a minimum of three Region 3 rides must be completed by the horse. Both the owner & rider of the horse must be a member of NATRC. This special award is sponsored by John P. Horne and Dianna Thearin.

**Land of Enchantment Award**

A special award is given each year to the highest scoring horse in each of the three divisions (Novice, CP, and Open) who competes in one or more rides of the San Juan Valley Trail Riders. The ride scores of the horse are added together for the eligible rides. To qualify this year, the qualifying rides are Caballo Canyon, Navajo Lake, Chicken Creek, and Chokecherry Canyon. See the SJVTR full pge ad on page 10 for details.

**Bill Smith "Buddy" Award**

Given in honor of Bill Smith, our Region 3 "Best Buddy," this special award is given to the person or persons who have helped and mentored other riders, management, and been an outstanding buddy to all. This can be a rider, worker, etc., who has displayed sportsmanship, horsemanship, friendship, and enthusiasm for our sport and for all who enjoy it. Jenny Smith sponsors this very special award.

**Ken Burkdoll Combined High Average Horse/Rider Award**

Ken Burkdoll was the first Region 3 rider to win NATRC's President's Cup. He and his horse, Jayess Rykstan, also won the Grand Champion (high average) Award the same year. Ken was a popular horsemanship judge before his tragic death. In his honor, the Burkdoll Award is given each year to the highest average combined score for an open horse and rider.
**Recent Past Winners of the Ken Burkdoll Award:**

- 2007 Fraidy Cat Terri R. Smith
- 2008 Touch's Yeller Gold Gary Inman
- 2009 Brown R Dawud Judy Wise Mason
- 2010 Fawn Creek Thor Brandy Ferganchick
- 2011 Awesomes Fire N Ice Ken Wolgram
- 2012 Hot Saki Terri R. Smith
- 2013 Touch's Yeller Gold Gary Inman
- 2014 Awesomes Fire N Ice Ken Wolgram
- 2015 Awesomes Fire N Ice Ken Wolgram
- 2016 Turner’s Wild Card Lin Ward
- 2017 Hot Saki Terri R. Smith
- 2018 Eduardo el Negrito Knight  Diane Wingle
- 2019 Lonesome Lady Bug  Terri R. Smith
- 2020 & 2021 no qualifiers due to Covid 19

**Ruth Tyree High Average Horsemanship Award**

Ruth Tyree was a highly respected horsewoman in the Rocky Mountain area and a pioneer to the sport of NATRC within Colorado, from which Region 3 evolved. This award is presented to the open rider in the region who has the highest average horsemanship score for the ride year.

**Recent Past Winners of the Ruth Tyree Award:**

- 2003 Terri R. Smith
- 2004 Terri R. Smith
- 2005 Kathy Brown
- 2006 Steve Ancell
- 2007 Terri R. Smith
- 2008 Gary Inman
- 2009 Terri R. Smith
- 2010 Brandy Ferganchick
- 2011 Ken Wolgram
- 2012 Terri R. Smith
- 2013 Roxann Lane
- 2014 Ken Wolgram
- 2015 Ken Wolgram
- 2016 Lin Ward
- 2017 Terri R. Smith
- 2018 Diane Wingle
- 2019 Terri R. Smith
- 2020 & 2021 no qualifiers due to Covid 19

**Dr. Joe Quintana High Average Horse Award**

Dr. Joe Quintana was a popular NATRC vet judge who practiced in Farmington, NM. He dedicated his time, knowledge, and resources to support NATRC, and was always available to act as a judge, teach at a clinic, or talk at a seminar. He truly loved trail riding and was 100% committed to this sport.

**Winners of the Dr. Joe Quintana High Average Novice Horse Award**

- 2014 No horses qualified
- 2015 Dakota Cole (Calleen Olson)
- 2016 No horses qualified
- 2017 SAS’s My Future is Spots (Carrie Gardner)
- 2018 Okie Proud (Tammy Beyerle)
- 2019 Sun-Rays Becca (Shannon Boucher)
- 2020 No horses qualified (no rides COVID)
- 2021 No horses qualified (too few rides COVID)

**Pat Jubb High Average Novice Horsemanship Award**

Pat Jubb was a NATRC rider, horsemanship judge, and Region 3 ride supporter from the very beginning of the sport in Region 3. Pat was a strict judge taskmaster and took her judging seriously. Riders were rewarded with ample and valuable reading material on their Horsemanship cards. She was the driving force behind the Horse Hall of Fame for NATRC horses.

**Winners of the Pat Jubb High Average Novice Horsemanship Award**

- 2014 Calleen Olson
- 2015 Calleen Olson
- 2016 No riders qualified
- 2017 Devon Daney
- 2018 Tammy Beyerle
- 2019 Shannon Boucher
- 2020 No riders qualified (no rides COVID)
- 2021 No riders qualified (too few rides COVID)
Susie Witter Most Improved Novice Rider Award

The Susie Witter award was originally created by Hannah Clark and Kay Gunkel..... it is to recognize the best overall improvement achievement of a novice rider completing 3 rides in the season. Susie Witter was one our R3’s horsemanship judges for several years and was committed to the mentoring of many beginners in the sport. Upon her passing, R3 elected to change the Most Improved Novice award to the Susie Witter award.

Past Winners of the Susie Witter Award
2019 Scarlett Wilson-Hager 2020 no rides COVID 19

Best Managed Region 3 Ride

Each year the membership votes on the Best Managed Ride of the year. This is an award that is sought after by all the ride managers. It means that everyone really had fun and appreciated the ride management, the trails, the judges, the meals, and the overall effort made to put on an outstanding ride.

Past Winners of Best Managed Region 3 Ride Award:

2007 Spring Training  2014 Island In the Sky  2017 Music Meadows
2008 Colorado Trail  2015 Chicken Creek  2018 Island in the Sky & Caballo Canyon
2009 Bear Basin  2016 Chicken Creek  2019 General Albert P. Clark Memorial
2010 Chile Line  (aka USAFA)
2011 Tarryall River Romp and Chicken Creek  2020 no rides COVID 19
2012 Tarryall River Romp  2021 General Albert P. Clark Memorial
2013 Tarryall River Romp (aka USAFA)

Sue Bretag Award

This award is given to the Region 3 member voted on by the general membership as having made major contributions of time and energy to Region 3 during the year.

Recent Past Winners of the Sue Bretag Award:

1993 Joe Quintana  2004 Lonnie Smith  2013 Juleen Feazell
1995 Karen Laden  2006 The Jones Family  and John Volkerding
1996 Dee Overholt  2007 Jerry and Beth Sims  2015 Ed Westmoreland
1997 Judi Tobias  2008 Kerry Bingham  2016 Greg & Juleen Feazell
1998 Donna Schriefer (Johnson)  2009 Jenny Smith  2017 Cathy Cumberworth
1999 Betty Wolgram  2010 Chuck Smith  2018 Chuck Smith & Kerry Bingham
2000 Kathy Shanor  2011 Betty Wolgram  2019 Dee Overholt & Cathy Moore
2001 Lee Hoth  and Bill and Diane Wingle
2002 Dee Overholt
Outstanding Sportsmanship of the Year Award

This award recognizes a Region 3 NATRC competitor who has demonstrated Outstanding Sportsmanship throughout the ride season. Fellow riders, volunteers and judges provide specific examples of acts of Good Sportsmanship witnessed at every ride in 2017. Those examples are then reviewed at the end of the year and the Outstanding Sportsman is selected.

Past Winners of Outstanding Sportsmanship Award

| 2015 Wava O’Brien & Dayna Morgan | 2018 Sharon Roper Dashne |
| 2016 Diane Wingle | 2019 |
| 2017 Cathy Cumberworth | 2020 no rides COVID 19 |

Region 3 Board of Directors - 2022

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SUE BRETAG FUND

This fund was established by Sue Bretag to support publicity and promotion for Region 3. If you would like to make a donation to this fund, please send a check made payable to Region 3/ Sue Bretag Fund, and mail to: Chuck Smith NATRC Region 3 Treasurer 316 Knolls Circle Durango, CO 81303 505-215-2625 chuck.smith04@outlook.com
Greenland Open Space NATRC Clinic
Larkspur, CO (by Colorado Springs) • Sat. June 4th • Rider limit 30

Have you wondered what a "NATRC" (North American Trail Ride Conference) Competitive Trail Ride is all about? Maybe you've tried one in the past and would like to learn more or sharpen your skills. This clinic is an opportunity to get some great coaching for learning the how-to of Competitive Trail Ride (CTR) competition for all divisions (Open, Competitive Pleasure, Novice, Leisure).

Please join us for this educational introductory clinic at Douglas County’s Greenland Open Space (conveniently located just off I-25 between Castle Rock and Colorado Springs). There will be approximately one hour of lecture followed by an actual ride briefing and demonstrations by experienced NATRC competitors in the trail challenge course. This is a great way to meet like-minded new friends! The clinic ends around noon after horses officially time out.

Some of the topics covered: horse check-in; how to read trail ribbons, map, and timing table; what is a P&R (pulse and respiration); what to do when you arrive in camp; trail etiquette and safety; what judges are looking for; demonstrations of various trail challenges; timing in and out; ride briefing; and riding the last mile of the competition.

Immediately after the clinic, we are holding an NATRC sanctioned Leisure competitive trail ride where you will use all that you learned at this clinic. The ride will start ~noon and you will ride about 8.5 miles at about 3.5 mph with multiple trail challenges (maximum of 5). We also have a Leisure competitive trail ride on June 5th so you can compete one or both days. Join NATRC as a new member and receive your first year of membership free, discounted entry fee, and coupon savings for the competition.

You don’t have to be a member for the clinic; however, it is recommended if riding a competitive trail ride. To see a list of events in our region, visit natrc3.org, and click events for more information and/or to register.

Schedule: Clinic check-in: 8:00 a.m. to 8:30 a.m. Clinic starts promptly at 8:30 a.m. to about noon. No horse needed. An agenda will be in your rider packet and emailed to you before the ride.

Clinic Cost: $40 adult; $20 junior (10-17); registration limited to 30. Pre-payment is required. If a wait list is started, we will hold your payment to save your place and keep you posted. Cost is refundable less $10 admin fee if canceling before May 28, 2022.

Schedule: Register online at rms.natrc.net. Checks to “Tanglewood Ranch” and mail to 8841 Tanglewood Road, Franktown, CO 80116.

Directions: Take I-25 to Greenland exit 167. Turn west ¼ mile then south ½ mile into park.

For More Information: Email to wingles@uncert.com
NAN Ranch Competitive Trail Ride

Type A (two day, all divisions) & Type B (one day, Saturday only, Novice & CP)

Silver City, NM • April 22-24, 2022 • Rider limit 50

Ride on the 65,000 acre NAN Ranch, a working cattle ranch listed on the National Register of Historic places. https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/NAN_Ranch

Trails are varied from shady riparian dirt trails to cross country grass to rocky ranch roads and sandy washes. Since the first NAN Ranch Ride, management has been able to explore more of the vast amount of land available and have decreased the mileage on ranch roads and added more cross country trails. The spring fed Mimbres River is a major feature of the ranch and will be crossed 4 times each day. Away from the river, spring water is plentiful in tanks every few miles along the trail.

You may see wild turkeys, coyotes, javalina, ducks, deer, and elk, along with cattle that have the right of way.

The area is High Desert with elevations of about 5100' along the river to 6400' as the trail climbs into the Mimbres Mountains through interesting canyons.

Directions to Camp: To Get to the NAN Ranch the best access from Northern NM or Colorado is I-25 to the Hatch exit. then take 26 west to 180 north, then turn onto 61. You will pass the City of Rock State Park. The NAN entrance is between mile markers 13 and 14 on 61. Look for the "wishing well".

From Arizona take I-10 to 180 at Deming. Go north to 61. Turn right. You will pass the City of Rocks State Park. The NAN entrance is between mile markers 13 and 14 by the "wishing well".

Camp Facilities: Camp is flat dirt and grassy areas with some shade. Ride Office is in the Lodge up a slight incline from trailer parking. Briefings will be inside the Lodge each evening before the next day’s ride. Two water availability locations will be near the trailer parking area. Vet check is Friday at 2:00. You may arrive Thursday night or Friday after 9 am. The Lodge has wonderful bathrooms with private stalls, private hot showers, and fresh towels. Just put them in the hamper after use.

Rules: Ride will be conducted under current NATRC rules. Out-of-state horses are required to have a current Coggins Test and Health Certificate. Be prepared to show the ride secretary. NM entries be sure to carry your; “Hauling papers”.

Schedule: A-Riders and SAT-B1-Riders, vet check-in starts at 2 p.m. until dark on Friday, May 6, 2022. Each evening, the riders will be given maps and a briefing going over the following day’s trails.
A special First Time Competitor meeting will be held after briefing Friday night. There is also a Friday evening “social hour” which starts about 4:30-5:00. Please bring a snack to share with the group!

Awards: Awards for the B1 Nov and CP classes will be Saturday afternoon, as soon as possible. Awards for the A ride classes will be given as soon as possible on Sunday.

Meals: Volunteers will be fed breakfast and lunch. We are sorry not to be able to have the Saturday night BBQ for everyone this year.

Judges: Veterinarian, Susan Dent DVM and Horsemanship, Lin Ward

Entry Fees: 120.00 adult NATRC members 150.00 non-members, 90.00 junior NATRC members 115.00 junior non-members for both A and B Divisions

Distance Only fee is 90.00

Two day ride 20.00 camping fee per entry- One day 10.00 camping fee per entry.

Enter online through RMS or request hard copy entry form from Ride Secretary.

Entries must be received by April 8. Cancellation notice by April 15 to qualify for refund, a $20.00 administration fee will be deducted from the entry. Not entered unless paid in full.

Make checks payable to Gila Chapter BCH and mail to the Ride Secretary. Charlen Perez 27 Burke Loop Silver City, NM 88061.

Ride Manager: Vicki Dowd 760-533-1897 vcartcat@hotmail.com

Secretary: Ride Secretary: Charlen Perez 575-64-9191 charlensvc@gmail.com

Wishing you all the best ride season with sound and healthy equines, trucks and trailers fully equipped with everything needed to get from A to B and back and all the best views imaginable through two ears

Hope to see you out on the trail between mine’s ears.

- Jennifer Golden
47th Annual Navajo Lake Competitive Trail Ride

Type A (two day, all divisions) & Type B (one day, Saturday only, Novice & CP)

near Aztec, NM • May 6-8, 2022 • Rider limit 60

The San Juan Valley Trail Riders invites you to be part of NATRC history. Come ride the 47th annual Navajo Lake Ride CTR, one of the longest continuously held rides in NATRC history. This ride will traverse varied terrain of mesas, arroyos, beautiful rock formations and pinon forest in the spectacularly scenic area around the Navajo Lake Dam. Come enjoy the fun, especially our famous “Mother’s Day Trail” on Sunday which is filled with surprises!

Directions to Camp: The camp is located on NM State Hwy. 539 approximately ¾ mile south of Navajo Dam. When approaching from Albuquerque and Bloomfield, travel east on U. S. 64 to about mile 89, then turn north (left) on NM 539; 5 miles to camp. From Eastern slope Colorado, take CO 172 south through Ignacio to NM 511 and south to Navajo Dam, then south on NM 539 to camp. From western Colorado, go to Durango, head south on Hwy. 550 towards Aztec, NM. Just as you enter Aztec, turn left on NM 173 until it ends at a T. (about 18 miles). At the T go left on 511 which will take you to the top of the dam, where you will have to do a turn around in the parking area to head across the top of the dam. Go up a hill and you’ll see camp on your right.

Camp Facilities: Water for horses will be available. Bring your own drinking water. Nights are usually cool so plan to blanket your horse. Two restaurants and a small grocery store are located 8 miles from camp. We WILL allow the 12x12 portables panel pens only.

Camping: Horse water will be available to camp. Bring your own people water. Dogs must be on leash at all times. Campfires are allowed pending current fire restrictions. Nights (and possibly daytime) will be cold so bring blankets. Certified weed free hay is required by the BLM. There is cell phone reception in camp and on the trail. The nearest town, Aztec, has anything you may have forgotten.

Rules: This ride will be conducted under current NATRC rules. We will be offering the Distance Only class for those of you who wish to complete the ride for mileage only. New Mexico state law requires that out-of-state horses have current Coggins and health papers.

Schedule: A-Riders and SAT-B1-Riders, vet check-in starts at 2 p.m. until dark on Friday, May 6, 2022. Each evening, the riders will be given maps and a briefing going over the following day’s trails. A special First Time Competitor meeting will be held after briefing Friday night. There is also a Friday evening “social hour” which starts about 4:30-5:00. Please bring a snack to share.
with the group!

Awards: Awards for Sat. one day B1 ride will be as soon as possible Saturday afternoon. Ribbons for 1st through 6th place in the Novice division. CP ribbons will also be given. First place awards given in all divisions. Sweepstakes awarded to Open, CP & Novice. Awards will be on Sunday afternoon, as soon as possible!

Meals: Management will provide Saturday lunch in camp for ALL volunteers & competitors. TENTATIVE-Saturday night POTLUCK dinner. Management is providing: meat & green salad, all riders please bring a side-dish to share. Volunteer workers will receive all meals.

Judges: Vet TBA Horsemanship: Jerry Sims

Entry Fees: A-Ride: NATRC Members - $135.00 A-Ride NON-Members - $170.00. Junior riders are $30 less. B-Ride: NATRC Members $80.00 & NON-Members $115.00. Juniors less $30.00 for B-Ride entry fees. If a rider under the age of 18 competes in the adults classes, they pay the adult fees (A or B rides). One or Two day Distance Only (DO) is the same entry fees as the regular ride entry fees listed above.

Please make checks payable to: San Juan Valley Trail Riders (SJVTR) & mail to Ride Secretary. A deposit of $50 is due 5-7 days after you register on RMS. Refunds will be at the discretion of management. No call / show = no refund.

Ride Manager: Bill Cumberworth 505-320-2404 (can also contact Cathy 505-419-8870) Secretary: Kerry Bingham 505-215-0080 1813 CR 116 Hesperus, CO 81326

NATRC Membership is FREE in 2022 for first time members; save $$$ & join on-line at www.natrc.org!
The C.A Maxey Appaloosa Heritage Foundation invites you to honor the memory of Clyde Al Maxey, an avid conservationist with the Park Services and consummate horseman dedicated to exploring our history on horseback. Maxey was the superintendent of Big Hole Battlefield National Monument. This began his years of horse ownership and eventually breeding, training and participating in trail rides. He especially enjoyed his stints as a scout on several rides and offering historical programs on the Chief Joseph rides. He looked forward eagerly to the Caballos del Sol ride each spring as marking the end of winter. Maxey had a passion for riding and breeding the native American Appaloosa horse. He was well known to many in the Appaloosa Horse Club, and over the years completed the entire 1,300-mile Chief Joseph Trail ride in 100-mile annual segments.

Directions to Camp: TBD or call Meaghan @ 774-286-1927

Camp Facilities: Please bring your own water. No overnight camping is provided, but arrangements can be made. We WILL allow the 12x12 portables panel pens only.

Rules: This ride will be conducted under current NATRC rules. We will be offering the Distance Only class for those of you who wish to complete the ride for mileage only. Colorado state law requires that out-of-state horses have current Coggins and health papers.

Schedule: LeD Ride- check in starts at 7am. Ride Briefing at 10am
Snacks for post ride/ award ceremony will be provided.

Awards: for 1st through 6th place in the LeD division.

Judge: Diane Wingle

Entry Fees: Junior riders FREE. LeD: NATRC Members $80.00 & NON-Members $115.00.

Bring a Friend- earn a discount on both your ride and their ride if you bring someone for their first NATRC ride!

Reminder: NATRC is offering FREE 2022 Memberships to any first time members and coupons for bringing a friend. This saves you money on each rides entry fees. Go to: www.NATRC.org for how to become a member.

Please make checks payable to and mail to:
Maxey Appaloosas, 8158 Woods Rose Lane, Loveland CO 80538
A deposit of $50 is due 5-7 days after you register on RMS.
Refunds will be at the discretion of management. No call/show = no refund.

Ride Chairman: Meaghan Monahan 774-286-1927 Meaghan@MaxeyAppys.com
Congratulations to Scarlett Wilson-Hager

2021 winner of the CP High Average Horse and Rider Combined
1st CP Lightweight Horse • 1st CP Lightweight Horsemanship
Greenland Open Space Competitive Trail Ride
Type B2 (one day LeD)
Larkspur, CO • June 4 (clinic & ride) 5 (ride only), 2022 • Rider limit 30

Join us for a day of competitive trail riding at Douglas County’s Greenland Open Space located less than a mile off I-25 between Colorado Springs and Castle Rock, Colorado. Enjoy views of the mountains while you ride on well-maintained trails. The terrain is gentle rolling hills with some scrub oak.

Trail: The trails offer fantastic footing on dirt / sandy single-track trails with small to moderate elevation changes. You will ride 8.5 miles at an average speed of 3.5 mph with a 15-minute break halfway.

Directions to Camp: From I-25, exit the Greenland exit 167. Turn west for ¼ mile, then south ½ mile into park. Camp will be in a field east of the normal parking lot and north of the dog parking lot.

General Information: Horse water is available in the parking lot (bring a bucket). Bring your own people water and food. Dogs must be always on leash. No dogs at ride briefing. There is cell phone reception in the parking lot and on the trail.

Schedule: Saturday Leisure (LeD1) Riders check in (receive rider packet) 8:00 a.m. until 9:30 a.m. with ride briefing at 9:45 am and horse and rider check in with judge starting at 10:15 am. Competitors will time out at noon. You are welcome to visit with seasoned competitors in the trail challenge section and get helpful pointers.

Sunday Leisure (LeD2) Riders will start checking in with secretary (rider packet) about 8:00 a.m. until 9:30 a.m. with ride/trail briefing at 9:45 a.m.

A competitive trail ride clinic is offered Saturday morning and contains about 2 hours of lectures and demonstrations. Contact wingles@uncert.com for clinic information. Space is limited to 30 competitors and there is time to do both the clinic and the ride.

Rules: Ride will be conducted under current NATRC rules. Out-of-state horses are required to have a current Coggins and Health Certificate. Be prepared to show the ride secretary.

Awards: Awards and prizes will be 1st thru 6th for Adult, Experienced, and Junior classes for horse/rider team.

Meals: On your own.

Judge: Diane Wingle
Entry Fees: Adult: $75/$90 members/non-members; Junior: $60/$75 members/non-members OR
Pricing w/ Coupon:
(1) First Time NATRC Rider with New free membership* $55/$10** adult/Jr. OR
(2) NATRC Member brings a first time rider member* $60/$15** adult/Jr. OR
(3) Junior Rider with Renewed Membership: first three Region 3 rides $30

* Must bring copy of free membership receipt to the ride
**Junior pricing for (1) and (2) above includes $30 discount for first 3 rides in Region 3
Fees include national fees, regional fees, and drug fees.
Payment in full is due immediately after registration on RMS (https://rms.natrc.net).
Checks payable to Tanglewood Ranch; mail to ride secretary; or accepted by Venmo (@Diane-Wingle)
Registration closes June 1. Sorry, no registrations accepted on day of competition.
Refunds through May 28 less $15 administration fee.

Ride Manager: Ride Manager and Secretary: Bill Wingle, 8841 Tanglewood Road, Franktown, CO 80116, cell: 303-279-1290, wingles@uncert.com
Air Force Academy/General Albert P. Clark Memorial
Competitive Trail Ride • July 8-10, 2022
United States Air Force Academy, Colorado Springs, CO • Region 3
Type A Novice CP Open (two days, limit 50 riders)
& Type B2 (one day LeD) Sat & Sun • Limit 25 riders each day

This is a rare opportunity for most riders to experience this beautiful and historic facility and trails. Footing is native soil with some rocky areas. Hoof protection is suggested. This is a moderately easy ride, so excellent for those new to NATRC. The Novice/CP trail is 30-40 miles over 2 days, averaging 3.75 mph each day. The Open ride is about 50-60 total miles timed at 4.5 + mph. If you are not sure if you want to ride 2 days or want a shorter distance, give our Saturday and/or Sunday LEISURE ride a try! The “Leisure” division will be approx. 11 miles at 3.5 mph. There are several creek crossings along the trail so prepare your horse for walking through water.

Please bring two extra water buckets to send out on the trail for “A” riders, one for “Leisure” riders.

Directions: In Colorado Springs - Take I-25 to Exit 150 (N. Academy Blvd). Go WEST (towards mountains) to the SOUTH GATE of the Air Force Academy. This year we have been asked by Air Force Academy Officials to direct all people coming to the ride to have their vehicles inspected at the Air Force Academy Inspection Station. Please plan to have your vehicle (& trailer) inspected preferably between the hours of 11 am & 3 pm daily when the inspection station is manned. If you arrive outside of these hours on any day, you can expect a delay. You will be asked to show the guard your driver’s license(s) and tell them you are on the "NATRC Competitive Trail Ride's EAL list". Be sure vehicle license plates are current. After security, go about 2 miles (warning: do not exceed the speed limit) and turn left at PINE Drive. Drive 2.5 miles WEST on Pine Drive to just past the Fire Station (on the left) and turn left onto W. MONUMENT CREEK ROAD. A few hundred feet on the right, just before a bridge, but past a white house, turn right, go through the fire training area, and into camp. Note: be alert for this house and dirt road, as the paved road dead ends.

Camping: Open camp meadow with porta-potties and horse water (provided by management). Bring your own drinking water. There are no hookups or electricity. Weed free hay is NOT required. Please remove or scatter manure and loose hay.

Parking Rules in Camp: Park facing south, outside of the water trough access and evacuation lane, per USAFA Environmental Officer (no exceptions), this is for an orderly exit if the need arises. Thank you!

Rules: Current NATRC rules apply. Horses can be tied to a trailer, secured by a high-tie or by stationary high line between trailers, or kept in a 12’X12’ portable corral (no electric fences), securely attached to a trailer. Hoof protection (shoes/hoof boots) is recommended but not required. Out-of-state
horses must have current Coggins and Health Certificates (bring paperwork to registration check in). Junior riders (under age 18) must have waivers signed by parents/guardians (request the waivers in advance if necessary). All riders, parents and volunteers must sign waivers at registration. Please weigh in with all tack (or a current weight card) prior to signing in. “Leisure” riders may arrive the evening before the Leisure ride or after 8 AM the morning of the Leisure Rides and have no weigh-in requirements. Please see the new Rule Book at natrc.org for details. Leisure riders may camp overnight but must abide by stabling rules for insurance reasons.

USAFA Rules: No Firearms, drugs or alcohol are to be transported onto the Air Force Academy. Vehicle license plates must be current. No cell-phone use while driving. No open fires and no smoking on trails. No loose dogs at any time. Please, per NATRC rules, no dogs allowed at ride briefing or at meals.

Critical!!: On June 20th we must submit an "EAL" - (Entry Access List) of driver's license information for EVERYONE 18 years and over, coming to our event (and all drivers of any age). If you are not on the list, the guards will turn you away at the gate. Anyone possessing an existing AFA pass or Dept. of Defense card does not need to be on the list, but you need to let us know that. For anyone you even think may be coming onto the AFA grounds (yourself, volunteers, family, etc.), we need either a photocopy of each license OR its exact information: (1-full exact name; 2-full date of birth; 3-license number; 4-the state of issuance). Send this with your deposit, or you may email it directly to the Ride Secretary –halterman999@gmail.com / or call (719) 689-9431. We must have all license information BEFORE June 20th, because the AFA does not allow any additions to the EAL once the list is submitted.

Schedule: Camp opens after 11 AM on Thursday. For “A” riders, registration begins Friday at noon and pre-ride vet check in is 2 PM to dusk on Friday. Late vet check-ins by prearrangement only. Mandatory rider briefings are Friday and Saturday evenings after dinner, followed by First Time Rider meetings open to all. For those “Leisure” riders planning to arrive the morning of their ride please plan to arrive AFTER 8 AM. Leisure riders can arrive and camp the day before their ride. Leisure riders register 8 AM to 9 AM on the day of their ride and get the final Leisure ride schedule.

Meals: “A” riders and volunteers: Friday dinner (BBQ), Saturday and Sunday – continental breakfast and lunch will be provided. Saturday dinner: riders please bring your favorite dish. “Leisure” riders will receive lunch on Saturday and/or Sunday and may purchase other meals. Extra meals for non-riders and non-volunteers are $35 for Friday (D), Saturday (B, L, D) and Sunday (B, L) meal package or individually at $15 Friday night and $10 Saturday night. Please order extra meals in advance using RMS/ additional fees drop down.

Judges: Veterinarian – TBD • Horsemanship – Kim Cowart • LeD – Sarah Smith

Entry & Fees: See page 2 for cost information

Ride Manager & Volunteer Coordinator: Linda Johnson-Conne (719) 440-8951 lconne@gmail.com
Secretary: Susan Halterman, halterman999@gmail.com (719) 689-9431
Access Vehicle Escort: Elsa Bartlett, elsakirn@gmail.com (719) 237-3666
Enjoy fall in the foothills of the Rockies at the 34th Annual Colorado Trail Competitive Ride. This ride is held in the Buffalo Creek Recreation Area (USFS). This is always a gorgeous ride with good footing, well-defined trails and views, views, views. You’ll see snow-capped Pikes Peak to the South, Mt. Evans and Mt. Rosalie to the Northwest, and Long Scraggy and Cathedral Peaks in the foreground. Terrain is varied over hills covered in conifers, open meadows, and aspen groves, speckled with creek crossings and punctuated with fall colors. Large boulders piled in impossible formations provide unusual images to ponder as you ride. Portions of the trail are on the historic 488-mile-long Colorado Trail that crosses the state from Denver to Durango.

Directions to Camp: From Denver: Go SW on US Hwy 285 to Pine Junction. Turn left onto Hwy 126 (Pine Valley Road). Go 14 miles through Pine Grove and Buffalo Creek. After the top of a long hill, camp is on the right and will have ribbons and signs to alert you to the turn. From the South, take Hwy 24 to Woodland Park and turn North on Hwy 67 to Deckers. Turn onto Hwy 126 and go about 15 miles. Just past Forest Service Road FSR 550, look for signs and ribbons on the left at the turn into camp. Camp is a short, easy haul.

Camping: Certified Weed-Free hay is required by the USFS. Contact Ride Chair for possible availability of hay. Horse water will be provided by the North Fork Volunteer Fire Dept. Please bring people water. Days can be warm and nights cool, so bring a blanket for your horse. Hay and manure must be scattered and grounds raked after the ride. Horseshoes or hoof boots are highly recommended. USFS leash laws in effect: all dogs must be secured at trailers when not on leash.

Rules: Ride will be conducted under current NATRC rules. Distance Only (DO) offered for those who wish to compete in mileage only. Health Certificates and Coggins are required for out-of-state horses. Panels will be allowed, but they must be attached to your trailer and be no larger than 12x12 with one horse per pen.

Emergency: Jeffco Sheriff’s office (303) 277-0211, Ride Manager Bill Wingle (303) 279-1290. Only a few cellphones work at camp. Possible cell service at top of hill in camp or near the North Fork Fire Dept. (one mile north of camp on Hwy 126).

Schedule: (tentative): Check in with Ride Secretary/Vet: (1) Type “A”: Friday at 1:30 pm/2:00 pm; (2) Type “B2”: Same as (1) above or Saturday 4:00 pm/4:30 pm. Type “LeD”: check in w/Ride Secretary/Ride Briefing: Saturday at 8:00 am/9:15 am. Ride briefings for all. Check rider packet for more details.

Awards: “A” and “B2” rides will award 1st thru 6th place for all divisions/classes along with Novice, CP and Open Sweepstake Awards. “LeD” will award 1st thru 6th place plus prizes for all.

Meals: Friday evening happy hour (before briefing): Please bring an appetizer to share and your
We are limited to 40 Trailers by the forest service, so please trailer share. Ride registration will close and wait list started once we reach our 40 trailer limit.


Entry & Fees: Entry fee includes all NATRC national, regional, drug, USFS and camping fees. Region 3’s discount opportunities for riders and new free members: natrc3.org, Resources tab.

Type “A”: Adult member/non-member $135/$165; Junior member/non-member $105/$135.
Type “B2”: Adult member/non-member $125/$155. Junior member/non-member $95/$125.
Type “LeD”: Adult member/non-member $75/$90. Junior member/non-member $60/$75
Deposit of $40 due or payment in full with entry; balance at check-in. If payment is not received within 7 days of entry, you will be moved to the wait list. Refunds until September 5, 2022, less $15 administration fee. No show, no refund! Checks payable to: Tanglewood Ranch, 8841 E Tanglewood Rd, Franktown, CO 80116

Ride Manager: Bill Wingle wwingle@uncert.com (303) 279-1290  Secretary: Pam Galchutt pam.galchutt@gmail.com (719) 481-6561

Each of these two books by Rick Gilmore are whimsical collections of short fictional stories about cowboys and Native Americans that are quick imaginary journeys from the past or glimpses of the bygone times slipping into the present. Courage and integrity are the foundational qualities woven through each story while embracing our connectedness to those who went before us.

Rick Gilmore is a self-proclaimed humble Cowboy and shares a rich joy for life. Aside from being a masterful and imaginative storyteller, Rick is also an accomplished artist in his own right. The art of leather tooling, carving, painting and making jewelry are just a few of the natural gifts Rick shares.
Mancos is a beautiful place to ride any time of the year. You will travel through miles of mountain meadows, spruce stands, and aspen groves. Wildlife abounds in this part of the La Plata Mountains. You may catch sight of elk, deer, marmot, wild turkey and grouse.

**Directions to Camp:** The base camp is located north of Mancos, CO. Mancos is on Hwy 160 located between Durango and Cortez. From Hwy 160 in Mancos, turn north at the only stoplight in town onto Hwy 184 (the road to Delores). Follow 184 north for approximately one-half mile, then turn eastward (Right) onto the paved road that accesses Jackson Lake. If coming from Delores you will turn (Left) to access Jackson Lake. Continue for approximately 6 miles on this road. At the USFS boundary, the road turns to gravel. Continue on this road following ribbons and signs to camp.

**Camping:** The base camp is at 9000 feet. Horse water is available from Chicken Creek or if not, management will provide. Nights will be chilly, so bring blankets for your horse. Certified weed free hay is required by Forest Service.

**Benefit Ride:** All profits from this ride goes towards helping Region 3 financially. Please contact Jordan Anderson regarding donations given to cover ride costs.

**Trails:** Trail elevation is between 8,000 and 10,600 feet with plenty of water on the trails. Trails can be rocky, so hoof protection for your horse is highly recommended.

**Rules:** This ride will be conducted under current NATRC rules. Colorado State Law requires that out-of-state horses have current negative Coggins and Health papers.

**Emergency:** Mancos Marshall’s Office 970-533-1432; Montezuma Sheriff 970-565-8452

**Schedule:** Pre-ride vet check will begin at 2pm on Friday, September 23rd. Ride briefing will be given each evening for the next day’s ride.

**Awards:** First place awards given to all classes. Sweepstakes awards will also be given in Open, Novice, and CP.

**Meals:** Saturday lunch, will be provided out on the trail for all riders & workers. Other meals -
TBD (most likely we will have a Saturday evening POTLUCK). Tentative - Friday evening Social hour will be about 5:00pm. Bring a snack to share w/ the group.

Judges: Vet: TBD  Horsemanship: Patsy Conner

Entry Fees: A Ride $145 – Member $175 – Non-NATRC member, Junior entry fee $30.00 less. $50.00 deposit. Please make check payable to: San Juan Valley Trail Riders (SJVTR) and mail to Ride Secretary.

Ride Manager: Jordan Anderson (970) 769 – 9335 jjunkermann.2011@gmail.com
Secretary: Scarlett Wilson-Hager (970) 799-2706 305 CR 123 Hesperus, CO 81326 scarlet-tredhead@yahoo.com

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Trail: The trails offer fantastic footing on seldom used dirt roads, and sandy single track trails with small to moderate elevation changes.

Directions to Camp: Camp will be in an open area near Highway 173. From Aztec, New Mexico you will head east on Hwy. 173, which is on the northern edge of town off Hwy. 550. Travel 12.7 miles on Hwy. 173 and turn left onto a dirt road and across a cattle guard. There will be a big NATRC sign with pink ribbon. Keep to the left, head down the road about a quarter mile and camp is on your right.

From Northern New Mexico travel west on Hwy. 64 between Chama and Bloomfield. When you get to Blanco (about 10 miles before Bloomfield) you will see Road 4599. Turn right. Follow it (about 8 miles) up to road 173, where the road T’s. Go left onto road 173 for about 2 miles. You will see the NATRC sign and ribbons and you will turn off to the right onto the dirt road with a cattle guard. Keep to the left, head down the road about a quarter mile and camp is on your right.

Camping: Horse water will be available to camp. Bring your own people water. Dogs must be on leash at all times. Campfires are allowed pending current fire restrictions. Nights (and possibly daytime) will be cold so bring blankets. Certified weed free hay is required by the BLM. There is cell phone reception in camp and on the trail. The nearest town, Aztec, has anything you may have forgotten.

Schedule: A and B Ride - Check in will begin at 2:00 P.M., Friday, October 7th, until dark. Trail briefing will be held on Friday and Saturday evenings to acquaint the riders with the next day’s trail and procedures.

1st Time NATRC Competitors: Friday evening after briefing for all 1st time competitors, let the ride secretary know if you are interested.

Rules: Ride will be conducted under current NATRC rules. Out-of-state horses are required to have a current Coggins and Health Certificate. Be prepared to show the ride secretary.
Awards: Awards for the B1 Nov or CP divisions will be Saturday afternoon, as soon as possible. Awards for the A will be as soon as possible on Sunday. 1st - 6th places in all divisions and classes. Open, Competitive Pleasure, and Novice Sweepstakes will be given.

Meals: Saturday lunch will be provided to all volunteers & competitors in camp. A decision on the Saturday evening Potluck will be made closer to the ride. Volunteers will be feed

Judges: Veterinarian: Dr Susan Dent Horsemanship: Lin Ward

Entry Fees: Two Day (A) ride: $135 adult member; $160 non-member; Junior riders are $30.00 less. One Day (B) ride; $85 member; $110 non-member. Any rider under age of 18 that competes in adult classes, pays the adult fees.

$50.00 deposit is due 5-10 days after you register in RMS. Make deposit checks payable to SJVTR and mail to the Ride Secretary.

Ride Manager: Kenny Bingham Cell: 505-360-3894
Secretary: Lori Wickes 3651 CR 126 Hesperus, CO 81326 Cell: 720-979-6810 Loriwickes@yahoo.com

Ann,

I am so proud of you on how well you did competing with Emma. You are a wonderful horsewoman and a great friend!!! Good luck this year competing on your new horse Dixie!

Kay
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