NORTHEAST ENDURANCE TEAM CHALLENGE 2024

Welcome to the general information page for the Northeast Endurance Team Challenge

We are excited to be offering teams and clinics at Fair Hill International. Quite a few people are giving their time to make this endurance ride special. Each area has a different contact person to help you with questions you may have. We look forward to seeing you all in June.

Entries:

<u>AERC and Intro rider</u> entries may be completed online or emailed to the ride secretary. All <u>FEI</u> entries may be completed online or emailed to the ride secretary. Please remember all FEI entries must also be entered online with the federation. Complete entry with all required documents and full payment must be received by the ride secretary on or before 6/11/2024. Please use the links above for your entry.

FEI riders- if at any time you and your horse are pulled/disqualified/retired from the FEI competition, No re-presenting for the AERC/Intro to Endurance ride.

If a horse is pulled/disqualified/retired from AERC/FEI competition this horse must report to the treatment vet for inspection. The horse is not to be ridden at any time after it is pulled/disqualified/retired.

AERC Day Member fee is \$20.00. AERC is a great organization. Please visit the AERC web page for more information.

<u>Region 15 AHA 50- & 100-mile Championships:</u> Please be sure to enter your Arabian or Half-Arabian registration as well as your current AHA competition card in the online/mail-in entry to be included in this division. Beautiful top 5 ribbons and Champion & Reserve neck sashes will be awarded.

<u>Morgan, Mustang Burro and Saddlebreds</u>: Be sure to add your breed and registration to our online /mail-in entries special awards are available for these breeds.

REFUNDS:

Intro and AERC riders can receive a refund by the closing date of 6/11/2024, minus a \$25.00 processing fee. All entries after 6/11/2024 will be non-refundable.

All FEI rider's entries are non-refundable.

No entry refunds will be processed after the ride is complete.

Attention Riders:

All rider/horse information will be shared with the following organizations: The American Endurance Ride Conference (AERC) and the United States Equestrian Federation (USEF)

<u>We are not able to accept credit cards unless you pay online via PayPal</u> (you do not need a PayPal account to do so). Payment link on the <u>USA Northeast Endurance</u> page.

If you need to mail an entry

Ride Secretary: Maile Irion: endurancerni@gmail.com Cell 609-351-2434

206 Ridge RD Southampton, NJ 08088

Late Fees: AERC riders \$50.00 after 6/11/2024. FEI riders \$150.00 after 6/11/2024.

A complete entry includes:

- A current copy of negative Coggins within a year to date of the ride
- All liability releases
 - AERC/USANEE
 - o FEI/USEF
 - o FAIR HILL INTERNATIONAL
 - CREW
- Horse trailer size
- Number of horses per rig
- AERC card, ECTRA #, FEI #, USEF #, AHA rider competition card
- Dinner on 6/21/24 for riders included; extra meals for crew are an additional \$20.00 each. Meal tickets are non-refundable.
- Ice order.

FEI riders please remember you must send an entry to the secretary and enter through the <u>USEF website</u> (or your federation). No entries are accepted without payment in full. If you are not a current AERC member but would like to become one, please click <u>here</u> to fill out your membership form.

<u>Ice</u>: We will be taking ice orders. This information will be in your entry. The cost is \$12.00 per 20 LBS bag. Ice is non-refundable.

<u>Ride Packets:</u> All information you need will be posted at https://usaneenduranceinc.org Please look under the Northeast Endurance team challenge tab. Take a moment to read/print ride information including schedules & briefing notes.

<u>Ride:</u> Intro to Endurance, AERC 25,50,65,75,100, FEI CEI/CEIYJ 1*,2*,3*. All endurance ride info, entries, and questions go to <u>enduranceni@gmail.com</u>. Ride secretary Maile 1-609-351-2434

<u>Teams:</u> For all team info, entries, and questions go to <u>Cathy Merli</u> Please follow this <u>link</u> for the team entry and all team information. If you would like to be on a team but do not have any other members, be sure to answer the team question on the main entry form so that we can pair you with other riders who are looking!

The team Zoom meeting will be on Friday, June 14th at 7 pm.

 $\underline{https://us02web.zoom.us/j/83818871940?pwd} = \underline{Z2tBUEN0bWRMTURqMGVSaW15YWV2dz09}$

Holly Corcoran is also open for questions about Teams. 1-570-594-8608.

<u>Clinics:</u> For all clinic info, entries, and questions go to <u>Holly</u> Corcoran's phone number: (570)-594-8608. Please follow this <u>link</u> for all the clinic information.

Confirmation emails are sent after your ride entry and payment is received. Emails are sent weekly. Please make sure your email address is spelled correctly and easy to read. If you have not received your welcome letter or any kind of confirmation of participation 7 days before the ride date EMAIL THE SECRETARY@enduranceni@gmail.com or MESSAGE THROUGH FACEBOOK.

<u>Corrals/High-Tie/Portable Fencing:</u> Management reserves the right to ask any rider to leave without an entry fee refund if your horse(s) are not properly contained. Riders are responsible for properly securing their horses at the ride site.

<u>Horse housing:</u> All horse pens (12 x 12 per horse) will be beside your trailer. There will be parking police to help you park. If you would like to park with a friend or other teammates arrive together. A holding lot is at the corner of Big Elk Chappel and Gallagher Rd.

<u>Trails/Grounds:</u> This ride is held on state property and is open to the public. You may see hikers, riders, bikers, joggers, dog walkers, carriages. etc. Please be courteous to other park users and leave the campground as you found it. The terrain is rolling hills, gravel/dirt roads (most not open to cars), and numerous water crossings. The trail is well-marked with signs, ribbons, and ground flags. Radio spotters will be on course reporting rider locations as they pass radio checkpoints. Spotters and other volunteers are not responsible for knowing the course. Note: The Fair Hill DNR rangers are authorized to close the course if severe weather/safety issues warrant. In this case, no refund applies. Please note our Ride Briefing will include all updated trail information.

<u>Ride Briefing:</u> There will be a Zoom meeting on Monday 6/17/2024 at 7pm. There will also be a pre-ride briefing on Friday, 6/21/2024 following dinner at Base Camp. Remember the team zoom meeting is separate. Please see Teams info above.

Farrier/ Treatment Vet: A farrier and treatment vet will be available at <u>RIDER'S EXPENSE</u>. PLEASE... before leaving the ride make arrangements for payment to the provider of any veterinary and/or farrier expenses incurred.

<u>Medical</u>: Ride management strongly encourages all riders to wear a web-assisted Road ID type bracelet or a medical card in an armband on the trail. This will assist medical personnel in case of emergency.

Helmets: ASTM/SEI helmets are required by all riders and must be properly fastened when mounted.

Start Time: The 100,75,65,50/CEI/CEIYJ 1*,2*, 3* riders are scheduled to start at 6 a.m. The 25 mile will start at 7:30 am. The Intro to Endurance will start at 8:30 am. The start times and locations will be different for each distance. Please refer to AERC rules and Welcome letter for ride times/hold closing times. FEI riders please refer to the FEI schedule for ride times. All start times and locations will be marked and posted. Please walk or ride out to start locations for your distance. These times are subject to change depending on the rider count for each distance. This information will be reviewed at the pre-ride meetings.

<u>Vet:</u> Pre-ride vet inspection at base camp is scheduled for Friday after 1 pm. There are no scheduled Pre-Ride inspections on Saturday. (If you have a special something that you need to vet in on Saturday am, please speak to the ride manager, she is kind of nice. All vet checks are at the base camp. Teams, please present together. We would like team photos at this time. If you are an intro rider hoping to vet in on Saturday morning contact the ride manager (Holly MacDonald) ASAP.

Sanctioning: AERC, ECTRA, AHA, FEI, AERC /FEI rules will apply.

- We will be hosting the Region 15 AHA 50 & 100 mile Championships

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<u>Team Secretary</u>: Cathy Merli: <u>Merli.catharine@yahoo.com</u>, or Holly Corcoran 1-570-594-8608

Clinic Secretary: Holly Corcoran: hrc1963@ptd.net 1-570-594-8608

Ride Manager: Holly MacDonald: hollymacrm@gmail.com Cell 609-847-5685

<u>Directions:</u> GPS location: 450 Gallaher Road, Elkton MD 21921

From North: I-95 or NJ Turnpike South over Delaware Memorial Bridge, take exit 109A (Rt. 279 Elkton) to Rt.213, right onto 213 North to Big Elk Chapel Road. Turn right. Go about 1 mile to Base Camp on the left.

From South: I-95 to Exit 100. Left off ramp onto Rt 272 North. Go 5 miles to Rt. 273 Turn right onto 273 for 6 miles. Go past intersection 213/273 at Fair Hill Inn. Go about 1 mile Turn right onto Gallaher Road. Base camp is about 1 mile on the right.

Parking/Camping:

Parking for Base Camp is located in a field off of Big Elk Chapel & Gallaher Road. Porta johns and a water tank will be provided. There are no campfires permitted. There is NO fee for camping on the grounds for 6/20- 6/23, 2024. Alternate permanent stabling may be available on DNR grounds approximately 1 mile from the base camp (no round pens). Campsite hookups adjacent to permanent stabling may be available with w/advance reservations through the Fair Hill DNR website. Please do not call https://dnr.maryland.gov/publiclands/pages/central/fairhill.aspx

Please remember if you would like to park together, arrive together. There is a lot at the corner of Big Elk Chappel and Gallaher rd to wait for friends before parking.

NETC Gate and Stop directions for Crew

100,75,65,50 & CEI/CEIYJ 1*,2*,3* riders will have a gate and stop in the first loop where crewing is allowed. DIRECTIONS: North Appleton Parking Lot Crewing GPS: 2941 Appleton Road, Elkton, MD.

Turn left out of Base Camp from the upper gate on Gallaher Road (if you leave from the lower gate on Big Elk Chapel Road, turn left out of the gate, then immediately left again at the stop sign onto Gallaher Road) Go to the end of Gallaher Road Turn right onto Route 273 Go 1 mile to the new roundabout and turn left onto Appleton Road Go 1.3 miles. Turn left into the Department of Natural Resources Parking Lot. The 10 Minute Gate and Stop is directly in front of you. There is water available here. This stop is for 100,75,65,50, CEI, CEIYJ 1*,2*,3* milers only and will be the only on-trail crew spot. Crew MAY NOT drive down to the hold. Please park and walk.