

Cuneo Creek Ride: September 8 & 9, 2018

The Redwood Empire Endurance Riders (REER) invite you to join us at this year's Cuneo Creek Endurance Ride. Ride camp and all trails are part of the California State Park system in beautiful Humboldt Redwoods State Park.

RIDER LIMIT: This ride is limited to 80 riders, combined for all distances. Entry requests will be filled on a first-come, first-served basis. Historically, the ride has filled to its limit. Please plan accordingly and submit your ride application early.

THE TRAIL: Cuneo Creek is a two-day ride. There will be a 50-miler and a Limited Distance each day. This is a moderately difficult ride; the trail and weather can be challenging and require good fitness of the equine and rider team. There is varied elevation and technicality of footing, as well as the probability for both heat and humidity. The trails are mostly shaded with plenty of natural water crossings and bridges. They are mostly gently curving single-track trails through the old growth redwood, madrone, fir, and tan oak forests, with a small portion on access roads. Wildlife is abundant and riders will ride through the homes of wild turkey, deer, bear, bees, and mountain lions.

CAMP: Ride camp is at Humboldt Redwoods State Park's horse camp: Cuneo Creek Campground. Camp has showers, tables, potable water and horse corrals (first-come, first-served basis only). Corrals are an additional \$25 per night (Sunday night free if you ride both Saturday and Sunday). The ride camp opens at noon on Friday, and closes at noon on Monday. For additional camping, contact Humboldt Redwoods State Park at 707-946-2409. Early/late stays warrant additional camp fees to the Park. As you drive into camp, please note that REER has reserved all of the spaces to the left and behind the bathrooms building. All spaces to the right as you drive in are either day-use or pay-per-night.

DIRECTIONS: The camp is approximately 7.3 miles west of Highway 101 on the road to Honeydew (Mattole Road), just north of Weott, between Eureka and Garberville. Take Exit 663 (Rockefeller Forest/Honeydew) (from the south take a left turn at the stop sign and an almost immediate second left turn under the freeway) and go west through the State Park following the ride camp signs and ribbons to the Cuneo Creek Horse Camp, just past a small cemetery on the right side of the road.

RIDE RULES: The Cuneo Creek Endurance Ride will comply with all AERC, REER & State of California rules/regulations. All equines must have some type of hoof protection to enter the rides. Dogs are allowed in the campground but **must be on a leash and comply with all State of California Park regulations**. Violators are subject to ticketing and fines from the Park.

Please do not bring extra vehicles or horses. An additional fee will be assessed for horses not entered in the ride. No smoking in camp or on the trails. Manure and hay must be raked and placed in the manure bunkers prior to leaving your campsite. Due to limited water service (potable water only), please do not hose your horses at camp. We encourage you to fill any water tanks you have before you leave home. Thank you for your cooperation in helping us conserve on-site water supply. Good sportsmanship, horsemanship, and respect for volunteers (REER ride managers are volunteers) is paramount for REER. The focus is always family, friends, fun, and fairness to the horse.

FOOD: There will be an optional potluck Friday night before the ride meeting. Please join and bring a casserole, salad, dessert plate, or similar addition to share. A Saturday night dinner is included for each rider. Extra dinner tickets are available at check-in (note on the entry form, please). All volunteers eat free!

VETERINARIANS: Dr. Dan Chapman and Dr. Jen Powers.

SCHEDULE OF EVENTS: Friday Afternoon: Pick up your vet card from registration. Then bring both your card and horse to the veterinarian to vet-in for Saturday's ride. There will be a Friday evening potluck to be followed with the ride meeting for Saturday's ride. Bring your maps to study the trail. After the ride meeting you will have an opportunity to ask any questions you may have. A volunteer meeting for any non-riders willing to lend a hand on ride day will also follow the potluck.

Saturday night: A catered dinner will be followed by an awards banquet and review of Sunday's trail. Bring your dinner ticket unless you are a volunteer; all volunteers eat free (if they sign up and receive an assignment). For those riding on Sunday only, you will need to receive your vet card and have your horse vetted-in on Saturday afternoon. Please have patience as the vets may be busy with judging and vetting Saturday's riders, and fit in where you can in the vet line. If you're riding two days on the same horse, your Day 1 completion vet check will also serve as your Day 2 vet-in, so bring your Day 2 card with you at your post-ride completion exam.

ENTRY FORM NOTES: Download adult and junior rider entry forms (links at the foot of this page). Limited Distance and 50-miler riders must show proof of current AERC membership or pay a \$15 non-member fee. Checks are cashed after the ride.

CANCELLATION/REFUND POLICY: Full refund prior to 14 days before the ride. \$30 fee withheld for cancellation within 14 days of the ride date. Cancellations (including no-shows) after the Tuesday before the ride receive no refund. Full refund less \$30 for entrants whose horse did not pass the pre-ride veterinarian examination by the attending ride veterinarian/s. Cancellation notice must be received by Ride Secretary Donna Biteman either in-person, by email (DMajicc@yahoo.com) or by phone (707-498-3221). This policy is non-negotiable.

CONTACT INFO: Questions/concerns? Please contact Ride Managers:

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MAIL SIGNED ENTRY FORMS with FEES TO:
(Make checks payable to: "REER/Cuneo Creek")

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[Adult Entry Form](#)

[Junior Entry Form](#)

[REER Membership Form](#)

(\$20 to be a 2018 member, and you'll get \$5 discount per day on all 2018 rides)