

Trace The
Trails
2019



January 26th & 27th 2019

**Intro, 30/25 Mile LD, &
50 Mile Endurance Ride**

Trace Trails, Athens, TX

SANCTIONED BY THE AMERICAN ENDURANCE
RIDE CONFERENCE (AERC)
&
TERA

Ride Manager: Kerry Lowrey, (337) 424-7074 (KareBearLowrey@hotmail.com)

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Head Control Vet: Gail Conway (Treatment Vet On Site)

Additional Vets: Bob Rogers, Val Bixler & Val Jaffe

Intro- 9am Start, 30/25- 8:00 am Start, 50- 7:15 am Start**

May be slightly later depending on daylight available

Directions: In Athens take Texas Loop 7, then exit onto US 175 & head northwest towards Mabank for approximately two miles. Turn right on Co. Rd. 3918. (after the church) Follow this road around a 90 degree curve to the right, then take the first left, which is Co. Rd. 3914 (you will also see signs for Tara Winery). Co. Rd. 3914 is narrow and curvy. Pass the winery on your left (it's a two story white house with large pillars and a vineyard — you can't miss it). Continue on 3914. After a curve in the road you will see a silver gate on your left — pass this gate and continue on Co. Rd. 3914. Trace Trails will be on your right and easily seen from the road. From Co. Rd. 3914 it is approximately 1.7 miles. The campground is in a large tree lined meadow. There is a wooden sign placed on two metal barrels. The turn is BEFORE you get to the sign.

TRAILS: Trace Trails in Athens, Texas is a privately owned 1,000 acre working cattle ranch in northeast Texas. This ranch offers over 50 miles of sandy and scenic trails. The trails are diverse with flat to rolling sandy terrain, open grassy meadows, and thick forests. Trails are barefoot friendly, though due to some washouts, roots can be just as dangerous as rocks, so if you plan on racing through the trails, shoes would be recommended.

RULES: Endurance is an athletic event for both horse and rider. The goal is to complete the marked trail within the time given as established by AERC standards with an equine that is fit to continue from checkpoint to checkpoint. Equines must pass a complete vet check before, during, and after the ride. All AERC rules will apply. Safety helmets are recommended for all riders, but are required for juniors at any time they are on their equine, in camp or on trail. Junior riders must be accompanied by a designated adult sponsor (21 years or older) at all times during the ride. Juniors riding as Seniors must show AERC approval.

GATE HOURS: Camp will open on Friday at 10:00am, and close Monday at 10:00 am. **Friday's schedule:** Registration opens 2pm; Vet checks open 3pm; Pre-ride Meeting starts 6pm. Water for horse and human is available in camp. Vet checks will be in camp.

ALL manure and hay must be spread nicely!

CAMPING: The camping fee and day rider fee is included in your ride entry. If you plan to ride before, or after the ride there is a \$8 fee. Generators off at 10pm, on at 5am. There are no hookups available.

FOOD: There will be a meal provided Saturday night for riders (possibly Chili or Gumbo, TBD) Guests may purchase a meal for \$8. Bring deserts to share.

PRIZES: Completion prizes to all distances. Best Condition, High Vet, Midpack, Turtle, etc

*******Long Sleeve T Shirts will be given out to TWO day competitors (Same rider, diff horse ok)!!!*******

Please NOTE: The Limited Distance Ride will be a 30 mile ride on Saturday, and a 25 mile ride on Sunday!

Checks will be held until after the ride. **Prizes WILL NOT be mailed.** Please pick up before leaving!! You may mail/email your entry without payment so long as EVERYTHING ELSE is included, and it will be considered a complete entry and eligible for the free entry drawing (name to be drawn the Monday, Jan 21st, before the ride).

Trace The Trails Entry Form

(Office Use Only) Rider# _____ Check# _____ Amt Paid \$ _____

Rider Name: _____ AERC# _____ TERA# _____

Street Address: _____ City: _____

State: _____ Zip: _____

Cell Phone:(_____) _____ Home#:(_____) _____

Email: _____

Emergency Contact: _____ Phone: _____

Shirt Size: **S M L XL XXL** Special Mileage Attempt? _____

Weight Div. (circle one): Heavy (>210lbs) Middle (186-210 lbs) Light (161-185 lbs) Feather (<161 lb) Junior

If you are a junior the following must be completed:

Sponsor's Name: _____ AERC# _____

Emergency Contact: _____ Relation: _____ Phone # _____

Saturday Horse

Horse Name: _____ AERC# _____

Breed _____ Color _____ Sex: Mare Gelding Stallion

Horse Owner: _____ Owner AERC# _____

Sunday Horse

Horse Name: _____ AERC# _____

Breed _____ Color _____ Sex: Mare Gelding Stallion

Horse Owner: _____ Owner AERC# _____

Entry Fees: (Fee includes everything—Trail Access Fee, Camping, AERC Drug Fee, One Meal)

+ _____ Intro Ride \$55 *No Discounts Apply*

+ _____ 30/25 Mile LD \$115

+ _____ 50 Mile END \$115

+ _____ Junior Rider \$75 (LD or 50, *No other discounts Apply*)

+ _____ \$15 Non-AERC Member Fee (Do not pay if you are an INTRO rider)

- _____ \$5 TERA Member discount. TERA # _____

- _____ Early Entry (Received before Jan 18th will place you in a drawing for a FREE entry!!!)

_____ Total Check # _____

To receive the early entry your entry MUST be complete!!!

Make checks payable to: Kerry Lowrey

Mail Payment, Entry form, Coggins & Liability Release to:

Kerry Lowrey, 163 Fisher McConathy Rd., Anacoco, La 71403

Email: KareBearLowrey@hotmail.com

Liability Release

As a participant in the Trace The Trails Ride, I, _____ agree to abide by the rules of AERC, TERA, and the Trace The Trail ride rules. I understand that endurance riding involves being in remote areas for extended periods of time, far from communication, transportation, and medical facilities, that these areas have many natural or man-made hazards which ride management cannot anticipate, identify, modify or eliminate: that horses can be excitable, difficult to control and unpredictable; and that accidents can happen to anyone at anytime. I agree to take full responsibility for myself and the animal I am riding. I will hold the ride management, all ride personnel, and all property owners over whose land the ride covers, blameless for any accident, injury or loss and free from all liability of such injury or loss that may occur due to my participation in the ride. I have read and understand this liability release.

Rider Signature: _____ Date _____

Junior Guardian Signature: _____ Date _____

Known Drug Allergies: _____

Medical Condition: _____

Please be courteous at all times and remember we are doing this for FUN!!!

