

Over Hill and Dale Endurance Ride

April 1st 2023

Wesley AR

12 mile intro, 25 Mile, and 50 Mile ride

AERC and OCER Sanctioned

Come join the rest of us on the “Over Hill and Dale” Trail!

Enjoy the rolling hills of NorthWest Arkansas’ Madison Country on an **endurance Ride**. Endurance riding is a timed athletic event for both horse and rider. The event is open to all breeds of equines with the first goal to follow a marked trail and secondly finish with a horse that is fit to continue riding. The equine must pass thorough veterinary exams before, during and after the event and must be sound for completion. All vet checks will be in camp, there will be 1 vet check during the 25 and 2 vet checks during the 50-mile ride in addition to the pre and post ride vet checks. The 15 miles Into ride will require a pre and a post ride vet check for all horses.

Introductory Ride: The purpose of the 12-mile introductory non-timed ride is to give a new rider or equine a chance to experience the sport of endurance. The equine must be at least 48 months old but there is no age limit on the rider. There will be a standard vet exam and the intro ride will begin after the longer events have begun in the morning. The non AERC member fee does not apply.

Camp: Private pastureland, primitive camping with port-a-potties, Bring your own water, horse pond water available at base camp.

Location: 1506 CR- 6270, Wesley Ar 72773

Directions:

From the West: from Fayetteville AR follow HYW 16 to Elkins. Turn Left at Elkins Stoplight onto HYW 74. Continue east on HYW 74 for about 10.5 miles. (about 6miles to Wesley and 4.5 miles after Wesley). At HWY 295 South turn right and proceed about 2.5miles heading south to Foster creek bridge. At Foster Creek bridge turn left onto county road “6330”. Continue about ¼ mile on County Road 6330. then Turn left at county road 6351. Follow about ½ mile up the hill to the “Y” in the road and stay right onto county road 6270. This is the road the ride camp is located upon. Follow right side of the “Y” 6270 to the end of the road. Dead ends into ride camp.

Arkansas State Law requires original negative Coggins papers dated within 12 months of the ride to be presented on all equines in camp. Health papers dated within 30 days of the ride must be presented on all out of state equines.

Ride Manager: Shawn McCarthy, 479-301-4594, Email: overhillanddaleenduranceride@gmail.com

Head Veterinarian: “Dr Dennis Seymour”

Trails: The terrain is a fun combination of rolling hills, some steep slopes, long grassy trails through the woods etc. The trails run through private ranch pastures, woodland trails and creeks. There will be creek crossings, deer, armadillos, chipmunks, squirrels, cattle, neighbors dogs, and a few circling turkey buzzards wintering over. Ponds and streams on trail provide plenty of water. The trails are not barefoot friendly, your horse will require hoof protection. There is not likely to be much mud in the spring, nor heavy rock, just lots of small stones so pads are recommended under your shoes. Bring your own drinking water for yourself. There is two ponds for horse water at the ride camp.

Note: Need RSVP prior to the ride. Please contact Shawn McCarthy to let him know you are intending on riding. This is for the benefit of the riders to help ensure there are enough vets available to keep the vet lines short.

Riders are welcome to arrive before Friday, but please contact ride management with intended arrival date.

Schedule (Tentative, subject to change due to weather):

Friday	Saturday
Camp Open All Day	50 mile Starts shortly after sunrise
2 PM Registration Opens	25 mile Starts ½ hour after sunrise
3 PM Vet In	Intro/12 mile intro ride meeting
5 PM Pre – ride meeting	12 mile Intro ride start
	Ride meeting/ awards after last rider gets in (potluck meal)

"Over Hill and Dale Endurance Ride" Entry Form

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Rider Information:

Name: _____ AERC# _____

Address; City, State, Zip:

Phone: _____ Email: _____

Weight Division (**Includes Tack**) Please Circle One:

Junior or Featherweight (0-160 lb) Lightweight (161-185 lb)

Middleweight (186-210 lb) Heavyweight (211 lb - above)

Note: Juniors wishing to ride as seniors must present a letter from AERC stating that said junior meets the age and mileage requirements. Parent or guardian signature is required even if riding in weight division.

Horse Information:

Name: _____ AERC #: _____

Breed: _____ age: _____ Sex: _____ Color: _____

Horse owner and AERC# if different from rider:

Entry Fees:

25 Mile Senior	\$85	_____
50 Mile Senior	\$95	_____
Junior Any Distance	\$40	_____
Intro	\$35	_____
Non-AERC Member Fee	\$15	_____
OCER Discount OR	-\$5	_____
Camping fee	\$10	_____
	Total	_____

Please Send entries to Shawn McCarthy at 1960 Madison 6330 Wesley Ar 72773 or email entries to overhillanddaleenduranceride@gmail.com

The following must be signed and returned with entry to participate in the ride.

Legal Release:

As a participant in the "Over Hill and Dale Endurance Ride", I agree to abide by the rules of AERC, OCER and the Over Hill and Dale Endurance Ride. I understand that horses can be excitable, difficult to control and unpredictable and accidents can happen to anyone at any time. I further agree to be fully responsible for my animals and myself. I hereby release the Land Owners, AERC, OCER, Ride Management and Ride Volunteers from any and all loss, costs, damage, liability, claims, demands or causes of action that I may have for injuries or damages arising out of my participation in the ride, even if caused by the negligence or other fault of the Land Owners, AERC, OCER, Ride Management and Ride Volunteer. I agree that I will not sue or make any legal claim against the Land Owners, AERC, OCER, Ride Management and Ride Volunteers for damages, costs, expenses or other losses, including attorney's fees, sustained as a result of my participation in the ride, and hereby voluntarily waive all such claims. I agree to indemnify and hold the Land Owners, AERC, OCER, Ride Management and Ride Volunteers harmless from all loss, damages, claims, lawsuits, judgments and costs, including but not limited to attorney's fees.

Medical Release:

I give consent for and will be financially responsible for emergency medical treatment for myself if I'm unable to give informed consent. I acknowledge that I have read and understand and agree with the conditions of this release.

I certify that I have fully read, understand and agree to be bound by the conditions of this of this legal release.

Rider Signature: _____ Date: _____

Signature of Parent or Guardian for Junior Rider:

_____ Date: _____

Emergency Contact:

_____ Phone: _____

Ride Rules:

1. AERC and OCER rules will be enforced. Rules can be found at www.aerc.org.
2. The equines are under the control of experienced ride veterinarians who will do everything possible to help you evaluate your equine in order that you may complete the ride without hurting your equine; However, you must accept responsibility for your equine and yourself. The vets may disqualify any rider who has, in the opinion of the vets, abused his/her equine. The veterinarian's decision will be final in all matters concerning the safety and well being of the equines entered in the ride.
3. The ride is open to all breeds of equines (horses, mules, ponies, etc.). The equine must be at least 60 months of age to enter the 50 ride. Equines entering the 25 mile limited distance ride must be at least 48 months of age.
4. All riders must be present and accounted for at the start of the ride. Management *strongly* recommends ALL riders wear approved safety helmets while on horseback.
5. The same horse and rider must pass all checkpoints, follow the ride rules, stay on the marked trail and do the loops in the correct order to receive completion. 50-mile placing will be determined by first horse across the finish line. ALL equines must see a Vet for completion check or when pulling for any reason.
6. Vet criteria (pulse/respiration requirements, holds, etc.) will be discussed at the pre-ride meeting. Riders are responsible for understanding this information. All equines in each distance MUST meet ride criteria within 30 minutes of reaching a vet check during the ride or be disqualified.
7. There is no minimum time limit for completion in any distance. Maximum ride time, INCLUDING HOLDS, for completion is 12 hours for 50 milers; and 6 hours for 25 milers. To receive completion: the 50 mile rider may present his equine at any time during, but not longer than, one hour after crossing the finish line; 25 milers must present within 30 minutes of reaching camp. The equine of all distances must be metabolically fit to continue and have no gait aberrations that are consistently observable at a trot and must have a pulse of 64 or less; pulse of 60 or less for the 25 milers or as set by the ride vets. Riders will dismount for completion trot. For Best Condition judging, then a one hour post-ride check. To be eligible for Best Condition Award, riders must weigh before in the vet check area within one hour of finishing of rider with all saddle/bridle etc that horse carried on the trail.
8. Riders are responsible for all farrier and vet fees that may be individually incurred.
9. During the ride, dogs are to be on a leash or confined to rider's camp.
10. Have a Fun and SAFE ride. "To Finish Is To Win"