

**Twenty Mule Team 35/60/75/100 Mile and 15 Mile Introductory  
AERC Endurance Ride  
Entry Form  
Saturday, March 2, 2024**

         **15 Mile Introductory**  
\$70.00 Discounted Entry  
\$100.00 after 2/21/24 postmark

         **35 Mile**  
\$130.00 Discounted Entry  
\$165.00 after 2/21/24 postmark

         **60 Mile**  
\$180.00 Discounted Entry  
\$215.00 after 2/21/24 postmark

         **75 Mile**  
\$200 Discounted Entry  
\$235 after 2/21/24 postmark

         **100 Mile**  
\$225.00 Discounted Entry  
\$260.00 after 2/21/24 postmark

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**Division:**         **Junior**         **FWT** (up to 160 lbs)         **LWT** (161-186 lbs)         **MWT** (185-210 lbs)         **HWT** ( 211lbs and up)  
(Weight is with tack)

AERC Non-Member Fee    \$20.00 (Applies to all rides except Introductory Ride)    \$ \_\_\_\_\_

**Junior Riders** all rides (except Introductory Ride)    \$100.00    \$ \_\_\_\_\_

Ride Managers discount (except Introductory Ride) -\$30.00 (ride managing in 2023/24)    \$ \_\_\_\_\_

**Total enclosed: (Checks will not be cashed until after the ride)**    \$ \_\_\_\_\_

**Refund policy:** Full refund for cancellations prior to 2/29/24 For cancellations after 2/29/24 and for horses not passing the pre-ride exam, a **\$50.00 ride management fee will be withheld. No shows receive no refund.**

**Rider Name** \_\_\_\_\_ **Region** \_\_\_\_\_ **AERC #** \_\_\_\_\_

**Address** \_\_\_\_\_ **City/State** \_\_\_\_\_ **Zip** \_\_\_\_\_

**Phone** \_\_\_\_\_ **Email** \_\_\_\_\_

**Horse Name** \_\_\_\_\_ **Horse AERC #** \_\_\_\_\_

**Horse owner name and address** \_\_\_\_\_

**Emergency Contact** \_\_\_\_\_ **Phone** \_\_\_\_\_

Make checks payable to **Brian Reeves**

**Mail prior to 2/21/24  
mail entry to:  
Brian Reeves 32883 Puma Ln. Squaw Valley CA 93675**

For more information, call (559) 332-9229 or (559) 903-2811  
email: reevesranch@hotmail.com  
Release **must** be signed on next page

## **Twenty Mule Team Endurance Ride Agreement and Release of Liability**

I, \_\_\_\_\_, in consideration of the acceptance of this entry hereby acknowledge that I have voluntarily applied to participate in the Twenty Mule Team Endurance Ride. I am aware that participating in these events involves the risk of injury to my person and property, involves being in remote areas for extended periods of time, far from communications, transportation, medical facilities; that these areas have many natural and man made hazards which ride management cannot anticipate, identify, modify, or eliminate, that accidents can happen to anyone at any time. I voluntarily accept all risk of personal injury (including death), and property damage arising from my attendance and participation in these events. As lawful consideration for being permitted to participate in these events, I hereby agree that I, my heirs, personal representatives, and assigns will not make a claim against or sue the AERC, BLM, Valley Riders Assn., Twenty Mule Team Endurance Ride, its employees, officers, directors, members, agents, or affiliated entities for any injury or damage arising from the negligence of other acts, however caused, of the Twenty Mule Team Endurance Ride, its employees, officers, directors, members, agents, contractors, members, employees, agents, contractors, guests, invitees, and affiliated entities from all actions, claims or demands, that from my participating in the Twenty Mule Team Endurance Ride. I agree that this release includes injury or damaged caused in whole or in part by negligence, active or passive, of the Twenty Mule Team Endurance Ride, BLM, Valley Riders Assn., AERC and its members, employees, landowners, agents, and contracting parties. I have carefully read this agreement. I understand that it is a complete release of liability and promise not to sue or make a claim. I am aware that it is a contract between myself and the Twenty Mule Team Endurance Ride, AERC.

Date \_\_\_\_\_ Signature \_\_\_\_\_  
(If a minor, under the age of 18, parent(s) must sign below)

## **Junior Indemnity Agreement and Release**

I, \_\_\_\_\_ am the parent or legal guardian of the following minor(s) who will be participating in the Twenty Mule Team Endurance Ride: \_\_\_\_\_ I am aware that participating in these events involves the risk of injury (or death) to person or property of these minors. I agree to maintain adequate insurance coverage for them. As Lawful Consideration for the participation of these minors in this event, I hereby agree that I will indemnify, defend and hold harmless the AERC, BLM, Valley Riders Assn., Twenty Mule Team Endurance Ride, and its officers, directors, members, employees, agents, guests, invites, and contracting parties from any claim, demand, complaint or cause of action asserted by or on behalf of any of the minors for personal injury or property damage, however caused. This agreement extends to injuries to the minor caused in whole or in part by the negligence, active or passive of the Twenty Mule Team Endurance Ride, BLM, Valley Riders Assn., AERC, and its officers, directors, members, employees, agents, guests, invitees, or contracting parties. All juniors under the age of 16 must be sponsored and stay with their sponsors due to insurance and the hazardous nature of the trail. **THERE WILL BE NO EXCEPTIONS.**

Sponsor's Name \_\_\_\_\_

I have carefully read this agreement. I understand that it is a binding contract between the Twenty Mule Team Endurance Ride, AERC, and me, and that it requires me to indemnify these entities against claims for injuries to the minor(s) listed above.

Date \_\_\_\_\_ Signature \_\_\_\_\_

# **Twenty Mule Team 35/60/75/100 Mile and 15 Mile Introductory Introductory 15 Mile Ride Saturday, March 2, 2024**

**Accommodations:** The base camp is located at the **Valley Riders Equestrian Center** Ridgecrest, CA 93555. The elevation is approximately 2,500 feet. Although the weather is generally nice, you should be ready for cold or wet weather. It is cold at night, near freezing, but can be warm during the day. It can also be windy. Dogs must be kept on a leash at all times.

**Friday night a complementary lasagna dinner and Sunday morning a continental breakfast will be served.**

**Base Camp:** Base Camp opens at 10:00am on Thursday, February 29, 2024. It is located at the corner of San Bernardino Rd (aka County Line Rd) and Springer St.(double electrical pole line along the road), southeast of Ridgecrest, California. It is the site of the Valley Riders Equestrian Center and is currently undeveloped so camping is primitive (no electricity). There are accommodations, grocery stores and gas close by. Potable water will be provided. Porta Potties will be available. Base camp is at 2,500 feet.

Camper Trailers are available for rent, go to [www.hideserttrailerrentals.com](http://www.hideserttrailerrentals.com). Their winter location is less than ½ mile from base camp and they set up in advance.

**Saturday trails:** The trail consists of four loops for the 100; three loops for the 75, two loops for the 60, and 1 loop for the 15 and 35 mile rides, all beginning and ending at base camp. There are a few long gradual grades, and some rocks and sand. Pads are recommended for rocks which are primarily between Vet Checks 1 and 2 for the 60, 75 and 100-mile rides. The trail will be well marked with plenty of ribbons, chalk and glowbars after dark. The introductory ride will be one 15-mile loop.

**Saturday starting time:** The ride will start at 6:00 am for the 60, 75 and 100 mile ride, at 7:00 am for the 35 mile ride and at 10:00 am for the 15 mile introductory ride.

**Awards:** There will be first place awards for the 35, 60, 75 and 100 mile rides and completion awards for all who complete the ride. The 35, 60, 75 and 100 mile rides will have an AERC Best Condition Award. The awards for the Intro and 35 mile rides will be at completion, the 60,75,and 100 mile awards will be after breakfast Sunday morning. Awards will **not** be mailed out and must be picked up at the ride.

**Pre-Ride Vet Check:** 3:00 pm to 6:00 pm on Friday, March 1st. A pre-ride meeting will be held at 6:00 pm on Friday evening. For riders arriving in the morning (15/35 milers only), please make arrangements with the ride management.

**Rules:** All AERC rules will apply. Any abuse by rider or their crew to ride staff will result in disqualification of rider. Full refund for cancellations prior to 2/29/24. For cancellations after 2/29/24 and for horses not passing the pre-ride veterinary exam, a \$50.00 ride management fee will be withheld. No shows receive no refund. **Checks will not be cashed until after the ride.** Dogs must be on a leash.

**All hay, manure and trash must be picked up and your camp site left clean – Thank you!**

## **Directions**

Do not use a street number address on GPS use only corner of E. Springer and County Line Rd.  
Ridgecrest CA

### **From the Inland Empire:**

- North on I-15 to Highway 395.
- Continue North on Highway 395 approximately 90 miles to the Ridgecrest turnoff (China Lake Blvd).
- Continue north on China Lake Blvd to second stop light (Bowman road) at Walmart. Turn right.

### **FROM BOWMAN ROAD:**

- Turn right onto San Bernardino County Line road when pavement ends. Make sure you stay left of center dirt median. Continue on this dirt road past all homes. Ride camp will be on your right at corner of Springer and County line road.

### **From Los Angeles:**

- North on I-5 to Highway 14 heading towards Palmdale and Lancaster.
- Continue North on Highway 14 approximately 120 miles to Highway 178 East (towards Inyokern, Ridgecrest and NAWS China Lake).
- Continue East on 178 (Inyokern Road) approximately 14 miles to China Lake Blvd. Turn right and follow this to 178 East towards Trona (Ridgecrest Blvd)
- Turn right onto Richmond Street (Fairgrounds) Follow this until it dead ends at Bowman.
- Turn Left onto Bowman and follow above directions to ride camp.

### **From Points North:**

- Where Highway 395 forks to the left (Highway 14 begins) take Highway 395 to the second Inyokern exit (Highway 178/Inyokern Road).
- Continue East on 178 (Inyokern Road) approximately 14 miles to China Lake Blvd. Turn right and follow this to 178 East towards Trona (Ridgecrest Blvd) where you will turn left.
- Turn right onto Richmond Street (Fairgrounds) Follow this until it dead ends at Bowman.
- Turn left onto Bowman and follow above directions.