



Intro, 25 Mile LD, & 50 Mile, & 75 Mile

SANCTIONED BY AMERICAN ENDURANCE RIDE CONFERENCE (AERC)

*****Limited Entry!! 60 Riders Per Day/or 48 Trailer Rigs*****

Waiting List will be started if we hit our limit

Ride Manager & Secretary: Kerry Lowrey, (337) 424-7074

(KareBearLowrey@hotmail.com)

Assistant Ride Manager: TBD

SS Rep: Carter Hounsel **Head Control Vet:** Dr. Carter Hounsel

Additional Vets: TBD **Treatment Vets:** TBD

Ahtus Melder Horse Camp in Kisatchie National Forest

Ahtus Melder Rd, Forest Hill, Louisiana 71430

Totally Primitive. Water will be trucked in for horses- non potable! Bring your own drinking water! NO HOOKUPS

Details on Page 4! Parking will be tight! Parking space is limited to about 50 under 50ft trailers (truck & trailer length), with only 10 large trailers included (52ft or larger-that is TRUCK and TRAILER combined!).

Registration will include size of your trailer. Please consider horse pooling to this ride!

Jotform Entry Watch Facebook page for the link!

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Fri Intro (IF we can get a vet-TBD)

Sat: 25 Mile Day Ride, 25 Mile Night Time Ride, 50 Mile, 75 Mile

Sun: Intro, 25 Mile, 50 Mile

PRIZES: Completion prizes to all distances. Best Condition, High Vet, Top Ten, Midpack, Turtle, AWESOME Junior awards, First Time Riders, etc

*****There will be lights on the trail for riders who may finish after dark *****

Intros will be anywhere from 8 Miles to 12 Miles. Need to know before hand who wants to ride what distance and majority will win!! ☺

Directions To The Ride & Parking & Camping Details on Page 3 & 4

Catch Me In Kisatchie Entry Form

Rider Name: _____ AERC# _____
Street Address: _____ City: _____
State: _____ Zip: _____ Cell Phone: (____) _____
Home#: (____) _____ Email: _____
Emergency Contact: _____ Phone: _____

(Circle one):

Shirt Size: YS YM YL S M L XL XXL Special Mileage Attempt? _____
Weight Div: 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: _____

Fri: Horse: _____

Distance: **Intro****

Sat: Horse: _____ AERC # _____ Distance: **75 50 25N 25**

Sun: Horse: _____ AERC# _____ Distance: **50 25 Intro**

Entry Fees: (Fee includes EVERYTHING!—Trail Access Fee, Camping, & AERC Drug Fee)

+ _____ \$170 Entry (75 Mile Pre Entry- \$70 Deposit Paid Before Oct 25th)

+ ____x__ \$140 Entry (25/50 Pre Entry \$50 Deposit Paid Before Oct 25th)

+ ____x__ \$155 Entry (25/50 Entry After Oct 25th or On Site) \$185 75 Miler

+ ____x__ \$20 Non-AERC Member Fee (Do not pay if you are an INTRO rider)

(Choose One Discount Only)

- ____ -\$5 TERA Per Day Member TERA # _____

- ____ OR -\$10 Cash Payment at Ride (One Time) OR \$10 Veteran Discount

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+ _____ \$70 Intro Ride **No Discounts \$30 Deposit Paid Before Oct 25th**

+ _____ \$70 Junior Rider (25 or 50 or 75) **No Discounts Apply**

****Your Deposit covers both days entries & Juniors do not need a deposit if sponsor sends entry in with their deposit****

\$ _____ Total Check # _____ OR CASH AT RIDE OR ZELLE/PAYPAL**

****No electronic payments will be taken at the ride!! Pre ride electronic payment only before Nov 12th! CASH IS PREFERRED at the ride!**

Checks will not be cashed until 48 hours AFTER the ride.

Make checks payable to: **Kerry Lowrey**

Mail Payment, & Liability release to: Kerry Lowrey, 163 Fisher McConathy Rd., Anacoco, La 71403 or Email: KareBearLowrey@hotmail.com

Deposit is NON REFUNDABLE. You only pay one deposit of either \$30, \$50, or \$70

Rider # _____ Check# _____ Amt Paid \$ _____

Catch Me In Kisatchie Liability Release

Liability Release As a participant in the The Catch Me In Kisatchie Ride, I, _____ agree to abide by the rules of AERC, TERA, and the Catch Me In Kisatchie 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!!!

Schedule:

Fri Riders Packet Pickup:

After 2pm Thurs

Fri & Sat Riders Vet In:

After 3pm That Day

Rider Meeting:

6:30pm Fri, Sat, **LISTEN FOR HORN!**

Award Meetings:

Fri/Sat 6 to 7 pm, 1 Hour after the last 50 has finished

75 Miler- Sunday Am Awards TBA

On Sunday 1 hour after last rider finishes 25 & 50

Intros Come up Anytime After Your
Ride Ends on Sunday

Directions

Latitude: 31.03702582 Longitude: -92.57329261

The Ahtus Melder Equestrian Camp is located just off LA Hwy 112 West approximately one mile past the Forest Road 258 turnoff to the Loran/Claiborne Trailhead Camp. Turn south on Forest Road 267 and take an immediate left onto Forest Road 269. The camping area is on the right in the grassy area under the large pines. True to its primitive nature, the camp offers no modern amenities—no restrooms, running water, or picnic tables to disturb the natural tranquility. Instead, visitors embrace a genuine leave-no-trace ethos, carrying in supplies and packing out all waste, preserving this pristine corner of wilderness for fellow adventurers. The Ahtus Melder Equestrian Camp offers primitive camping on a first-come, first-served basis. It is particularly suited for equestrians and RV campers, with some level paved parking spaces available.

TRAILS: The primary recreational activity at Ahtus Melder Equestrian Camp is horseback riding. The campground offers open camping for horse riders and access to the Claiborne Multiple-Use Trail, which also supports dirt bike riding. However, motorized vehicles are not allowed to use

the camping area. The area connects to the Claiborne Multiple-Use Trails, which include 88 miles of trails, old logging roads, and fire lanes for riding through sandy creek beds and pine forests.

Terrain: Hard- bottom white sand trails, creeks, and hilly pine forests. **Difficulty:** Trails vary from easy to very challenging.

No horseshoes required; Coggins test is mandatory. Breastcollar is recommended!

There are many exposed roots at this ride that riders need to be aware of, and some riders may want to have shoes because of that.

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 Thursday at 12 Noon, and close Monday at 12 Noon. Water for horse and human will be available in camp. Vet checks will be in camp.

CAMPING: Please no riding on the trails on ride days unless you are entered in the ride. You may pay the Ahtus Melder Daily fee to ride the day before the ride if you so wish. Generators off at 10 pm, on at 5:30 am. No All night generator area per the campground rules.

Weather: Each season paints Ahtus Melder in dramatically different hues. Winter transforms the camp into a crisp wonderland where temperatures dip into the low 20s, occasionally dusting the pines with snow (though chances remain modest at around 10%). Spring awakens the forest with perfect riding weather, as temperatures climb into the comfortable 70s with cool 50-degree mornings ideal for early trail rides. Summer brings the full Southern experience—steamy 95-degree afternoons that make those shaded pine groves especially inviting, while warm 76-degree nights invite stargazing from your tent. Fall delivers perhaps the most magical camping conditions, with moderate temperatures and changing forest colors creating an equestrian paradise. For the month of March average high temps are in the 70s and low temps are in the 50s. Weather is usually stable by this time of year but occasional thunderstorms can appear. This campground does not handle rainfalls of 5+ inches very well. If storms are present the week of the ride please watch closely for any announcements. Please ignore any people talking about cancellation unless it comes from myself!! (Kerry Lowrey)

Thank you & Hope to see you there!!

To Finish is To Win!

