



Lone Star I & II Endurance Ride

**NOVEMBER, 25 & 26
2011**

Beneficiary -



**Valley Trotters
YOUTH RANCH**

Safety First:

1. All riders must wear approved protective headgear while mounted!
2. All distances will utilize controlled starts!
3. All domestic pets must be suitably contained by a kennel or on a leash, no exceptions!
4. Extremely dry conditions exist, absolutely no open fires and no smoking outside of your vehicle or trailer!

Rules: Sanctioned by AERC (all rules apply), sponsored by Texas Endurance Riders Association. All riders must be at least 8 years old and if under 16, they must be accompanied by a designated adult sponsor (21 years or older) for the duration of the ride. Horse, pony or mule must be 5 years old to enter the 50 mile events, and 4 years old to enter the 25 mile and introduction events. Negative Coggins required. All stallions must be identified as such with a yellow ribbon in their tails. All equine known or prone to bite or kick must also be identified with a red ribbon in their tails. Should your equine require medical treatment by a Veterinarian, it is your responsibility to make financial arrangements for payment with the attending Veterinarian.

Camping: Base camp is primitive camping. The few electrical hook-ups which exist are reserved for Ride Management, no exceptions! Camp will open at 9am Thursday, 24-Nov. If you wish to arrive prior to that time, you may be able to stay at the Bar-O camping area or the Bandera fair grounds. When entering the park for the event, it is not necessary to stop at the Bar-O Ranger's station, please proceed directly to the "Group Lodge" for check-in. Drought conditions have made water conservation a high priority; you are encouraged to bring our own Horse water if possible. Some horse water is available a short distance from camp, however, you will need to provide your own containers and transport. Bring your own water for human consumption. Supplies, fuel, food, ice, etc. can be purchased in the nearby town of "Bandera". Like past years, open campfires, are not permitted. Weather conditions can be variables of warm sunshine, cold cloudy, rainy, dry or humid so come prepared.

New Requirement This Year: In addition to the usual "pack it in / pack it out" style camping, the Texas Dept. of Parks and Wildlife requests that ALL refuse is removed from the park, including manure, and hay stuffs. We have made arrangement to have the refuse hauled away but you will need to clean your camp and deposit the refuse into the containers provided in camp.

Trails: consist of permanent well marked horse trails that twist and turn throughout primitive Hill Country terrain, occasionally crossing shallow streams and creeks. Additional water tanks placed on trail. "Horse shoes" or "hoof protection" are recommended.

Traditional Thanksgiving Day Feast for All: Yes! The annual Thanksgiving feast is planned again this year. Bring a prepared dish (if you can) and join us for dinner on Thursday evening, 24-Nov. 4pm to 6pm.

Key Events:

Date	50-mile start	25-mile start	Intro start	Registration	Pre-ride Vetting	Ride Meeting
Thr. - 24 th	<i>Camp does not open until 9:00am</i>			1 pm – 6 pm	3 pm – 6 pm	7:30 pm
Fri. - 25 th	6:45am	7:45am	8:45am	4 pm	4 pm	7:30 pm
Sat. - 26 th	6:45am	7:45am	8:45am	-	-	ASAP

Directions to: *Hill Country State Natural Area*

From Austin and points north: I-35 south toward New Braunfels, **turn** west onto State Hwy 46 toward Pipe Creek, **turn** west onto State Hwy 16 toward Bandera, **turn** south at the signal onto State Hwy 173. Cross the Medina River and continue for approximately ¼ mile, **turn** west onto FM 1077 and go to the Hill Country State Natural Area. Follow the signs to the AERC Group Lodge camping area.

From Houston and points east: I-10 West toward San Antonio, **turn** west onto US 90 toward Hondo, **turn** north onto State Hwy 173 toward Bandera, **turn** west onto FM 1077 and go to the Hill Country State Natural Area. Follow the signs to the AERC Group Lodge camping area.

From Uvalde and points west: US 90 east towards Hondo, **turn** north onto State Hwy 173 toward Bandera, **turn** west onto FM 1077 and go to the Hill Country State Natural Area. Follow the signs to the AERC Group Lodge camping area.

Ride Manager: Greg Bozard (956) 369-9278 (mobile) greg@valleytrottersyouthranch.org (email)

Assit. Manager: Bo Parrish

Veterinarians: Carter Hounsel DVM-Head Control Judge, Kris Anderson DVM, Gail Conway DVM, Catherine Clinton DVM

Ride Secretary: Linda Ewer (956) 585-6908 (home)

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Lone Star Entry Form: *if this is your first endurance ride, please check 1st ride*

AERC # _____ Rider Name: _____ 1st Ride _____

Address: _____ TERA # _____

email: _____ Phone #: _____ Cell # _____

Check one: **Fw:** (under 161 lb) _____ **Lw:** (161-185 lb) _____ **Mw:** (186-210 lb) _____ **Hw:** (211+lb) _____

Junior: _____ (Junior ages: 8-16) Sponsor name for Junior: _____

Emergency Contact Name: _____ Cell # _____

Friday - Horse Name: _____ **Owner/AERC#:** _____ # _____

Breed: _____ **AERC#:** _____ **Sex:** _____ **Color:** _____ **Age:** _____

Saturday - Horse Name: _____ **Owner/AERC#:** _____ # _____

Breed: _____ **AERC#:** _____ **Sex:** _____ **Color:** _____ **Age:** _____

AERC Day Member Fee: \$15/day - All riders that do not present a valid AERC membership card are required to pay the day member fee. ++ *Day member fee does not apply to Intro riders.* ++

Ride Entry Fee: 50-mile/\$95 per day, 25-mile/\$85 per day, Intro Ride/\$40 per day *(includes camping & park fee)*

Friday **Saturday**

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(Intro Ride - \$40.⁰⁰ Entry Fee)

(25 mile - \$85.⁰⁰ Entry Fee)

(50 mile - \$95.⁰⁰ Entry Fee)

+ (\$15.⁰⁰ - Day Member Fee... if applicable)

- (\$5.⁰⁰ - Pre-registration discount if post marked by Nov. 14, 2011)

- (\$5.⁰⁰ TERA Members discount must show card)

- (\$20.⁰⁰ Junior discount)

Entry fees are refundable (minus \$ 25.⁰⁰) if you do not start the ride...

Apply only (1) discount per day

\$ _____ \$ _____

Day 1 total

Day 2 total

Please provide separate payment for each day

\$ _____ (day 1)

\$ _____ (day 2)

\$ _____ (thank you)

Make checks payable to: Valley Trotters Youth Ranch..... \$ _____ **Total**

Legal Release: As a participant in the Lone Star Endurance Ride, I agree to abide by the rules of AERC and Lone Star Ride. I understand that endurance riding involves being in remote areas for extended periods of time, far from communications, transportation, and medical facilities. I understand that these areas have many natural and man-made hazards, which ride management cannot anticipate, identify, modify, or eliminate. I understand that horses can be excitable, difficult to control, unpredictable and that accidents can happen to anyone at any time. 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 takes place and crosses blameless for any accident, injury or loss that might occur due to my participation in the ride, and free from all liability for such injury or loss. Ride management reserves to right to decline an entry. I have read and understand this release. Juniors must have signature of parent or legal guardian.

Reminders:

- 1) *You are responsible to clean your camp site, depositing your horse's manure & hay into approved containers.*
- 2) *Absolutely no open fires and no smoking outside of your vehicle or trailer!*

Signature of Rider: _____

Date: _____

Junior's Parent/Guardian: _____

Date: _____

Please mail pre-registrations to: Linda Ewer, 2405 Palmhurst Dr. Palmhurst TX. 78573