



# **NATRC CLINIC**

## **Greenland Open Space Larkspur (Colorado Springs)**

### **Saturday, June 24, 2023**



Have you wondered what a "NATRC" (NORTH AMERICAN TRAIL RIDE CONFERENCE) COMPETITIVE TRAIL ride is all about? Maybe you've tried one in the past and would like to learn more or sharpen your skills. This clinic is an opportunity to get some great coaching for learning the how-to of Competitive Trail Ride (CTR) competition for all divisions (Open, Competitive Pleasure, Novice, Leisure).

Please join us for this educational introductory clinic at Douglas County's Greenland Open Space (conveniently located just off I-25 between Castle Rock and Colorado Springs). There will be approximately two hours of lecture followed by an actual ride briefing and demonstrations by experienced NATRC competitors. This is a great way to meet like-minded new friends! The clinic ends around noon after horses officially time out.

Some of the topics covered: horse check-in; how to read trail ribbons, map, and timing table; P&Rs (pulse and respiration); what to do when you arrive in camp; trail etiquette and safety; what judges are looking for; demonstrations of various trail challenges; timing in and out; ride briefing; and riding the last mile of the competition.

Immediately after the clinic, we are holding an NATRC sanctioned Leisure competitive trail ride where you will use all that you learned at this clinic. The ride will start ~noon and you will ride about 8.5 miles at about 3.5 mph with multiple trail challenges (maximum of 5). We also have a Leisure competitive trail ride on June 25<sup>th</sup> so you can compete one or both days. Join NATRC as a new member and receive your first year of membership free, coupon savings, and junior rider discounted entry fee.

You don't have to be a member for the clinic; however, it is recommended if riding a competitive trail ride on June 24<sup>th</sup> or 25<sup>th</sup>. To see a list of events in our region, visit [natrc3.org](http://natrc3.org), and click events for more information and/or to register.

**SCHEDULE:** Clinic check in: 7:30 a.m. to 8:00 a.m. Clinic starts promptly at 8:00 a.m. to about noon. No horse needed. An official agenda will be in your clinic/rider packet and emailed to you before the ride.

**CLINIC COST:** \$45 adult; \$30 junior (10-17); registration limited to 30. Pre-payment is required. Cost is refundable less \$10 admin fee if canceling before June 19, 2023.

**REGISTER:** Register online at [rms.natrc.net](http://rms.natrc.net). For RMS assistance, go to [natrc5.org/schedule](http://natrc5.org/schedule), "Download Instructions." Checks to "Tanglewood Ranch" and mail to 8841 Tanglewood Road, Franktown, CO 80116.

**FOR MORE INFORMATION:** Email to [wingles@uncert.com](mailto:wingles@uncert.com)

**DIRECTIONS:** Take I-25 to Greenland exit 167. Turn west ¼ mile then south ½ mile into park.