

## AIR FORCE ACADEMY/ GENERAL ALBERT P. CLARK MEMORIAL NATRC RIDE

United States Air Force Academy, Colorado Springs, Colorado

July 8-10, 2022

**RIDES:** "A": Two day – Novice, CP, Open (Rider Limit 50)

“Leisure”: One each day Saturday and Sunday (Rider Limit 25 each day)

**RIDE INFO:** This is a rare opportunity for most riders to experience this beautiful and historic facility and trails. Footing is native soil with some rocky areas. Hoof protection is suggested. This is a moderately easy ride, so excellent for those new to NATRC. The Novice/CP trail is 30-40 miles over 2 days, averaging 3.75 mph each day. The Open ride is about 50-60 total miles timed at 4.5 + mph. If you are not sure if you want to ride 2 days or want a shorter distance, give our Saturday and/or Sunday LEISURE ride a try! The “Leisure” division will be approx. 11 miles at 3.5 mph. There are several creek crossings along the trail so prepare your horse for walking through water.

Please bring two extra water buckets to send out on the trail for “A” riders, one for “Leisure” riders

**CAMP FACILITIES:** Open camp meadow with porta-potties and horse water (provided by management). Bring your own drinking water. There are no hookups or electricity. Weed free hay is NOT required. Please remove or scatter manure and loose hay.

**RULES:** Current NATRC rules apply. Horses can be tied to a trailer, secured by a high-tie or by stationary high line between trailers, or kept in a 12'X12' portable corral (no electric fences), securely attached to a trailer. Hoof protection (shoes/hoof boots) is recommended but not required. Out-of-state horses must have current Coggins and Health Certificates (bring paperwork to registration check in). Junior riders (under age 18) must have waivers signed by parents/guardians (request the waivers in advance if necessary). All riders, parents and volunteers must sign waivers at registration. Please weigh in with all tack (or a current weight card) prior to signing in. “Leisure” riders may arrive the evening before the Leisure ride or after 8 AM the morning of the Leisure Rides and have no weigh-in requirements. Please see the new Rule Book at [natrc.org](http://natrc.org) for details. Leisure riders may camp overnight but must abide by stabling rules for insurance reasons.

**USAFA RULES:** No Firearms, drugs or alcohol are to be transported onto the Air Force Academy. Vehicle license plates must be current. No cell-phone use while driving. No open fires and no smoking on trails. No loose dogs at any time. Please, per NATRC rules, no dogs allowed at ride briefing or at meals.

**SCHEDULE:** Camp opens after 11 AM on Thursday. For “A” riders, registration begins Friday at noon and pre-ride vet check in is 2 PM to dusk on Friday. Late vet check-ins by prearrangement only. Mandatory rider briefings are Friday and Saturday evenings after dinner, followed by First Time Rider meetings open to all. For those “Leisure” riders planning to arrive the morning of their ride please plan to arrive AFTER 8 AM. Leisure riders can arrive and camp the day before their ride. Leisure riders register 8 AM to 9 AM on the day of their ride and get the final Leisure ride schedule.

**MEALS:** “A” riders and volunteers: Friday dinner (BBQ), Saturday and Sunday – continental breakfast and lunch will be provided. Saturday dinner: riders please bring your favorite dish. “Leisure” riders will receive lunch on Saturday and/or Sunday and may purchase other meals. Extra meals for non-riders and non-volunteers are \$35 for Friday (D), Saturday (B, L, D) and Sunday (B, L) meal package or individually at \$15 Friday night and \$10 Saturday night. Please order extra meals in advance using RMS/ additional fees drop down.

**FEES:**

Ride Fee (early bird price on or before June 18th) covers: entry, all NATRC & drug fees, and meals:

Rider Category	A Ride
Current NATRC Member Adult <i>(Non-Member add \$25)</i>	\$165 <i>(\$190)</i>
Current NATRC Member Junior <i>(Non-Member add \$25)</i>	\$130 <i>(\$155)</i>

Rider Category	Saturday Leisure	Sunday Leisure
Adult <i>(Non-Member add \$15)</i>	\$80 <i>(\$95)</i>	\$80 <i>(\$95)</i>
Experienced Adult <i>(Non-Member add \$15)</i>	\$80 <i>(\$95)</i>	\$80 <i>(\$95)</i>
Juniors can compete in either category <i>(Non-members add \$5)</i>	\$50 <i>(\$55)</i>	\$50 <i>(\$55)</i>

- One-year free NATRC membership available to all new riders. Discount Coupons available to new riders and junior riders. Please go to <http://natrc3.org/documents.html> for more information
- All Entry deposits sent after June 18th, add \$10.
- Rider/Horse combo entering "DO" (Distance Only) may subtract \$5 (use additional fees on RMS).
- ADDITIONAL FEE: Trailer-in/Facility Use Fee for the weekend is \$15 per HORSE (A ride and Leisure if camping) or \$10 per HORSE if not camping. Please add that by using the "additional fees" drop down list on RMS. Those boarding at the Academy are exempt (Please mention that in the RMS comments)

**DEPOSIT:** \$50, refundable, less \$15 admin fee, only if canceling before June 30th. Your entry is not complete until we receive your deposit, which holds your place on the entry list if the ride fills. In the event the ride fills and you are on the wait list, your deposit will be held until you get in. Please register using RMS or request a special AFA paper entry form from the ride secretary. Please make checks payable to: "Linda Johnson-Conne"; mail to: Susan Halterman, PO BOX 1030 Cripple Creek, CO 80813.

**CRITICAL!!!** On June 20th we must submit an "EAL"- (Entry Access List) of driver's license information for EVERYONE 18 years and over, coming to our event (and all drivers of any age). If you are not on the list, the guards will turn you away at the gate. Anyone possessing an existing AFA pass or Dept. of Defense card does not need to be on the list, but you need to let us know that. For anyone you even think may be coming onto the AFA grounds (yourself, volunteers, family,

etc.), we need either a photocopy of each license OR its exact information: (1-full exact name; 2-full date of birth; 3-license number; 4-the state of issuance). Send this with your deposit, or you may email it directly to the Ride Secretary – [halterman999@gmail.com](mailto:halterman999@gmail.com) / or call (719) 689-9431. We must have all license information **BEFORE** June 20<sup>th</sup>, because the AFA does not allow any additions to the EAL once the list is submitted.

**MANAGEMENT:**

Ride Manager and Volunteer Coordinator: Linda Johnson-Conne, [ljconne@gmail.com](mailto:ljconne@gmail.com) (719) 440-8951.

Ride Secretary and Registration: Susan Halterman, [halterman999@gmail.com](mailto:halterman999@gmail.com) (719) 689-9431

Access Vehicle Escort: Elsa Bartlett, [elsakirn@gmail.com](mailto:elsakirn@gmail.com) (719) 237-3666

**JUDGES:** Veterinarian – TBD; Horsemanship – Kim Cowart; Leisure – Sarah Smith

**DIRECTIONS:** In Colorado Springs - Take I-25 to Exit 150 (N. Academy Blvd). Go WEST (towards mountains) to the **SOUTH GATE** of the Air Force Academy. This year we have been asked by Air Force Academy Officials to direct all people coming to the ride to have their vehicles inspected at the Air Force Academy Inspection Station. Please plan to have your vehicle (& trailer) inspected preferably between the hours of 11 am & 3 pm daily when the inspection station is manned. If you arrive outside of these hours on any day, you can expect a delay. You will be asked to show the guard your driver's license(s) and tell them you are on the "NATRC Competitive Trail Ride's EAL list". Be sure vehicle license plates are current.

After security, go about 2 miles (warning: do not exceed the speed limit) and turn left at PINE Drive. Drive 2.5 miles WEST on Pine Drive to just past the Fire Station (on the left) and turn left onto W. MONUMENT CREEK ROAD. A few hundred feet on the right, just before a bridge, but past a white house, turn right, go through the fire training area, and into camp. Note: be alert for this house and dirt road, as the paved road dead ends.

**PARKING RULES IN CAMP** Park facing south, outside of the water trough access and evacuation lane, per USAFA Environmental Officer (no exceptions), this is for an orderly exit if the need arises. Thank you!

**ADDITIONAL DETAILS:** We will have a silent auction and already have some fantastic items! We are also accepting and appreciate donations.