
MnDRA NEWS

Winter Came a Bit Early

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MnDRA Riders Shine on National Stage

Congratulations to Teresa Fett and CR Mistiraaz (Aaz) for placing 10th at the AERC National Championship 100 mile ride held at Biltmore.

Congratulations to Candy Barbo and Psyche On Fire (Fire) for placing 3rd at the AHA CTR purebred division.

Congratulations to Victoria Robison and SC Zhivago for placing 1st at the AHA CTR Half/Anglo Division.



Hi everybody,

This is actually going to be a short newsletter. The season is just over and everyone is taking a bit of a break from the sport.

Winter Meeting Date

We are returning to Captains on Long Lake for this winter's annual meeting. The date will be Saturday, Feb. 23rd, 2019. There will be more information in the next newsletter.

For those wishing to stay over, Elk River has two motels about 21 miles away:

- Country Inn and Suites, 1-888-690-5247
- Holiday Inn 1-888-305-3366

Princeton has a highly rated motel

- AmericInn by Wyndham, Princeton MN 1-763-389-9312

All are about 20 - 30 minutes away.

More details next newsletter

Ken

Worthy Posts From Facebook.

OK, folks, I'm working on the UMECRA 2019 calendars. Let me know if you want one (or two), and I'll make sure you and your horse are featured.

If you are a newbie, or if you weren't at a ride where Bob Z. was taking pictures, it would help to send me a picture of you and your horse. I'll have the calendars at the convention for \$20 each for those who have ordered one. If you don't plan on going to convention, I can have them at the MnDRA banquet, the DRAW banquet, or they can be mailed directly to you for an extra \$5 for S&H.

If you are a ride manager, and you have changed the dates and/or venue for your ride, would you please pm me? As always, the proceeds from these calendars go directly to our junior riders' competition funds. We would not be able to take these youngsters to rides without your support; THANK YOU!!!!

Sarah Maass on UMECRA

I also wanted to share that Sarah and Dana pass on the profits from RFTR and CACTUS to help their juniors with rider fees. They are truly vested in growing our sport. Ken

ARE YOU DREAMING OF NEXT RIDE SEASON? Here's an important update for Run For The Cactus and Run For The Ridge.

We will be hosting BOTH rides at the Upper Sioux Agency State Park, near Granite Falls. Both rides will be Saturday-Sunday.

Both rides will host a 100-mile event, as long as we have riders. If you are hesitant about doing a 100-mile ride, we do everything we can to make it doable, especially if it's your first 100. If you don't have crew, we'll find someone to be out there for you. This is a beautiful area with varying terrain, but fairly easy for those longer mileages.

Camping? You won't need reservations. The park manager has blocked off all the camp sites so we have the whole campground for our riders. Camping sites will be on a first-come, first-served basis. Similar to Zumbro Bottoms.

We'll have envelopes for you to fill out at registration. Each campsite allows for 2 rigs, and up to 6 people. If you share a campsite, only one fee is collected. We'll have PLENTY of space for everyone. The DNR kindly mowed a big section of open area for us last year, and that worked great for big rigs.

Dana and I are excited about this venue...the lower trail that was washed out last year will be fixed, and we have plans to show the LDs and CTRs more of the private trails this year.

Sarah Maass on UMECRA

A New Mn Ride is born (i hope)

NORTHERN LIGHTZ RUN

Twin Valley Mn. Weekend of July 27 2019

all the standard rides plus a drive. I will be asking for MnDRA sponsorship at the yearly meeting. It is FLAT and on an old rail bed. It will be new horse and new rider and barefoot and night ride friendly. drawback is it is an out and back type trail, but i do have 2 directions to work with. Ride camp will be in Twin Valley Mn at the twin valley riders club arena and campground. We are hoping to do some night rides.

Diane Dascher on MnDRA