

# River Run at Los Caminos Naturales

Dec. 3<sup>rd</sup> & 4<sup>rd</sup> 2016

*This Year Ride Two Days at the Land Heritage Institute!!*

Sanctioned by The American Endurance Ride Conference & sponsored by TERA  
River Run will be conducted according to AERC Rules.

The goal of this ride is **TO FINISH IS TO WIN**. This is not a race.  
Horse and rider safety first. Our goal is a fun, safe, sound completion for all.

**YOU MUST PRE-ENTER Online link:**

<https://form.jotform.com/VickiH/RR2016entryform>

**Ride Manager:** Eron Howell, [eronh@gvtc.com](mailto:eronh@gvtc.com) home 830-537-4604, cell: 210-386-2265.

**Assistant RM:** Amy Bray & Vicky Rogers, Sunday: Caryne Edwards. **Ride Secretary:** Vicki Hudson

**Vets:** Head Vet: Matt Randall, Bob Rogers, to be determined (Gail Conway & Val Bixler)

**Camp opens:** Friday Dec. 2<sup>nd</sup> at noon, **You can NOT arrive before noon**. Camp is located at The Land Heritage Institute, 1349 Neal Rd., San Antonio, TX, 78264. Just off 1604, Applewhite exit, south of San Antonio. (See directions)

**Registration:** Friday 2:00pm, **You MUST Pre-register for this ride. Entries Limited! And there is a limited amount of trailer parking! If you can share your trailer with a friend, that would be very helpful. You can not save spaces, so arrive with your friends.**

**Pre-ride vet-in:** 3:00 pm approx. **Approximate Ride Start times:** 7:15 – 50 mile; 8:00 – 25 mile; 8:30 Sat. Intro ride (times are approximate and may change.)

**Campsite** is located at the Head Quarters of the Land Heritage Institute. Follow the signs to the check-in. All horses must have a current coggins and out of state horses a health certificate. Please stop at check-in for parking instructions and have your papers handy. You will be directed to your spot. Please park and set up pens conservatively. Dogs must be on a leash, or in a pen. And you **MUST** clean up after them. **Please do not let your dogs run free.**

**Site Clean-up Required:** Please bring a separate refundable check, no cash, to registration for your site clean-up deposit. \$10 a day per pen, plus additional horses. All you have to do is clean-up completely before you leave and get one of the ride camp inspection people to check your site. Then they will refund your check. This is a separate check, not included in the entry fees. Or you can request site clean-up by Kerry Lowery or one of the other helpers. This will be paid out of your site deposit. There are several manure stations and wheelbarrows to use to clean. Do not spread or throw in the grass or trees. Smashed down manure has to be picked up. We will take photos of unclean sites and post them. This includes hay; Hay is hard to remove, so please take it with you. Or in a hay area of the manure stations. Please this is a big endurance ride problem we are trying to solve.

No potable water, fill your trailers before you come. Plenty of horse water, no hoses, however.

**Trails:** Beautiful Natural South Texas terrain, large mesquite trees, Heritage Oaks, lots of grass, and no rocks! You can ride it barefoot, I do. Part of the loops wind along the Medina River. We will have plenty of horse water on the trail and in camp. All vet checks are in camp. The Land Heritage Institute is truly a Texas jewel of historic beauty. We have opened new trails for the 50s. We have added a challenge up and down ridge to get to the new river path, and made a new trail to stay off the gravel road.

**Junior Riders:** AERC rules pertaining to Junior riders apply to all distances (including Intro Riders). A Junior rider is under 16 years old. Junior riders must wear protective headgear while on horseback (in and out of camp) and be accompanied by an adult sponsor. Riders must notify ride management who the adult sponsor will be for each junior rider before the ride.

**INTRO RIDERS & NEW RIDERS MUST CONTACT ME, personally and attend the ride meeting.**

**Ride Meals:** Saturday night there will be a delicious dinner for all riders, guests will be charged per plate. Details as they develop. Possibly a Friday dinner as well. Sunday No meal. Be sure I have your e-mail so I can keep you posted.

**Ride Meetings:** Fri. about 7, we'll honk a horn. Sat (after all riders in) by 7. Dinner by 6:30. Awards after all complete on Sat. Then after each distance on Sunday.

**Photography:** ride photos will be taken by John Nowell, <http://www.remuda.smugmug.com/>

Online Registration works! You can send checks, coggins, and cards before hand to have your ride pack ready to avoid any line. Otherwise bring all to check-in. You can pay at registration. You must pre-register.

Be sure I (Eron) have your e-mail so I can contact you. Ride Manger: [eronh@gvtc.com](mailto:eronh@gvtc.com) Do not contact anyone else.

Feel free to ask any questions. And new riders welcome! I'm here to help. We are excited to be offering this ride again!

## Registration Form Saturday, Dec. 2th

Rider# _____
Ck# _____
Amt \$ _____

AERC #: \_\_\_\_\_ TERA #: \_\_\_\_\_

RIDER NAME: \_\_\_\_\_

PHONE #: \_\_\_\_\_ EMERGENCY #: \_\_\_\_\_

ADDRESS: \_\_\_\_\_ CITY: \_\_\_\_\_ ST: \_\_\_\_\_ ZIP: \_\_\_\_\_

EMAIL: \_\_\_\_\_

TRAILER SHARED WITH: \_\_\_\_\_ Size: \_\_\_\_\_

JUNIOR BIRTHDATE: \_\_\_\_\_ SPONSOR: \_\_\_\_\_

### Rider Division: (circle appropriate division)

Jr (16 yrs & under) Fwt (160 & under) Lwt (161-185) Mwt (186-210) Hwt (211+)

### Horse Information:

Horse AERC #: \_\_\_\_\_ Horse NAME: \_\_\_\_\_ Color: \_\_\_\_\_

Age: \_\_\_\_\_ Breed: \_\_\_\_\_ Circle one: Mare, Stallion, Gelding

Owners Name: \_\_\_\_\_ AERC # \_\_\_\_\_

### Distance:

Intro	\$50	\$ _____	(No discounts apply)
25 Miler	\$ 90	\$ _____	
50 Miler	\$ 100	\$ _____	
AERC Not Current	\$ 15	\$ _____	
Sat Guest Meal	\$ 10	\$ _____	
Junior	\$75	\$ _____	(any distance, no other discount)

**Subtotal** \$ \_\_\_\_\_

TERA \$ -5 \$ - \_\_\_\_\_ (adults, paid members only)

**Total Payment:** \$ \_\_\_\_\_

Checks are not deposited until after the ride and are refundable if rider does not start the ride.

**PLEASE REGISTER BEFORE THE RIDE. THIS RIDE IS LIMITED IN NUMBER! WE NEED TO KNOW HOW MANY PEOPLE ARE COMING AND HOW MANY TRAILERS AND THE SIZE.**

**Please share your trailer, if possible.**

Bring to registration: a copy of your AERC card, copy of Coggins, copy of TERA card, payment.  
Please sign the release and print your name.

**THIS IS THE FIRST RIDE OF 2017! YOU CAN RENEW AT THE RIDE.**

Checks will be payable to Eron Howell

For questions email Eron at: [eronh@gvtc.com](mailto:eronh@gvtc.com), or call: 830-537-4604

Mail Entry to:

Vicki Hudson, 13002 Lakeside Terrace Dr., Houston, TX 77044

## Registration Form Sunday, Dec. 3th

Rider# \_\_\_\_\_

Ck# \_\_\_\_\_

Amt \$ \_\_\_\_\_

AERC #: \_\_\_\_\_ TERA #: \_\_\_\_\_

RIDER NAME: \_\_\_\_\_

PHONE #: \_\_\_\_\_ EMERGENCY #: \_\_\_\_\_

ADDRESS: \_\_\_\_\_ CITY: \_\_\_\_\_ ST: \_\_\_\_\_ ZIP: \_\_\_\_\_

EMAIL: \_\_\_\_\_

TRAILER SHARED WITH: \_\_\_\_\_ Size: \_\_\_\_\_

JUNIOR BIRTHDATE: \_\_\_\_\_ SPONSOR: \_\_\_\_\_

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Age: \_\_\_\_\_ Breed: \_\_\_\_\_ Circle one: Mare, Stallion, Gelding

Owners Name: \_\_\_\_\_ AERC # \_\_\_\_\_

### Distance:

Intro \$50 \$ \_\_\_\_\_ (No discounts apply)

25 Miler \$ 90 \$ \_\_\_\_\_

50 Miler \$ 100 \$ \_\_\_\_\_

AERC Not Current \$ 15 \$ \_\_\_\_\_

Junior \$75 \$ \_\_\_\_\_ (any distance, no other discount)

**Subtotal** \$ \_\_\_\_\_

TERA \$ -5 \$ - \_\_\_\_\_ (adults, paid members only)

**Total Payment:** \$ \_\_\_\_\_

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**If you are going to arrive on Sat. please let me know when you will arrive.**

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## Liability Release River Run at Los Caminos Naturales both Legal and Medical Release

As a participant in the River Run Endurance Ride, I \_\_\_\_\_ agree to abide by the rules of AERC, TERA, and the Land Heritage Institute. 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 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 covers, The Land Heritage Institute and its Board, 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 acknowledge that I assume full responsibility for the safety of horse, my guests, and myself. By my signature, I hereby waive all rights it fie a claim or lawsuit against Land Heritage Institute and all it's personnel and Board, State of Texas, AERC, TERA, River Run Ride including all management, ride personnel, and all medical personnel, for any injury or damages which may occur during the time I am at the ride site.

Additionally, I agree to be fully financially responsible for any necessary emergency medical treatment by any medical person or institution in the event of injury or illness. I give my consent for and will be financially responsible for emergency medical treatment for myself, my horse, if I am unable to give informed consent.

Any Known Drug Allergies: \_\_\_\_\_

Any Medical Conditions: \_\_\_\_\_

I have read and understand this liability release.

Rider Signature \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_

Juniors Parent/Guardian \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_

Horse Owners Signature \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_

Emergency Number: \_\_\_\_\_

**Questions? [eronh@gvtc.com](mailto:eronh@gvtc.com)**

**Home # 830-537-4604**

**Cell # 210-386-2265**

### Directions to River Run:

**The Land Heritage Institute is south of San Antonio, just off 1604, 1349 Neal road between Applewhite & Pleasanton roads. If you come from the north or east of San Antonio, on 281, take Loop 410 around San Antonio to I-37, or 281 south, then take 1604 west to Applewhite Rd. turn right (north) on Applewhite to the first road to the right, Neal Road. Go straight, then 1.2 miles to the AERC sign and large double gate. Follow the signs to the check-in.**

**From I-10 West take 1604 south past Somerset, past 16, to Applewhite, turn left, the first right onto Neal Road, 1.2 miles to the double gates.**

**We will sign everyone in and give you parking directions. You will need to show your current negative horse coggins. Out of State horses must have a current Health certificate.**

## Ride Rules:

1. The equines are under the control of experienced ride veterinarians who will do everything possible to help you evaluate your equine in order that you may complete the ride without hurting your equine; however, you must accept responsibility for your equine and yourself. The vets may disqualify any rider who has, in the opinion of the vets, abused his/her equine. The Veterinarian's decision will be final in all matters concerning the safety and well being of the equines entered in the ride.
2. Proof of a negative Coggins test dated within 12 months for Texas and out-of-state equines is mandatory. Every equine entering the camping area must have a negative coggins on site. Coggins papers may be checked at check-in.
3. The ride is open to all breeds of equines (horses, mules, ponies, etc.). The equine must be at least 30 months of age to enter the 50 ride. Equines entering the 25 mile limited distance ride must be at least 48 months of age.
4. A junior rider is a rider who was under the age of 16. Juniors must be accompanied by a competent adult sponsor entered in the ride and must list the sponsor on the entry form and must finish within one minute of the sponsor. Failure of either to wait on the other will result in the loss of completion to both riders. Sponsors may be changed only at vet checks and only with the approval of ride management. AERC ruling for 14-16 year old/500-mile completion can apply if management has a copy of the AERC letter. **ALL JUNIORS ENTERED IN THE RIDE MUST WEAR APPROVED SAFETY HELMETS WHILE ON HORSEBACK** regardless of ride entry status.
5. All riders must be present and accounted for at the start of the ride. Management strongly recommends ALL riders wear approved safety helmets while on horseback.
6. The same horse and rider must pass all checkpoints, follow the ride rules, stay on the marked trail and do the loops in the correct order to receive completion. The 50-mile placing will be determined by first horse to cross the finish line. Ties recognized only if management cannot determine placement. ALL equines must see a Vet for completion check or when pulling for any reason. All riders must display good sportsmanship, or maybe disqualified if reports of misconduct are verified.
7. Vet criteria (pulse/respiration requirements, holds, etc.) will be discussed at the pre-ride meeting. Riders are responsible for understanding this information, as per AERC Rules, 6.2.1 and 6.2.1.1. All equines in each distance must meet ride criteria within 30 minutes of reaching a vet check during the ride or be disqualified. All equines must pass the final pulse rate criterion within 30 minutes after the equine crosses the finish line. All other criteria for 50 milers must pass the post-ride control vet check within the hour after crossing the finish line. To receive completion: the 50-mile rider may present his equine at any time during, but not longer than the one hour after crossing the finish line; 25 milers must present within 30 minutes of reaching camp and ride time does not stop until equine has met ride criteria. That means that there is no reason for 25 milers to race for the finish line, there isn't one for you. The pulse rate will be set by the control judge/vet.
8. There is no minimum time limit for completion in any distance. Maximum ride time, including holds, for completion is 12 hours for 50 milers and 6 hours for 25 milers. No limit for Intro riders. The equine of all distances must be metabolically fit to continue and have no gait aberrations that are consistently observable at a trot and must have a pulse of 64 or less, probably 60 for this ride; pulse of 60 or less for 25 milers. (TBD by the Control judge). Riders will dismount for completion trot. For Best Condition judging, equines must present for a 15-minute CRI, then a one-hour post-ride check – 15 minute CRI time measured from the finishing time. To be eligible for Best Condition Award, riders must weigh before leaving vet check area.
9. Riders are responsible for all farrier and vet fees that may be individually incurred.
10. During the ride, dogs are to be on a leash or confined to riders camp.
11. Have a Fun and SAFE ride. "To Finish Is To Win"

