

44th Annual Indian Cave Competitive Trail Ride September 23-24, 2017

Indian Cave State Park, 65296 – 720 Road, Shubert, NE 68437

Governed by the rules of the North American Trail Ride Conference

NATRC A (two-day) Open, Novice, CP / NATRC B (One day) Sunday, Novice Only 60 Rider Limit

Join us for our 44th annual competitive ride! This is a gorgeous ride through one of Nebraska's state parks boasting rich Native American and fur trade history as well as a stop along the famous Lewis & Clark route. You will ride well-marked and established trail over hills and bluffs along the Missouri River. The trails offer a variety of terrain from grassy meadows to challenging forested hills; a test of your skills and horses' condition.

Directions: From I-29 (northwestern Missouri), exit #110 (Hwy 136), go west on Hwy 136 one mile west of Brownville, NE. Turn left (south) on Hwy 67 and go approximately 9 miles to the sign that points to the park, turning left (east) on 64E for 5 miles. **From Auburn, NE:** take Hwy 136 east to Hwy 67 and continue south to the Indian Cave State Park sign. **Note:** It is 14 miles to the park from the junction of Highways 136 and 67. Once in the park, stay on the main park road approximately 2.5 miles. Camp will be in the park's designated horse campground with additional parking directly across the road. Signs will be posted indicating camp location.

Camping: The Park will collect a camping fee, per night per vehicle, plus a day state park entry permit or you may purchase an annual Nebraska State Park sticker. Camping is primitive with outhouse facilities available. Water for horses is provided in camp. Dogs are not allowed in the management area, check-in area, at briefings, or meals and must be on a leash at all times.

Stabling: Competing horses will be stationary tied to horse trailers. Due to space limitations, no corrals are allowed. Scatter manure into the woods.

Ride Details: Check-in starts at 2 PM on Friday or earlier if scheduling permits. Late check-ins must make arrangements with ride management. **All horses, competing or working, must have negative Coggins and current Health Certificate.**

Meals: Friday night potluck meal – bring a dish to share! Please bring your own table service and drinks. A catered dinner will be available Saturday night for \$10 per person. Payment for the meal must accompany ride entry. All meals will be complimentary for ride workers!

Entry Fees:

Adult - Open, Novice, and CP.....	\$85 member	\$100 non-member
Junior – Open and Novice.....	\$65 member	\$ 80 non-member
Sunday B Ride – Novice only adult	\$85 member.....	\$100 non-member
Sunday B Ride – Novice only junior.....	\$65 member	\$ 80 non-member

Discount of \$10 for first time competitors. A *non-refundable* deposit of \$30 must accompany ride entry. **Make checks payable to: NECTRA and mail with completed entry to the ride secretary.** If possible please enter through the RMS system at www.natrcregion6.org.

Workers: Anyone wishing to help work this ride, please contact Ride Chair Cheryl Bohling. No horses will be allowed on trail unless working or competing because we are not on standard park equestrian trails. No inexperienced trail horses permitted for safety riders and must meet age guidelines of NATRC.

Judges: Veterinary Judge – Greg Fellers, DVM / Horsemanship Judge – Becky Rogers

Ride Chair: Cheryl Bohling – ccherylhop@hotmail.com

Secretary: Shari Parys – 11422 S. 237th St., Gretna, NE 68028 (402-830-5769) katbalu96@aol.com

Trail Master: Chuck Edwards – candmelstars@juno.com

In case of EMERGENCY:

Emergency Park Phone: 402-883-2575/Emergency Management Cell Phones: 402-806-8708 or 402-830-5769

Please note: Cellular phone reception is poor inside of the park, for true emergency contact park phone.