

The PonyXpress NATRC CTR - August 26-27, 2017

Rock Creek Station State Historical Park & Recreation Area, 57416 - 710 Rd, Fairbury, NE 68352

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 the competitive trail ride at Rock Creek Station Historical Park. Established in 1857 along the Oregon and California Trails, Rock Creek Station was a relay station for the Pony Express. Rich in cowboy history, you'll cross the bridge and ride through the ranch, through the creeks and the prairies and canyons of Rock Creek Station and Rock Glen Wildlife Management Area. The terrain is mostly grassy meadows with some red rock in the canyon areas.

Directions From Hwy 15: (1st Street is located on the south side of Fairbury) Turn East on Hwy 8 and then turn immediately left on 1st Street. This will become PWF Rd. Drive 4 miles. Turn right onto 573rd Ave for 1 mile. Turn left onto 710th Rd for 1.1 miles. Turn right into Rock Creek Station. Take the first right hand turn after entering Rock Creek to reach the camping areas. **Directions From Hwy 8:** If coming from East, just before you reach Hwy 15, turn right on 1st Street which becomes PWF Rd. Follow directions above. (If coming from west, turn right on Hwy 8 and then an immediate left on 1st St.) **Directions From Hwy 136:** (From Beatrice, 21.5 miles west) Turn south at Jansen on 573rd Ave for 4.5 miles. Turn left onto 710th Rd. for 1.1 miles. Follow directions above.

Camping: A \$5 per day or annual (\$26) Nebraska State Park Permit is required plus \$13 camping fee per night per vehicle. Fees can be paid at office or the kiosk in the horse camp or online at <https://ngpc-permits.ne.gov/NGPC-PS/faces/public/welcome>. Camping is primitive with outhouse facilities available. Full restrooms & showers are nearby. Space is limited so management will assist with parking. Dogs are not allowed in the management area, check-in area, at briefings, or meals. All dogs 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. Deposit manure in manure bunk. Wheelbarrows are available and are the property of Rock Creek Station. There are water hydrants throughout the horse camp.

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 and Saturday night potluck meals – Main dish meat provided, bring a dish to share! Please bring your own table service and drinks. All breakfast, lunch, and dinner 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. OR, If possible please enter through the RMS system at www.natrcregion6.org and mail check to ride secretary.

Workers: Anyone wishing to help work this ride, please contact Ride Chairs Mary Hanson or Tammy Vasa. No horses will be allowed on non-park property unless working or competing. No inexperienced trail horses permitted for safety riders and must meet age guidelines of NATRC. Stalls for volunteers are available on a first come basis.

Judges: Veterinary Judge - TBA / Horsemanship Judge – Priscilla Lindsey

Ride Co-Chairs: **Mary Hanson** - hrsdrv@yahoo.com (402.432.8746) **Tammy Vasa** - tvasa@me.com (402.416.6835)

Ride Secretary: **Robin Nore**, 12539 Panama Rd, Hickman, NE 68372 (402.788.2761) robinn5810@yahoo.com

In case of EMERGENCY: Emergency Park Phone: 402.729.5777
Emergency Management Cell Phones: Mary 402.432.8746 or Tammy 402.416.6835

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