

# Hot To Trot (Not)/GERA Memorial Ride

February 10<sup>th</sup>, 2018

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**LOCATION:** Dawson Forest WMA in Dawsonville, GA

**RIDE DISTANCES:** A 25-mile ride and a 50-mile ride will be held on Saturday, February 10th. With Veterinary consent, any 25-mile rider can elevate to a 50-mile ride. If you would like to try a short endurance ride for the experience, but are not ready to try 25 or 50 miles, there will also be a 12.5-mile Fun Ride on Saturday, beginning at 10:00 a.m. The Pre-Ride Vet-in for the Fun Ride will begin at 9:00 a.m. This is a great opportunity to learn about endurance riding!

**CAMPING:** Primitive camping only. Flat, mostly shady camping at trail head. There will be horse water available in camp and on trail, but no human water will be available on site. All dogs must be on a leash at all times - No Exceptions! No meal is provided, but there are several restaurants within 5 miles of the Forest by the Outlet Mall, or please pack accordingly.

**REGISTRATION:** Check-in starts Friday afternoon at 12:00 with Vet-in starting at 2:00. AERC Members must show 2018 membership card at check-in to avoid a \$15 non-member fee. A current negative Coggins is also required.

**TRAILS:** Hoof protection is strongly recommended - The terrain is rocky with some steep climbs. Depending on rainfall, river crossings may not be appropriate, and the trail will be routed accordingly. All vet checks will be in camp. AERC, SERA, and SEDRA rules apply. **HELMETS ARE REQUIRED IN CAMP AND ON TRAIL.**

**DIRECTIONS:** From Atlanta and I-285 - Take GA 400 North out of Atlanta approximately 50 miles. At the 5<sup>th</sup> traffic light (which is the intersection of Dawson Forest Road and GA 400), the North GA Outlet Mall will be on the corner - Turn left on Dawson Forest Road. Follow this road around the roundabout intersection ( $\frac{1}{2}$  way around) to continue "straight" on Dawson Forest Road. Continue several miles to the stop sign at Hwy. 9. Go straight across into the WMA (City of Atlanta Tract). Pass through the gate into Dawson Forest, and the camp parking will be the next right.

From the North on I-85: Take Exit 137 (Jefferson/Gainesville) and turn right onto Hwy. 129, heading towards Gainesville. Go approx. 20 miles to Gainesville, and turn left at the light onto Jesse Jewell Parkway/Hwy. 369.

Go 1.8 miles and turn right at the light onto GA-53 Connector W. This will become Dawsonville Hwy/GA-53W. Go 13.7 miles and turn left onto Dawson Forest Road. (If you miss this turn, you can continue  $\frac{1}{2}$  mile to GA 400 and turn left - Then turn right at the light past the Outlet Mall onto Dawson Forest Road). Continue on Dawson Forest Road, following the roundabout intersection ( $\frac{1}{2}$  way around) to continue "straight" on Dawson Forest Road. Continue several miles to the stop sign at Hwy. 9. Go straight across into the WMA (City of Atlanta Tract). Pass through the gate into Dawson Forest, and the camp parking will be the next right.

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Rider Name \_\_\_\_\_ AERC# \_\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_ City, State, Zip \_\_\_\_\_

Email \_\_\_\_\_ Phone# \_\_\_\_\_

Emergency Name and Phone # \_\_\_\_\_

Weight Division (Circle one) JR FW LW MW HW

Junior Rider Birthdate \_\_\_\_\_ Sponsor \_\_\_\_\_

Distance (Check one) 25 miles \_\_\_\_\_ 50 miles \_\_\_\_\_ Fun Ride \_\_\_\_\_

Horse Name \_\_\_\_\_ AERC# \_\_\_\_\_

Age \_\_\_\_\_ Sex \_\_\_\_\_ Breed \_\_\_\_\_

50 miles horses must be a minimum of 60 months of age; 25 miles horses must be a minimum of 48 months of age. 25 mile ride entries may elevate to 50 miles with Veterinary consent.

FEES 25 or 50 mile entry \$100 Seniors \$ \_\_\_\_\_

25 or 50 mile entry \$ 65 Juniors \$ \_\_\_\_\_

AERC Non-Member Add \$15/day +\$ \_\_\_\_\_ Must show 2018 card

\*\*Early Entry Discount Prior to 02/03/2018 -\$10 \*\* -\$ \_\_\_\_\_

Fun Ride \$25 \$ \_\_\_\_\_

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

Deposit - min. \$20 \$ \_\_\_\_\_ Check# \_\_\_\_\_ Cash \_\_\_\_\_

Balance Due \$ \_\_\_\_\_ Check# \_\_\_\_\_ Cash \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_ Check if you have an annual trail use pass for Dawson Forest - Must present pass at check in.

Make Checks Payable to **Sharon Wilson**, and Send Ride Entry to:

2305 Creek Nation Road Jefferson, GA 30549

\*\*Early Entry Discount Postmarked by 02/03/2018 \*\*

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As a participant in the Hot To Trot (Not)/GERA Memorial Ride (February 10, 2018), I agree to abide by the rules of AERC, and SERA, and SEDRA. I understand that endurance riding involves being in remote areas for extended periods of time, far from communications, transportation and medical facilities; that these areas have many natural and 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 crosses blameless for any accident, injury or loss that might occur due to my participation in the Hot To Trot (Not)/GERA Memorial Ride and free from all liability for such injury or loss.

I HAVE READ AND UNDERSTAND THIS LIABILITY RELEASE.

Rider's Signature \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_

Parent/Guardian Signature (for Riders under 18) \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_

Horse Owner's Signature \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_