

# Blackwater Boogie Endurance Ride

Northwest Florida Panhandle, Blackwater River State Forest
November 22 & 23, 2019

Friday = Intro/25/50, Saturday = Intro/25/50/75

**Base Camp Location**: Blackwater Equestrian Center (AKA:BEC)

7639 Buddy Hardy Road, Milton, FL 32570

GPS Coordinates: N 30°49,497' W 86°58,400'

Sanctioned by: AERC, SERA, SEDRA

Hosted by: Five Flags All Horse Assoc (FFAHA)

Vets: Dr. Nelson (Head Vet)

Dr. Patrick Biegel (Treatment)

TBA

**Timers**: Nancy Gooch & Carol Thompson

Ride Mgr: Cynthia Sheldon 850-598-7000

hayshaker77@hotmail.com

Farrier: Austin Brown

**≈BASE CAMP**: The Blackwater Equestrian Center (BEC), a private facility located in the Coldwater Recreation Area of the Forest, has once again agreed to accommodate us! There will be a \$30/rig parking fee that covers the entire weekend from Thursday thru Sunday, which will be collected at check in. \*\* No parallel parking on fence lines, please leave room for others! Camping will be in a flat open grassy field. Generator quiet hours are from 10 pm - 5 am. There will be porta-potties in camp. Horse water is available but please bring your own human water. Hot-water wash racks are available behind the barn. Ground fires are not allowed. Please pack all trash and take it with you when you leave camp and spread manure and hay. ALL competitors and their guests: dogs must be on leash at all times! 12' x 13'5" Stalls are limited for an additional fee on a first pay, first serve basis, contact Howard @ BEC for stall reservations 251-454-7766. Electric/water campsites and stalls may be available at the Coldwater Equestrian Campground Blackwater River State Forest, 2 miles north of base camp. To check availability, please call Reserve America at 877-879-3859. They also have a bathhouse with showers & flush toilets.

<u>NOTE</u>: Since the BEC is a privately owned facility, base camp will not open until noon on Wednesday the 20th of November. (No registration till Thursday 1:00). If you plan to arrive before that time, please make other arrangements for your stay.

≈TERRAIN AND TRAILS: Trails are mostly packed sand, red-clay soil, and grassy two-track. Terrain is flat to gently rolling through the woods with a few technical sections. There are a few areas of deep soft sand and some short stretches of rock and gravel. There are a few cold spring-fed streams & creeks that you will cross on the trail. All holds will be in camp.

**≈FOOD**: The nearest grocery stores & restaurants are about 15 miles away (Hwy 87/Hwy 90) although there is a convenience store with hot deli 7 miles from camp (corner of Hwy 87 & Hwy 4).

**Dinner (Friday)**: Spaghetti dinner will be served and IS included in the rider entry fee if you compete on Friday. You may purchase a meal for \$10 per person if you DO NOT ride on Friday or want to buy one for your family and/or crew. To guarantee your meal(s), please reserve & pay no later than 15 November.

Lunch (Friday and Saturday): A variety of grill options with chips, soda, and bottled water will be available for a nominal fee; pay as you go and no need to reserve in advance.

Dinner (Saturday): Baked chicken will be served and IS included in the rider entry fee if you compete on Saturday. You may purchase meals for \$10/person if you DO NOT ride on Saturday or want to buy one for your family/crew. To guarantee your meal(s), please reserve & pay by 15 November.

\*\*No preregistration, no meal guarantee rider or not! Register and order extra meals no later than Nov 15 please!\*\*

**EXANCELLATION POLICY**: If you should have to cancel, withdraw, or pull before crossing the start line, entry fees will be refunded, minus the \$20 non-refundable portion of your entry; however, no-shows/no-calls and withdrawals or pulls after crossing the start line will not receive any refunds. Sorry, meal tickets are non-refundable. Cancellations must be made to ride management in person, by phone, or email.

≈FARRIER AND VET FEES: Riders will be responsible for any farrier or vet services that may be incurred.

≈AWARDS: Completion \*\*AT REGISTRATION\*\*, Top 10, Best Condition, High Vet Score, and Junior. (No Ties)

≈JUNIORS: All juniors must wear an approved helmet when mounted and be accompanied by an adult sponsor (21 years or older) for the duration of the ride.

# \*DIRECTIONS TO THE BLACKWATER EQUESTRIAN CENTER (BEC)\* GPS Coordinates: N 30°49.497' W 86°58.400'

### "AERC" or "BW Boogie" signs will be out Wednesday morning

FROM THE NORTH (I-65 southbound): Take I-65 South to Hwy 113 (exit 69); head south to Flomaton, AL, which runs you into US Hwy 29 South. Take this to Hwy 4/S.R. 4 (red-light) in Century, FL. Turn left & follow 4 East to the blinking stop light at Hwy 87 in Berrydale. Go  $1\frac{3}{4}$  miles farther to Gordon Land Rd and turn right (watch for Blackwater/Coldwater sign). Follow main paved road 6 miles. After you pass Coldwater Recreation Area & Stables, continue on the main paved road and go 2 more miles. BEC is on the right with a 3-board white fence.

FROM THE EAST (I-10 westbound): Take I-10 west to Hwy 85 (exit 56) & head north to Crestview. In Crestview, head west on Hwy 90/W. James Lee Blvd and travel 4 miles. In Milligan, turn right and take Hwy 4 northwest approx 13.10 miles (be sure to follow Hwy 4 to the left in downtown Baker) to Hwy 191/Munson Hwy. Turn left (sw) on 191 & go approx 5.6 miles. (After the second horse crossing sign, watch for the Blackwater Div. of Forestry/Coldwater Rec. Area and Stables sign). Turn right on Buddy Hardy Rd.

\*\*Follow the main paved road 3.6 miles (road will make several 90 degree turns). BEC will be on the left with 3-board white fence.

FROM THE WEST (I-10 eastbound): Take I-10 east to Hwy 281/Avalon Blvd (exit 22). Head north & take Avalon Blvd to Hwy 90/Caroline Street, where you will turn right (east). Take Hwy 90 towards the business section of downtown Milton. At Hwy 87/Stewart Street (red-light with Burger King on the corner), turn left (north). Go 0.8 miles on Hwy 87 & you will see a Shell gas station on the right at the intersection of Hwy 191/Munson Hwy (there is no light or stop sign). Turn right (northeast) & follow Hwy 191 for 14.2 miles. Just before your turn, you will see a fire station sign on the left. Turn left on Buddy Hardy Rd (watch for Blackwater Div. of Forestry/Coldwater Rec. Area and Stables sign). Follow the \*\* above.

#### NOTES:

#### 1) We are on CENTRAL TIME;

- 2) Your best choices for diesel, gasoline, food & ice before getting to base camp will be in Crestview (I-10/Hwy 85 or Hwy 85/Hwy 90), Milton (Hwy 87/Hwy 90) & Berrydale (Hwy 87/Hwy 4);
- 3) While tempting, it is suggested that you do not take the Hwy 191 exit off of I-10. This section of Hwy 191 routes you through a few narrow streets downtown.
- 4) All signs are important, take the time to read them as you drive into camp.
- 5) PROBLEMS/QUESTIONS Call/text Cindy at (850) 598-7000 (If you get voice mail PLEASE leave a message!)

#### \*\*\*IMPORTANT\*\*\*

FLORIDA LAW **REQUIRES** A CURRENT NEGATIVE **COGGINS**. Show proof at rider check-in. FLORIDA LAW **REQUIRES** A CURRENT **HEALTH CERTIFICATE** on all livestock traveling into Florida! **ALL** TRAILERS MUST STOP AT AGRICULTURE INSPECTION STATIONS. For more information, contact your vet or visit <a href="http://www.doacs.state.fl.us/ai">http://www.doacs.state.fl.us/ai</a>

\*\*\*Forestry requires you carry a copy of your coggins while riding. Photo on phone will work\*\*\*

# Blackwater Boogie Endurance Ride Entry Form, Nov 22/23 2019

Name:		
Street Address:		
City, State & Zip:		
	Email:	
AERC(rider) #:	AERC Exp Date:	
**Your first: Intr	o/LD/ Endurance Ride? Please attend first time riders meeting!	
_	sion (rider & tack): Feather (<160#) Light (161-185#) Middle (186-210#) Heavy (2 15 or under on 1 December 2017. Sponsor's Name:	
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HORSE: AERC#		
COGGINS Accession#: EXP Date: St		te:
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Friday	Intro Ride Entry Fee: \$50 (11 miles)	\$
Friday Mileage	25 Mile Limited Distance Entry Fee: \$100 (Junior Riders: \$70)	\$
Options	50 Mile Endurance Entry Fee: \$100 (Junior Riders: \$70)	\$
Saturday Mileage Options	Intro Ride Entry Fee: \$50 (11 Miles)	
	25 Mile Limited Distance Entry Fee: \$100 (Junior Riders: \$70)	\$
	50 Mile Endurance Entry Fee: \$100 (Junior Riders: \$70)	\$
	<b>75 Mile Endurance Entry Fee</b> : \$135 (Junior Riders: \$100)	\$
Extra Meal Fees	Parking Fee: \$30 per rig	\$30.00
	LATE FEE \$15 (if entry is not received by November 15 <sup>th</sup> 2019)	\$
	<b>Friday Dinner: INCLUDED</b> in ride entry if competing on Fri. All others must be reserved/pay by 15 Nov. # of extra meals: (\$10 ea)	\$
	<b>Saturday Dinner: INCLUDED</b> in ride entry if competing on Sat. All others must be reserve/pay by 15 Nov. # of extra meals: (\$10 ea)	\$
	Non-AERC Member Day Fee: \$15 (per day)	\$
Total Amount Due:		
Less \$20 (nonrefundable) Deposit and extra meal payment:		
**Please only send \$20 nonrefundable deposit and extra meal \$, pay balance at ride. NO postdated		
	ALL Checks will be immediately deposited regardless of amount! Mail entry,	
	payable to FFAHA) Cynthia Sheldon, 2633 Yellow Pine Rd, Navarre, FL 32566	
	Balance Due at Ride payable to FFAHA:	\$

## **EQUINE ACTIVITY RELEASE – READ CAREFULLY:**

WARNING: As a participant in the Blackwater Boogie Endurance Ride, I agree to abide by the rules of AERC, SERA, SEDRA, Forestry, Ride Management of the Blackwater Boogie Endurance Ride and the Owners of the Blackwater Equestrian Center. 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 may have 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 anytime. I agree to take full responsibility for myself and the animal that I am riding. I hold ride management, all ride personnel, volunteers, vendors, sponsors, hosts, and property owners blameless and free from liability for any accident, injury, or loss that might occur due to my participation in the Blackwater Boogie Endurance Ride. This release is valid for my animals, personal belongings, family, or guests in my company. I have read and understand this liability release.

**Medical Release**: I give consent for, and will be financially responsible for, emergency medical treatment for myself if I'm unable to give informed consent.

## ~~Approved Safety Helmets required for all riders~~

By signing below, I acknowledge that I've read and understand the conditions of the above Equine Activity and Medical releases and the requirement to wear a safety helmet at all times while riding. And I give my permission for photos of myself and my horse(s) taken at the Blackwater Boogie Endurance Ride to be published and utilized in any positive media relating to the ride or event.

Participant Name (PRINT):		
Participant Signature	Date	
Parent/Guardian name if participant is under 18 years (PRINT)		
Signature of Parent/Guardian	Date	
□ Drug Allergies or Medical Conditions we should know about: □ Emergency Contact and Phone # (Please list two):  1)		
2)		