

POKER RIDE
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PONDEROSA BACK COUNTRY HORSEMEN
FACTS SHEET – 2020

Many of you have attended the Ponderosa Scavenger Hunt or participated in a Poker Ride so some of this may be repetitive. However, we want everyone to understand the event so you can maximize the great time you will have on **Saturday June 13**. We will take the best parts of the scavenger hunt and combine this with the experience we have putting on a poker ride.

KIDS (17 AND UNDER) RIDE FREE. THIS IS A FAMILY EVENT AND WE ENCOURAGE KIDS ON HORSEBACK. HOWEVER, THEY ARE NOT ELIGIBLE TO WIN PRIZES

- The event will be at the Riverside State Park Equestrian Area, same as for the scavenger hunt.
- Camping is available in the developed campground and overflow area. Make your camping reservations through the State Parks reservation system.
- In summary, the day includes registration, hotcake breakfast, raffles and poker ride.
- We start the day at registration in the round pen where both pre-registered and those registering at the event sign in. You receive your playing card and breakfast ticket.
- Also, at registration you may purchase additional poker hands. It is like playing multiple bingo cards for additional chances of winning at poker.
- After registering join us for the hotcake breakfast, purchase raffle tickets for some great items and play the first card of your poker hand . Then you are on the trail any time you want between 9:00 and 11:30 am.
- We ask that you do NOT run your horses. We know this is fun, but we have many people on the trail and we need to be respectful of the reaction horses have when they see other horses running. This is not a timed event. **Thank you.**
- You will be riding with your friends in a designated area following a trail well marked with engineer tape at your own speed (but remember no running).
- In playing the poker ride game you are trying to get the best, or worst poker hand. You do this by stopping at “game stations” along the trail to play a “game of skill”. This determines the next card in your hand. The “game of skill” is tossing a washer at a board lined with a deck of cards. Where your washer lands determines your playing card. You do not need to dismount to play the games.
- For those wanting a longer ride, at a junction you can take an extended well marked route and not miss any of the game stations. Make your decision while on the trail.
- Return to the arena area to play the last card of your hand, check the board to see what raffle items you may have won and complete a survey for another chance to win a prize.

Please see the flier and registration form to learn more about the poker ride and pre-register by June 3, or you may register at the ride.

We hope that everyone joins us for a great day in the saddle. Thank you for supporting Back Country Horsemen and our efforts to keep trails open to equestrians.