



# Benefit Ride for Detroit Horse Power

August 7-9, 2019

Kensington Metropark Equestrian Campground  
~ 920 Martindale Road  
Milford, Michigan  
GPS: N 42°34.20' W83°37.31'

**All proceeds and donations will go to Detroit Horse Power!**

## Friday, August 7, 2020

9mi AERC Intro Ride (Pizza Lunch Included) (8am start).....\$40 Sr, Donation for Jr entry

## Saturday, August 8, 2020

50mi AERC END (6am start)..... \$115 \*Sr, Donation for Jr entry

30mi Limited Distance (6:30am Start).....\$100 \*Sr, Donation for Jr entry

30mi CTR (7am Start).....\$100 \*Sr, Donation for Jr entry

## Sunday, August 9, 2020

50mi AERC END (6am Start)..... \$115 \*Sr, Donation for Jr entry

30mi Limited Distance (6:30am Start).....\$100\*Sr, Donation for Jr entry

30mi CTR (7am Start).....\$100 \*Sr, Donation for Jr entry

\* Non- AERC members add \$15 to entry fee

**Pre-entry is preferred by July 31, 2020.**

**Entries received after July 31 will add \$25 late fee.**

Please send entry form, completed waivers and entry fee (paid to Detroit Horse Power) to:

Mindy Nagy (Ride Manager)

10776 Lima Center Road

Manchester, MI 48158

melindasmeyers@gmail.com

## **Sanctioning Bodies**

American Endurance Ride Conference ([www.aerc.org](http://www.aerc.org))

Great Lakes Distance Riding Association ([www.gldrami.org](http://www.gldrami.org))

Upper Midwest Endurance and Competitive Rides Association ([www.umecra.com](http://www.umecra.com))

Ohio Arabian & All-Breed Trail Riding Society ([www.ooats.org](http://www.ooats.org))

## **Detroit Horse Power**

Detroit Horse Power (DHP) is a 501(c)(3) nonprofit founded in 2015 by David Silver, a former Detroit elementary school teacher. DHP opens up opportunities for urban youth in Detroit to connect with learn about/from horses. They learn how to care for them, ride them and in doing so the children learn perseverance, empathy, responsible risk-taking, confidence and self-control.

This program started as a summer camp and has grown into a year-round after school program. Right now the kids are bused to participating barns that volunteer their facilities and horses. Some of these barns are over an hour away! It makes for a long day for the dedicated children. Recently, DHP has acquired land within the city limits of Detroit! The hope is to raise funds for an equestrian facility to be built at this location. Having this facility within the city limits not only utilizes vacant land in Detroit, helping with the city's comeback, it will allow DHP to expand the number of children who can benefit from the programs offered.

This is where all the proceeds from Metropark Express are going this year! We are hoping to write a big check to Detroit Horse Power at the end of the ride. I hope you will join us and if you are able to make a donation on top of your ride entry it will be greatly appreciated! To find out more about Detroit Horse Power go to [www.detroithorsepower.org](http://www.detroithorsepower.org)

## **Trails**

You will be riding along the beautiful Huron River and through the forest on trails in Kensington Metropark and Proud Lake Recreation Area. All vet checks are in camp. Road crossings require riders to stop and look for traffic; Milford road crossing has a pedestrian signal that must be utilized for crossing. Hoof protection is recommended. All juniors (under 18) must wear a helmet. Horse water provided along trail. Bridle tag is required for riding on Kensington trails, they are free and do not expire so please bring your tag from previous years. If you don't have a bridle tag see ride management.

## **Directions to Camp**

From Lansing-

I-96 East to exit 155 (Milford Road). Make Left off the exit ramp. Take Milford Road 3.3 miles north and make a left on Dawson Road. Turn Right on Martindale, Group Camp and Staging area is ½ mile on the left.

From Flint-

Us-23 South to exit 67 (M-59 East). Continue on M-59 East for 4.5 miles, turn Right onto S Hickory Ridge Road. Go 4.1 miles, turn Left onto General Motors Road. Go 1.8 Miles turn Right onto Martindale Road. Staging and Group Camp are ½ mile on the right.

From Detroit-

I-96 West to exit 155 (Milford Road). Make Right off the exit ramp. Take Milford Road 3.3 miles north and make a left on Dawson Road. Turn Right on Martindale, Group Camp and Staging area is ½ mile on the left.

## **Camping and Dinner**

Campsites are rustic and located in an open field. Camping fee is \$20/horse for the weekend. No reservation required. Picket posts are limited and located along the edge of the field (first come first serve) and a hand pump for water is centrally located. Electric pens are allowed, no more than 2 horses per pen. Dogs must be leashed at all times. Campsites must be cleaned before departure. No meals will be provided.

## **Competition**

Negative Coggins within the last 12-months required. Endurance and Limited Distance rules can be found at [www.aerc.org](http://www.aerc.org) and Competitive rules can be found at [www.umecra.com](http://www.umecra.com).

AERC introductory ride is to educate and acquaint riders and/or equines to the sport of endurance racing. AERC membership is not required for introductory ride. All equines will have a pre and post ride veterinary examination and riders will receive a completion prize.

## **Prizes**

All riders will receive a completion prize. AERC Endurance and Limited Distance rides will have Top Ten, Best Condition and Turtle Award. Competitive Trail Open rides will have Top Six and High Point Award.

## **Entry**

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- Send entry form, completed waivers and entry fee to:  
Mindy Nagy  
10776 Lima Center Road  
Manchester, MI 48158
- Intro, AERC and CTR OPEN RIDES please fill out the attached "UMECRA Entry Agreement" along with waivers (3 total) required by Kensington Metropark.
- If you have a bridle tag from previous years please be sure to bring that and write the number on the appropriate Kensington Metropark waiver.

# UMECRA ENTRY AGREEMENT

<b>AMOUNT PAID</b>
<b>RIDER NUMBER</b>

Name of Ride: \_\_\_\_\_

Circle one: **COMP** **END** **LD** **NOVICE** **DRIVE** Distance \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_  
Rider Name UMECRA Rider No. AERC Rider No.

\_\_\_\_\_  
Street City State Zip

\_\_\_\_\_  
Phone Emergency Contact, Phone.

\_\_\_\_\_  
Emergency contact person on grounds (at ride)

## UMECRA DIVISION

HW LW JR DR  
     
186- 185- end 16  
over under comp18

## AERC DIVISION

HW MW LW FW JR  
      
Over 211 186- 161- below Under  
210 185 160 16

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Name of Horse Owner

Age Breed Sex Color Reg. No. Accession # AERC/UMECRA horse Number

### READ THIS CAREFULLY BEFORE SIGNING

I wish to participate in the above-named ride, attending the event premises with my horse(s) and possibly with family or other support. All references herein to "me", "I" or "my" or such other designations shall include my family and support group, together with my equine(s) or other pets or animals. I acknowledge I am speaking for them in making my entry and am responsible for their behavior and safety. In participating, I fully understand and recognize the inherent risks and dangers involved (whether directly explained but certainly as reasonably foreseeable or as should have been reasonably foreseeable to a prepared participant), as well as the fact that significant unanticipated, uncontrollable and unexpected risks may arise during the ride. I understand competitive and endurance riding involves being in remote areas for extended periods of time, far from communications, transportation, and medical facilities. I recognize other persons may be in the vicinity of the event and whether or not they are participating directly or merely bystanders, I accept that I personally owe them a duty of reasonable care to prevent damage or injury to them, their families or property arising from my participation or the care, custody or control of my equine(s) or other animals or family or friends. I recognize ride management cannot eliminate or control all potential hazards to me or my horse or act to guarantee our safety. I agree to abide by the rules of the ride and UMECRA, which incorporate the rules at AERC for endurance riding, and am familiar with those rules.

**WARNING: Under the Equine Activity Liability Act, each participant who engages in an equine activity expressly assumes the risks of engaging in and legal responsibility for injury, loss, or damage to any person or property resulting from the risk of equine activities.**

**WARNING: Under applicable state laws, an equine professional or event organizer, manager or staff is, or may not be, not liable for an injury to, or the death of, a participant in equine activities resulting from the inherent risks of equine activities.**

**WARNING: Under applicable state laws and other recreational or equine activity liability act(s), an equine professional or event organizer, manager or staff is, or may not be, not liable for an injury to or the death of a participant or the horse(s) of a participant in an equine activity resulting from an inherent risk of the equine activity.**

**NOTICE: A person who is engaged for compensation in the rental of equines or equine equipment or tack or in the instruction of a person in the riding or driving of an equine or in being a passenger upon an equine may not be liable for the injury or death of a person involved in equine activities resulting from the inherent risks of equine activities, as defined in applicable state laws.**

**NOTICE: Riders and equine owners must carry their own personal liability, equine liability and personal healthcare coverage. UMECRA insurance does NOT cover ride participants for personal liability or their family or supporters personal health or emergency or veterinary care.**

I know and understand competitive or endurance riding is an inherently dangerous sporting event and agree to assume the complete risk of injury or damage which my horse might sustain or cause in competing in or attending this ride. As a result, I agree to indemnify and hold harmless the ride management, ride landowners, veterinarians, ride members and agents from and against all loss or damage, including property loss, suffered during or in connection with the loss, resulted directly or indirectly from negligent acts or omissions of the ride management, ride landowners, ride veterinarians, UMECRA, AERC, their directors, officers, committee members or agents.

**I HAVE READ AND UNDERSTAND THIS RELEASE.**

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

As parent and/or legal guardian of the above-named junior rider, for and in consideration of this child's participation in this ride, I agree to the terms above-stated as well on behalf of myself, my family and this child, and will hold harmless anyone so consenting.

**I HAVE READ AND UNDERSTAND THIS RELEASE.**

Signature \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_

I have agreed to **SPONSOR** the above named junior and promise to abide by all the AERC and UMECRA rules covering the sponsor-junior relationship.

Signature \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_

# KENSINGTON METROPARK

2240 W. Buno Road  
Milford, MI 48380  
810-227-8910 or 800-477-2757  
[www.metroparks.com](http://www.metroparks.com)

## HORSE TRAIL RIDING PERMIT

NAME: \_\_\_\_\_ TAG #: \_\_\_\_\_

ADDRESS: \_\_\_\_\_ CITY: \_\_\_\_\_ STATE: \_\_\_\_\_ ZIP: \_\_\_\_\_

HOME PHONE: (\_\_\_\_\_) \_\_\_\_\_ WORK PHONE: (\_\_\_\_\_) \_\_\_\_\_

EMERGENCY CONTACT: \_\_\_\_\_ PHONE: (\_\_\_\_\_) \_\_\_\_\_

To ride in Kensington Metropark, the rider must affix their personal registration tag to the left side of the horse's bridle for recognition by the Park Police Officers. This requirement will be strictly enforced. The bridle tag is assigned to the rider not the horse; each rider must have his/her own tag.

All vehicles entering the Horse Staging Area will require either a day or annual Metropark Vehicle Permit. These are obtainable at the Park Office or tollbooth. Current fees are: **\$10 per vehicle daily, \$40 annual or \$29 for a senior annual (must be 62 yrs of age or older).**

Kensington Metropark has a horseback riding trail system. The continuation of these trails will rely on the safe and conscientious use of the trails by all riders. Listed below are rules and regulations, which each rider needs to follow.

### HORSE TRAIL RULES AND REGULATIONS

1. Horses must remain on established trails. Horses are limited to designated trails north of Buno Road and east of Park Route #1, south to the Kent Lake Road entrance. Also, west of Park Route #3 and south of Buno Road on designated trails only. Riders found in other areas will be escorted out of the park.
2. Horses may NOT ride on/in pavement, boardwalks, beach areas, picnic areas, Nature Study Area, Farm Center, Group Camp sites and/or service center areas.
3. Riders must not chase or harass wildlife.
4. The cleaning of horse trailers is NOT permitted in the staging area.
5. In case of emergency dial 911. You are at Kensington Metropark.
6. Riders are encouraged to report trail problems to the Kensington Metropark Office at 810-227-8910.
7. Riders are expected to comply with HCMA Rules and Regulations regarding preservation of property, fires, alcoholic beverages, dogs, disposal of refuse, etc. A complete listing of rules may be obtained at the Park Office.
8. Riders will be held liable for damage to park property.
9. Respect the property of the park's neighbors - ride only on designated equestrian trails.
10. During periods of snow cover, riding is only permitted on the portion of the trail from the Staging Area to the Milford Road entrance and then along the East Trail to the expressway. The west trails are closed for cross country skiing. During ground thaw and heavy rain, trails may be extremely soft and covered with water.
11. It is the responsibility of each rider to maintain control of the horse at all times. Carelessness, or disregard for other park users will cause a loss of riding privileges in the park.
12. Dogs are not allowed on the horse trails.

**KENSINGTON METROPARK**  
**INDEMNITY AND RELEASE OF ALL CLAIMS**  
**Relating to**  
**HORSE-MOUNTED USE OF H.C.M.A. METROPARKS**

The Undersigned person, (FILL IN NAME) \_\_\_\_\_ has applied to the Huron-Clinton Metropolitan Authority (the "Authority") for permission to ride on horseback over portions of Kensington Metropark (the "Park"), a park maintained by the Authority. The undersigned personally understands that the Park was not developed for the purpose of accommodating horse-mounted activities and that (A) no assurances can be given by the Authority as to the suitability of any portion of the park for such use, including the absence of pits, holes, traveled roadways, debris, fences, wires, brush, low tree limbs, and other conditions of terrain or vegetation likely to prove hazardous to horse-mounted activities, and (B) no responsibility can be assumed by the Authority for any adverse consequence of horse-mounted activities in the park. Accordingly, the undersigned DOES HEREBY RELEASE, ABSOLVE, AND FORGIVE the Authority of each and every claim, complaint, liability, penalty, damage, suit, judgement loss, cost or expense (collectively "Claims;" each Individually, a "Claim") arising out of, connected with or in any way related to the undersigned person's entry, presence or movement upon or within the Park while mounted on horseback or leading or in actual or nominal possession, charge or control of a horse, either singly or in company with others (collectively "Mounted Entries", each Individually, a "Mounted Entry") including any and all claims pertaining to a personal injury or death of the undersigned and/or injury to or destruction of any horse or other personal property; and the undersigned person further DOES HEREBY AGREE TO DEFEND, INDEMNIFY AND HOLD HARMLESS THE AUTHORITY from and against any and all Claims (including Claims for personal injury or death, or for injury to or destruction of animals or property) of any third party or parties, including specifically members of any group with which the undersigned is affiliated and any other person, estate or legal entity, arising out of, connected with or in any way related to any Mounted Entry on the part of the undersigned. This indemnification shall apply to all Claims asserted against or imposed upon the Authority Individually, jointly and severally, concurrently, or alternatively whether or not together with any other person or persons, including the undersigned. The various provisions, assurances and undertakings of release and indemnity herein given to the Authority by the undersigned shall be renewed upon each and every Mounted Entry by the undersigned, irrespective of the lapse of time after the date hereof.

**I have read and understand the horse trails rules and regulations. I realize that my continuing use of the trails is contingent upon my compliance with all of the rules and regulations listed herein.**

**Date:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Signed:** \_\_\_\_\_  
(Parent or Guardian if rider is Minor under Age 18.)

**THIS IS A SERIOUS RELEASE! PLEASE READ BEFORE YOU SIGN.**

**Huron-Clinton Metroparks  
Release and Waiver from Liability  
(Inherently Dangerous Activity)**

This Release and Waiver of Liability is executed on this \_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_, 20\_\_ by \_\_\_\_\_ (the "Participant") prior to the Participant's participation in the \_\_\_\_\_ activity (the "Activity") held at a venue of the Huron-Clinton Metroparks ("HCMA"). This agreement remains in effect from the day of signature for one full year.

The Activity is inherently dangerous. Rules and procedures have been established to help make the Activity as safe as possible; however, HCMA does not claim that such rules and procedures are sufficient in any way to protect the Participant or his/her property from damage, injury, illness, or death. Everyone attending this event is participating at their own risk.

In consideration of being permitted to participate in the Activity, the Participant understands and does hereby freely, voluntarily and without duress execute this Release and Waiver and agrees:

1. To release, indemnify and hold harmless HCMA and its employees, directors, officers, and agents from all claims, demands, liabilities, damages, charges, fees, fines, penalties, losses, suits, proceedings, actions, costs and expenses (including attorney fees and court costs) that the participant may now or hereafter have against them resulting from or arising out of my participation in the Activity. This release applies not only to the participant but also to my heirs and assigns.
2. To assume all of the risks, including property damage, injury, illness or death and agree to follow the safety code, rules and regulations of HCMA and its employees. Participant recognizes and understands that participation in the Activity involves inherently dangerous activities and chooses to willfully assume those risks.
3. To consent to the provision of emergency first aid or medical treatment if necessary. The release contained in Section 1 of this document includes any and all claims I may have arising from the provision of such treatment.
4. That HCMA, and its employees, directors, officers, and agents are not responsible for the actions or omissions, whether intentional or negligent, of other participants or visitors of the HCMA.
5. That this release, waiver and indemnity agreement is intended to be as broad and inclusive as permitted by the laws of the state of Michigan and that if any portion thereof is held invalid, it is agreed that the balance shall, notwithstanding, continue in full legal force and effect.

Participant Printed Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Participant Signature: \_\_\_\_\_ Dated: \_\_\_\_\_

If the Participant is under eighteen (18) years of age, the Parent or Legal Guardian of the Participant must sign this Release and Waiver, and by doing so, explicitly and irrevocably consents to the terms hereof.

Parent or Legal Guardian Printed Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Relationship to underage participant: \_\_\_\_\_

Signature: \_\_\_\_\_ Dated: \_\_\_\_\_

