

Interlochen Distance Riding 101 Clinic

Classroom Seminar & Mock Ride

Looking for something new to do with your horse?
Maybe distance riding is the sport for you!

What is distance riding?

It is an equine sport where you ride a predetermined course within a specified time frame. Distances start at 25 miles and go up to 100 miles in one day. Intro and Novice rides are 5 to 15 miles.

How do you get ready to go?

This clinic will introduce you to distance riding. Experienced riders will be present to teach you what you need to know, like the signs that your horse is ready for a distance ride. There will be demonstrations of what to expect when you get to a ride, from reading your horse's pulse to Vetting-in and how to present your horse at final Vet checks at the end of the ride. We will show you how to finish like a pro!

Part 1 Classroom Seminar

When: March 3, 2024 - 11am to 4pm

Where: Lake Ann Farms
2526 Lake Ann Rd
Interlochen, MI 49643

Part 2 Mock Ride

When: April 28, 2024 - 11am

Where: Garey Lake Trail Camp
15051 E. Pettengill Rd.
Empire, MI 49630

Mock Ride

The mock ride consists of a 6-8 mile ride. Riders will go out on trail with experienced distance riders in groups of 3 or less. Each clinic participant will be guided through the entire ride, demonstrating pace, speed control depending on terrain and trail etiquette. During the ride there will be a hands on demonstration of 'Vetting-in'. (For the safety of your horse, Vetting-in happens every 10-15 miles, at official rides veterinarians verify your horse is fit to go.) Once the ride is complete we will show you the keys to Vetting-out.

About your Host:

Barb Kurti is a Tevis Cup finisher with over 8,000 competitive miles. She is also ride manager of the Oak Leaf Run at Silver Creek County Park.

Contact Information:

Barb Kurti
616-460-8041 (Call or Text)
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How Much does this cost?

Part 1 - Classroom Only*\$45.00

Part 2 - Mock Ride*\$70.00

**Includes water & Snacks*

Part 1 & 2 - Class & Ride\$90.00

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Pre-registration Only - Limited Seats

Refund Policy: Refunds up to 7 days prior to event.

Registration form, use link or scan QR2 Code:

<https://form.jotform.com/020286603561151>



GLDRA Rider Incentives for Clinic Graduates*

1. 1 Year GLDRA Membership
2. \$50 Discount on Intro/Endurance or Novice/Competitive ride at GLDRA events. Upon completion of #2
3. A Discount of \$90 on Endurance, Limited Distance or Competitive Trail rides at GLDRA events.

**Completion of Classroom Seminar and Mock Ride required for graduation.*

See Incentive Program documentation for details.