

SATURDAY & SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 26 & 27, 2026

The **Great Lakes Distance Riding Association** proudly announces its *FIRST ANNUAL* distance riding event in Southeast Michigan's gorgeous Waterloo State Park.

These lovely scenic trails are mostly wooded, mostly single-track with some two-track and a water crossing. There are some rocky spots so (at least) front shoes/boots are recommended. The *Waterloo Horseman's Association* in partnership with Michigan DNR have done an excellent job maintaining the trails.

There are both rustic and electric sites. Some electric sites have pens and there are high-tie options available with easy access to water. Contact [Farmlane Equestrian and Family Campground](#) directly to reserve your camp site or for further detailed information.

Negative Coggins required and juniors must wear helmets. Dogs must be leashed. Saturday night awards will follow after dinner – stay tuned for foodie updates.

Saturday & Sunday:

Sanctioned by: AERC and UMECRA

50-Mile Endurance and Competitive Trail:
Senior \$110, Junior \$40

25-Mile Limited Distance and Competitive Trail:
Senior \$90, Junior \$30

15-Mile UMECRA Novice:
\$35 Sr.; Jr. FREE

Saturday only:
10-Mile AERC Intro: \$35 Sr.; Jr. FREE

Additional \$20 for non-AERC members

Ride Manager: Layla Saatchi

VETERINARIANS

Dr. Mary Cardeccia, DVM (Control Judge)

Dr. Hillary Lobar, DVM

LOCATION:

FARMLANE EQUESTRIAN CAMPGROUND

7955 Clear Lake Road, Grass Lake, MI

Email: farmlanecampground@gmail.com

Phone: 734-260-9009

QUESTIONS:

Email: lastacresfarm@gmail.com

Phone/Text: 248-302-9414

HOW TO ENTER

Complete the UMECRA ride entry form here: [Ride Entry Form](#)

Each ride entry submitted before September 1, 2026 qualifies for a \$10 discount.

Mail the form plus a cheque payable to *Last Acres Farm* to 10801 Last Drive, Plymouth, MI 48170

Alternate payment options: Venmo @Soraya-Saatchi or PayPal @LaylaSaatchi

REFUND POLICY

Refunds will be issued for riders whose horse is unable to complete the vetting process. Once vetted in, no refunds will be issued unless the ride is cancelled due to unplanned circumstances (ie. dangerous weather or other emergencies as determined by the Ride Manager). For riders who pre-enter and pre-pay, but are unable to attend the ride, a full refund, minus a \$20 cancellation fee will be issued.

AWARDS

Completion awards will be given for each rider who finishes and passes final vet check. Placing awards for the top six riders in each event. One Best Condition award for each Endurance and Limited Distance event. One High Point award given for each Competitive Trail Ride Event (except Novice).

SCHEDULE*

FRIDAY, SEPTEMBER 25	3:00pm	Vet-in begins
	6:00pm	Rider's Meeting
SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 26	7:00am	50 mile endurance
	7:30am	50 mile Comp
	8:00am	25 mile LD
	8:15am	25 mile Comp
	8:45am	15 mile Novice
	10:30am	10 mile Intro
	6:00pm	Dinner**
	7:00pm	Awards
SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 27	START TIMES same as Saturday above	All rides as Saturday minus 10 mile Intro

* Subject to change

**Stay tuned for food updates



Waterloo Recreation Area Equestrian Trails

Created: 07/06/2017



Farmlane Equestrian Campground

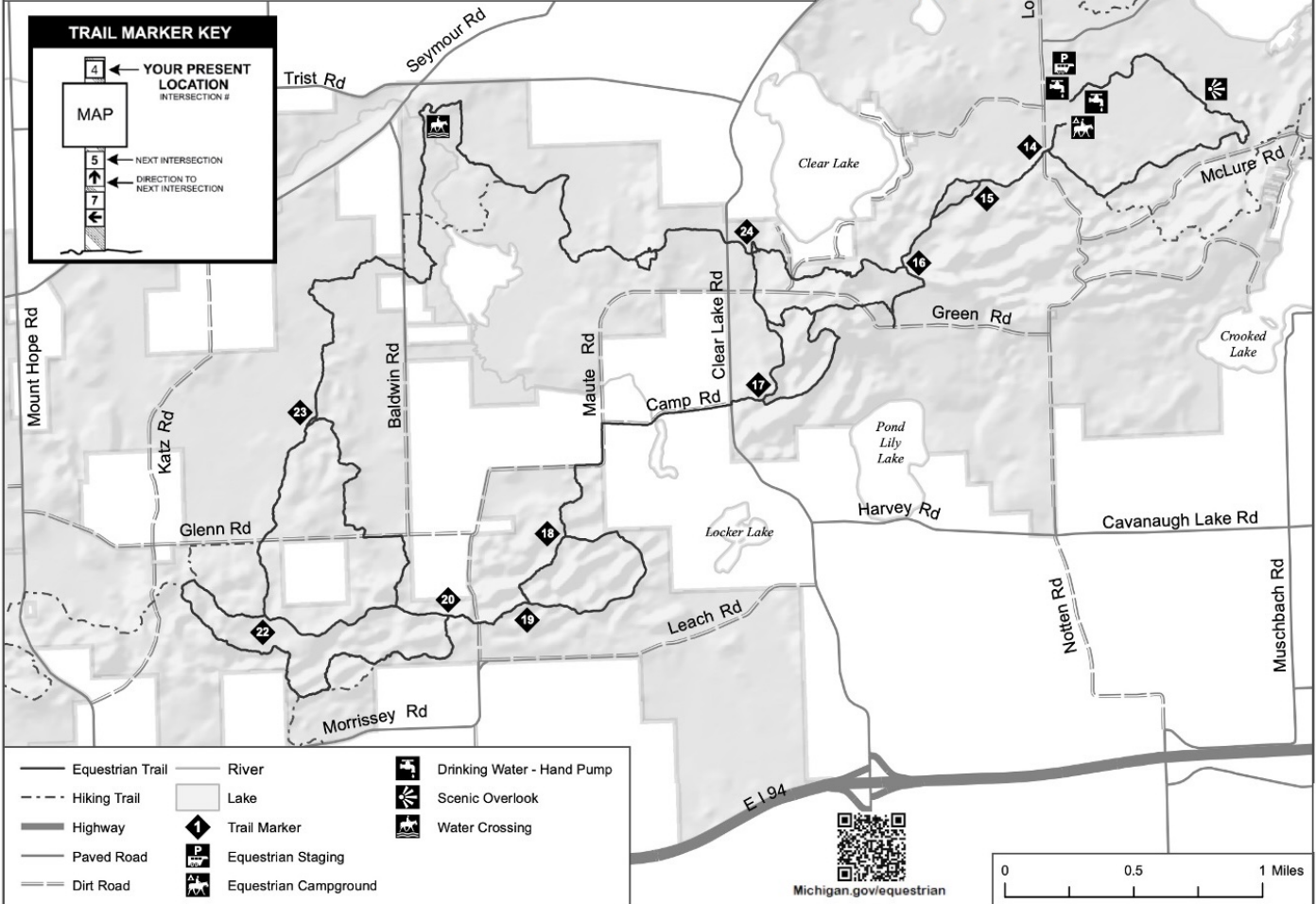
TRAIL MARKER KEY

4 ← YOUR PRESENT LOCATION INTERSECTION #

MAP

5 ← NEXT INTERSECTION

7 ← DIRECTION TO NEXT INTERSECTION



- | | | |
|--------------------|-----------------------|----------------------------|
| — Equestrian Trail | — River | Drinking Water - Hand Pump |
| - - - Hiking Trail | □ Lake | Scenic Overlook |
| — Highway | ◆ Trail Marker | Water Crossing |
| — Paved Road | Equestrian Staging | |
| — Dirt Road | Equestrian Campground | |



Michigan.gov/equestrian

