

American River Classic

30~50

“The Oldest Sanctioned 50 Mile Ride in the World!”

47th Annual

August 27th, 2022

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Welcome to the *Oldest Sanctioned 50 Mile Endurance Ride in the World!* The American River Classic is in its 47th year and will again provide one of the prettiest rides in the West along the Pioneer Express Trail, Robie Trail and parts of the Olmstead Loop. From limited distance riders to ambitious 50-mile participants, the American River Classic will challenge and engage all riders and is a fun ride with a beautiful trail.

IMPORTANT NOTICE TO ALL RIDERS:

1. All camping area must be cleaned of hay, manure and garbage at “Black Miners Ravine” formally Negro Bar.
2. Protective equine foot wear recommended; if foot wear protection is to be worn, then **MUST** be worn at pre-vet, if no footwear protection to be worn, then equine **MUST** be presented at pre-vet with **NO** foot protection.
3. All horses must be vetted in the night before the ride, no pre-ride vetting in the morning of the ride.
4. We ask that Generators to be off by 10:00 pm in respect to all other riders and crews.
5. All A.E.R.C., California State Park and ride rules will be strictly enforced.

CALIFORNIA STATE PARK RULES:

1. Folsom Lake Park charges a per vehicle/rig fee upon entrance to the park.
Please Note: California Poppy Pass does not cover the cost of overnight camping, only day use.
Be sure to ask for multi day pass, if “you don’t” have a Poppy Pass. Limited amount of Multi Day passes available at gate for purchase, so we ask one pass per rig for Rattlesnake Bar and Cool vet checks.
2. No parking outside of designated horse areas.
3. No glass containers, no alcoholic beverages allowed in the park.
4. Rigs must be removed by 9:00 pm, Saturday, August 27th, 2022.
Ride management is not responsible for rigs left on Saturday
5. No campfires.
6. All horses to be tied to trailers, or in portable corrals.
7. No sleeping on the ground, and/or in tents.
8. AUBURN - No parking/leaving rigs in the south lot (“dirt parking lot” by the trail, with the rails) over night.
9. All park rules and regulations must be followed.

THIS IS A ONE-WAY TRAIL. YOU MUST MAKE ARRANGEMENTS TO GET YOUR RIG FROM RIDE CAMP/”Black Miners Ravine” Formally NEGRO BAR TO THE AUBURN STAGING AREA

SCHEDULE:

CHECK IN: will be from 12:30 pm to 4:30 pm, Friday August 26th, 2022.

Be sure to print and bring your ride packet with you, only vet cards will be available.

PRE-RIDE VET CHECK: 3:00 pm-5:30 pm, Friday August 26th, 2022, veterinarians will examine horses. There will be no "pre-ride vetting" after Questions and Answer session or on Saturday morning.

RIDE MEETING: Live on our Facebook Page, American River Ride Classic, 6:00 pm, Wednesday, August 24th, 2022
Head veterinarian will announce criteria; ride management will cover trail and logistics.

SATURDAY LUNCH: Rider's will receive a meal ticket for Maria's Tacos; this will be good for lunch from 10:00am to 4:00pm at the Auburn Staging area. She will also be available for meal purchases (other options will be available). Ticket choice of: plate of 3 tacos, burrito and veggie burrito.

STARTING TIME: Saturday, August 27th, 2022 **50's:** 6:00 am; **MUST** be out by 6:15 am (subject to change)
30's: 7:00 am; **MUST** be out by 7:15 am (subject to change)

CUT OFF TIMES: Refer to trail map.

COMPLETION VET EXAM & B.C. JUDGING:

Completion order will be on riding time not of order of crossing the finish line. (30's see notes below)

50's: MUST meet criteria **WITHIN** 30 mins. of completion time.
MUST have final vet exam **WITHIN** 60 mins. of completion time.
B.C. **AT** 60 mins. **FROM** completion time.

30's: MUST meet criteria **WITHIN** 30 mins. of crossing finish line
MUST have final vet exam **WITHIN** 60 mins. of criteria time.
B.C. **AT** 60 mins. **FROM** criteria time.

NOTE-30's only: Completion time/order is at time of meeting criteria.

COMPLETION & AWARDS: To be given out after final vet check exam.

30's: approximately any time after 11:00 am.

50's: approximately any time after 2:30 pm.

To receive completion; vet card **MUST** be signed by veterinarian and be presented to ride secretary.

Payment Info: Check must accompany application to ensure placement on ride list. There will be a late fee of \$30- for entries received with postmarked between August 19th and 24th (**Must** be received by April 25th). **Any sign ups the day before the ride (August 26th) will incur a late fee of \$30- plus an additional \$10- (\$40- total).** Cancellations prior to August 19th at 6:00 p.m. will get check back minus a \$30- administration fee. **No refunds after August 19th, 6:00 p.m. or for No Shows.** Riders of equines not passing pre-ride vet, check will get entry back minus \$30- administration fee. **No refunds for cancelling due to weather. Any refunds will be mailed out by September 1st, 2022.**

Veterinary and Farrier Services: Should a horse require emergency treatment, or farrier services, payment is the responsibility of the rider and will be handled individually by the attending veterinarian or farrier.

Trail Description:

30 MILER: The ride travels along the historic Pioneer Express Trail. It follows alongside the American River, Folsom Lake and up through the beautiful American River Canyon and on into the historic Auburn overlook.

50 MILER: This is the 47th annual, oldest sanctioned 50-mile ride in the world. It follows the same trail as the 30, with a one-hour hold in Auburn. From there it follows the Robie/WSTF Trail to cool, in and around the Olmstead loop, continuing back down to No hands and back up to auburn.

ENTRY FORM

Please print clearly in blue or black ink

For office use only:

Rider Number: _____

Date received: _____

Jr. Spon. #: _____

Rider info:

Name: _____ AERC #: _____

Address: _____ Phone: _____

City: _____ State: _____ Zip: _____

Cell/alternate phone: _____

Emergency contact: Name: _____ Phone: _____

Age of rider 17 or under as of the date of the ride: _____ Birth date: _____

(MUST complete liability release (page 5) and young rider liability release form (page 6))

Junior Rider info:

Name of sponsor: _____

Sponsor AERC #: _____ Sponsor Phone: _____

(If there is a change in this info at, and/or before check in please let ride secretary know)

Horse Info:

Registration name: _____

Nickname: _____ AERC #: _____

Breed: _____ Reg. #: _____ Age: _____ Color: _____

Sex: _____ Height: _____

Owner: _____ AERC #: _____

Owner address: _____

Owner phone: _____

_____ Featherweight (rider w/tack >160 lbs)

_____ Lightweight (rider w/tack 161-185 lbs)

_____ Middleweight (rider w/tack 186-210 lbs)

_____ Heavyweight (rider w/tack 211+ lbs)

_____ Junior Division — a minor who is 16 as of Dec. 1st in the year of competition, and must have an adult sponsor, and wear a helmet at all times. Management must approve sponsor changes.

Entry Fee:

50-mile \$168.00_____

30-mile \$168.00_____

(Entry fee includes California \$8.00 drug fee)

*AERC non-member fee \$15.00 _____

For entries post marked between August 19th – 24th, add \$30.00_____

For entries received Friday August 26th, add late fee above “and” additional \$10.00_____

(Only one discount per entry)

17 and under discount (any distance) \$-30.00_____

(MUST sign Young Rider Release of Liability)

Green Bean discount (Must be first ride season, any distance) \$-30.00_____

Ride Manager Discount (any distance) \$-30.00_____

Name of Ride managed: _____

TOTAL: \$ _____.

(SEE ABOVE FOR PAYMENT INFO)

must include a copy of current 2022 AERC membership card

Refunds:

No refunds after August 19th, 6:00 p.m. or for No Shows.

Riders that have equines that do not pass pre-ride vet check will get entry back, minus \$30- administrative fee.

All equines **MUST** go to pre-ride vet check or **MUST** have note from veterinarian.

NO REFUNDS for cancelling due to weather.

Any refunds will be mailed out by September 1st, 2022.

Bounce check will incur a \$45.00 fee plus entry fee, and miles and points will be with held.

Please make checks payable to: **American River Classic**

Send ride entry to:

Joby Souza

c/o ARC

16284 Indian Springs Ranch Rd.

Grass Valley, Ca. 95949

Liability release must be signed

Be sure to print your ride packet off of the website

Only vet card will be available at check in

This is a sanctioned AERC event, and all AERC rules and regulations to be followed. Please refer to www.aerc.org for specific details.

Liability release

Read and sign the following liability agreement: **THIS MUST BE INCLUDED WITH YOUR ENTRY FORM**, 2 pages.

I, _____, inconsideration of the acceptance of this entry, hereby acknowledge that I have voluntarily applied to participate in the American River Classic. I am aware that participating in these events involve possible risk of injury to my person, my animal and/or property, and involves being in remote areas for extended periods of time, far from communications, transportation, and/or medical facilities, that these areas may have natural and manmade hazards which ride management cannot anticipate, identify, modify or eliminate, and that accidents can happen to anyone at anytime. THEREFORE, I VOLUNTARILY ACCEPT ALL RISK OF PERSONAL INJURY (INCLUDING DEATH), AND PROPERTY DAMAGE, ARISING FROM MY ATTENDANCE AND PARTICIPATION IN THIS EVENT. As lawful consideration for being permitted to participate in these events, I hereby agree that I, my heirs, personal representatives, assigns and/or spouse, if any, will not make a claim against or sue the American River Classic, the Auburn Area Recreational District, Folsom Lake State Park, or their respective employees, officers, directors, members, agents, participating landowners and/or affiliated entities for any injury or damage arising from negligence or other acts, however caused of the American River Classic, Auburn Area Recreational District or Folsom Lake State Park, or their respective employees, officers, directors, members, agents, affiliated entities, contractors, guests or invites.

In addition, I hereby release and discharge the American River Classic, the Auburn Area Recreational District and Folsom Lake State Park, their respective officers, directors, members, employees, agents, contractors, participating landowners and/or affiliated entities (hereinafter "Releases") from all actions, claims or demands that I, my heirs, personal representatives, assigns or spouse, if any, now have, or may have hereafter have, for injuries or property damage resulting from my participation in the American River Classic. I agree that the Release includes injury or damage caused in whole or in part by negligence, active or passive, of the American River Classic, the Auburn Area Recreational District or Folsom Lake State Park, or "Releases."

I also expressly waive any rights I may have under California Civil code 1542 which states, "A General release does not extend to claims which the creditor does not know or suspect to exist in his favor at the time of executing that release, which if known by him must have materially affected his settlement with the debtor."

I have read this release and waiver of liability and indemnity agreement carefully and completely, and fully understands its contents. I am aware that this is a release of liability and a contract between Management and I and I sign it of my own free will. I further agree that no oral representation, statement or inducements apart from the foregoing written agreement have been made, and that I rely on none.

By signing this release I also agree to all of the Folsom State Recreation Area, Auburn State Recreation Area, AERC and American River Classic Rules. Any Violation of these rules can result in disqualification and future participation in American River Classic and result in forfeiting ride entry.

Signature of rider: _____
Or of Parent/Legal Guardian (if Rider is a minor under 19) _____ Date _____

Printed name of Rider: _____

For Sponsoring a Junior Only: (If there is a change in this info at, and/or before check in please let ride secretary know)

Sponsor Certification: I have read and understand the (A.E.R.C.) rules/guidelines related to sponsoring a Junior Rider in this event and certify that I am qualified to act as this juniors sponsor.

Sponsor Signature: _____ Date: _____

Printed name of junior being sponsored: _____

Liability release for young riders

Parent/Legal guardian of a minor **17** or under, as of the date of the ride, must complete the section below:

I, _____, am the parent or legal guardian of the minor, _____, who will be participating in the American River Classic: 30, 50 (circle one). This minor is _____ years old. I am aware that participation in this event involves risk of injury or death to the minor and/or his/her horse. I agree to maintain adequate insurance coverage for my child. I acknowledge that all minors under the age of 18 as of the date of the ride must wear an approved (AHSA, PCA, ANSIZ90.4, or SNELL) helmet, and **Jr. Riders** must be sponsored, according to AERC rules, by an adult 21 years or older throughout the ride due to the hazardous nature of the trail and the event. I understand that there will be no exceptions to these rules.

Date: _____ Parent/Legal guardian: _____

Printed name of parent/Legal guardian: _____ Phone: _____

Sponsor's name: _____ Phone: _____

Parent/Legal guardian and/or crew member at ride who is not riding:

(If there is a change in this info at, and/or before check in please let ride secretary know)

Name of contact: _____

(Please print clearly)

Cell Phone: _____

(We ask that they keep their phones on and with them at all times)