

# Branching Out Competitive Trail Ride NATRC Leisure Division Ride April 27-28, 2024

Area 2 of the Branched Oak State Recreation Area  
12000 W Branched Oak Rd, Raymond, NE 68428  
Governed by the rules of the North American Trail Ride Conference (NATRC)

## Leisure Division Ride (Saturday & Sunday AM) with Clinic (Saturday PM, April 27)

The Leisure Division Ride (LeD) will be offered both Saturday, April 27 and Sunday, April 28. The LeD will start with check-in with the ride secretary starting at 9:00 am on Saturday, and 8:30 am on Sunday. Time-out will start by 11:00 am Saturday and 10:15 am Sunday. The distance each day will be 8 to 10 miles at a pace of approximately 3.5 mph. There will be one P&R (Pulse and Respiration check) and 3 to 5 judging observations. This division is NATRC sanctioned & NATRC members will earn points towards regional year-end awards & mileage.

The clinic will consist of being videotaped at 3 – 5 obstacles during Saturday's LeD and individually reviewing the video with the judge, late afternoon on Saturday, to learn how the obstacle was scored for you and your horse and how you can improve your score. Based on previous years weather, this review will probably be in a heated trailer, and will be about 20 minutes per rider. The clinic portion is limited to 10 people.

**Ride Notes:** All competing out-of-state horses must have negative Coggins and current Health Certificate. Terrain is barefoot friendly. **Dogs are not allowed in management area, check-in area, briefings or at meals, and must be leashed at all times (insurance requirement and State Park rules).**

**Directions:** From Highway 79 at the Raymond Nebraska corner, take Raymond Road west for 6 miles. Turn right into Homestead Campground Area 2 and veer left to the equestrian campground.

**Park Fees & Camping Facilities:** Nebraska State Park Permit is required and can be purchased online at <https://ngpc-home.ne.gov/>. This equestrian area offers 15 pull-through sites with electrical hookups reservable at the park office only, as well as 14 corrals. Call 402-783-3400 to reserve by the Thursday prior (no online reservations). Camping and park fees are NOT included in the entry fees. Please independently take care of all park fees. Drinking water, pit-toilet and fire rings are available in the equestrian camping area.

**Entry Fees**(checks payable to NECTRA send to Ride Secretary) or pay via PayPal at [nctrainfo@aol.com](mailto:nctrainfo@aol.com)

Clinic	\$30*
Leisure Division Ride Sat	\$65 / \$75 (member / non-member**)
Leisure Division Ride Sun	\$65 / \$75 (member / non-member**)
Leisure Division Ride both Sat and Sun	\$110 (discount for members only**)

*A deposit of \$30 or full registration must accompany the entry to hold your spot in the LeD ride*

**\*Due to limitations on time for video review with the judge the clinic is limited to 10 riders. Fees for the Clinic must be paid in full within 2 weeks of registration to keep your spot (in addition to the ride deposit)**

\*\*First year NATRC membership is free. To join visit <https://www.natrc.org/join> prior to the day of the ride  
**First NATRC ride is sponsored by NECTRA and is free (each day is a separate ride). Please indicate in your registration if this is your first NATRC competition.**

**Leisure Division Judge:** Debby Starr

**Ride Chair:** Alex Braun [alexdouglasbraun@gmail.com](mailto:alexdouglasbraun@gmail.com) 402-414-7030

**Ride Secretary:** Helen Smith [hsmithtmoran@gmail.com](mailto:hsmithtmoran@gmail.com) 402-298-1411 (send text if no answer)  
750 County Road B, Ashland, NE 68003

**In Case of Emergency, Call 911**

Branched Oak State Recreation area 402-783-3400 or Ride Management at above #'s.

**Sponsored by Nebraska Endurance & Competitive Trail Ride Association**

**Branching Out Competitive Trail Riding Clinic  
and NATRC Leisure Division Ride  
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Governed by the rules of the North American Trail Ride Conference (NATRC) **30 Rider Limit**

**NATRC Clinic (Saturday, April 27) Leisure Division Ride (Saturday April 27 and Sunday April 28)**

**Submit registration with applicable entry fee payable to NECTRA.**

**Send to NECTRA, c/o Helen Smith, 750 County Road B, Ashland NE 68003**

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**Registration Form:**

**Rider Information:**

Name \_\_\_\_\_

Phone # \_\_\_\_\_ e-mail \_\_\_\_\_

Address/City/St/Zip \_\_\_\_\_

Check one: \_\_\_ Age 18 or over \_\_\_ Age 10 – 17 & birth date \_\_\_\_\_

If 17 or younger, name of responsible adult \_\_\_\_\_

**In case of emergency:**

Contact \_\_\_\_\_ Phone # \_\_\_\_\_

NATRC member \_\_\_\_\_ / non-member \_\_\_\_\_

**Horse Information:**

Name \_\_\_\_\_

Color \_\_\_\_\_ Height \_\_\_\_\_ Weight \_\_\_\_\_

Birth Date of Horse \_\_\_\_\_ Breed/type \_\_\_\_\_

Check One: \_\_\_ Mare \_\_\_ Gelding Registration # \_\_\_\_\_

Horse Owner's Name \_\_\_\_\_

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NATRC Clinic (Saturday April 27)**

**Leisure Division Ride (LeD)** will be offered both Saturday April 27 & Sunday April 28.

The LeD will start with check-in of horses. Time-out will start within one hour of check-in (sooner if everyone is ready). The distance both days will be 8 - 10 miles, at a pace of approximately 3.5 mph. There will be one P&R (Pulse and Respiration check), and 3 to 5 judging observations. Terrain is barefoot friendly. This division is NATRC sanctioned and NATRC members will earn points towards regional year-end awards and mileage.

**Clinic:** The clinic aspect will be videotaping of 3 - 5 obstacles during the LeD, and an approved judge will review with you on Saturday afternoon, what was observed and why you received the score you did, and how you and your horse can improve your score. Clinic limited to 10 participants.

## **Saturday April 27**

### **Arrival and Check-in 9:00 am with Ride Secretary**

9:30 am Ride Briefing

10:00 am Check-in with Judge

11:00 am LeD times Out (will leave sooner if everyone ready)

2:00ish pm Check out with judge

3:30 pm Awards

**Clinic:** 4:30pm – 6:30pm Review of Videos with Judge (Individual Review in a heated trailer! Twenty minutes per person)

## **Sunday April 28 (LeD)**

### **Arrival and Check-in with Secretary starts 8:30 am**

9:00am Ride Briefing

9:30 Check-in with Judge

10:15 am LeD times Out (sooner if everyone ready)

1:30ish pm Check out with judge

2:30 pm Awards for LeD

**Workers:** P&R crew, safety rider, judges' secretaries, and mentors. Contact Helen or Alex if you can help. Volunteers make these rides possible & fun. No inexperienced trail horses or riders permitted as safety riders & must meet NATRC age guidelines. Auditors are welcome and will be encouraged to help during the ride.