

**LEE'S RETREAT
APPOMATTOX, VA
MAY 18-19, 2019**

LOCATION: Appomattox-Buckingham State Forest, Dillwyn, VA

RIDE MANAGER: Chris Cooper, 434-414-6355 (cell), 434-352-5653 (home) CTheMeadow@gmail.com, 757 Old Grist Mill Rd., Appomattox, VA 24522

RIDE SECRETARY: Andrea Rogers, 803-658-6017, 803-992-3178 (cell), carolinaluck@yahoo.com, 3543 Shillinglaw Rd., Sharon, SC 29742

JUDGES: Vet: Mike Bridges Horsemanship: Lori Allen

RIDE DIVISIONS: A (2-day) Novice, CP, Open; B (1-day) Novice, CP, Open. B ride will be on Saturday. Leisure Ride on Saturday.

RIDE FEE: NATRC Member \$95, Jr. \$75; Non-member \$120, Jr. \$100. Leisure: Member: \$45, Non-member \$60. For those who have never been a member of NATRC, free memberships are available.

CAMP FEE: \$15/night

Make \$35 deposit check out to Chris Cooper and mail it to Chris.

RIDER LIMIT: 40

TRAIL TERRAIN: Gentle to moderate hills, Good footing, About 50% rock or gravel, single track trails and forest roads through the woods.

DISTANCE: Novice & CP approx. 17 miles/day; Open approx. 27 miles/Saturday, 27 miles/Sunday.

CAMPING: Primitive camping, bring your own water, dogs on leash, no dogs on trail. Horses tied to trailer, high-lines, or High Tie. Negative Coggins Required.

MEALS: Potlucks Friday and Saturday nights. Volunteers fed all weekend.

REGISTER: www.natrc5.org for competition and camping. Contact ride manager if you need assistance in registering.

FRIDAY SCHEDULE

CHECK-IN: 2 PM

VET-IN: 3 PM

NEW COMPETITOR MEETING: After Ride Briefing

RIDE BRIEFING: 6 PM

Complete weekend schedule available at check-in.

SPECIAL NOTES:

- 1) **STATE FOREST USER FEE:** All riders except those under the age of 16 must obtain a USER PERMIT from the state of Virginia. The cost is \$16.00 and may be obtained on line, is good for a year at any Virginia State Forest. <http://dof.virginia.gov/stateforest/regs/state-forest-use-permit.htm>
- 2) This event is being conducted in the Appomattox-Buckingham State Forest and is authorized under a Special Use Permit, that we have obtained.
- 3) This ride is located within an area of historical importance in American history. Appomattox Court House just 12 miles away is the location where General Lee surrendered to General Grant in 1865, beginning the end of the Civil War. Appomattox-Buckingham State Forest includes a trail called the Richmond Trail and is the road Lee and his troops used on their retreat from Richmond, Virginia to their ultimate surrender at Appomattox Court

House. Today this is an Historical National Park, admission is free. You will pass this National Park if you access our ride using freeway 460 to highway 24.

DIRECTIONS:

If using a GPS, the ranger station address is 1685 Francisco Road, Dillwyn, VA., however the Carter Taylor Trailhead parking is 1.5 miles beyond the ranger station, on the right if coming from Hwy 24.

From Roanoke or Hwy 29 Take Hwy 460 east. Stay on 460 all the way into Appomattox. There is one light on 460 in Appomattox, with a couple of gas stations, Kroger, CVS, Wendy's on the corners. Continue through this light, stay in the right lane, for 1 mile to Hwy 24 East exit. You will see signs for the Appomattox Court House National Historic Park for this exit as well. **Do NOT take the business exit for 460.** Take the Hwy 24 East exit, turn left onto Hwy 24 East. Stay on Hwy 24 East for approximately 11.7 miles. Turn right onto Francisco Road (Road 636). Continue to the Carter Taylor Trailhead, approximately 3.2 miles from Hwy 24. Turn right into the parking area.

If coming from east of Appomattox travel on freeway 460, take the Hwy 24 east exit toward the Appomattox Court House National Historic Park. Follow highway 24 East for approximately 11.7 miles, turn right onto Francisco Road, (Road 636). Continue to camping area at the Carter Taylor Trailhead, approximately 3.2 miles. Turn right into the trailhead parking area.

If coming from Amherst area, Take Hwy 60 East for 28 miles, bear right onto Hwy 24 West for 7 miles, turn left onto Francisco Road (Road 636). Continue to camping area at the Carter Taylor Trailhead, approximately 3.2 miles from the turn at Hwy 24. Turn right into the trailhead parking area.

Or, you can take Hwy 60 East 14.7 miles, turn right onto Hwy 26 South, which is just after crossing the James River Bridge. Follow highway 26 South 12 miles to Appomattox, turn left at the second traffic light (Dairy Queen and Farmers Bank on the corner) onto Old Courthouse Road which becomes Highway 24 East for approximately 12.1 miles, turn right onto Francisco Road, (Road 636). Continue to camping area at the Carter Taylor Trailhead, approximately 3.2 miles. Turn right into the trailhead parking area.

If coming from the DC area you can take Hwy 15 South, at Sprouse's Corner turn right onto Highway 60 west for 7.7 miles, bear left onto Highway 24 west for 7 miles. Turn left onto Francisco Road, (Road 636). Continue to camping area at the Carter Taylor Trailhead, approximately 3.2 miles from the turn at Hwy 24. Turn right into the trailhead parking area.