FRENCH BROAD CLASSIC @ THE BILTMORE ESTATE OCTOBER 6-8, 2023

SANCTIONED BY NATRC (NORTH AMERICAN TRAIL RIDE CONFERENCE) BILTMORE ESTATE, ASHEVILLE, NC

LOCATION: Biltmore Estate Equestrian Center, 828-225-1454, www.biltmore.com/visit/equestrian, 1 Lodge Street, Asheville, NC 28803

RIDE MANAGER: Barry Garnes, 828-476-0030, bngarnes@gmail.com RIDE A&B SECRETARY: Connie Fike, 717-781-3236, clkike26@gmail.com RIDE LEISURE SECRETARY: Linda Clayton, 334-313-2999, lindayclay@aol.com Trail Master: Joe Grasty, 828-586-9724, jgrasty3g@gmail.com

RIDE DIVISIONS: A (2-day) Novice, CP, Open; B (1-day) Novice, CP, Open; Leisure (2-day) Saturday & Sunday

RIDE FEE: NATRC A&B Ride \$125, Juniors \$90 Non-member \$155 Leisure Ride \$75 for 1 day, if you ride 2 days the second day is \$50 Non-member \$105 CAMP FEE: \$75 per rider Make \$35 deposit check out to French Broad Classic (FBC) and mail to Sherry Garnes, 500 Reeves Cove Rd., Candler, NC 28715

PayPal account: sherrymgarnes@gmail.com

Venmo: Sherry Garnes@sherrygarnes

RIDER LIMIT: 60 A&B, 40 Leisure

TRAIL TERRAIN: Gentle hills, limited rocks, packed trails, some gravel rds. Shoes recommended.

DISTANCE: Leisure approx. 8-11 miles each day, Novice & CP approx. 16-18 miles each day, Open approx. 25-28 miles each day

CAMPING: No water or electrical hook-ups, Water spigots and water tank in camp, Porta-potties, horses tied to trailer or NATRC approved portable corral, dogs on leash, and negative Coggins required.

MEALS: Friday Night Potluck, Saturday Night Dinner & Vegetarian meal provided, \$12/person. Volunteers feed all weekend.

REGISTER: <u>www.rms.natrc.net</u> for competition and camping. Contact ride manager or secretaries if you need assistance in registering.

FRIDAY SCHEDULE

CHECK-IN: 12PM VET-IN: 2PM RIDE BRIEFING: Friday Evening @ Big Tent NEW COMPETITOR MEETING: 5:00 @ the Big Tent **SPECIAL NOTES:** Saturday riders will have an opportunity to stop and view Biltmore House from the trail and ride through the vineyards on the estate. HELMETS REQUIRED. If you wish to arrive before Thursday, you must contact ride Biltmore Equestrian Center, 828-225-1454, for early entry onto the Estate grounds. French Broad River is forbidden! No smoking on trails. No open fires.

DIRECTIONS: From Interstate 40, use Exit 50. Follow signs to Biltmore Estate. Stay in the FAR LEFT LANE. From Interstate 26, take I-40 EAST. Use Exit 50, same as above. Entrance to Biltmore Estate is on the left. Follow "Trail Ride" or "Biltmore Equestrian Center" signs to camp. Trailer access is ONLY through the Biltmore Estate Front Gate. Camp is approx. 3 miles from front gate and please be aware that the speed limit is very slow due to tourist traffic and geese.