



# AHDRA's Big River Ride



(Arabian Horse Distance Riding Association, [ahdra.org](http://ahdra.org))

\*AHDRA members get 150% for all points earned!

\*AHDRA members receive \$5 discount on each ride entered!

\*\$20 surcharge for non-AERC members

\*Start times: To be announced at Friday ride meeting, but will not be before dawn.

## Saturday, October 26:

50 mile Endurance	\$90 Sr.*	\$50 Jr.
25 mile LD	\$75 Sr.*	\$45 Jr.
25 mile Comp	\$75 Sr.	\$45 Jr.
12.5 mile Novice	\$45 Sr.	\$30 Jr.
12.5 mile Drive	\$50 All	

## Sunday, October 27:

25 mile LD	\$75 Sr.*	\$45 Jr.
25 mile Comp	\$75 Sr.	\$45 Jr.
12.5 mile Novice	\$45 Sr.	\$30 Jr.
12.5 mile Drive	\$50 All	

**Costume Party!!** Dress up you and/or your horse! Costume parade near the vet area, Saturday afternoon before dark. Judging will be Saturday during the rides and/or during the parade. Judges will be determined by ride managers. Get extra credit for riding in your costume or including your horse in your costume!! Riders in costume receive preferential treatment at potluck. Winners announced Saturday night after potluck!

## Sandy Oaks Campground (in Big River State Forest):

Address: 2753 1500 E Ave., Keithsburg, IL, 61442

Phone: (309) 374-2593

GPS coordinates (for putting in map programs): 41°02'06.0"N 90°54'05.9"W

Sandy Oaks Campground is roomy, has electric at most sites, and has real bathrooms with showers! Reasonably sized electric pens allowed. There is a club house for meetings and meals. Located between Keithsburg and Oquawka, Illinois. **Reservations not required. Pay for camping when you get there.**

**Trail:** Winds through trees; some deep sand, some riding along side of a road. Hidden Halloween decorations to find, and plenty of crew spots.

**Saturday evening meal:** Saturday night chili and potluck—Chili will be provided. Bring food to add to chili (i.e., crackers, sour cream, cheese, pasta, etc.) or a dish to share (side dish or dessert). Award ceremony will follow meal.

**Ride Manager:** Emily Schupp ([emilyschupp46@yahoo.com](mailto:emilyschupp46@yahoo.com), 563-320-7999)

**Assistant Manager:** Jim Andriakos ([cgswwimcoach@yahoo.com](mailto:cgswwimcoach@yahoo.com), 815-276-2043)

**Ride Veterinarian:** Dr. Maureen Fehrs

### **Pre-Entries – Ride with GPS Tracks:**

All pre-entries will receive via email the Ride with GPS Track. This is a free app for users and will provide turn by turn guidance. **Only available to pre-entries.**

### **Send pre-entries to:**

Emily Schupp 3170 180<sup>th</sup> St Muscatine, IA 52761

Make checks payable to AHDRA, checks will not be cashed until after the ride.

### **Riding helmets are required whenever mounted or in cart for ALL riders and anyone in cart.**

Directions:

To Big River Ride

(Sandy Oaks Campground, 2753 1500 E Ave., Keithsburg, IL, phone: 309-374-2593)

From the north:

Take I-74 East toward Peoria. Take IL-17 (exit 32), Woodhull/Alpha exit. Follow IL-17 to Aledo. At stoplight in Aledo (big red brick building on SE corner), take a left onto IL-94 South (later turns into 2650 N or CR-3). Go approximately 6 miles until 30th Ave, turn right. Follow this road to Seaton (it takes a 90 degree turn left onto 160<sup>th</sup> St. and a 90 degree turn right onto 3<sup>rd</sup> St.). Go through Seaton and continue about 4 miles. Turn left at 100th Street (changes to 1500 E at county line). Continue another 4 miles after turning on 100th St. **Go PAST** the Big River State Equestrian campground. Sandy Oaks Campground is on the right. Pull in the first (northerly) drive and park anywhere. We use the big open field for trot-outs and vetting. Trail head is in south-west corner of campground.

From the south (Peoria):

Take I-74 West from Peoria to US 34 West towards Monmouth (exit 46). Go to US 67 North and turn right. Go approximately 19 miles north until 270th Ave. (County Hwy 3). Turn left (west) onto 270th Ave. Continue straight onto IL94 (270th Ave., or County Hwy. 3, becomes IL 94). Continue straight onto Bald Bluff Rd. (IL 94 becomes Bald Bluff Rd.) Continue straight (west) for approximately 2½ miles to 1500 E Ave. Turn right (north) onto 1500 E Ave. Go for approximately 1 mile. Sandy Oaks Campground is on the left. Pull in the second (northerly) drive and park anywhere. We use the big open field for trot-outs and vetting. Trail head is in south-west corner of campground.

