



# Oak Leaf Run

Come ride the "DAM" trail

October 14 & 15, 2017

Silver Creek Park

Hamilton, Michigan

AERC \* UMECRA \* OAATS \* GLDRA

## SATURDAY October 14

## SUNDAY October 15

75 Miles*	\$110.00 Sr.	\$55.00 Jr.			
50 Miles*	\$80.00 Sr.	\$40.00 Jr.	30 Miles LD.*	\$60.00 Sr.	\$30.00 Jr.
30 Miles LD.*	\$60.00 Sr.	\$30.00 Jr.	30 Miles Comp.	\$60.00 Sr.	\$30.00 Jr.
25 Miles LD.* (evening)	\$60.00 Sr.	\$30.00 Jr.	15 Mile Novice	\$25.00 Sr.	\$25.00 Jr.
50 Miles Comp.	\$80.00 Sr.	\$40.00 Jr.	15 Mile Introductory	\$25.00 Sr.	\$25.00 Jr.
30 Miles Comp.	\$60.00 Sr.	\$30.00 Jr.	Must have minimum 10 paid entries at start of ride or will be cancelled.		
15 Mile Novice	\$25.00 Sr.	\$25.00 Jr.			
15 Mile Introductory	\$25.00 Sr.	\$25.00 Jr.			

**"New for 2017" 75 and 50 mile routes include new trails and DAM CROSSING**

\*Non-AERC members add \$15.00 to Endurance and LD Rides

Pre-Enter for a special award

\$5.00 Additional charge for entries postmarked or received after **October 9, 2017**

**Send Entries and check payable to:**

Barb Kurti 319 Quincy Street SW, Grandville, MI 49418-9692  
(616) 896-6798 synerator@aol.com

**Vet In:** Friday at approximately 4:00 pm (or when the vets arrive). Copy of negative Coggins dated within 12 months required. All LD vet checks are in camp. Endurance will have out & in camp vet checks.

**Riders meeting:** Friday at approximately 8:00 pm

**Potluck and Awards:** Saturday night. The main dish and table service will be furnished by the ride management. Please bring a dish to pass and serving spoon.

**Trails:** Sandy/wooded/technical/two track/gravel road. Relatively flat terrain. A creek in camp.

**Camping:** Reservations can be made with the park up to five days prior online by going to [www.allegancounty.org/parks](http://www.allegancounty.org/parks) or call (269) 686-9088. After that is a "first come" basis. Camping fees are \$12/night + \$3/horse plus \$5 processing fee. Rustic wooded camping with posts for high lines, fire pit and picnic table. No hook-ups. Hand water pumps are available as are vault toilets. Campsites must be clean and raked before departure. Dogs must be on a leash at all times. Pens allowed. Equines must be kept away from trees. Failure to obey park rules may be subjected to a fee and/or evicted.

**WARNING:** Riders are expected to control their mounts at all times and observe ride/park rules. Failure to do so shall be grounds for disqualification of equine and rider. Any rider who acts in a disrespectful or unsportsmanlike manner as judged by Ride Management will be disqualified!

**RULES:** AERC and UMECRA. Endurance will be a gate-into-hold and Competitive will be UMECRA window concept. *All Juniors MUST wear a helmet.*

Ride information is subject to change. Go to [www.gldrami.org](http://www.gldrami.org) for current ride flyer.

**Clinic for Novice and Introductory riders will be held Saturday at 9:00am.**

**INTRODUCTORY RIDE (Endurance-AERC):**

The purpose of the introductory ride is to educate and acquaint riders and/or equines to the sport of Endurance.

1. Any gender or breed of equine is welcome. The equine must be at least 48 months old.
2. This is not a race and has no minimum or maximum time for completion. Riders are strongly encouraged to pace 5-7mph. Ideal time is 2-3 hours.
3. There are no point or mileage accumulations, no placement awards, and no best condition judging, nor are results reported to AERC. However if your horse successfully completes the ride, you will receive a completion award and have had the opportunity to experience the sport of endurance.
4. No AERC membership fee is required for the 15 mile introductory ride.
5. Juniors must wear an ASTM helmet whenever mounted and be accompanied at all times by their adult sponsor.

**COMPETITIVE NOVICE RIDE (Competitive-UMECRA):**

The objective of this division is to promote the entry of new riders and new horses into the sport of Distance Riding.

1. Any gender or breed of equine is welcome. The equine must be at least 48 months old.
2. Novice rides must use the "window system" as follows: A novice rider may come in from 5 minutes before or up to 5 minutes after the exact scheduled time without losing points. One point per minute is lost for coming in before or after these limits, up to 55 minutes (a total of 55 points) without being disqualified.
3. Horse/rider team will use the same rules as competitive rides and including UMECRA general rules.



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**Location** Silver Creek Park is located just east of M-40 at the corner of 134th Avenue and 38th Street. There are two entrances to the park, one the 134th Avenue and on one 38th Street and both are indicated with signs. If you have a large rig, it is advised you use the 38th Street entrance.

**Get directions** from the Silver Creek Park & Campground website. [www.allegancounty.org](http://www.allegancounty.org) The street address is 3900 134th Ave, Hamilton, MI 49419

**From US-131**, exit 68 (142nd Avenue). Proceed west to 38th Street. Go south to the park.

**From Chicago** I-94 E to I-196 N/ US-31 N (Holland/Grand Rapids) continue 49 miles, Take exit 49 for M-40 toward Allegan, turn right at a t M-40 S, continue 6.5 miles, turn left at 134th Avenue and continue 3.4 miles. Park will be on the right.

**From Ohio/Indiana** from I-80 toll road exit 144 to I-69 N, continue north to exit 38 for I-94 W. Continue west to exit 74B for US-131 N toward Grand Rapids. Continue north to exit 68 for Dorr/Moline. Turn left onto 142nd Ave. Go 12.6 miles and turn left at 38th St. Go south 4.5 mile to Park entrance on your right.