



Dakota Dash

JUNE 27 & 28, 2026

Ft Ransom State Park – Ft Ransom, ND

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Fort Ransom State Park features a mix of wooded trails, ridge-top prairies, water crossings, bridges, and challenging elevation changes (several hundred feet). Mostly single-track with plenty of sections to safely pass. All vet checks will be in camp. Hoof protection is strongly recommended.

Camping: The entire Riverside Horse Camp has been blocked for the ride. Due to limited horse pens, do not bring horses that are not competing. With the overflow area, there are plenty of campsites. Dogs must always be leashed and cleaned up after.

- A horse trail pass and park vehicle fees are required in addition to the camping fees. See park office upon arrival.
- There are 27 electric sites @ \$30/night. Unlimited primitive sites @ \$15/night (plus tax and credit card fees)
- Horses MUST be kept in one of the park provided pens (no additional cost) or hard tied to your trailer if in primitive camping. Pens for primitive campers will be available as space allows. Pens and sites need to be cleaned before you leave.
- Reservations and pen assignments for Friday and Saturday nights will be managed by the ride until June 5. After June 5 our hold will be released and sites opened up to the public.
 - If you are coming early or staying later, get your site assignment from the ride BEFORE booking the extra days with the park, otherwise you may end up having to move sites.
- **There is a \$10 non-refundable deposit for camping reservations. No refunds on camping after June 18. Contact Amy for camping reservations at amyellingson@yahoo.com or 605-228-7151**

Horses: All horses must have negative coggins and out of state horses need health certs. Per state law, brand inspections are required to leave the state (\$1.50 per horse). A brand inspector will be on site (day/time TBD) for your convenience.

Ride Schedule / Fees:

- **\$10 OFF** a Sunday entry if you rode Saturday. Can be a different horse. (does not apply to Intro riders)

Event	Saturday	Sunday	Adult / Junior*
Endurance – 50 miles	~ Dawn	n/a	\$100 / \$50
Limited Distance – 25 miles	30 min after endurance	7:00 am	\$85 / \$40
Intro Ride – 10.5 miles	1:00 pm	11:00 am	\$40 / \$20

*non-AERC members add \$20 (excludes Intro)

Ride Rules: This is an AERC and UMECRA sanctioned ride and all rules for those organizations will be enforced - see aerc.org and umecra.com for full rules.

- Juniors must wear a helmet while mounted.
- There will be no ties for placings/awards.
- Pre-registration is appreciated. No refund after completing the pre-ride vet in, except for emergencies or event cancellation (at ride manager discretion). Refunds by credit card will be less the credit card processing fee.

Ride Management:

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