## **Battle River Competitive Trail Ride**

## August 24 - 26, 2018 Information Sheet

The ride will be held on private land and hosted at MSW Farms near Ponoka. Check out their web page <a href="www.mswfarms.com">www.mswfarms.com</a> The ranch has a beautiful area for camping with our horses with a great view of the Battle River Valley. The trail will cover grass, sand and minimal gravel and rocky areas so foot protection is at rider's discretion.

MSW Farms is a working elk and cattle ranch so **dogs are NOT allowed**. If you show up with a dog you will be asked to remove the dog from the ranch.

Friday registration will begin at 3 pm with initial vet in beginning at 4 pm. Please let us know by August 19 if you are planning to attend so that we can have an estimate for food.

There will be a free pancake breakfast sponsored by Stone Willow Veterinary Services before awards on Sunday morning. If you cannot stay for the awards we understand. We will do our best to get your prize to you.

All participants must be AEF members prior to the ride for insurance purposes. Please have this done before you arrive and bring proof of membership with you. It is the riders' responsibility to be familiar with the rules. The TRAC handbook can be found at <a href="http://www.trailriding.ca/resources/trac-handbook.html">http://www.trailriding.ca/resources/trac-handbook.html</a>

All juniors are required to wear a helmet at all times when mounted, even in camp when not competing. It is not mandatory for adults to wear a helmet but it is highly recommended and a good example to the juniors.

Volunteers are always needed. If you can help please contact Ken and Marlene Vanderwekken. Lunch and supper will be provided for riders and volunteers. Extra meal tickets will be available at the ride office.

Camping fees apply at this ride. There is a nightly charge of \$10.00 per person and \$10.00 per horse. Children 10 and under are free. Visitor day only fee is \$5.00 per person. Camping fees apply to everybody that attends. If you are a volunteer, we will pay for your camping on the day that you volunteer (person only).

You are responsible for your own garbage – please take it home. There will be a manure bin available, so you can clean up your camp before you leave. Horse water will be available.

For more information contact Ken and Marlene 403 782 7363 or <a href="mailto:stonewillowvet@gmail.com">stonewillowvet@gmail.com</a>

Directions to MSW Farm: From the south - hwy 2 take Ponoka exit 450 and go 2.5 miles West on hwy 53, turn north on hwy 795 (Usona road) and go 5 miles to township road 435 turn west and go 1.5 miles (no exit road, farm is at the end of the road on the south side). From the north - hwy 2 take exit 462 (Menaik Rd.) and travel west 7.2 km, turn south on Rge, Rd, 265, in 4.9 km turn west on Twp Rd. 435 and go 1.5 miles



Titan IT & Video Service will be taking aerial video. Check out some of Peter's videos on his website <a href="http://www.titanservices.ca/video-gallery/">http://www.titanservices.ca/video-gallery/</a>

Come enjoy spacious camping, beautiful trails, delicious food and Central Alberta hospitality! We look forward to seeing you.