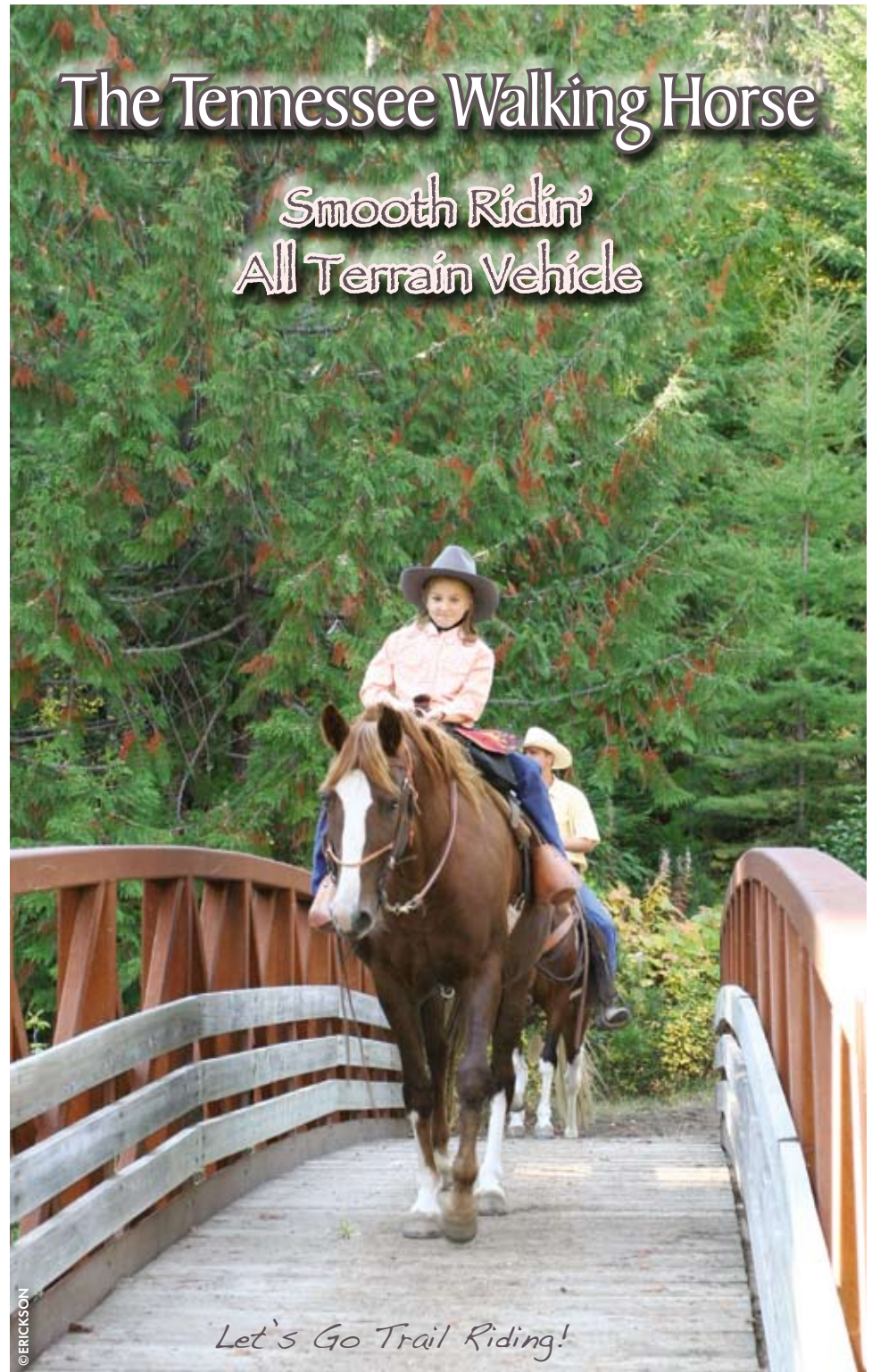


The Tennessee Walking Horse

Smooth Ridin'
All Terrain Vehicle



Let's Go Trail Riding!



Smart, strong, surefooted, and smooth, the Tennessee Walking Horse has long been recognized as a superior trail mount. The Tennessee Walking Horse was originally bred to be a utility horse capable of carrying a rider over the rolling hills of Middle Tennessee in comfort and style. This in-bred ability translates perfectly to most any terrain or situation. If it's gliding comfort and surefooted stability that you seek, the Tennessee Walking Horse is the ideal choice.

As the breed registry and the international face of the Tennessee Walking Horse, the Tennessee Walking Horse Breeders' and Exhibitors' Association has recognized the importance and impact of the Tennessee Walking Horse on the trail. As a result the Association has developed several partnerships and programs to encourage and reward the responsible use of this great American breed on the trail.

PARTNERSHIPS

National Park Service - TWHBEA is the first breed organization to form a partnership with the National Park Service. The goals of this partnership include linking TWHBEA's youth programs with National Park Service Youth programs such as the Junior Ranger Program to enhance the teaching of such qualities as leadership and responsibility, enhancement of the training and development of National Park Service staff in the practical use of horses for resource management, and to provide up to 15 educational and interpretive events in the National Park System that increase awareness of sustainable horse use, best practices, and environmental ethics by trail users.

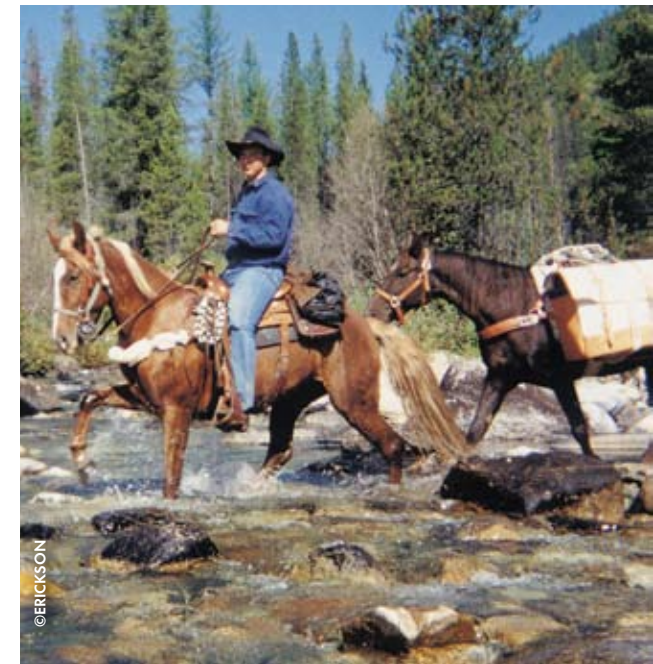
Back Country Horsemen Of America - TWHBEA is proud to be a Spur Member of the Back Country Horsemen of America. This organization and its affiliates are dedicated to the preservation of the historical use of recreational stock in the back country. At the grass roots level BCHA performs trail maintenance to keep our nation's trails open. BCHA is also very active in assisting various government and private agencies to ensure the expansion of our riding opportunities. Through a unified, coordinated effort TWHBEA and BCHA will actively involve youth in activities to ensure that future generations can have the fulfillment of enjoying the outdoors with their favorite mount.

Leave No Trace - TWHBEA is a proud partner of the Leave No Trace Center for Outdoor Ethics. Leave No Trace is an educational, nonprofit organization dedicated to the responsible enjoyment and active stewardship of the outdoors by people worldwide. TWHBEA will utilize this partnership for educational purposes on trail events involving TWHBEA members.

ELCR - TWHBEA is honored to be a member of the Equestrian Partnership Program of the Equestrian Land Conservation Resource. ELCR is a non-profit organization dedicated to the conservation of land for equestrian activity.

Loss of open land has been identified as the greatest threat to the future of all equestrian sport, recreation, and industry. By educating people and encouraging partnerships with conservationists and other use groups at the local level, ELCR is mobilizing thousands of equestrians to work for land access and protection in their communities. TWHBEA recognizes that without such concerted efforts, the equestrian world as we know it is at great risk.

Best Of America By Horseback - TWHBEA is honored to partner with the RFD-TV show Best Of America By Horseback. Internationally recognized as the Voice of Trail Riding, Best Of America By Horseback works to publicize issues related to equestrian trail use and promotes the responsible use of trails by all equestrians.





PROGRAMS

The TWHBEA Trails Programs are designed to recognize trail riding enthusiasts who enjoy spending time on the trail and competing in trail events with their TWHBEA registered horses. For complete information on each program please visit www.twhbea.com or call (931)359-1574.

Easy Rider Distance Program

- The TWHBEA Easy Rider Program is designed for the pleasure riding enthusiast who enjoys the benefits gained from trail riding on a regular basis. Recognition is based on hours spent on the trail by a horse/rider team and awards are presented at regular hourly increments. A GPS Navigation System is awarded to the horse/rider team accumulating the most hours on the trail over the course of a year.

Competitive Trail Riding Program - The TWHBEA Competitive Trail Riding Program is aimed at encouraging TWHBEA members to compete in Competitive Trail Events. TWHBEA collaborates with NATRC on point tabulations. A year end Tennessee Walking Horse High Point Award is presented through NATRC to the top Tennessee Walking Horse in their standings.

Endurance Program - The TWHBEA Endurance Program hopes to encourage endurance riders to pursue success in endurance events riding registered Tennessee Walking Horses. Program points are tracked through AERC, both in the United States and abroad. A year end Tennessee Walking Horse High Point Award is presented through AERC to the top Tennessee Walking Horse in their standings.

Limited Distance Program - The TWHBEA Limited Distance Program is aimed at encouraging TWHBEA members to become more involved in Limited Distance competitions. Program points will be tracked through AERC, both in the United States and abroad. A year end Tennessee Walking Horse High Point Award is presented through AERC to the top Tennessee Walking Horse in their standings.

Trail Registration Program - The TWHBEA Trail Registration Program is designed to give TWHBEA members the opportunity to register their favorite trails and provide information about those trails online for other TWHBEA members to share. Information collected shows the location, length, and terrain of the trail, as well as personal descriptions by TWHBEA members. This program makes it easier for TWHBEA Trail Riders to locate the trails containing the distance needed to achieve their goals, not to mention beautiful scenery along the way!

Trail Volunteer Award - The TWHBEA Trail Volunteer Award has been developed to recognize TWHBEA members who dedicate themselves to preserving and maintaining their nation's trails. It is awarded in cooperation with Back Country Horsemen Of America to the TWHBEA / Back Country Horsemen Of America member that goes above and beyond in dedicating time and effort to trail preservation and maintenance.

Trail Promotion Award - The TWHBEA Trail Promotion Award is for the TWHBEA member(s) who dedicates his/her time to trail education. Hours are accumulated by providing educational presentations or informational opportunities for the public involving any topic related to their nation's equine trails. Venues such as expositions, seminar presentations, adult and youth trail demonstrations and any other trail promotion approved by TWHBEA are eligible.

Open Gaited Breed Easy Rider Distance Program - Much the same as the Easy Rider Program covered above, this program is designed for the pleasure trail riding enthusiast riding a non-registered gaited horse. For this program, TWHBEA membership is offered at a special reduced rate set just for non-registered horse owners. Recognition is based on hours spent on the trail by a horse/rider team and awards are presented at regular hourly increments. A GPS Navigation System is awarded to the horse/rider team accumulating the most hours on the trail over the course of a year.





IMPORTANT CONTACTS

The following is a list of contacts that may assist you in finding the perfect trail, locating educational opportunities, or selecting a volunteer experience related to equestrian trails use.

National Park Service

www.nps.gov

Back Country

Horsemen Of America

1-888-893-5161

P. O. Box 1367

Graham, Washington 98338-1367

www.backcountryhorse.com

Leave No Trace

1-800-332-4100

P. O. Box 997

Boulder, Colorado 80306

www.lnt.org

Equestrian Land

Conservation Resource

(859)455-8383

4037 Iron Works Parkway, Suite 120

Lexington, Kentucky 40511

www.elcr.org

Best Of America

By Horseback

(540)829-9555

Andora Group, LLC.

17275 Germanna Highway

Culpeper, Virginia 22701

www.bestofamericabyhorseback.com

American Endurance

Ride Conference (AERC)

1-886-271-AERC

P. O. Box 6027

Auburn, California 95604

www.aerc.org

North American Trail Ride

Conference (NATRC)

(303)688-1677

P. O. Box 224

Sedalia, Colorado 80135

www.natrc.org

TRAIL RIDE EMERGENCY KIT CHECKLIST

As all trail riders know, the unexpected can and will happen. It's important to be prepared and one of the easiest things any rider can do to be ready for just about anything is to put together a trail ride emergency kit. Just throw the dozen or so useful items into a small pommel bag and permanently attach it to your saddle. That way you'll know you're prepared, even on those spontaneous trips to the woods or down the road.

- ◇ **Combination Tool** - Hoof pick, brush cutter, splinter puller, etc.
- ◇ **Leather Laces** - Great for quick tack repairs and securing gear.
- ◇ **Rubber-Dipped, Cotton Knit Gloves** - Quick hand protection.
- ◇ **Easyboot Temporary Horseshoe** - Quick hoof protection.
- ◇ **Flashlight** - Good for pinpointing small wounds. Also useful after dark.
- ◇ **Resealable Freezer Bag (Lg)** - Bucket, washbasin, waste container.
- ◇ **Disposable Rain Poncho** - Rain gear, saddle protection, drop cloth.
- ◇ **Individually Wrapped Sanitary Napkins (2)** - Wound dressing.
- ◇ **Elastic Bandage (2 Rolls)** - Best known as VetRap. Great as a bandage.
- ◇ **Water (2 8oz. Bottles)** - Thirst quencher, wound irrigation, eyewash.
- ◇ **Baby Wipes** - Good for impromptu sponge bath or to clean wounds.
- ◇ **Pain Medication** - To treat unexpected headaches or muscle aches.
- ◇ **Pepper Spray** - For self-defense.



LEAVE NO TRACE PRINCIPLES

KNOW BEFORE YOU GO

- Be prepared! Remember food and water, and clothes to protect you from the elements.
- Use maps to plan where you are going. Check them along the way to stay the course.
- Remember to bring a leash for your pet and plastic bags to pick up your pet's waste.
- Research the areas you plan to visit so you'll know what to expect.

STICK TO TRAILS AND CAMP OVERNIGHT RIGHT

- Walk and ride on designated trails to protect trailside plants.
- Do not step on flowers or small trees. Once damaged, they may not grow back.
- Respect private property by staying on designated trails.
- Camp only in existing designated campsites to avoid damaging vegetation.
- Don't dig trenches or build structures in your campsite.

TRASH YOUR TRASH AND PICK UP POOP

- Pack it in, Pack it out. Put litter - even crumbs - in garbage bags and carry it home.
- Use bathrooms and outhouses when available. If not available, bury human waste in a small hole 6 -8 inches deep and 200 feet or 70 big steps from water.
- Use a plastic bag to pack out your pet's poop to a garbage can.
- Keep water clean. Do not put soap, food, human, or pet waste in lakes or streams.

LEAVE IT AS YOU FIND IT

- Leave plants, rocks, and historical items as you find them so others can enjoy them.
- Treat living plants with respect. Carving, hacking, or peeling plants may kill them.

BE CAREFUL WITH FIRE

- Use a camp stove for cooking. Stoves are easier and create less impact than a fire.
- If you want a campfire, be sure it's permitted and safe to build a fire in the area you're visiting. Use only existing fire rings and keep your fire small.
- Remember, a campfire isn't a garbage can. Pack out all trash and food.
- Burn all wood to ash, and be sure the fire is completely out and cold before you leave.

KEEP WILDLIFE WILD

- Observe wildlife from a distance and never approach, feed, or follow them.
- Human food is unhealthy for all wildlife and feeding them starts bad habits.
- Protect wildlife and your food by securely storing your meals and trash.

SHARE OUR TRAILS AND MANAGE YOUR PET

- Be considerate when passing others on the trail.
- Keep your pet under control to protect it, other visitors, and wildlife.
- Listen to nature. Avoid making loud noises or yelling. You will see more if you are quiet.
- Be sure the fun you have outdoors does not bother anyone else. Remember, other visitors are there to enjoy the outdoors too.

